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Savant Continues to Give Back in Honor of its 30-Year Anniversary

Firm announces recent grant recipients through a grant fund administered by the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois

Rockford, IL (October 19, 2016) - <u>Savant Capital Management</u>, a nationally-recognized fee-only wealth management firm headquartered in Rockford, announced today that the firm has awarded \$2,500 grants to Rockford University and the Rock River Valley Food Pantry. Savant has been awarding grants to nonprofit organizations every month in 2016 as part of its year-long celebration of Savant's 30-year anniversary.

September's recipient was Rockford University. The funds will be used to support the Student Opportunity Carroll Starr Fund, which enhances student experiences including off-campus study, student-initiated projects, student/faculty research, and more.

The October recipient is the Rock River Valley Food Pantry, an organization that is committed to fighting hunger in the Rockford community by providing nutritious food to those in urgent need. The Pantry serves 72,400 people and provides enough food for more than 650,000 meals per year.

"We are pleased to announce Rockford University and the Rock River Valley Food Pantry as our recent grant recipients," said Brent Brodeski, CEO of Savant. "Both organizations are vital to the health and well-being of our community and we are proud to partner with and support their missions."

The Savant grant fund was started through the Charles Schwab Best-in-Business IMPACT Award™, which Savant received in 2015. As part of this recognition, Savant received \$15,000 from Charles Schwab to be donated to nonprofit organizations chosen by Savant. Savant matched the Schwab charitable gift and created a \$30,000 grant fund through the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois. This grant fund will recognize a total of 12 eligible nonprofits with a \$2,500 grant each month throughout 2016.

Earlier this year, Savant awarded \$2,500 grants to the Discovery Center Museum, Rockford Symphony Orchestra, Rosecrance, RAMP, Midway Village Museum, Starlight Theatre, Friends of the Coronado and Rockford Art Museum.

Throughout its history, Savant has supported its communities with hundreds of thousands of dollars in advertising and sponsorships as well as donations and long-term financial pledges to a variety of educational, cultural and other nonprofit organizations.

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