



## **West Bend Names Spirit of the Silver Lining® Award Recipients** *West Bend also presented grants to the nonprofits the recipients support*

**WEST BEND, WI (March 1, 2020)** – West Bend Mutual Insurance recently presented the Spirit of the Silver Lining Award to several independent agents that represent the company. As part of the award, West Bend also donated grants to the nonprofit organizations the agents serve.

The Spirit of the Silver Lining Award honors these West Bend agents and the nonprofit organizations they support for their dedication to delivering a silver lining to those in need.

Agents and nonprofit groups in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Tennessee, and Kentucky were recipients of the 2020 Spirit of the Silver Lining Award. The nonprofit groups include the American Heart Association in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Animal Assisted Therapy in Arlington Heights, Illinois; the Marshall County Humane Society in Plymouth, Indiana; the Waverly Area Veterans Post in Waverly, Iowa; Youth Frontiers in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Inner City Youth for Change in South Haven, Michigan; Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in Nashville, Tennessee; and the Emergency Shelter of Northern Kentucky in Covington, Kentucky.

“At West Bend, we have a proud tradition of giving back to the communities in which we do business,” said Kevin Steiner, president and CEO of West Bend Mutual Insurance. “The Spirit of the Silver Lining Award is a unique program that allows us to express our gratitude to our agent partners on whom we rely to identify the causes that matter most in our communities.”

Since 2006, West Bend has awarded more than \$1.5 million in grants for sustaining support, special projects, or capital projects to nonprofit organizations representing a broad field of interests, including, but not limited to, arts and culture; education; the environment; family, youth, and elderly; health and human services; medical research; and community development. Grants are made to organizations in several states in which West Bend operates.