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LONGABERGER FOUNDATION DONATES TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS

**Grants benefit Muskingum, Licking, Coshocton, Knox, Morgan, Guernsey, Perry,
Tuscarawas and Stark counties**

NEWARK, Ohio – The Longaberger Foundation announced today that it has awarded a total of \$90,000 in grants to domestic violence shelters in east central, southeastern and eastern Ohio. The grants will help each of the organizations to run their day-to-day operations and lend critical support to individuals, children and families in crisis. In all, the grants were awarded to eight domestic violence shelters serving the nine Ohio counties in which the vast majority of The Longaberger Company’s employees reside. The grants and their amounts include:

- \$20,000 to Transitions, Inc. Domestic Violence Shelter serving Muskingum, Morgan and Perry counties. This shelter received a larger grant because it serves multiple counties.
- \$10,000 to The Center for New Beginnings Shelter and Services, a program of The Woodlands, serving Licking County.
- \$10,000 to the First Step Family Violence Intervention Services, Inc. serving Coshocton County.
- \$10,000 to Haven of Hope serving Guernsey County.
- \$10,000 to New Directions Domestic Abuse Shelter, Inc. serving Knox County.
- \$10,000 to Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter serving Stark County.
- \$10,000 to Domestic Violence Project, Inc. serving Stark County.
- \$10,000 to Harbor House, Inc. serving Tuscarawas County.

“The focus of The Longaberger Foundation is to stimulate a better quality of life in those communities where we live and work,” said Rachel Longaberger Stukeley, president of The Longaberger Foundation. “It is our hope that these grants will support the shelters in helping victims of domestic violence start on a path to a brighter future.”

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Tami Longaberger, a member of the Foundation board and chief executive officer and president of The Longaberger Company, noted that many shelters struggle to find the necessary financial support.

“Our family has long believed in supporting programs that make a difference in the lives of others,” Tami Longaberger said. “These organizations deserve help in continuing their work to bring an end to domestic violence in their communities.”

The Longaberger Foundation is a separate nonprofit organization from The Longaberger Company. The Foundation was established in 1997 by family members Dave, Tami and Rachel Longaberger to focus efforts on four key areas, which include promoting entrepreneurial principles, preserving American history and ideals, strengthening families and addressing regional quality of life needs.

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