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**Kohl's Awards \$20,000 Grant to Dominican Center to Support
Amani Safe Water Project**

Milwaukee, WI – January 31, 2018. Dominican Center is one of twenty-eight Milwaukee area nonprofits to receive a grant through Kohl's Corp.'s new Hometown Giving Program. The \$20,000 grant will support Dominican Center's Amani Safe Water Project which seeks to address the lack of safe water and lead poison that disproportionately affects the 53206 zip-code, of which the Amani neighborhood is a significant part. Those 53206 neighborhoods have more lead laterals, lead contaminated water, and the highest number of children with elevated blood lead levels in Milwaukee.

The funding supports 160 households in receiving water filters, replacement cartridges, and education programs regarding lead contaminated water and other sources of lead poisoning. These efforts will lower the number of Amani families having elevated blood lead levels, especially those with children 6 and under and women of childbearing age.

Kohl's, as part of its new Hometown Giving Program, awarded \$500,000 in grants to 28 Milwaukee area nonprofit organizations of which focus on poverty, safety, and education. These grants are made possible through Kohl's philanthropic program, Kohl's Cares® which sells children's books and toys and donates 100 percent of the net profit to charitable initiatives nationwide.

The Dominican Center is located at 2470 W. Locust Street, in the heart of the Amani neighborhood. It works with Amani residents and partners to build a better future. The Dominican Center served as the community anchor for the White House Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative, Building Neighborhood Capacity Program and is the lead community partner for the U.S. Department of Justice's Innovations of Community Based Crime Reduction grant for Amani.

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