



For Immediate Release

Northwestern Mutual Foundation Grants Dominican Center \$15,000 for Immediate COVID-19 Relief in Amani Neighborhood

MILWAUKEE, March 27, 2020 — The Dominican Center (DC) has received a generous \$15,000 grant from longtime supporter Northwestern Mutual Foundation to aid in COVID-19 response in Milwaukee’s Amani neighborhood. The grant will allow DC to provide immediate relief in the form of resources, outreach and vital communications as well as continue ongoing revitalization efforts designed and led by Amani residents and neighborhood association Amani United.

“The timing of this generous grant from Northwestern Mutual is perfect. This grant makes it possible for the Dominican Center to relieve the minds of Amani residents who need resources and supports employment stability for DC employees,” said Dominican Center Executive Director Sister Patricia Rogers, OP.

These funds will be especially important in Amani, located on Milwaukee’s north side, due to several factors: working Amani residents are among those who are laid off, or not allowed time off and for whom telecommuting is impossible or very challenging. Historically, disadvantaged communities experience amplified effects of global disasters. The Dominican Center has provided support to the Amani community for 25 years and will continue this relationship through this pandemic.

“Without interruption Amani residents will continue to receive daily assistance with absentee voting, census response forms, and food and water drop-off and pick-up locations,” said Sr. Patricia. “We are grateful for the Northwestern Mutual partnership.”

Both DC and longtime partner Northwestern Mutual Foundation have had an unwavering commitment to the people of the Amani neighborhood, and this time facing an unprecedented medical emergency is no different.

“During this time of uncertainty, our nonprofit community will become an even more critical provider of assistance, as well as hope,” said Northwestern Mutual Foundation President Eric Christophersen.

If you would like to contribute to DC’s COVID-19 relief effort, please donate at www.dominican-center.org/donate, or contact Christina Chronister at christina@dominican-center.org.

About the Dominican Center

Dominican Center is located at 2470 W. Locust Street, in the Amani neighborhood. It works with Amani residents and partners to build a better future. 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 US Department of Justice’s Innovations of Community Based Crime Reduction grant for Amani.

Please contact Christina Chronister at the Dominican Center for additional information at (414) 444-9930 or by email at christina@dominican-center.org

###