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## Scripps Howard Foundation awarded \$1.3 million to community programs in 2019

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**CINCINNATI** – In support of its commitment to improve lives and deepen community connections in the markets where The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: SSP) serves audiences, the Scripps Howard Foundation awarded grants totaling \$1.3 million to community programs in 2019.

A total of 105 grants were made across Scripps' local TV footprint and national brands in 2019 to organizations ranging from literacy nonprofits supported by WEWS in Cleveland and the Boys and Girls Clubs supported by KGTV in San Diego to a family hunger relief group in Atlanta, supported by the Katz networks. These grants are made through the Foundation's Bob Scripps Community Fund.

The 2019 Community Fund grants were awarded to projects supporting childhood literacy – a central pillar to the Foundation's mission to create a better-informed world – in addition to basic needs and job training for people living in poverty.

"The Scripps Howard Foundation is committed to building thriving communities in Scripps markets. In partnership with Scripps stations, we create awareness and help address issues of local importance, particularly those that support and advance childhood literacy," said Liz Carter, foundation president and CEO. "We are honored to be able to give back to the communities The E.W. Scripps Company calls home and to support local organizations that drive solutions and improve lives."

In its hometown of Cincinnati, the Foundation awarded 110 grants to social service organizations to help feed, clothe and house Greater Cincinnatians in need. The Foundation also partnered with the Greater Cincinnati Foundation and Scripps station WCPO-TV to award \$100,000 to the "Prescription for Reading" program, which teaches parents and other caregivers how to foster children's literacy skills and ensures that children receive books mailed to their homes.

Additionally, the Foundation made 233 smaller grants to nonprofits and community organizations across the country on behalf of the Scripps employees who volunteer their time and resources for those organizations. The Foundation also partners with Scripps employees on the "If You Give a Child a Book …" childhood literacy campaign, which distributes thousands of books to children in Scripps communities each year.

Learn more about the Foundation's community giving programs at https://scripps.com/foundation/.

## About the Scripps Howard Foundation

The <u>Scripps Howard Foundation</u> supports philanthropic causes important to The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: SSP) and the communities it serves, with a special emphasis on excellence in journalism. At the crossroads of the classroom and the newsroom, the Foundation is a leader in supporting journalism education, scholarships, internships, minority recruitment and development, literacy and First Amendment causes. The Scripps Howard Awards stand as one of the industry's

top honors for outstanding journalism. The Foundation improves lives and helps build thriving communities. It partners with Scripps brands to create awareness of local issues and supports impactful organizations to drive solutions.

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