

For Immediate Release

Midland States Bank Foundation Announces 2018 Contributions to Local Organizations

EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS – February 22, 2018 – The Midland States Bank Foundation today announced contributions totaling \$52,347 to eight organizations throughout Illinois.

Organizations receiving donations in Northeastern Illinois include: the CRIS Healthy Aging Center of Champaign, the Greater Joliet YMCA, the Spanish Community Center of Joliet and the Will Grundy Medical Clinic of Joliet. In Central Illinois the organizations include: the Crisis Nursery of Effingham County and the Effingham County Cultural Center and Museum Association. The organizations in southern Central Illinois are: The Simple Room of Greenville and SAFE (Sexual Assault and Family Emergencies) of Vandalia.

The Midland States Bank Foundation was created to provide improvements for the general welfare, education and health in the communities where the bank operates and where its employees reside. Since its creation in 2011, the Foundation has contributed more than \$750,000 to non-profit organizations throughout Midland's footprint.

"Five years ago we began a plan to set aside a portion of the Bank's profits to be allocated through our Midland States Bank Foundation to various community organizations," commented Leon Holschbach, CEO of Midland States Bancorp, Inc. "It is a powerful way for us to live up to our "Great strength. More heart." commitment. I am very pleased to see this effort continue today throughout our footprint."

In Northeastern, IL the CRIS Healthy Aging Center of Champaign, the Greater Joliet YMCA, the Spanish Community Center of Joliet and the Will Grundy Medical Clinic of Joliet received contributions totaling \$30,500. The contributions go towards supporting each organization's plans and end goals for the 2018 year.

Two organizations in Effingham, IL, received contributions totaling \$12,500. The organizations include the Crisis Nursery of Effingham County, and Effingham County Cultural Center and Museum Association. Respectively, the organizations work to improve the community's health and well-being, as well as preserve the history of Effingham County.

Throughout southern Central, IL two local organizations received contributions totaling \$9,347. The donations went to The Simple Room of Vandalia, IL and SAFE (Sexual Assault and Family Emergencies) of Vanadlia, IL. The donations go towards the organizations' goal of providing the community with adequate care and resources, along with providing outreach to the youth of the community.

About Midland States Bancorp, Inc.

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. is a community-based financial holding company headquartered in Effingham, Illinois, and the sole shareholder of Midland States Bank. As of December 31, 2017, the Company had total assets of \$4.4 billion and its Wealth Management Group had assets under administration of approximately \$2.1 billion. Midland provides a full range of commercial and consumer banking products and services, including equipment financing and merchant credit card services, as well as trust administration, investment management, insurance and financial planning. In addition, multi-family and healthcare facility FHA financing is provided through Love Funding, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Midland States Bank. For additional information, visit www.midlandsb.com or follow Midland on LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/midland-states-bank>.

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