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**Dollar General Literacy Foundation Awards More Than \$181,000 to Michigan
Schools, Nonprofits and Literacy Organizations**

Grants provide funding for adult, family and summer literacy programs

Goodlettsville, Tennessee – **May 11, 2017** — The Dollar General Literacy Foundation announced the award of more than \$181,000 in literacy grants to Michigan nonprofit organizations, libraries and schools this morning. These funds are aimed at supporting adult, family and summer literacy programs within a 20-mile radius of a Dollar General store or distribution center across the 44 states Dollar General serves, and plan to positively impact the lives of nearly 5,000 statewide residents.

“Dollar General is excited to provide these organizations with funding to support literacy and education throughout the 44 states we serve,” said Todd Vasos, Dollar General’s CEO. “Providing these grants and supporting the communities we call home reflects our mission of **Serving Others** and it’s rewarding to see the impact these funds have.”

Statewide grants are part of more than \$7.5 million that the Dollar General Literacy Foundation awarded this morning. Recipients of today’s grant announcements plan to use Dollar General Literacy Foundation funds to help adults learn to read, prepare for the high school equivalency exam, promote childhood summer reading or learn English. Michigan recipients are listed below and a comprehensive list of grant recipients may be found online at www.dgliteracy.org.

Organization Name	City	County	Amount
YMCA of Greater Flint	Flint	GENESEE	\$3,000.00
Advent House Ministries, Inc.	Lansing	INGHAM	\$10,000.00
Goodwill Industries of Southwestern Michigan	Kalamazoo	KALAMAZOO	\$8,000.00
Kalamazoo Literacy Council	Kalamazoo	KALAMAZOO	\$9,000.00
Schoolcraft Community Library	Schoolcraft	KALAMAZOO	\$2,000.00
Asian Community Outreach	Kentwood	KENT	\$12,000.00
Lenawee County Education Foundation	Adrian	LENAWEE	\$3,000.00
The Chaldean Community Foundation	Sterling Heights	MACOMB	\$10,000.00
Menomine County Library	Stephenson	MENOMINEE	\$800.00
Coleman Area Library	Coleman	MIDLAND	\$1,300.00
Education and Training Connection	Midland	MIDLAND	\$12,000.00
Oakland Literacy Council	Bloomfield Hills	OAKLAND	\$10,515.39
Grace Centers of Hope	Pontiac	OAKLAND	\$9,000.00
Hart Area Public Library	Hart	OCEANA	\$500.00
Literacy and Beyond Inc	Kimball	SAINT CLAIR	\$9,000.00
Millington Arbela District Library	Millington	TUSCOLA	\$1,000.00
Bullard Sanford Memorial Library	Vassa	TUSCOLA	\$2,905.00
Arab Community Center or Economic and Social Services (ACCESS)	Dearborn	WAYNE	\$13,500.00
Vista Maria	Dearborn	WAYNE	\$3,000.00
All Saints Literacy Center	Detroit	WAYNE	\$5,000.00
Alternatives For Girls	Detroit	WAYNE	\$3,000.00

S.A.Y. Detroit Play Center	Detroit	WAYNE	\$50,000.00
Friends of Cadillac Wexford Public Library	Cadillac	WEXFORD	\$2,500.00

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is also currently accepting applications for youth literacy grants through Thursday, May 18, 2017. Youth literacy grants support schools, public libraries and nonprofit organizations in implementing new or expanding existing literacy efforts. Funding can be used to purchase new technology, equipment, books, materials or software to enhance literacy programs. Applications are available online at www.dgliteracy.org.

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About the Dollar General Literacy Foundation

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is proud to support initiatives that help others improve their lives through literacy and education as part of the company's mission of ***Serving Others*** for over 20 years. Since its inception in 1993, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation has awarded more than \$135 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, helping more than 8.6 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy or continued education. For more information about the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and its grant programs, visit www.dgliteracy.org.

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