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Nashoba Valley Healthcare Fund Awards Grants to Five Local Towns for Life-Saving Equipment

Lowell, MA – The Greater Lowell Community Foundation and the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts awarded grants to five local towns through the Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare Fund to help improve the health of residents.

The towns of Ashby, Devens, Dunstable, Lancaster, and Shirley each received a grant totaling \$15,593 for a Lucas Chest Compression System, which replaces manual chest compressions during CPR. With the awarding of these grants, every community in the Nashoba Valley Healthcare Fund’s service area will now have these state-of-the-art medical devices.

In July 2017, the Pepperell Fire Department saved a heart attack victim’s life using the Lucas System they were able to purchase as a result of being a recipient of a 2017 grant from the Nashoba Valley Healthcare Fund. These five grants will allow for the opportunity to save more lives in more towns in our community.

“The volunteer grant committee once again did a wonderful job prioritizing these important grants for the community,” said Jay Linnehan, President and CEO of the Greater Lowell Community Foundation.

“These grants will help improve people’s health in the Nashoba region,” said Phil Grzewinski, president of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

The Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare Fund provides annual distributions to nonprofit organizations, municipalities, and other agencies to advance the health of residents in local communities. Recipients of the grants were selected by the Fund Advisory Committee, comprised of local leaders in business, health care and education.

For more information on the Greater Lowell Community Foundation please visit www.glcfoundation.org.

About Greater Lowell Community Foundation

The Greater Lowell Community Foundation is a philanthropic organization comprised of over 350 funds, currently totaling over \$37MM, which is dedicated to improving the quality of life in 20 neighboring cities and towns. The Community Foundation annually awards grants and scholarships to hundreds of worthy nonprofits and students, and is powered by the winning combination of donor-directed giving,



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personal attention from its staff, and an in-depth understanding of local needs. The generosity of our donors has enabled the Community Foundation to award nearly \$19 million to the Greater Lowell Community since 1999.

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