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Westfield Insurance Foundation's Legacy of Caring Fund Benefits Christian City Children's Village

Union City, Georgia — Christian City Children's Village received a grant from Westfield Insurance Foundation thanks to the help of J. Smith Lanier & Co., a Marsh & McLennan Agency LLC company (JSL). The grant is part of the Westfield Legacy of Caring program, which invites Westfield independent insurance agents to nominate a local nonprofit in the areas of disaster recovery, insurance pathways, family stability or safety.

"Thanks to the generous donation from Westfield Insurance Foundation, we can increase our efforts toward caring for children who have been abused or abandoned," said LaVann Landrum, Chief Development Officer at Christian City. "Some of the children live at the Children's Village for a short period of time while others call Christian City home for their entire childhoods. We rely on community support to provide all their basic needs, including educational expenses. Generous grants like this sustain us." Landrum said.

"We have strong relationships with our agents, and we value the important role they play in their communities," said Ed Largent, Westfield President, CEO, board chair and Westfield Insurance Foundation chairman. "Our agents help provide peace of mind and security, and the Legacy of Caring fund is an extension of the fundamental role insurance plays every day stabilizing families, businesses and communities."

"Our collaboration with Westfield allows us to further our citizenship efforts with Christian City and have an impact on critically important initiatives," said Ryan Scott, Senior Vice President of JSL.

Christian City Children's Village is one of 78 nonprofits nationwide receiving a Westfield Legacy of Caring grant – collectively totaling nearly \$550,000. Westfield is proud to work with their independent agents in distributing nearly \$1.3 million since the onset of the Legacy of Caring program in 2015.



From left to right: Sara Booth (Program Director at Children's Village), Ryan Scott (Vice President, J. Smith Lanier & Co.), Len Romano (President/CEO) and Ashley Bonner (Director of Fund Development)

About Christian City: Christian City was established 52 years ago when the first cottage for abused and abandoned children opened on Valentine's Day, 1965. Today, there are more than 1,000 residents, both children and senior adults, living hope-filled lives in the 500-acre community located nine miles south of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. Christian City Children's Village provides a loving and secure environment in family-structured homes. Children ages 5-17 live with full-time house parents, where they work to heal their wounded spirits and break the cycle of abuse they have endured. A warm home, healthy meals, clean clothing, quality education, necessary counseling, and a lot of loving care are provided to the children who are victims of neglect, abuse and abandonment. Some children live at Christian City Children's Village briefly, while others spend their entire childhoods there. The program is sustained through generous community support from individuals, churches, civic groups, businesses and grantors. For more information, visit www.christiancity.org or call 770-974-3301.

About Westfield Insurance Foundation: Westfield Insurance Foundation was established in 2005 as an independent private foundation endowed by Westfield Insurance. In keeping with the values of Westfield Insurance, the Foundation exists as a dedicated community and industry partner; concentrating resources to have an impact on safety, disaster relief and family stability. The Foundation donates over \$3 million annually to a variety of charities.

About Westfield Insurance: Westfield Insurance is a part of Westfield Group, a customer-focused insurance and banking group of businesses headquartered in Westfield Center, Ohio, and in business for nearly 170 years. Westfield Insurance provides commercial insurance in 21 states, personal insurance in 10 states and surety services to customers in 50 states. Westfield is one of the nation's 50 largest property and casualty insurance groups, represented by a network of more than 1,000 independent insurance agencies. Westfield Insurance has won consecutive Gold and Silver Healthy Ohio Worksite Awards in 2016 and 2017 from the Ohio Department of Health and Healthy Ohio Business Council. Westfield Bank provides banking solutions for businesses and individuals, and Westfield Services provides service and training support for independent insurance agencies. Learn more about Westfield Group at www.WestfieldInsurance.com and www.Westfield-Bank.com.