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## North Suburban YMCA Receives Grant from Grainger Family Foundation

Northbrook, Illinois: June 2019 – The Grainger Family Foundation has generously provided the North Suburban YMCA with a grant of \$5,000 to support its emergency preparedness systems. The Y's facility usage, and program participation has grown substantially, and safety recommendations dictated that the Y needed additional Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) to ensure adequate response times in the event of a cardiac emergency.

The funds received from the Grainger Foundation will be used to purchase four new AEDs, along with carrying cases and spare pads, infant/child SMART pads cartridges, additional AED wall mount cabinets with alarm systems, additional AED service and maintenance agreements, emergency response kits, and AED wall signs.

"We are very thankful for the Grainger Foundation's commitment to ensuring that our Y meets the recommended safety guidelines," commented Debbie Madely, the North Suburban YMCA's Development Director. "Our community's safety is our main concern, and we will be well prepared should an emergency arise."

"The YMCA's concern for the safety of all its members throughout our community inspired this donation," noted Gene O'Sullivan, Grainger Branch Manager. "Having the proper lifesaving equipment is essential for both children and adults to prevent unnecessary deaths. We are proud to be part of this ambitious emergency preparedness initiative that will make a difference in both the safety and quality of our community's lives."

For more information about the North Suburban YMCA visit NSYMCA.org.

## **About the North Suburban YMCA**

Celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018/19, the North Suburban YMCA provides individuals in Northbrook and 14 surrounding communities with programs and tools that help them become healthier, more connected, and confident, ensuring that everyone, regardless of age, income, or background, has the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive. The NSYMCA focuses on Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility and is a charitable organization, inclusive and welcoming to all in our community. Learn more at NSYMCA.org.



**Caption**: The Grainger Family Foundation has generously provided the North Suburban YMCA with a \$5,000 grant to support its emergency preparedness systems. From left: Debbie Madely, Y Development Director; Gene O'Sullivan, Grainger Branch Manager; Cathy Gregory, Y Board Chairman; and Howard Schultz, Y President and CEO.