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NorthSky Nonprofit Network and Michigan Nonprofit Association Create Stronger Nonprofits with Federal Funding

LANSING – The Michigan Nonprofit Association has received a Compassion Capital Fund Grant for the Michigan Nonprofit Organizations Work! (Michigan NOW!) program. This grant, \$1.5 million over 3 years, will help hundreds of community and faith-based organizations relieve human suffering in distressed communities by increasing their capacity for leadership, organizational development, program and revenue development, as well as community engagement.

The Michigan Nonprofit Association is working with regional capacity-building partners such as NorthSky Nonprofit Network in Traverse City to deliver 90% of nonprofit assistance through individual technical assistance as well as utilizes technology and web conferencing to deliver trainings across the state.

Michigan NOW! will deliver 60 group trainings per year to 200-300 nonprofit organizations per year as well as provide 150 organizations with sub-awards for technology and capacity building. Michigan NOW! targets nonprofit organizations in the entire state of Michigan with the exception of Ingham, Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne counties which are covered by other Compassion Capital Fund grants.

Created in 2002, the Administration for Children and Families' Compassion Capital Fund (CCF) under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is a key component of the President's Faith-Based and Community Initiative.

Michigan NOW! local partners include the Great Lakes Center for Youth Development (Marquette), NorthSky Nonprofit Network (Traverse City), Jackson Nonprofit Support Center (Jackson), NEW (Ann Arbor), NonProfit Alliance (Battle Creek), and the BEST Project (Genesee County).

The Michigan Nonprofit Association (MNA) is a statewide professional trade organization with offices in Detroit and Lansing and more than 1000 members who represent every part of the state as well as the great diversity of the nonprofit sector. The association's mission is to increase the awareness and promote the effectiveness of Michigan nonprofits in serving society. For more information, visit www.mnaonline.org.

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