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## INAUGURAL GIVE16 HONORS PRESENTED BY 3M OPEN ANNOUNCES RECIPIENTS

16 individuals, organizations and nonprofits to be honored at the first-ever GIVE16 Honors

**MINNEAPOLIS (August 26, 2019) -** The inaugural <u>GIVE16 Honors</u> presented by <u>3M Open</u>, and hosted by Minnesota Wild forward <u>Jason Zucker</u> and Twin Cities Media Personality <u>Carly Zucker</u> will take place Wednesday, August 28 at The Hutton House. The event will honor 16 individuals, organizations and nonprofits for outstanding work and impact in the community. Today, Jason and Carly are thrilled to announce the 16 recipients who will be recognized at the event.

The community is invited to come out to celebrate the 16 recipients and enjoy food, drinks and entertainment. The King Clancy Memorial Trophy will also be there for guests to take photos with. There are a limited number of tickets still available - link to tickets <a href="here">here</a>. Proceeds raised from the event will support programming for the Zucker Family Suite and Broadcast Studio and University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital.

Award recipients were selected by Zuckers with recipients being chosen based on the impact made in the Twin Cities community. The 2019 GIVE16 Honors recipients are:

- Presented by the 3M Open, The Slipka Foundation
  - Brian Slipka
- <u>3M Open</u> Mike Welch
- Presented by Affinity Plus, <u>Jugaad Leadership</u>
  Program Eunice Adjei
- Books Against Bullying Maddie Kegley
- Firefighters for Healing Jake LaFerriere
- <u>Twelve Gives Back</u> Josh & Jill King
- Birdes4Brains Brian Eder
- The LIVIN Foundation Paul Thomas Hohag

- <u>Team Tucker: Play, Laugh, Love</u> Dana Helstrom OBrien
- Her Next Play Sara Wegmann
- Newborn Foundation Annamarie Saarinen
- Commitment to University of Minnesota Masonic
  Children's Hospital Jarrett Michie
- The Butterfly Path Anna Johnson
- MN Special Hockey Jennifer Martin
- Hunter Houle Foundation
- HopeKids Brian Anderson

"The Give16 Honors presented by 3M Open is an event to honor all the exceptional work people, companies and nonprofits do in our community who might not otherwise be recognized," said Jason Zucker. "Carly and I were amazed by all the submissions that came in and really enjoyed learning more about what people are doing to make our community a better place."

GIVE16 has always been more than a campaign, it is an idea that together, the community can create positive change. The night would not be possible without the help of its partners including; <u>3M Open</u>, <u>Affinity Plus</u>, <u>Ernst & Young</u>, <u>Arden Title</u>, <u>Maven Events</u>, <u>Lola Pro</u>, <u>The Hutton House</u>, <u>Crave Catering</u>, <u>Breakthru Beverage</u>, <u>Blythe Brenden-Mann Foundation</u> and Athletes for MN Kids.

"We are thrilled to partner with Give16 Honors and the Zucker family," said 3M Open Tournament Director Mike Welch. "Their inspiring work aligns seamlessly with one of our major cornerstones at the 3M Open: giving back to our local community. These award recipients deserve a night in the spotlight, and we're honored to play a role in thanking them for their service to our community."

If you are interested in learning more about GIVE16 Honors or would like to purchase tickets visit give16honors.com.

## **About GIVE16 + The Zucker Family Suite and Broadcast Studio**

Minnesota Wild's Jason Zucker and his wife Carly, a well-known TV and radio personality, have had a deep and meaningful connection to University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital since the 2016 introduction to 8-year-old Tucker Helstrom. From the moment Jason walked into Tucker's hospital room, a friendship between the two kindled and Jason and Carly's life was changed forever. Helstrom was the inspiration behind the GIVE16 campaigns that raise money for University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital and the <u>Zucker Family Suite and Broadcast Studio</u>.

The dual-purpose space marries Jason's NHL career and Carly's broadcast career. Programming produced in the broadcast studio ranges from music request hours to game shows, celebrity visits and more. The space also replicates the experience of a Minnesota Wild suite, with a ticketed entrance, food and beverage options, a large projection screen and two NHL goal lights that go off when the Wild score, creating an unforgettable experience for families unable to leave the hospital.