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**Financial Beginnings Oregon Receives Grant from Million Dollar Round Table Foundation to Provide Free Financial Education in Low-Income Communities Across Oregon**

**Portland, OR, 1 April 2019** - Financial Beginnings Oregon, a Portland-based nonprofit organization, was awarded a $4,000 grant by the Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT) Foundation. Funds from MDRT will help the organization provide their Financial Foundations program to low-income students at no cost.

Financial Foundations, Financial Beginnings Oregon’s largest financial education program, prepares low-income students to thrive in financial independence by providing them with the education and training they need to make important financial decisions wisely and well.

Damon S. Winter, LUTCF, CFS, FSCP, RFC, and Life Member of MDRT, sponsored Financial Beginnings Oregon’s application. Winter, a Financial Planner with OnMark Asset Management, LLC, where he offers Securities and Advisory Services through KMS Financial Services, Inc., is a longtime supporter of Financial Beginnings Oregon, both as a grant sponsor and as a volunteer educator.

“OnMark Asset Management and the MDRT Foundation are fierce advocates of financial literacy,” said Winter. “This is a great opportunity to help Financial Beginnings Oregon continue their fine work of helping others responsibly manage money.”

For more information about Financial Beginnings Oregon, please visit www.finbegor.org.

**About the Million Dollar Round Table Foundation**

The MDRT Foundation is the charitable arm of the Million Dollar Round Table. The MDRT Foundation helps MDRT members maximize their philanthropic efforts in their own communities and worldwide. Through generous support from MDRT members and industry partners, the MDRT Foundation's global grant programs fund a diverse range of nonprofit organizations that build stronger families and communities worldwide.

**About Financial Beginnings Oregon**

Founded in 2005 and based in Portland, OR., Financial Beginnings Oregon is a nonprofit organization that provides free financial education programs to youth and adults. Financial Beginnings Oregon’s programs provide individuals the foundation needed to make informed financial decisions.