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Cincinnati ToolBank Receives \$20,000 Grant from the UPS Foundation *Funding Supports the Improving Warehouse Efficiencies at the ToolBank*

CINCINNATI, OH – December 21, 2017 – Cincinnati Community ToolBank received a \$20,000 grant from the UPS Foundation, which drives global corporate citizenship and philanthropic programs for UPS. The grant will be used to support improving warehouse efficiencies at the Cincinnati Community ToolBank

“We are beyond thrilled to have the continued support of the UPS Foundation,” says Kat Pepmeyer, Executive Director of the Cincinnati ToolBank. “Since 2011 the UPS Foundation and local UPS employees have been one of our biggest champions, both with financial support and that of volunteers. This grant will go a long way in improving the ToolBank’s processes for our tool lending program. We are truly grateful for all of their support!”

Funds from UPS will be used to increase warehouse efficiencies by installing new tool storage solutions. In addition, funding will support the modification of the ToolBank’s trailer with a secure system for transporting tools. With the help of UPS, the ToolBank will be piloting a delivery program for nonprofits that are borrowing larger tools or event equipment.

“The UPS Foundation is honored to support the Cincinnati ToolBank’s effort to empower charitable organizations to better equip volunteers with the right tools and take on larger and more frequent service projects,” said Eduardo Martinez, president of the UPS Foundation and chief diversity and inclusion officer at UPS. “Our goal is to fund powerful programs that make a lasting difference to the global community.”

About the Cincinnati Community ToolBank

The Cincinnati Community ToolBank stewards an inventory of tools for lending to charitable organizations to increase the impact of their mission-related efforts in the community. Volunteers use these tools to complete projects such as planting trees, repairing seniors’ roofs, landscaping public spaces, and more. The ToolBank guarantees that every volunteer is equipped with the tools they need to get the job done. ToolBank’s resources empower all nonprofit organizations to perform larger, more ambitious, and more frequent service projects in the community.

About the UPS Foundation

Established in 1951 and based in Atlanta, GA., The UPS Foundation identifies specific areas where its backing clearly impacts social issues. In support of this strategic approach, The

UPS Foundation had identified the following focus areas for giving: volunteerism, diversity, community safety and environment.

In 2016, UPS and its employees, active and retired, invested more than \$116.6 million in charitable giving around the world. The UPS Foundation can be found on the web at UPS.com/foundation.

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