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**Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne Awards \$35,000 Grant
to Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana to fund Client Advocate Program**

FORT WAYNE, IND. – Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana has been awarded a \$35,000 grant by the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne. These funds help support Cancer Services’ Client Advocate Program and Client Services Program.

The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne grant will provide financial assistance, practical resources and emotional support to people in our community who have cancer. This grant will prevent families who already have to deal with the challenges of a life threatening illness from also having to face a crisis such as homelessness. The program provides comprehensive support to reduce the financial and emotional stress that comes with a cancer diagnosis.

“The mission of the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne is to improve the quality of life for all residents in Allen County. Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana feeds into that mission by providing supplies, financial assistance and support during the most challenging trials of cancer,” said David Bennett, Executive Director of the Community Foundation.

Cancer Services served more than 2,900 clients in 11 Northeast Indiana counties in 2016.

“We are all touched by cancer in one way or another,” said Dianne May, President and CEO of Cancer Services. “The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne’s grant is not only an investment that will benefit cancer patients, it will strengthen our community as a whole.”

For more information on Cancer Services, go to www.cancer-services.org or call 260-484-9560.

About The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne

The Foundation is a public charitable foundation serving Allen County since 1922. The Foundation had assets of approximately \$143 million at December 31, 2016, and awarded more than \$10.2 million in charitable grants and scholarships in that year. The Foundation exists to serve as a community leader to improve the quality of life by building permanent endowments, promoting effective grant making, fostering philanthropy, stimulating community dialogue and helping donors achieve their charitable goals.

About Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana

Cancer Services' mission is to enhance the quality of life of those affected by cancer by providing meaningful resources, information and compassionate assistance. Last year, more than 2,900 local people with cancer and their families received emotional support and practical resources for their cancer journey. Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana helps people who live in Allen, Adams, DeKalb, Huntington, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley counties.

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