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CONNECTICUT CONVENTION CENTER DONATES TO HARTFORD GUIDES

Photo caption: The Connecticut Convention Center presents the Hartford Guides, LLC with a \$2,000 donation: (L-R) EJ Catala of the Hartford Guides; Austin Jordan, Chief Executive Officer of The Hartford Guides, Inc.; Mike Costelli, General Manager for the Connecticut Convention Center; and Bob O’Connell, Director of Security for the Connecticut Convention Center.



HARTFORD, CT (April 7, 2014) – The Connecticut Convention Center donated \$2,000.00 to the Hartford Guides – a nonprofit community service and on-street security organization that services the Hartford community. The Guides provide networked security, roadside assistance, mobile patrols, and foot patrols to help meet the security needs of civic, municipal and nonprofit organizations. In addition, the group serves as ambassadors for the City of Hartford and play an important role in ensuring that guests receive the highest level of customer service.

The donation was made on behalf of voluntary contributions from more than 200 associates at the Convention Center as part of the Waterford Group Charitable Foundation, a private foundation that seeks to support the communities in which associates of Waterford Group and its affiliates live and work. This includes Waterford Venue Services, which manages the Connecticut Convention Center.

“The Guides are a great asset to the City,” stated Michael Costelli, General Manager for the Connecticut Convention Center. “Their dedication to our guests and to help keep Hartford safe makes the organization an appropriate recipient for our donation.”

About the Connecticut Convention Center

The Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford is the state’s premier meeting venue and the largest full-service convention facility between New York and Boston. Overlooking the beautiful Connecticut River, it features 140,000 square feet of exhibition space, a 40,000-square-foot ballroom and 25,000 square feet of meeting space, as well as ample sheltered parking. The facility is served by more than 6,500 local area hotel rooms, including the 22-story Marriott Hartford Downtown, adjacent to the Convention Center. The venue is professionally managed for the State of Connecticut by Waterford Venue Services, an affiliate of Waterford Hotel Group. For more information, please visit www.ctconventions.com.

About Waterford Group Charitable Foundation

The Waterford Group Charitable Foundation is a private foundation that seeks to support the communities in which associates of Waterford Group and its affiliates live and work. The Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life of others through monetary and gift-in-kind donations, as well as volunteering at various events. Donations are provided to not-for-profit organizations that support health and well-being, youths, arts and cultural activities, and other various community initiatives. For more information, please visit www.waterfordgroup.net.

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