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PATTERSON FOUNDATION GIVING EXCEEDS \$1 MILLION IN 2016

February 8, 2017 (St. Paul, Minn.) – At its December 15 board meeting, the Patterson Foundation awarded \$277,000 in grants to nonprofit organizations across the U.S., raising its total giving to nearly \$1.2 million in 2016. This is the first time in the Foundation’s history that annual giving surpassed \$1 million.

\$500,000 of the contributions made by the Foundation in 2016 were for scholarships awarded to 127 dependents of Patterson Companies employees to pursue higher-education degrees. The remaining contributions of \$697,000 were in the form of grants to charitable programs in the oral and animal health fields.

“The Foundation was honored to support more than 50 nonprofit organizations last year dedicated to providing dental care to individuals in need and assistance dogs to U.S. veterans,” said Michelle Mennicke, manager, Patterson Foundation. “We were also privileged to support the educational goals of so many students from Patterson families. We look forward to the opportunity to provide even more scholarships and grants in 2017.”

For the complete list of 2016 grant recipients, visit pattersonfoundation.net/grant-recipients.

For the complete list of 2016 scholarship recipients, visit pattersonfoundation.net/2016-scholarship-recipients.

About the Patterson Foundation

Patterson Foundation is a private grant-making foundation that awards higher education scholarships to the children of Patterson Companies employees and provides grant funding to nonprofit organizations in the oral health and animal health fields. The Foundation focuses its grants on programs that provide dental care to disadvantaged communities and assistance dogs to veterans and people with disabilities. The Patterson Foundation is funded primarily by current and former employees of Patterson Companies, Inc. Visit pattersonfoundation.net for more information.

About Patterson Companies, Inc.

Patterson Companies, Inc. (Nasdaq: PDCO) is a value-added distributor serving the dental and animal health markets.

Dental Market

Patterson's Dental segment provides a virtually complete range of consumable dental products, equipment and software, turnkey digital solutions and value-added services to dentists and dental laboratories throughout North America.



Animal Health Market

Patterson's Animal Health segment is a leading distributor of products, services and technologies to both the production and companion animal health markets in North America and the U.K.

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