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**Delta Air Lines Foundation Supports Rural Communities Through Farm Rescue with \$20K Grant**  
*Funds will provide additional services to farmers and ranchers in crisis*

HORACE, N.D., December 13, 2016 – The Delta Air Lines Foundation has donated \$20,000 to Farm Rescue, a North Dakota-based nonprofit, to help cover the costs of mobilizing volunteers and utilizing equipment to plant, hay and harvest crops for farm families who have experienced illness, injury or natural disaster. The grant will be used for fuel, meals, transportation, lodging and field supplies throughout the 2017 season.

“The Delta Air Lines Foundation is thrilled to support Farm Rescue and help advance its mission to aid family farmers in crisis,” said Tad Hutcheson, SVP – The Delta Air Lines Foundation. “We believe it’s vitally important to give back to the communities where we live, work and serve, and we are proud to support Farm Rescue as part of our \$1 million donation to charitable and nonprofit organizations across 13 states.”

“We are thankful for the generous donation from The Delta Air Lines Foundation, and its commitment to farm families of the Upper Midwest,” said David Smith, Development Officer, Farm Rescue. “Delta’s contribution will allow us to provide assistance to an increasing number of farm families throughout the 2017 planting, haying and harvesting seasons.”

**ABOUT FARM RESCUE**

Farm Rescue ([www.farmrescue.org](http://www.farmrescue.org)) was established in 2005 to help family farmers overcome unforeseen circumstances, including illness, major injury or natural disaster, helping allow family farms the opportunity to continue viable operations. Farm Rescue provides the equipment and manpower to plant, harvest or hay crops, free of charge.

Farm Rescue is a registered North Dakota-based nonprofit and has helped more than 400 farm families since its inception. Farm Rescue is currently available in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Minnesota, and Iowa. Applications are now being accepted for the 2017 planting season, which can be obtained at 701-252-2017 or through the organization’s website.

**ABOUT THE DELTA AIR LINES FOUNDATION**

The Delta Air Lines Foundation is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1968 to enhance Delta’s charitable giving. The Foundation is focused on the key areas of health and wellness, arts and culture, education and diversity. Foundation contributions are unrestricted, allowing recipients to use funds where they are needed the most.

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