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### **Walmart awards \$35,000 grant to Farm Rescue**

*Walmart Foundation's State Giving Program shows strong support for farm families in crisis.*

**JAMESTOWN, N.D, Nov. 25, 2014** - Farm Rescue, a one-of-a-kind nonprofit organization that provides planting, harvesting and haying assistance free of charge to farm families who have experienced a major illness, injury or natural disaster has received a grant totaling \$35,000 from the Walmart Foundation's State Giving Program. Walmart has awarded more than \$325,000 to Farm Rescue since 2006.

"Walmart has been a major sponsor of Farm Rescue since we started helping farm families in times of unexpected crises," said Bill Gross, President, Farm Rescue. "The strong community support that Walmart has shown throughout the years clearly indicates that they are a responsible and caring business providing opportunities and assistance within our communities. I commend their philanthropic endeavors."

"A thriving farming sector is essential to a healthy economy and our global food chain," said Sharon Power, Walmart regional general manager. "We're proud to support the important work Farm Rescue is doing to help farm families recover from unexpected challenges and maintain their productivity."

#### **About Farm Rescue**

Farm Rescue was founded in 2006 and has helped more than 300 families since its inception. The organization's mission is to help farmers who have experienced a major illness, injury, or natural disaster by providing the necessary equipment and manpower to plant, harvest or hay their crop. Farm Rescue helps farm families in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Minnesota, and Iowa. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2015 planting season, which can be obtained at 701-252-2017 or [www.farmrescue.org](http://www.farmrescue.org).

#### **About Philanthropy at Walmart**

Walmart and the Walmart Foundation are proud to support initiatives that are helping people live better around the globe. In May 2010, Walmart and its Foundation made a historic pledge of \$2 billion through 2015 to fight hunger in the U.S. The Walmart Foundation also supports education, workforce development, environmental sustainability, and health and wellness initiatives. To learn more, visit [www.walmartfoundation.org](http://www.walmartfoundation.org).



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