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Compeer Awards Grant to Easterseals Wisconsin FARM Program

Madison, WI – Compeer Financial’s Fund for Rural America recently awarded Easterseals Wisconsin’s FARM Program with a \$5,000 grant. The grant will help support farmers with disabilities, whether due to injury, chronic illness, or debilitating conditions, in Wisconsin.

The Compeer Financial Fund for Rural America is the corporate giving program of Compeer Financial, structured to support Compeer Financial’s mission to enrich agriculture and rural America. Compeer Financial’s Board of Directors has dedicated one percent of annual net earnings to support the Fund’s focus areas of agricultural advocacy and development, agriculture education, cooperative initiatives, rural development and community enrichment, and youth engagement. The Fund is managed by a Board of Trustees, made up of team members from Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin and members of the Compeer Financial Board of Directors.

“We are grateful for the support we have received from Compeer,” says Paul Leverenz, President and CEO of Easterseals Wisconsin. “Empowering people to sustain their way of life, not only for themselves but for their families, is why we do what we do at Easterseals Wisconsin.”

Since 1989, the FARM Program has offered resources and support to help people with disabilities achieve their goals of developing a successful farm operation or even begin an agricultural career. FARM Rural Rehabilitation Specialists deliver on-farm worksite and assistive technology assessments, which include equipment recommendations and workplace or work task modifications, to allow farmers to continue their agricultural enterprise and allow the farm to remain profitable.

If you are a farmer or farm family member experiencing the effects of a disability, please contact the Easterseals Wisconsin FARM Program at 1-800-422-2324 or email info@eastersealswisconsin.com.

About Easterseals Wisconsin: For 95 years, Easterseals Wisconsin has provided services that help children and adults with disabilities gain greater independence. Easterseals Wisconsin’s primary services – vocational rehabilitation, respite services, camping and recreation, information and referral, and public education – benefit close to 10,000 individuals with disabilities and their families each year throughout Wisconsin. Visit eastersealswisconsin.com.

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