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American Crystal Awards Benedictine Living Community \$5,000 on Giving Hearts Day

CROOKSTON, MINNESOTA (Feb. 10, 2022) – American Crystal Sugar Company is pleased to award Benedictine Living Community – Crookston Foundation a check for \$5,000 in support of their Giving Hearts Day campaign. Benedictine Living Community, formally known as Villa St. Vincent/The SUMMIT, is a non-profit health care facility that provides vital care and services to the community and region.

Cindy Hulst, BLC – Crookston Foundation Development Director, said, “This very generous gift from American Crystal is so appreciated...and so timely!” Hulst acknowledged the gift’s impact on meeting their challenge goals during the campaign, and added, “more importantly, it will facilitate the purchase of much needed new beds and mattresses in Skilled Nursing Care, and new mailboxes in Assisted Living.”

American Crystal is proud to help make the lives of BLC - Crookston residents and tenants safer and more comfortable, particularly as the facility’s budget continues to feel the strains of COVID. The facility’s value to the community is immeasurable and felt especially by Clarence Carlson, who is a 100-year-old resident and former employee of American Crystal.



Pictured left to right: Clarence Carlson (Former American Crystal Sugar employee who is 100 years old), Cindy Hulst (Director of Foundation Development and Marketing Benedictine Foundation Crookston), and Tammy Moe (American Crystal Sugar, Factory Accountant).

About Benedictine Living Community – Crookston

BLC – Crookston is a non-profit health care facility owned and operated by Benedictine. Primary cliental served are people of the Crookston community and surrounding area. BLC – Crookston is able to care for 80 extended stay skilled nursing residents, 20 short term care and rehabilitation residents, 24 memory care residents, 53+ assisted living tenants and 20+ home care recipients.

About American Crystal Sugar Company

American Crystal Sugar Company is an agricultural cooperative owned by 2,650 shareholder-entities in the Red River Valley involved in the growing and processing of sugarbeets. American Crystal is the largest beet sugar producer in the United States. American Crystal operates sugar factories at East Grand Forks, Crookston and Moorhead, Minnesota, and Drayton and Hillsboro, North Dakota. Its corporate headquarters and technical services center are located in Moorhead.