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One Charity a Month Foundation to Spur Change with Spare Change Local Entrepreneurs Set Site on World-wide Philanthropy

Somerset, MA — You might think donating just one dollar to charity won't make much of a difference. But what if everyone you know donated a dollar? And everyone they know? Then, one dollar really WOULD make a difference. That's the idea behind the One Charity a Month Foundation (OCAMF), a newly launched online organization hosting "digital dollar drives" every month at **www.charityamonth.com**.

"It starts with one person donating just one dollar, but spreads as they tell everyone they know — and then they do the same," said Erik Klaver, co-founder of the Foundation along with his wife, Dawn. "The core of the One Charity a Month Foundation lies in spreading the word, which has become quite simple in today's connected, web-centric society."

The new OCAMF website makes donating to charities easy, convenient and secure. In just a few clicks, visitors can read up on the "Charity of the Month," make a one-time or automatically recurring donation, and check out the overall progress. Because the internet is always open, philanthropy can be conveniently penciled in to anyone's busy schedule. Every dollar collected — less the minimal expenses of running the site — goes directly to one charity at the end of each month.

For the inaugural month, donations collected will benefit the National MS Society. It was Dawn Klaver's diagnosis with multiple sclerosis five years ago that inspired the family to find meaningful ways to help those in need — and ultimately, to create OCAMF.

"People have a lot of love in their hearts to give, but can be overwhelmed by all of the details to consider," said Dawn. "Which charity do I choose? What's the right amount to donate? How can I give to more than one cause? It becomes a more difficult decision than it should be. The Foundation addresses those concerns and simplifies the giving process."

As the name implies, the Foundation chooses to focus their support on one charity each month. By diversifying beneficiaries on a monthly basis, the Klavers aim to support charities that offer assistance and support to the widest range of people in need — from the local to the international. To personalize the experience, they even encourage donors to suggest their own charities of choice for future consideration.

"In the end, we're trying to make change with your change," added Erik. "It's that simple."

For more information about the One Charity a Month Foundation or to make a donation, please visit **www.charityamonth.com**.