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Symetra's 10th Annual "CEO Service Award" Recognizes Bellevue, Wash., Employee for Exemplary Community Service

BELLEVUE, Wash. — (May 7, 2020) — Symetra, a national provider of employee benefits, annuities and life insurance, announced that **Elizabeth Turner** is the recipient of the company's 10th-annual CEO Service Award. The award recognizes Symetra employees for exemplary community service. Ms. Turner is a senior auditor in the Internal Audit Department at Symetra's Bellevue, Washington headquarters.

"'Swift to Serve' is one of Symetra's core values and a spirit that Elizabeth Turner lives through her dedication to volunteerism," said Symetra CEO Margaret Meister. "These last challenging weeks, when needs have never been greater, have found Elizabeth fulfilling orders at local food banks and preparing meals for homebound seniors. This is no surprise to her Symetra colleagues because whether heading a Symetra Week of Service volunteer project or organizing a fundraising event in support of our annual I CARE employee giving campaign, Elizabeth's commitment to giving back is inspiring."

Ms. Turner has been an active member of Symetra Service Squad, the company's employee volunteer group, since 2014, and its co-chair since 2015. She has served as a Symetra Week of Service team captain for several years, often leading multiple projects, and also spearheaded fundraising efforts for Symetra's annual Adopt-a-Family holiday gift program benefiting local families in need.

A tireless volunteer, Ms. Turner contributes her time and energy to a wide range of Puget Sound organizations, including Kinderling, Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank, and Treehouse for Kids. For the last four years, she has led one of two Symetra teams that prepare and serve dinner every month for residents at Ronald McDonald House in Seattle. Their efforts were recognized again this year with a President's Volunteer Service Award for "sustained volunteer service."

As part of the CEO Service Award, Symetra donates \$2,500 to the nonprofit organization of the honoree's choice. Ms. Turner will direct her award to two organizations—[Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank](#) and [Avery Huffman Defeat DIPG Foundation](#).

Commitment to Community Service

Symetra supports its employees' volunteer spirit through the company's matching time program, annual Symetra Week of Service and Symetra Service Squad. Since 2009, the *Symetra Week of Service* has connected employees with volunteer opportunities in the community. From clearing trails to tutoring students to assembling emergency preparedness kits, employees choose a project they care about and take time out of their work day to volunteer, contributing more than 16,000 Week of Service hours to date. The *Symetra Service Squad* is an employee force ready to roll up their sleeves and give back. Members meet to share ideas about volunteer opportunities and hear from local nonprofits about ways to get involved in the community.

Learn more about how Symetra employees give back at [Symetra Empowers Communities](#).

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