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Granite Joins the Fight Against AIDS/HIV

AIDS Action Committee of MA strives to stop the epidemic and support those affected

(October 6, 2016)-Quincy, MA—Granite Telecommunications, LLC, a provider of communications solutions to businesses, raised **\$5,552** for AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, New England's oldest and largest AIDS service organization. Founded in 1983, AIDS Action has devoted three decades to advocating at all levels of government for fair and effective AIDS policies, conducting cutting edge HIV prevention programs and providing health and wellness services to people already living with HIV.

“We are deeply grateful for the support of Keri Kilty and Granite,” said Carl Sciortino, Executive Director at AIDS Action. “The money raised from Granite’s Jeans Day fundraiser helps AIDS Action Committee continue to care for thousands of Massachusetts residents living with HIV/AIDS while also working to ‘Get to Zero’ – zero new infections, zero stigma and zero deaths from HIV.”

In conjunction with partners around the state, AIDS Action has helped Massachusetts achieve one of the best records in the country for combatting the AIDS epidemic. Since 1999, Massachusetts has seen a 52% reduction in new HIV diagnoses, which has translated to at least 7,000 individuals remaining HIV-negative. AIDS Action works directly with one-in-six people diagnosed with HIV in the state, and provides prevention services to thousands more.

For more information about AIDS Action Committee, visit www.aac.org.

About Jeans Day

Through weekly Jeans Days, held every Friday, Granite teammates have the option to wear business casual attire or jeans with a donation of \$3 to the selected charity. Each week, the Granite Cares Committee, comprised of Granite teammates, chooses a qualifying nonprofit organization nominated by other teammates. Granite then matches the amount raised by teammates.

About Granite

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