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## **Granite Fundraiser Benefits International Book Fair**

(March 8, 2017)-Lawrence, MA—Granite Telecommunications, LLC, a provider of communications solutions to businesses, raised **\$4,919** for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Lawrence International Book Fair, an event featuring a series of activities and programming that celebrates the richness of Hispanic culture through literature and underscores Lawrence’s own cultural image.

“We believe literature and art are essential elements to transforming a community and its people. The Lawrence International Book Fair is grateful for your generous donation,” said Father Joel Almono, Lawrence International Book Fair Board President. “Thank you for helping us continue our commitment to the community of Lawrence.”

Each year the planning committee for the Lawrence Internal Book Fair dedicates the event to a specific culture, and in keeping with that tradition this year’s fair will pay tribute to Colombia, its people and literature. As in years past the fair will showcase an acclaimed list of local and international speakers, writers, musicians and artists.



**Jose Medina of Granite presents a check to Father Joel Almono, President of the Lawrence International Book Fair Board, and Sarah Perez, Treasurer**

The three-day event will take place on October 20 through October 22 at Northern Essex Community College. For more information please visit [www.lawrenceibf.com](http://www.lawrenceibf.com).

### **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**

Granite provides voice, data and other related communications products and services to multi-location businesses and governmental agencies throughout the United States and Canada. Granite furnishes services to more than two-thirds of the Fortune 100 companies in the United States, and 1.5 million voice and data lines under management. Granite employs over 1,700 people at the company’s headquarters in Quincy, MA, and offices in Atlanta, GA, Chicago, IL, Dallas, TX, Miami, FL, New York, NY, Orlando, FL, and Providence, RI. For more information, visit [www.granitenet.com](http://www.granitenet.com).