



Granite Named 2nd Most Charitable Massachusetts Company

Over \$23M Donated to Charities; 9th Straight Year as a Top Charitable Contributor

(September 8, 2017) QUINCY, MA--Granite Telecommunications, LLC, a provider of communications solutions to businesses, announced today that it has been recognized by the *Boston Business Journal* as Massachusetts' 2nd highest Top Charitable Contributor at the 12th annual Corporate Citizenship Awards on Thursday night at Fenway Park in Boston. The occasion marked Granite's 9th consecutive year receiving the honor.



Source: Boston Business Journal

The Corporate Citizenship Awards recognize the most charitable companies in Massachusetts who have contributed at least \$100,000 in philanthropic support of Massachusetts charities. This year, the *BBJ* honored a record 94 companies who combined to contribute approximately \$273 million to nonprofits in the area. Granite accounted for over \$20.5 million of that amount.

"This year's Corporate Charitable Contributors list is the largest the *Boston Business Journal* has ever assembled. We are incredibly proud of the 94 companies that qualified for the list. They are all outstanding examples of the impact and importance of giving back," said *Boston Business Journal* Market President and Publisher Carolyn Jones.

"I'm thrilled by all the ways we've come together as a team to be a positive force in the communities where we live and work," said Granite CEO Rob Hale. "But I'm even more excited about the work that lies ahead for us and the many opportunities we have to do even greater things in our communities."

Earlier in the year, Rob Hale announced the creation of Granite Gives Back Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit public charity which Granite now uses as a vehicle to identify, plan and fund philanthropic projects. The company also recently created a Volunteer Time Off program to encourage personnel to be more active in volunteer work. Last year, Granite's staff contributed 5,556 volunteer hours to charitable activities in the Bay State, and that amount is expected to be even larger in 2017 thanks in part to the formation of Granite Gives Back.

	Company	Total Cash Contributions Paid Out To Mass.-Based Charitable Organizations in 2016	2016 Mass. In-Kind Contributions	Total Mass. Giving	Total 2016 Cash Contributions	Total Mass. Employees	Mass. Employee Volunteer Hours	Chief Exec.
①	Cummings Properties/ Cummings Foundation 200 West Cummings Park Woburn, MA 01801 781-935-8000 cummingsproperties.com	\$21,369,793	NA	\$21,369,793	\$21,488,126	675	NA	Dennis Clarke, President, CEO
②	Granite Telecommunications 100 Newport Ave. Ext. Quincy, MA 02171 866-847-1500 granitenet.com	\$20,574,629	\$175,000	\$20,749,629	\$23,126,872	1,353	5,556	Robert Hale, CEO
③	Liberty Mutual Insurance Group 175 Berkeley St. Boston, MA 02116 617-357-9500 libertymutual.com	\$17,584,669	NA	\$17,584,669	\$39,221,018	6,141	NA	David Long, Chairman, CEO
④	State Street Corp. 1 Lincoln St. Boston, MA 02111 617-786-3000 statestreet.com	\$13,192,197	\$28,078	\$13,220,275	\$19,615,485	11,760	47,946	Joseph (Jay) Hooley, Chairman, CEO
⑤	Eastern Bank 265 Franklin St. Boston, MA 02110 800-327-8376 easternbank.com	\$12,449,936	NA	\$12,449,936	\$13,334,931	1,815	53,927	Robert Rivera, Chairman, CEO
⑥	Harvard Pilgrim Health Care 93 Worcester St. Wellesley, MA 02481 617-509-1000 harvardpilgrim.org	\$12,417,625	\$17,500	\$12,435,125	\$12,626,282	1,185	2,913	Eric Schultz, President, CEO
⑦	Partners HealthCare System 800 Boylston St. Boston, MA 02199 617-278-1000 partners.org	\$11,592,300	NA	\$11,592,300	\$11,592,300	68,757	NA	David Torchiana, President, CEO
⑧	Bank of America 100 Federal St. Boston, MA 02110 617-434-3412 bankofamerica.com	\$11,062,087	NA	\$11,062,087	\$176,000,000	5,000	34,029	Miceal Chamberlain, MA president

⑨	GE 33-41 Farnsworth St. Boston, MA 02210 617-443-3000 ge.com	\$10,500,000	NA	\$10,500,000	\$9,581,531	4,750	6,659	John Flannery, CEO & Chairman- Elect
⑩	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts 101 Huntington Ave. Boston, MA 02199 617-246-5000 bluecrossma.com	\$9,561,531	\$959,893	\$10,521,424	\$9,581,531	3,700	33,361	Andrew Dreyfus, President, CEO

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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 1,800 people at the company's headquarters in Quincy, MA, and offices in Atlanta, GA, Chicago, IL, Dallas, TX, West Palm Beach, FL, New York, NY, Orlando, FL, and Providence, RI. For more information, visit www.granitenet.com.

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