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### Barnes & Thornburg Racial And Social Justice Foundation Awards \$50,000 Grant To Thrive DC In Washington, D.C.

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – The Barnes & Thornburg Racial and Social Justice Foundation, which was founded last year, has awarded a \$50,000 grant to Thrive DC in Washington D.C., a program that works to prevent and end homelessness in the district. The grant is one of six being awarded this year by the foundation, which is funded by Barnes & Thornburg’s lawyers and staff, who together raised \$300,000 this year.

“We are honored to support Thrive DC as they continue to provide a range of services to homeless individuals, from daily meals to employment support and job training. They advocate for every individual through support and opportunity,” said Roscoe Howard, managing partner of Barnes & Thornburg’s Washington D.C., office and a member of the foundation’s board. “Partnering with incredible organizations like Thrive DC advances our mission in advocating for our local communities.”

Thrive DC’s services include daily meals, weekly emergency groceries, housing assistance, employment support, connections to legal aid, health screenings, and job training. Thrive DC is a safety net for people experiencing homelessness, unemployment, housing instability, and food insecurity. The organization is the sole provider of homeless services for Ward One and much of the surrounding area.

“The support from Barnes & Thornburg will aid our programs that encourage clients to take their first steps toward independence and self-sufficiency,” said Alicia Horton, executive director of Thrive DC. “We serve over 250 people a day and provide over 153,000 meals a year. This grant will help us continue to provide the best programs and resources

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## **Barnes & Thornburg’s Racial and Social Justice Foundation**

The Racial and Social Justice Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, was established in 2020 and provided \$200,000 to nonprofits in four of the firm’s local communities across the country. The foundation’s mission is to promote, advocate, and effect racial and social justice in our local communities and nationally.

“We are pleased to continue our efforts with the Racial and Social Justice Foundation to support Thrive DC and five additional community organizations,” said Robert T. Grand, managing partner of Barnes & Thornburg and foundation board member. “We remain steadfast in our dedication to advocate for organizations support and promote equality, advancement, and justice.”

To choose grantees, the foundation employed a rigorous scoring system to vet charitable organizations against specific criteria that align with its mission and goals.

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