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## Darla Kashian named RBC Wealth Management Volunteer of the Year

MINNEAPOLIS, Minnesota (March 13, 2018) – Darla Kashian, a financial advisor in RBC Wealth Management's Minneapolis office, was recently named the firm's Dick McFarland Volunteer of the Year for 2017.

Given each year by the RBC Foundation – USA, the award is named for a former CEO and chairman of the firm, and recognizes an RBC Wealth Management-U.S. employee who demonstrates outstanding volunteer commitment and community service.

"Congratulations to Darla for being named the 2017 Dick McFarland Volunteer of the Year," said Michael Armstrong, CEO of RBC Wealth Management-U.S. "We are proud of her dedication to serving others and improving her local community."

Kashian was recognized for her involvement with several different nonprofit organizations that work to improve local communities. In 2017, she served on the boards of Rimon, a Minnesota Jewish Arts Council that promotes and enhances Jewish identity through the arts and culture; the Citizens League Solos Task Force, which explores existing resources and policies relevant to solo health care and financial decisions; GiveMN, a Minnesota organization linking donors with nonprofits, which raised nearly \$21 million for schools and nonprofits in 2017; and the Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice, a public foundation that works to advance human rights for LGBT+ people throughout the world by supporting LGBT+ programs, movements, initiatives and more.

In all of her volunteerism, Kashian focuses her time and effort on three key themes: the arts, philanthropy and social justice.

"I think those are the three pillars of a healthy society – they're always connected," she said. "Absent one of those, our culture and our society don't function as well. I can't imagine a world without them."

Kashian regularly encourages her friends, family and colleagues to join in supporting the organizations that are meaningful to her, and she credits her family's support in allowing her to dedicate herself to those important causes.

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