## Rooted in Dignity Receives Maximus Foundation Grant as Part of 2024 Annual Giving

## Maximus Foundation Awards Over \$2 Million to 209 Nonprofits Nationwide for Community

(Chicago, Illinois – June, 2024) – Maximus, a leading employer and provider of government services worldwide, announced that the Maximus Foundation awarded Rooted in Dignity a \$10,000 grant as part of its annual giving to 209 nonprofit organizations across the United States this year.

In 2024, the Maximus Foundation provided \$10,000 grants to each awardee, with focus areas including homelessness prevention, job training programs, youth development, and education programs. The number of grantees represents a 9% increase over the number of 2023 grant recipients.

On behalf of the Maximus Foundation, I congratulate Rooted in Dignity on becoming a 2024 Maximus Foundation grantee partner. Rooted in Dignity has shown the importance of engaging, encouraging, and supporting all the members of their communities," said Dr. Arvenita Washington Cherry, Maximus Foundation President and Chairperson. "Their work around inclusion reminds us that, together, we can empower individuals and families in your community. We honor Rooted in Dignity for their dedication to the community and look forward to our partnership."

Rooted in Dignity offers a range of educational programs and resources designed to increase awareness and understanding of end-of-life issues. These programs cover topics such as advance care planning, pain management, grief counseling, and legal matters related to end-of-life. Rooted in Dignity also provides training for healthcare professionals and community organizations to ensure that they are equipped to support individuals and families facing end-of-life challenges.

The Maximus Foundation, founded by the company's board of directors in 2000, has awarded more than 3,000 grants totaling more than \$15 million throughout its history. It is committed to supporting organizations and programs that promote self-sufficiency through improved health, child, family, and community development. The nonprofits receiving grants in 2024 from the Maximus Foundation provide a wide range of critical services, programs, and training.

For more information on the Maximus Foundation, including full reports on previous grantees, please visit: www.maximus.com/foundation

## **About Rooted in Dignity**

"We are deeply grateful to the Maximus Foundation for their generous grant of \$10,000 to Rooted in Dignity. Their support empowers us to continue our vital work in marginalized, overlooked, underserved, and BIPOC communities, ensuring compassionate and equitable end-of-life planning and care. Thank you for your confidence in our mission and for helping us to make a meaningful impact," said Darthula Young, founder of Rooted in Dignity. RID was established to bring compassion, support, and understanding to the profound journey of end-of-life planning and care. Our mission is to empower individuals and their families as they navigate this transformational time with dignity, grace, and peace of mind. Our comprehensive and holistic service model is supported by the expertise of our seminar presenters and consultants. We are committed to transforming the end-of-life experience from a topic often avoided to one that is openly embraced, planned for, and celebrated. With our variety of services offerings, our priority is to promote open conversation and informed decision making to honor and respect each individual's end-of-life wishes.

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## **About the Maximus Foundation**

As the philanthropic arm of Maximus, the Foundation extends the mission of the Company by identifying and awarding grants to partners with specialized expertise to deliver results within the same populations and communities served by the public programs the Company operates. The Maximus Foundation is completely funded by Maximus and its employees, in partnership with local community organizations with programs and projects in the areas of child and youth development, health, and community development. As a leading strategic partner to governments across the globe, Maximus helps improve the delivery of public services amid complex technology, health, economic, environmental, and social challenges. With a deep understanding of program service delivery, acute insights that achieve operational excellence, and an extensive awareness of the needs of the people being served, our employees advance the critical missions of our partners. Maximus delivers innovative business process management, impactful consulting services, and technology solutions that provide improved outcomes for the public and higher levels of productivity and efficiency of government-sponsored programs.

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