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CMT ONE COUNTRY HONORS ARTISTS' CHARITIES AT THE '2012 CMT MUSIC AWARDS'

CMT ONE COUNTRY to Donate on Behalf of Winners for the Fifth Year in a Row

NASHVILLE – May 10, 2012 – CMT ONE COUNTRY continues its commitment to supporting artists' causes at the 2012 CMT MUSIC AWARDS by making donations on behalf of the winners to the charity of their choice. Since starting this initiative in 2008, CMT ONE COUNTRY has donated over $150,000 on behalf of winners to their selected charities. The 2012 CMT MUSIC AWARDS mark the 11th anniversary of the awards show and will air LIVE from Nashville on Wednesday, June 6 on CMT and CMT.com.

A complete list of the 2012 CMT MUSIC AWARDS nominated artists and directors, and the charities who would receive their donation are below (in alphabetical order):

Blake Shelton: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Brantley Gilbert: Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America

Brad Paisley: Target House

Carrie Underwood: C.A.T.S. Foundation

Eli Young Band: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Eric Church: Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

Grace Potter: Epilepsy Foundation

Hunter Hayes: Feeding America

Jake Owen: Boys & Girls Club of America

Jason Aldean: Susan G. Komen for the Cure

Jimmy Buffett: CMT ONE COUNTRY

Keith Urban: MusiCares Musicians' Assistance Program

Kellie Pickler: Wounded Warrior Project

Kenny Chesney: Plan !t Now

Lady Antebellum: New Hope/Indiana Bankers Association for the Disaster Relief Fund

Lauren Alaina: Special Olympics

Lee Brice: Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt

Lionel Richie: American Cancer Society

Little Big Town: Blood:Water Mission

Love and Theft: Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

Luke Bryan: Shriners Hospitals for Children

Martina McBride: Childhelp

Miranda Lambert: MuttNation Foundation

Montgomery Gentry: CMT ONE COUNTRY

Natasha Bedingfield: Global Angels Foundation

Pistol Annies: MuttNation Foundation

Rascal Flatts: Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt

Rodney Atkins: Holston United Methodist Home for Children

Sara Evans: American Red Cross

Scotty McCreery: Garner Magnet High School Parent Teacher Student Association

Shania Twain: Shania Kids Can

Steven Tyler: Betty Ford Center Foundation

Sting: Rainforest Fund

Sugarland: Thistle Farms

Taylor Swift: American Red Cross

The Band Perry: Greene County Chapter of the American Red Cross

The Civil Wars: MusiCares

Thompson Square: ChildFund International

Toby Keith: Toby Keith Foundation

Vince Gill: Tennessee Junior Golf

Zac Brown Band: Camp Southern Ground

Visit CMTONECOUNTRY.com to learn more information about the nominated artists' charities.

Fans can vote online at CMT.com, and on their mobile device at CMT Mobile or the CMT Insider app available on iPhone, iPad and Android now through June 4 to determine the winners. The five finalists for VIDEO OF THE YEAR will be announced at the beginning of the live show and fans can then vote at CMT.com, CMT mobile, on the CMT Insider app and via text message throughout the live telecast (ET/CT only) to determine the night's big winner.

For more information as it becomes available, follow CMT on Twitter (@FollowCMT), hashtag #CMTawards and become a fan of the CMT MUSIC AWARDS on Facebook.?
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participation and inspire CMT viewers to take action and bring about important change in their communities. CMT ONE COUNTRY partners include Children's Miracle Network, Feeding America (formerly America's Second Harvest), Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Habitat for Humanity, Hands On Network and the USO (United Service Organizations). Led by Advisory Board members President Jimmy Carter, Maya Angelou and General Colin Powell, whose combined service to America is legendary, CMTONECOUNTRY.com aims to offer tools to help anyone start making a difference immediately.

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