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**Portland Financial Advisor Earns National Recognition for Philanthropy
Rob Shick is a Finalist in the 2015 Invest in Others Community Leadership Awards**

Newton, MA – July 30, 2015 – Rob Shick, branch manager and senior vice president at Robert W. Baird & Co. in Portland, OR, has been announced as one of three national finalists for the Community Service Award, one of five categories in the ninth annual Invest in Others Community Leadership Awards. Shick is being honored for his work with the Oregon Health and Science University Foundation, which will receive a \$5,000 donation from the Invest in Others Charitable Foundation. If Shick wins his category, the donation will increase to \$20,000.

The Invest in Others Charitable Foundation established the Community Leadership Awards to recognize the philanthropic achievements of financial advisors and financial services firms in communities across the country and around the world. Advisors are nominated by their peers for actively giving back to non-profits to improve their communities and make a difference in the lives of others. There are five award categories: Catalyst, Community Service, Global Community Impact, Volunteer of the Year, and Lifetime Achievement.

Invest in Others received hundreds of nominations for the Community Leadership Awards this year. Finalists were selected based on their leadership, dedication, contribution, inspiration, and impact on a non-profit and the community it serves.

For 10 years, Rob Shick has been instrumental in raising millions of dollars for the Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) Foundation, advancing cancer research and care to benefit patients in Oregon and worldwide. In addition to serving as a board member since 2008, he joined the Knight Cancer Institute Council in 2006 and has chaired it since 2010. From 2006-2009, he led a \$10 million initiative to build OHSU's Center for Cancer Cell Signaling research laboratories. Most recently, Shick helped lead the ambitious and unprecedented Knight Cancer Challenge, which raised \$1 billion in two years for an early cancer detection research program at OHSU. The program will bring an estimated 6,800 jobs to Portland and \$35 million in annual tax revenue to the state. To garner support, he has shared his inspirational cancer survival story at more than 150 events throughout the region as well as other parts of the U.S. Shick has also provided leadership for several \$2.5 million OHSU endowed faculty campaigns. He is renowned for his talents and success in developing strategy, enhancing relationships and securing donations.

Awards will be presented at the annual Invest in Others Community Leadership Awards Gala, a premier event attended by over 400 financial advisors and financial services executives, on September 30, 2015 in New York City.

About the Invest in Others Charitable Foundation

The Invest in Others Charitable Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that was founded by the financial services industry to amplify the charitable work of financial advisors and the institutions they work for. To realize its goals, Invest in Others recognizes philanthropy, inspires volunteerism, and educates the investing public about the positive impact made by advisors and their firms in their communities. Today, Invest in Others is the premier non-profit that objectively recognizes philanthropic achievement and facilitates charitable involvement through meaningful programs and events. For more information, visit www.investinothers.org.

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