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### **The Center for Enriched Living Receives Grant from Million Dollar Round Table Foundation**

July 9, 2014—As part of its Worldwide Grant Program, the MDRT Foundation awarded a **\$4,000** grant to **The Center for Enriched Living (CEL)**. The grant will help support CEL's Wednesday evening program for people of all ages with developmental disabilities.

Through its Worldwide Grant Program, the MDRT Foundation is committed to improving the quality of life in communities around the globe. This year, the MDRT Foundation will award almost \$1 million in grants to more than 100 charities. Representing the MDRT Foundation, former CEL Board President (2001-2004) and current Emeritus Alex Freund, *CLU, ChFC*, supported CEL's application and underscored the necessity of ongoing social, recreational, and life skill enrichment for people with developmental disabilities.

The MDRT Foundation was created in 1959 to provide MDRT members with a means to give back to their communities. Since its inception, the Foundation has donated more than \$28 million in more than 70 countries throughout the world and in all 50 U.S. states. The majority of these funds were raised by MDRT members from MDRT members.

The MDRT Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Million Dollar Round Table, The Premier Association of Financial Professionals®. MDRT is an international, independent association of nearly 36,000 of the world's best life insurance and financial services professionals from more than 78 countries. MDRT members demonstrate exceptional product knowledge, strict ethical conduct and outstanding client service. MDRT membership is recognized internationally as the standard of sales excellence in the life insurance and financial services business.

#### ***About the Center for Enriched Living***

*The Center for Enriched Living exists to enhance and enrich the lives of people with developmental and intellectual disabilities – from youth through adulthood. CEL provides a space for our members to grow and learn new social, educational and independent living skills as well as have equal opportunities to fulfill their dreams and become vital participants within their communities. More information available at [www.CenterForEnrichedLiving.org](http://www.CenterForEnrichedLiving.org).*