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## Law Firm's Weight Loss Is Food Pantry's Gain

*Northwest Compass's Food Connection received \$1,420—proceeds from a weight-loss challenge—from Arlington Heights-based Drost Kivlahan McMahon & O'Connor (DKMO) this week.*

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With organizations like DietBet, Pledge It and others giving good odds for weight loss, attorneys and professional staff from Arlington Heights-based Drost Kivlahan McMahon & O'Connor (DKMO) took the bet. Earning money to shed pounds, the firm raised \$1,420 in support of local food pantry, Northwest Compass Food Connection.

DKMO partner and Arlington Heights native, Thomas W. Kivlahan, organized the weight-loss challenge. Kivlahan, who still resides in the area with his wife and son, and is very active in the community, was eager to add a giving-back component to the contest. Upon meeting Northwest Compass Executive Director, Susan Tybon, and learning how neighbors who face budget shortfalls rely daily on Northwest Compass Food Connection to put healthy food on the table for their families while meeting obligations, Kivlahan knew he had found a worthy organization to support. He urged participants to donate a portion of their winnings to the agency.

And knowing that the more they lost, the more money would be raised must have provided an extra incentive. The firm's donation exceeded their initial estimate. "We are grateful to our friends at DKMO," says Tybon. "They give new meaning to the old adage 'put your money where your mouth is.' They really came through for us in a big way!"

### About Northwest Compass, Inc.

Northwest Compass believes that with a little help and timely intervention, anyone can create a stable future for themselves and their families. Supported by comprehensive stabilization and empowerment services like Career Coaching and Money Management, providing a safe place to live and food security for the homeless, hungry and heroes in the community forms the foundation of the agency's programs. Northwest Compass has been helping neighbors turn crisis into opportunity since 1984, and in 2017 was named a lead agency in the North for Coordinated Entry. For more information, please visit <http://www.northwestcompass.org>

### About DKMO

Drost Kivlahan McMahon & O'Connor LLC ("DKMO") has been establishing lasting relationships with individuals and businesses since 1987. With fifteen (15) experienced attorneys practicing in different areas of the law, and knowledgeable and professional support staff, DKMO ensures that each client receives prompt and responsive service and appropriate representation. For clients with issues outside the firm's practice areas, including personal injury, medical malpractice, family law and criminal defense, DKMO is able to provide quality referrals to experienced local attorneys. DKMO has the resources necessary to resolve complex issues while maintaining a personal relationship with every client. Attorneys at DKMO are all actively involved in the community as well. The firm was named "Business of the Year" by the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce in 2001, and received the "Business Leadership" Heart of Gold Award from the Village of Arlington Heights in 2012.

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