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**PHOTO CAPTION: CROHN'S & COLITIS FOUNDATION RECEIVES GRANTS
FROM LOCAL NEW YORK LIFE OFFICE**

WILLIAMSVILLE, NY, February xx, 2018 — The Crohn's and Colitis Foundation announced today that they received grants totaling \$35,046 based on the engagement and volunteer efforts of Marc I. Rosenthal, an agent associated with New York Life's Buffalo Erie General Office and the owner and founder of ROI Financial Group. The volunteer efforts of Mr. Rosenthal and his team significantly contributed to the \$80,000 raised at the Take Steps Walk, for Crohn's and Colitis, in Buffalo, NY.

New York Life and the New York Life Foundation recognized the community engagement work of Mr. Rosenthal and his team by presenting them with two Volunteers for Good grants totaling \$7,120 and a \$5,000 New York Life Community Impact Grant. These grants, along with several sponsorships and donations secured by Mr. Rosenthal and his team, resulted in a \$35,046 check given to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. The funds will enable the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation to provide local patients with education and support programming in addition to funding mission critical research that brings us closer to our goal of finding cures for all patients suffering with Crohn's and ulcerative colitis.



Pictured left to right: John Foster, Marc Rosenthal, & Samantha Hughes from New York Life's Buffalo Erie General Office present a \$35,046 check to Eric Israel from the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America.