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Mountain West Financial Receives Inaugural MBA Diversity & Inclusion Award *A Western United States Mortgage Lender Since 1990*

The Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA) announced its first annual awards recognizing member companies for their leadership in diversity and inclusion. Companies were recognized in two different categories: Organizational Diversity & Inclusion and Market Outreach Strategies. Mountain West Financial was acknowledged with honorable mention in Market Outreach Strategies, for their partnership with Down Payment Resources. “We are honored to be recognized for our partnership with Down Payment Resource. We have successfully promoted down payment assistance programs and generated more affordable housing awareness while helping first-time homebuyers fulfill their dream of homeownership. Down payment assistance programs help the homebuyer increase their affordability and aid in growing our communities with more first-time homebuyers. About 73% of the purchases that we currently close are to first-time homebuyers and 25% of those purchasers are utilizing these down payment assistance programs. We helped 737 homebuyers in 2015 with affordable housing programs which is recognition itself. We are proud of this recognition and even more proud to put smiles upon new homeowners” said Tonya Todd, Senior VP of Strategic Products.



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“These awards recognize the importance of embracing a diverse and inclusive real estate finance industry,” said MBA Chairman Rodrigo López, CMB, Executive Chairman of NorthMarq Capital and the previous Chairman of MBA’s Diversity and Inclusion Committee. “MBA received an overwhelming amount of submissions to our inaugural awards, and faced a difficult challenge in selecting from a strong pool of applicants. We are pleased to see so many companies dedicating resources and efforts towards these important issues,” Lopez continued. The Market Strategies award recognizes company initiatives that are specifically developed and designed to increase outreach, marketing, and products to attract customers from the industry’s fastest growing market segments. This award commends the hard work, dedication, and creativity in the creation of exemplary diversity and inclusion programs focused on new market outreach.

Mountain West Financial, Inc. has recently received several awards including: ‘50 Best Companies to Work For’ and ‘Top 100 Mortgage Companies’ by *Mortgage Executive Magazine*, ‘Top Mortgage Lender’ by *The Scotsman Guide*, ‘Top Workplace - #1 Midsize Company’ by *The Press Enterprise*, and several individual awards for our Management Team, among others.

Mountain West Financial is headquartered in Redlands, California with 37 locations throughout the Western United States providing FHA, VA, Conventional, USDA, and many Down Payment Assistance Programs. For further information, call (909)793-1500, Toll Free 1-888-793-6470, email info@mwfinc.com, or visit www.mwfinc.com. Mountain West Financial, Inc. is licensed by the Department of Business Oversight under the California Residential Mortgage Lending Act. NMLS #164497. For full state licensing, visit <http://www.homeowners.mwfinc.com/state-licensing/>.

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