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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Love Your Community Reception**

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On Thursday, April 13, the public is invited to attend a community reception, which will feature the announcement of grant award winners for the "Love Your Community" grant program. The reception will be held at the Hillsdale County Community Foundation office, at 2 South Howell Street in downtown Hillsdale, beginning at 5:30 pm. Each finalist has been invited to prepare a display and presentation materials to be available during the reception. The goal of the event is to generate excitement and support for those who have a vision to improve the community. Reception attendees will have the opportunity to speak with all the finalists and find out more information about their projects and goals.

Hillsdale County Community Foundation representatives will give a short presentation about the HCCF and the Love Your Community program. Grant award winners will also be announced at that time. The Love Your Community program was open to any applicant with an idea, a plan, and a desire to make their community a better place. The finalists' projects promote community improvement,



interaction, or engagement. Finalists have the potential of receiving up to \$2,000 to implement their project.

A large factor in the grant award decision-making was the support that each proposal received via Facebook likes recorded directly from the HCCF page during the voting period, which ended on March 31. The HCCF also evaluated each proposal for feasibility, plan for execution, clear communication of goals and expected outcomes, and realistic budget.

For more information please contact the Hillsdale County Community Foundation at 517-439-5101, stop by our office at 2 S. Howell St. in Hillsdale, or visit our website (www.abouthccf.org) or Facebook page.



