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## Hillsdale County Community Foundation Announces Summer YOUTH Grant Awards

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The Hillsdale County Community Foundation is pleased to announce the recipients of the most recent YOUTH (Youth Opportunities Unlimited Throughout Hillsdale) grant cycles. A total of \$11,500 has been awarded to area non-profit organizations for projects or programs to benefit young people in Hillsdale County. The following organizations were awarded funding through the Kellogg Youth Advisory Fund:

- ArtWorks/Heritage Association, \$5,000 challenge grant for "Indigenous Animals of Hillsdale County" project;
- Hillsdale County ISD, \$2,000 for autism training for law enforcement agencies;
- Litchfield Schools, \$2,500 matching grant for softball field improvements; and
- Hillsdale High School Envirothon Team, \$2,000 for water bottle filling stations.

Information regarding applying for a grant can be obtained by calling the Foundation office Monday through Friday from 9 am - 4 pm, or by stopping at the offices located at 2 S. Howell Street, Hillsdale, Michigan. Information is also available online at www.abouthccf.org. The HCCF YOUTH was also established in 1991. The YOUTH Advisory Council has an ongoing program for studying the assets, needs, and concerns of the young people of Hillsdale County. YOUTH has a special endowment fund, initially made possible by a challenge grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, to make available grant dollars to benefit and involve young people in Hillsdale County.

