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## **HCCF Field of Interest Fund Grant Awards**

**\$17,852.47** was recently awarded from a number of funds administered by the Hillsdale County Community Foundation (HCCF) to area non-profit organizations for projects or programs to benefit Hillsdale County residents. Funds for these grants come from a number of Field of Interest funds at the Foundation.

The following organizations were awarded funding through the George W. Romney Endowment Fund (for volunteer activities):

- Community Action Agency, \$2,000 for the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program; and
- Hillsdale County Sheriff's Office, \$8,000 for the Hillsdale County Victims Services Unit.

Several area libraries also received funding from the Benge Library Fund and the Louise Hawkes Library Fund:

- Reading Community Library, \$416.36 for the summer reading program;
- Camden Township Library, \$395 for a Starlab program;
- Waldron District Library, \$300 for the summer reading program;



- North Adams Community Memorial Library, \$646.11 for the summer reading program;
- Jonesville District Library, \$450 for the summer reading program and \$1,100 for a community open house; and
- Pittsford Public Library, \$500 for craft items and junior audio books.

Two organizations received funding from the Healthy Senior/Healthy Youth Endowment Fund:

- Do'Chas Counseling, \$1,200 for healthy living kits for teens, and
- McKinney-Vento Program, \$1,500 for financial assistance with participation in athletics for homeless students.

In addition, the Community Action Agency was awarded \$1,345 from the James and Ardath McCall Building Fund to provide housing assistance.

Field of Interest funds allow donors to support broad areas of interest, such as education, the arts, or youth services. The Foundation makes grants to the most appropriate programs or organizations within the specified field. While a donor directs a Field of Interest Fund established from its creation, the maintenance is left up to HCCF. HCCF's professional staff continually monitors changing community needs so that donors can be sure grants made in the name of the fund make the most impact in the specified field of interest and create a personal legacy of giving.

Information regarding setting up any type of fund can be obtained by calling the Foundation office Monday through Friday from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, or by stopping at the offices located at 2 S. Howell Street, Hillsdale, Michigan. Information is also available online at www.abouthccf.org.



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