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Women of Philanthropy Committee Initiates Mother's Love Care Package Project

The Washington County Community Foundation (WCCF) is pleased to announce that its *Women of Philanthropy Committee* has initiated the *Mother's Love Care Package Project* to help comfort women who have been abused, battered, sexually assaulted, have become homeless, or are otherwise suffering. The care packages will be distributed to women through partnership with other charities which provide direct services to disadvantaged women.

The project was initiated with a \$500 grant from the *Dr. Adam D. Grossman Family Fund* of the WCCF, recommended by Volunteer Project Coordinator, Laura Grossman, and her husband, Adam. Other Committee Members have also made financial contributions toward the project and additional tax deductible contributions are encouraged.

The ladies are also seeking in kind donations of sample-sized shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrush, mouthwash, lotions, bath sponge, shower gel, deodorant, lip balm, disposable razor, manicure set, and hairbrush to complete the care packages. Donations may be dropped off at the WCCF offices at 331 South Main Street in Washington, or given to a Committee Member.

"While learning about the special needs of disadvantaged women last year in our year-long *Women of Philanthropy Campaign*, Committee Members were motivated to do more to support these women," said Betsie Trew, Executive Director. "We often take for granted our ability to take a shower and brush our teeth. But for some women in our community, these simple things are a luxury unavailable to them. Our hope is that the *Mother's Love Care Packages* will provide a small measure of comfort to women who are suffering."

The public is invited to learn more about other factors affecting all women in our community at a May 7th luncheon seminar, Road to Equity Tour, co-hosted by First Commonwealth Bank, the Women and Girls Foundation, and the WCCF. Tickets are available for purchase at \$30 per person with all proceeds benefiting the *Mother's Fund*. Later this year, the *Women of Philanthropy Committee* will consider applications for a \$10,000 award from the Foundation's *Mother's Fund*. To be eligible to apply, area charities must provide a



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program in Washington County which supports disadvantaged women and children. The application deadline is July 1.

To learn more please contact the Foundation at info@wccf.net or 724-222-6330.

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