

NEWS RELEASE

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APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FOR PETERS TOWNSHIP

Washington, PA – The Washington County Community Foundation (WCCF) is currently accepting funding applications through May 1, 2005 for the **Community Endowment for Peters Township**. A \$1,000 grant will be awarded. The foundation awards grants from this fund to charitable organizations that operate programs which benefit Peters Township and address one of the following need categories: (1) the arts, (2) education, (3) the environment, (4) health, (5) human needs, (6) religion.

The **Community Endowment for Peters Township** is a permanent fund established in 2002, initiated with proceeds from a Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra Concert held at the Peters Township High School in June of that year. Currently valued at approximately \$43,000, the fund has awarded more than \$17,000 since its inception. Past recipients include Parents Organizing Resources for Children's Health (PORCH), Meals on Wheels, and Friends of Peters Township Library.

These awards have been made possible in great part by the success of the *Taste of the Township*, a fundraiser co-sponsored by the WCCF and the *Taste of the Township*, a community fund-raising committee comprised of Peters Township residents. The annual event gives area restaurants the opportunity to showcase samples of their specialty item; this celebration of local culinary craftsmanship is complimented by live music and a silent auction.

This year's *Taste of the Township* event is scheduled for Friday, April 29, 2005 at the Valley Brook Country Club. Tickets are \$100 per couple and \$60 for individuals. Additionally, tax-deductible sponsorship opportunities, including Reserved Table Sponsorships are available.

To learn more please visit the foundation website at www.wccf.net. Questions regarding grant proposals and corporate sponsorship opportunities may be directed to the foundation by email at wccf@cobweb.net or by phone at (724) 222-6330. Proposals should be mailed to: The Washington County Community Foundation, 77 South Main Street, Washington, PA 15301.

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