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NEWS RELEASE

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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ACCEPTING REQUEST FOR FUNDING

The Washington County Community Foundation is currently accepting requests for several funds.

Abernathy Fund for Conservation - proposals should address a conservation project in Washington County. Up to \$3,000 will be awarded. The fund was created by the Abernathy Family in 1999.

Canonsburg Community Fund – proposals should address a project that benefits the citizens of Canonsburg. The charity need not be physically located in Canonsburg but be providing a charitable service to the community in any of the following areas: the arts, education, the environment, health, human needs, or religion. A \$200 award will be granted. The fund was created by the WCCF Board of Trustees in 2004.

Community Endowment for Peters Township – proposals should address a project that benefits the citizens of Peters Township. The charity need not be physically located in Peters Township but be providing a charitable service to the community in any of the following areas: the arts, education, the environment, health, human needs, or religion. Up to \$5,000 will be awarded. The fund was created by the WCCF Board of Trustees in 2002. Its value has been greatly enhanced by the efforts of the annual Taste of the Township event.

McBride - McMaster Fund - proposals should address issues that promote local history or support the needy in Washington County. A \$250 award will be granted. The fund was created by Dr. Gilbert and Mrs. Margaret McBride McMaster in 1998. Both Dr. and Mrs. McMaster are now deceased.

Joseph F. Perkins Fund - proposals should address a project that benefits youth in the Burgettstown community. A \$200 award will be granted. The charity need not be physically located in the Burgettstown area. The fund was created by a bequest from Joseph A. Perkins. Mr. Perkins, who was born and raised in the Burgettstown area, was a member of the Teamsters Union. Throughout his life, Mr. Perkins was a relentless inventor and later in life developed a strong interest in astrology and numerology.

Judge Samuel L. Rodgers Fund – proposal should address a literacy issue in Washington County. A \$500 award will be granted. This fund was initiated in November 2000 by his daughter, Marta Rodgers Merchant, and friends in honor of Judge Rodgers' 80th birthday. Judge Rodgers was a part of the Washington County legal community for more than 50 years. He was appointed to Commonwealth Court as a senior judge in July 1993 and was active with the court until his death in November 2001.

Washington County Endowment for the Arts & Humanities – proposals should address a project concerned with the arts or humanities in Washington County. A \$300 award will be granted. The fund was created in 2001 by the WCCF with proceeds of the “Community Foundation Night at the Theatre” including a lead gift from John and Barbara Campbell.

Interested 501(c)3, charitable organizations should submit a one page letter describing the organization and the project for which funds are requested. Letters must be received by July 1, 2007. Letters should be mailed to: The Washington County Community Foundation, 77 South Main Street, Washington, PA 15301. Questions may be directed to the Foundation by phone at (724) 222-6330 or by email at info@wccf.net. To learn more please visit the foundation website at www.wccf.net.

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