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Racine Community Foundation Awards \$181,206 in Fourth Quarter Grants

RACINE (December 2015) – The Board of Directors of the Racine Community Foundation is pleased to announce the award of \$181,206 in fourth quarter grants. The sixteen organizations benefitting from these grant awards include the following:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Racine and Kenosha Counties has been awarded a grant to help fund the salary of a Match Support/Administrative Assistant position.

Broadscope Disability Service will receive a grant to support the In-Home Respite Program.

CATHE Center has been awarded a grant to be used for operational support.

Catholic Charities will receive a grant to be used toward the Outreach and Case Management program.

Emmaus Lutheran Church has been awarded a grant to support the Emmaus After School for Youth (EASY) program.

GreenPath, Inc. will receive a grant to help fund The Racine Family Financial Health Initiative.

John Paul II Academy has been approved for a grant to help fund the construction of a new school playground.

LGBT Center of SE WI, Inc. will receive a grant to provide operational support.

Prevent Blindness Wisconsin will receive a grant to help fund the Racine Children's Vision Health Program.

Racine Family YMCA has been approved for a grant to support the Young Leaders Academy.

Racine Theatre Guild has been approved for a grant help fund the “Stairways to the Stage – Step Up” capital project.

SAFE Haven of Racine, Inc. has been awarded a grant to be used toward The Middle School Engagement Program.

The Salvation Army will receive a grant to support the Coats for Kids program.

Senior Companion Program, Inc. has been approved for a grant to be used toward operating and program costs.

Siena Retreat Center has received a grant to help fund The Forgiveness Project exhibit and programming.

Wisconsin Badger Camp has been awarded a grant to support the Campership Program.

In other business, Executive Director, Liz Powell, was pleased to report that as of December 18, 2015 the assets of the Racine Community Foundation were \$51,582,797. In 2014, the Foundation distributed \$2,527,353 in grants to benefit area nonprofit organizations.

The Racine Community Foundation, Inc. is a publicly supported, tax-exempt charitable organization formed in 1975. The mission of the Racine Community Foundation is to enhance the quality of life for the people of Racine County by encouraging and providing opportunities for charitable giving and by managing and distributing the funds in a responsible manner.

Information about the Foundation and the grant application procedure are available by contacting the Foundation at 262.632.8474 or its website at:
www.racinecommunityfoundation.org.