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Racine Community Foundation Awards \$174,289 in First Quarter Grants

RACINE (March 2016) – The Board of Directors of the Racine Community Foundation is pleased to announce the award of \$174,289 in first quarter grants. The fourteen organizations benefitting from these grant awards include the following:

A.I.M. Now (fiscal sponsor: Evangelical Church in America) has been awarded a grant to support full-day four year old kindergarten programming.

BONK! Performance Series (fiscal sponsor: Friends of the Racine Public Library) will receive a grant to provide operational support.

Children’s Service Society of Wisconsin has been awarded a grant to provide operational support for Racine child and family counseling.

Gateway Technical College Foundation will receive a grant to support the Gateway Promise program.

Get Behind the Arts (fiscal sponsor: Kenosha Community Foundation) has been awarded a grant to support the 2016 Get Behind the Arts Studio Tour.

Great Lakes Community Conservation Corps will receive a grant to support the Greater Racine Green Zones Initiative project.

The HOPES Center of Racine, Inc. has been approved for a grant to provide operational support for the mental health, outreach and rapid rehousing programs.

Racine Literacy Council will receive a grant to help fund the telecommunication upgrade project.

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy will receive a grant to support the Route of the Badger Racine Connectivity and Equity Analysis project.

Small World Montessori School has been approved for a grant to help fund upgrades made to the building's heating system.

Veterans Outreach of Wisconsin has been approved for a grant to provide operational support.

Visioning a Greater Racine (fiscal sponsor: United Way of Racine County) has been awarded a grant to support the Visioning a Greater Racine program.

Wisconsin Senior Olympics will receive a grant to help fund the Growth Initiative program.

Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation (WWBIC) has been approved for a grant to support the Job Title: Business Owner program.

In other business, Executive Director, Liz Powell, was pleased to report that the assets of the Racine Community Foundation for the year ended 2015 were \$50,312,239. In 2015, the Foundation distributed \$3,017,691 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.