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## **Community Foundation of Broward Presents \$500,000 in Grants to Local Charities**

(Fort Lauderdale, Fla.) – Thirty-one local charitable organizations recently received grants, ranging from \$ 1,000 to \$75,000 each, from the Community Foundation of Broward. The grants were awarded to organizations that address a variety of needs, including youth who age out of the foster care system, literacy, and civic engagement.

“Since we were founded nearly 25 years ago, the Community Foundation has contributed close to \$40 million to thousands of worthwhile projects that affect lives in our community daily,” said Foundation President and CEO Linda Carter. “This is a true reflection of the generous philanthropy that exists in Broward – all with the same vision of making our community stronger and more vibrant.”

A few examples of the many lives that are affected daily through grants from the Community Foundation of Broward include the first staff member for an arts organization that has been run solely by volunteers for eight years, tutors, career exploration guidance and drug prevention education to 350 at-risk Broward teens; and small business development training to 425 minority women to assist them in better providing for their families.

The Community Foundation grants included:

American Veterans for Equal Rights	\$ 2,500
Art and Culture Center of Hollywood	\$ 5,000
Arts United	\$58,824
Ashanti Cultural Arts & Enrichment	\$15,000
Aspira of Florida	\$10,000
Broward Performing Arts Foundation	\$13,700
Camelot Community Care	\$16,687
Center for Technology, Enterprise and Development	\$10,000

Cooperative Feeding Program	\$15,305
Fort Lauderdale Historical Society	\$10,000
Fountain of Life International	\$12,500
Gay Heroes America Foundation	\$20,000
Gilda's Club South Florida	\$ 5,000
Habitat for Humanity Broward	\$15,000
Hollywood Arts and Culture Center	\$10,000
Jessica June Children's Cancer Fund	\$10,590
Junior League of Fort Lauderdale	\$75,000
Lighthouse of Broward	\$10,000
Miami Gay and Lesbian Film Festival	\$10,000
PS Youth Outreach Center	\$ 8,500
Red Hispana Florida	\$ 1,000
Rising Action Theatre	\$ 7,500
Russell Life Skills Reading Room	\$10,000
Schott Communities	\$ 9,000
SOS Children's Villages - Florida	\$ 6,000
South Florida Choral Arts	\$ 5,000
South Florida Musical Guild	\$10,000
Stonewall Library and Archives	\$80,565
Susan B Anthony Recovery Center	\$10,174
University of Miami	\$32,377
WPBT Channel 2	\$10,000

Grants are awarded four times a year and applications are accepted year round, according to specific guidelines. For more information on how to contribute to the Community Foundation or how to apply for a grant, visit [www.cfbroward.org](http://www.cfbroward.org) or for questions about the grant process, please contact Sheri Brown, Vice President of Grants and Initiatives, at 954-761-9503 x 103.

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Founded in 1984, the Community Foundation of Broward's mission is to provide leadership on community solutions, and foster philanthropy that connects people who care with causes that matter. A public nonprofit organization with more than 350 Charitable Funds and agency endowments representing more than \$80 million, it has distributed \$40 million to support community solutions over the past 24 years. As a community leader, it convenes citizens around critical issues, and builds the capacity of the nonprofit sector to respond to these issues. The Community Foundation of Broward seeks to improve the quality of life in Broward County. *For **Good**. For **Ever**.*

