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WOMEN GIVING TOGETHER MAKES FIRST DONATION TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THREE DELAWARE COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS

Powell, OH, Nov. 9, 2011 – Women Giving Together, a newly formed giving circle in Delaware County, Ohio, donated their first \$6,800 to three non-profit organizations that focus on helping families in need in Delaware County.

Common Ground Free Store, which provides household items and clothing to those in need, received \$2,500 and will use the funds for facility improvements. People in Need, which provides a variety of services to people throughout the county, received \$2,500 to support its emergency dental assistance program and \$1,500 toward its vision services. Family Promise, an organization that helps homeless families achieve independence, received \$300 to purchase work supplies for those who recently returned to the workforce.

“Our group realizes there is a great need for assistance to families and individuals in Delaware County and we want to help fulfill this void,” said Paula Tarpey, one of the founding members of Women Giving Together and COO/shareholder at Kensington Wealth Partners, Ltd./Lincoln Financial Advisors Corp.

A giving circle is a group who pools their donation, collaborates with one another to decide where to give money and learns about the needs of the community. Women Giving Together is a donor advised fund of the Community Foundation of Delaware County.

“Establishing a donor advised fund at the Community Foundation of Delaware County is easy to do. These vehicles for charitable giving are low cost and flexible, providing an alternative to direct giving or creating a private foundation,” said Tarpey. “Many individuals enjoy the administrative convenience, cost savings and unique tax advantages by conducting their grant making through a donor advised fund.”

Women Giving Together was founded less than a year ago by a group of Delaware County women in an effort to support some of the unfulfilled needs in the area. The group has eight members and is inviting others to join them in their efforts to give back to the community.

For more information on Women Giving Together, contact Marlene Casini at the Community Foundation of Delaware County (614) 764-2332. The organization can also be found on Facebook at “Women Giving Together: Delaware Co.”

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