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***Pictured: Katie Ottinger, HCCF and Donna Griffin, Dani's Dreams***

**HCCF issues grants from Connecting Community Fund**



The Hancock County Community Foundation (HCCF) recently awarded a \$1,000 grant from the Connecting Community Fund, a component fund of HCCF, to Dani's Dreams Innovation in Education Corporation.

Dani's Dreams will partner with community organizations and fellow nonprofits to offer "pop-up" Eco Lessons at various locations during March, April and May. The goal is to help people celebrate the joy found in discovery and spread awareness of sustainability and environmental education throughout Hancock County. Organizations interested in partnering with Dani's Dreams are encouraged to visit its website to learn more about its programs at [www.danisdreamscorp.org](http://www.danisdreamscorp.org).

Through the Connecting Community Fund, HCCF supports public opportunities that encourage residents to enjoy community gathering spots and activities where people can play, eat, learn, and socialize.

*HCCF provides philanthropic leadership by encouraging giving, learning, community pride and civic engagement. Working with caring individuals, families, and organizations to create or grow existing permanent endowment funds is critical to the organization's mission. These funds generate income that is distributed in the form of grants and scholarships to enrich and enhance life in Hancock County, as well as support the donor's favorite charitable causes, both at home and afar forever. HCCF has granted more than \$14 million since its inception in 1992.*

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