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Photo Attached: 2016 Martha Beckenholdt Youth Philanthropy Award Winner Emily Ebbert

Caption: Youth Philanthropy Award Available



The Hancock County Community Foundation is currently accepting applications for the **2017 Martha Beckenholdt Youth Philanthropy Award**. This award, named in honor of long-time Hancock County resident and philanthropist, Martha Beckenholdt, recognizes a Hancock County High School Junior who has contributed outstanding time, talent, and energy to philanthropic endeavors. These are the true attributes of the woman whom the award honors. The award recipient will select a Hancock County nonprofit organization or agency to receive a \$1,000 grant, donated by the Hancock County Community Foundation, in his or her name.

Applicants must be Hancock County High School Juniors with a recommendation from a high school staff member or nonprofit organization leader located in Hancock County. Applications must be complete and submitted online by 4:00pm on Monday, September 18, 2017. A link to the application can be found on HCCF's Website at giveHCgrowHC.org.

Questions can be directed to Kara Harrison, HCCF's Community Investment & Grants Officer by email at kharrison@giveHCgrowHC.org or by phone at 317-462-8870 ext. 226.

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 over \$13 million since its inception in 1992.

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