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Putnam County Citizens Asked to Envision a Brighter 2011

Greencastle, IN – February 26, 2010 – The Putnam County Community Foundation announces the creation of a grant initiative called “Envision 2011,” made possible through the generous donations from Community Grants Fund donors and in honor of the Community Foundation’s 25th Anniversary. Envision 2011 is a \$100,000.00 grant to be made in Putnam County in 2011. “We are asking Putnam County citizens to work together and give us their best ideas on how to improve our county in a big way,” says Phyllis Rokicki, Board Member and Grants Committee Chair. “We want to inspire new ideas and encourage even more engagement.”

Applications for this large grant are being sought now through June 1, 2010. The Community Foundation is looking for creative charitable projects or programs that will make a significant difference to the entire county in the areas of economic development and education. 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, churches, and units of government (such as schools, colleges, libraries, the county, cities and towns) are eligible to apply and must partner with at least one other organization. The grant application can be downloaded from www.pcfoundation.org.

A public meeting will be held on Monday, March 15th, at the Putnam County Public Library in the Kiwanis Room from 5:30 to 6:30 P.M. regarding Envision 2011. Anyone is welcome to attend, ask questions and talk to Community Foundation staff and volunteers about the grant application and process. It is not required to attend the session to apply for the grant, but it is encouraged.

“We would like to thank our local donors who helped make this grant and all of our other Community Grants possible,” said Eric Wolfe, Director of Community Development of the Putnam County Community Foundation. “Those donors include the Art Evans Family, the Bohmer Family, Howard Moore, the Lyon Family, Mary Louise Miller, and Old National Bank.” For questions about Envision 2011, or to learn how you can contribute to the Community Grants Fund that makes these types of grants available, please contact Eric Wolfe at 765-653-4978.

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