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Community Foundation Accepting Community Grant Applications

Greencastle, IN – February 10, 2012 – The Putnam County Community Foundation is seeking 501(c)(3) nonprofits, churches and units of government to be partners in serving the local Putnam County community. Preliminary grant applications are being accepted now and are due February 1st. They may be picked up at the Foundation office or downloaded at www.pcfoundation.org.

Preliminary grant applications are simple one-page snapshots of the project, its impact and basic information about the organization. All applicants are encouraged to work with Community Foundation staff in preparing their application to be sure it meets eligibility requirements, though this is not required.

The mission of the Community Foundation is broad and includes support of all charitable activities in Putnam County. Community Foundation funding priorities are providing urgent human relief, increasing literacy and educational attainment, combating obesity and promoting fitness, increasing economic development, supporting senior citizens, building non-profit capacity, and increasing access to public transportation. All charitable projects are eligible for funding.

Grants to the community are made possible through contributions, both in cash and planned estate gifts, from visionary donors who want to make a difference in Putnam County. Donors interested in establishing a fund for this purpose may be eligible to receive matching funds to start an endowment. For questions about the grants program and process or how to start an endowment, please contact Dean Gambill, Director of Community Development, at 765-653-4978.

The Putnam County Community Foundation is a public charity established in 1985 to serve donors, award grants, and conduct community development to enrich the quality of life in Putnam County. The Community Foundation administers more than 220 funds and has issued more than \$7.7 million in grants and scholarships since inception. For more information about the Community Foundation, call 765.653.4978 or visit www.pcfoundation.org.

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