

Contact

Linda Sandquist
Director of Marketing and Communications
Community Foundation of Northern Illinois
946 N. Second Street
Rockford, IL 61107
Phone 815-962-2110 ext. 12
Cell 815-289-1258
Email lsandquist@cfnil.org

**For Immediate Release
March 28, 2011**

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES
GRANTS TO STEPHENSON COUNTY
Total = \$35,305 for FY 2011**

Rockford, IL – The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois announced today that it will award over \$28,805 in new grants to organizations in Stephenson County. These grants bring the Community Foundation’s FY 2011 total awards to Stephenson County to \$35,305.

The grants will be awarded from the Community Arts and Humanities Fund, the Community Needs Fund, the Dr. Louis and Violet Rubin Fund, the Margaret K. Aldeen Christian Ministry Fund, and the President’s Discretionary Fund. All of these funds are permanently endowed, meaning the principal is never used. Seven organizations in Stephenson County will benefit from these grant funds.

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>
A Community Together – Orangeville	\$ 6,000.00
Assault and Abuse Services of Stephenson Cty – Freeport	\$ 905.00
Freeport Area Church Cooperative - Freeport	\$ 4,400.00
Freeport Area Economic Development Foundation dba Northwest Illinois Development Alliance – Freeport	\$ 500.00
Freeport Area Economic Development Foundation – Freeport	\$ 6,500.00
Neighborhood Housing Services of Freeport – Freeport	\$16,000.00
Stephenson County Historical Society – Freeport	\$ 1,000.00

The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois is the area’s largest provider of grants and scholarships. It serves a four county area – Boone, Ogle, Stephenson, and Winnebago. The Foundation stewards assets of almost \$50 million, and administers 400 funds and 65 scholarships. Since 1990, the Community Foundation has awarded \$263,432 to Stephenson County in grants to nonprofits and scholarships to students pursuing higher or continuing education.

For more information about the Foundation, please call Gloria Lundin, President, at 815-962-2110 ext. 16.

END