

## **?The Women's Giving Circle of WCCF announces information about first grant cycle**

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? ? There will be a public meeting for any non-profit organization wishing to apply for a grant from The Women's Giving Circle of the Washington County Community Foundation. The meeting will be held on August 19, at 7p.m. at the Community Learning Center. Grant criteria will be discussed. The criteria for this grant cycle include opportunities that will provide more independence for women and expanding horizons for girls. This may include education, training, vocational skills, counseling, mentoring, and life skills or programs that address the immediate needs of women and children.

Grant guidelines, application process, deadlines and reporting process will also be explained. There will be an opportunity to ask questions.

The goal is that by the end of the meeting, all potential applicants will have a strong understanding of the process. All grant applicants are strongly encouraged to attend this session and bring project or program ideas. The deadline for submitting grant applications is September 22. Applicants should submit one original and 5 copies of the application.

Grant applications for the grant cycle will be available at the public meeting and the WCCF office. The Washington County Community Foundation will begin accepting applications on August 20, 2008. For more information, you may call Judy Johnson or Lindsey Wade-Swift at the Foundation office. The number is 883-7334.

Funding for this grant cycle has been made available from the Women's Giving Circle. The members of this giving circle have raised the funds by direct contributions from members and also from the First Annual Giving From the Heart Event that was held in February of this year.