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ECLIPSe Youth Grantmaking Council Seeks Grant Proposals

FINDLAY, OH (January 13, 2009)— The ECLIPSe (Emerging Community Leaders Investing in Philanthropic Service) Youth Grantmaking Council has announced that applications for their next round of competitive grants are now available. There is \$2,500 currently available for local service learning projects. Area youth, schools and youth-serving organizations interested in submitting a grant proposal can receive more information and an application packet by contacting Kimberly Bash, Youth Services Officer, at (419) 425-1100 or by going to the website at http://www.community-foundation.com/ECLIPSe_grants.htm. The deadline for these proposals is February 13, 2009. ECLIPSe requires that funded projects be coordinated in partnership with local youth and that they address actual community needs through service learning.

ECLIPSe is a local youth grantmaking council comprised of students in eight grade through college. The youth council reviews grant proposals, meets with applicants, and awards grants that fund high-quality youth-driven service learning projects in Findlay and Hancock County. Grant funds are raised by the youth members through fundraising efforts and private donations.

About The Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation

The Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality of life in the Hancock County area through collaborative leadership, responsible grantmaking, and the development of philanthropic giving. Established in 1992 as an outgrowth of a one-time gift from L. Dale Dorney, The Community Foundation has increased its yearly grantmaking total from \$456,734 in 1992 to \$2.7 million in 2007. Visit www.community-foundation.com or call 419-425-1100 to learn more about how The Community Foundation is helping our community.

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