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Two Chelsea Non-Profits Come Together Making A Stronger Community

Chelsea, MI – The Chelsea Community Foundation (CCF) has awarded the Chelsea Education Foundation (CEF) with funding to support their strategic planning process as well as sponsoring the upcoming 30th Anniversary Gala Fundraiser. CEF's President Lynn Fox has been leading the implementation of a sustainable governance structure including a policy committee. The policies will help guide the organization as board members serve their terms and new members join. "Strategic Planning was the next logical step to ensure we continuously improve our services to the Chelsea School District. We are appreciative of CCF's generosity and commitment to CEF," said Fox.

Since 2001, forty-six thousand students have benefited from CEF donations. During the past 30 years, donations in the amount of \$1 Million have funded 600 Grants for programs ranging from art installations to robotics, field trips, and financial

management, and 900 scholarships have been awarded to students with outstanding academic performance.

CCF has been providing financial support to nonprofits in Chelsea for 25-years through grants that include enrichment programs for children and seniors, training for caregivers, trails for everyone in the community, leadership development, capacity building, performing and visual arts.

"The Chelsea Community Foundation exists to inspire, to steward local philanthropy, and to create permanent community capital in order to address our community's most pressing needs and opportunities. Helping to facilitate CEF's commitment to the school district is a shining example." said Anne Mann Chelsea Foundation Board Chair.

Chelsea Education Foundation and Chelsea Community Foundation rely on the generosity of donors in the Chelsea area to realize their respective missions.

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The Chelsea Community Foundation supports a wide variety of activities benefiting education, arts and culture, health, human services, community development, and civic affairs. Founded in 1995, the Chelsea Community Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment totaling more than \$2.5 million that has been created through gifts from generous individuals, families, and businesses who care about Chelsea. The Chelsea Community Foundation has awarded more than \$1.5 million in grants to nonprofit organizations working to address community needs and opportunities that improve the quality of life in the city of Chelsea and surrounding areas. The Chelsea Community Foundation is an affiliated fund of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan. For more information, please visit www.chelseafound.org.

Chelsea Education Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides funding for a wide spectrum of educational activities benefiting the students of Chelsea. Funds raised through endowments and events are managed by local investment professionals and distributed to recipients by the CEF board. Chelsea Education Foundation's mission is to enhance the Chelsea School District's educational experiences by financing projects beyond the resources of the District and by providing scholarships to District Graduates, please visit www.chelseaeducaitonfoundation.org

