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## **Capital Beginnings Raises \$1,000 for School Supplies Benefitting Underserved Children in Dauphin County**



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Capital Beginnings, an early childhood special initiative of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities, raised \$1,000, in partnership with Harristown Development Corporation and Mid-Atlantic Corporate Federal Credit Union, to purchase school supplies. Monies collected will be used to purchase and assemble school toolkits for underserved children in shelters, soup kitchens or by teacher referral. The toolkits will help alleviate the burden placed on families that have budgetary constraints where food, rent, heating and hygiene products come

before school supplies. The toolkits have the direct benefit of providing children the necessary tools to complete their daily homework and to develop school

readiness skills to prepare them for kindergarten.

With the \$1,000 collected, Capital Beginnings will be able to provide 100 toolkits to underserved children in Dauphin County with the following items:

• Pencil

Markers

- Pen •
- Pencil sharpener •
- Crayons

- Eraser
- Ruler
- Glue stick

- Scissors
- Hand sanitizer
- A pencil box to hold all item

Capital Beginnings will be able to help 100 local children but still needs more toolkits in order to meet demands. To donate to Capital Beginnings, contact Jennifer Doyle, Director of Development & Community Investment at jdoyle@tfec.org or 717.236.5040.

## **ABOUT CAPITAL BEGINNINGS**

Capital Beginnings, a special initiative of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC), is a dynamic early learning and school readiness program that provides learning opportunities for parents and develops school readiness skills amongst underserved children, ages birth to five, in the Capital Region.

## ABOUT THE FOUNDATION FOR ENHANCING COMMUNITIES

The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) is a community foundation which aims to stimulate philanthropy and enhance the quality of life in the community through accumulating, managing, and disbursing financial assets while serving as a catalyst and neutral convener to meet a wide range of community needs in the south central Pennsylvania counties of Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon, and Perry, and the Dillsburg area. Regional foundations of TFEC include the Greater Harrisburg Foundation, the Franklin County Foundation, the Mechanicsburg Area Foundation, the Perry County Community Foundation, the Camp Hill Community Foundation, and the Dillsburg Area Foundation. For more information on TFEC, please visit www.tfec.org.