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Whitaker Fund for Math & Science Education Announces \$83,655 in 1st Grant Awards of 2014

Harrisburg, PA, July 24, 2014 – The Whitaker Fund for Math & Science Education, a fund of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC), is pleased to announce the first round of 2014 grant awards. The fund supports nonprofit organizations and educational institutions that offer programs and services that lead to math and science proficiency and literacy.

A total of \$83,655.00 was distributed through this first round of grantmaking for 2014 to the following nonprofit organizations:

- **Diocese of Harrisburg-St. Theresa School**, \$12,500.00 for the purchase of LabLearner at the school
- **Messiah College**, \$5,000.00 for science education camps for students K-8 from partnering schools in the Harrisburg area
- **Perry County Literacy Council**, \$17,326.00 for the PCLC Math Center
- **Retired Senior Volunteer Program of the Capital Region, Inc.**, \$15,000.00 for a Lower Dauphin Summer and Afterschool program
- **Shalom House**, \$5,000.00 for the Partnership for Progress
- **The Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine**, \$10,329.00 for the High School Epidemiology Challenge
- **The Salvation Army**, \$10,000.00 for Math, Science and Literacy Focus Areas and Academic Tutoring-Youth Programs
- **Tri-County Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc.**, \$8,500.00 for Project OWN (Opportunities for Women)

Applications for the second round of funding are due by September 5, 2014. Applications must be submitted through TFEC's online application system. Notification of grant awards will be made in late November 2014. Organizations interested in applying should visit www.tfec.org to learn how to apply and review the grant guidelines.

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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 also in 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.