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Local Couple Announces \$25,000 Challenge Grant to The Women's and Girls Fund of Waukesha County.

A Delafield couple recently established a \$25,000 challenge grant with the intent of prompting existing and new donors at every level to give, or increase giving, to the Women and Girls Fund of Waukesha County. The challenge is now in effect and will match all new or increased gifts to the Women and Girls Fund on a one-to-one basis through May 2012.

The challenge will bolster the Women and Girls Fund's efforts to aid and enrich the lives of girls in Waukesha County. Each year, the Fund grants awards to non-profit organizations that help women and girls overcome obstacles and achieve success.

The Fund was established in late 2004 when the Waukesha County Community Foundation (WCCF) was awarded \$73,614 following the dissolution of the endowment fund of the YWCA of Waukesha County. With that start, the Women and Girls Fund board of trustees and many volunteers immediately began work to build an endowment that will help women and girls for years to come. And, by year-end 2009, the multi-year goal of raising \$1 million for the Women and Girls Fund endowment was achieved – just five short years after the Women and Girls Fund was founded.

"The most remarkable thing about the Women and Girls Fund is that all of their success has come from volunteer labor, women working tirelessly for the benefit of other women" said WCCF President Kathryn Leverenz.

For more information and to support the Women and Girls Fund mission, please call 262-513-1861 or go to www.waukeshafoundation.org and click on Invest/Women and Girls Fund.

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About The Waukesha County Community Foundation

The Waukesha County Community Foundation was established in 1999 to improve the daily lives of people in Waukesha County by matching philanthropic individuals and institutions with a broad range of

needsthrough grant-making, endowment funds, project funds and community leadership. Learn more at www.waukeshafoundation.org.