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DCF MATCHING PROGRAM A HUGE SUCCESS, AS GENEROUS DONORS QUICKLY CONTRIBUTE \$100,000

LAWRENCEBURG, Ind., May 1, 2017 – It took less than 30 minutes for contributors to match the \$100,000 set aside by the Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF), Inc. during its *Double Your Donation* endowment matching campaign.

“The goal of the 10th annual matching campaign was to encourage more individuals, organizations and businesses in our community to participate in philanthropy through endowment at the Foundation,” said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director. “As usual generous donors quickly took advantage of this unique opportunity to double the difference they make in Dearborn County.”

The matching program began on May 1 and was over less than 30 minutes after the Foundation office door opened at 9 a.m. The City of Lawrenceburg and DCF provided the matching funds.

DCF matched \$1-for-\$1 contributions made to new or existing endowments – doubling the original donation by contributors. Contributors made donations to more than 30 different endowment funds during the matching campaign. The overall endowment at the Foundation grew by \$200,000, when the new contributions are combined with the \$1-for-\$1 match.

DCF’s endowments provide scholarships for students and grants for charitable organizations and causes in perpetuity, McCarter said. “The contributions by donors are greatly appreciated. It’s important to note that the matching program would not have been possible without the generous support of the City of Lawrenceburg and the DCF Board of Directors,” he said.

Established in December 1997, the DCF has provided a way for members of the community to realize their philanthropic goals for more than 19 years. DCF, a 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt public charity, helps donors’ dreams come true by safeguarding endowments for the community through contributions large and small. Grants awarded by the Dearborn Community Foundation support the needs and interests in Dearborn County in the fields of Art, Culture and Humanities, Community and Public Benefit, Education, Environment and Animal Protection, Human Services, Public Safety and Youth Programs.

In January 2009, DCF received the nation’s highest philanthropic standards for operational quality, integrity and accountability: the seal of approval from the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations Program operated by the Council on Foundations (COF), a national professional association based in Washington, D.C. DCF was reconfirmed for the National Standards by the COF in 2014.

To learn more about DCF, call 812-539-4115, stop by the office at 322 Walnut Street in Lawrenceburg, or visit the Foundation website at www.dearbornconf.org.

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