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YORK COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS FELLOWSHIPS TO COMMUNITY LEADERS

York, PA — York County Community Foundation is pleased to announce the 2011 York Federal Fellows, four community leaders who will receive fellowships of \$6,000 each to complete professional and personal leadership development in the upcoming year.

The **York Federal Foundation Fund** of the Community Foundation launched the *York Federal Fellows Program in Nonprofit Community Leadership* several years ago. This initiative allows leaders in the community to break new ground, learn new skills, and experiment with new approaches for leadership and professional development. In addition, and just as important, Fellows will be able to take personal time for some rejuvenation and pampering. The Fellows program understands the need for self-care in order to build and enhance leadership skills. According to the January, 2011, issue of *Money Magazine*, it takes two full weeks away from work to recuperate from burnout.

In addition to the self-directed experience, Fellows will commit to a retreat and meetings throughout their Fellowship year. Previous Fellows will provide mentorship and guidance, both individually and as a group, as the 2011 Fellows make their way through their yearlong commitment. The group also will have access to a professional facilitator and will brainstorm ideas to improve the local nonprofit sector.

2011 York Federal Fellows – York County Community Foundation

- **Ann Davis, Executive Director of DreamWrights Youth and Family Theater**
Ann plans to visit theaters around the country to gain useful tips to enhance her programming while “feeding her soul” through travel. Ann also will work with an Executive Coach to enhance her leadership and communications skills in times of change.
- **Debbie Loucks, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of York**
To add to her professional development, Debbie will attend a management training program on making decisions under pressure and eliminating chaos. She will also visit successful assisted living programs operated by Housing Authorities. Debbie also plans to attend a health resort in the Berkshires to restore herself.
- **Tamara Miller, Executive Director of Windy Hill Senior Center**
Tamara seeks to network with others in the field of aging at the National Council on Aging annual conference in 2011. While at the conference, Tamara will explore “cutting edge senior center
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models” and attend a one-day workshop centered around community partnerships, building endowment funds, achieving financial independence, and using social media. She will also pursue a life-long dream of visiting Italy for a week-long tour that will include a cooking class.

- **Michael Thew, Executive Director of the Lincoln Intermediate Unit 12**
Michael will attend the annual conference for the Association of Educational Service Agencies in Michigan, which will provide him with the tools to serve as a resource to his school districts as they “maneuver the maze of the federal education system.” Michael will then treat himself to a health spa and visiting small, unique craft and boutique businesses.

The candidates were selected by a committee of community leaders including:

Robert W. Pullo, Chair of the York Federal Foundation

Randy Freedman, Executive Director of the York Jewish Community Center and a 2006 Fellow

Donald Gogniat, former campus executive for Penn State York;

Michael Hady, Vice President of Business Development at Memorial Hospital and a 2008 Fellow

William Kerlin, President, The Graham Group;

Mary McGrath, Executive Director of Adams Hanover Counseling Services and a 2007 Fellow

Judy Simpson, past chairwoman, Women’s Giving Circle

Carolyn Warman, Executive Director of Leadership York and a 2006 Fellow

Founded in 1961, York County Community Foundation creates a vibrant York County by engaging donors, providing community leadership, and investing in high impact initiatives while building endowment for future generations. York County Community Foundation granted \$2.5 million in 2010.