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Community Strategies Grant Program Open for Applicants

SPOKANE, WA, 12.16.09—Inland Northwest Community Foundation (INWCF) is accepting applications for the Community Strategies Grant Program (CSGP). The application period begins on December 14, 2009 and ends on January 19, 2010. Applications must be submitted online at www.inwcf.org.

The Community Strategies Grant Program supports projects and programs related to arts and culture, education, environmental preservation, community/economic development and human services. Grant amounts typically are between \$10,000 and \$30,000. More than \$672,000 in funding was awarded through this grant program in the past year.

The Community Strategies Grant Program is open to all eligible nonprofit organizations in the 20-counties the Foundation serves. This is the second round of CSGP grant applications in INWCF's 2010 fiscal year. Nonprofits that did not apply in round one are eligible to apply for the second round. For more information about funding limitations and other important details about eligibility, please go to the *Receive* section of INWCF's new Web site, www.inwcf.org.

Founded in 1974, INWCF serves 10 Eastern Washington counties and 10 North Idaho counties to foster vibrant and sustainable communities in the Inland Northwest. The community foundation manages 276 funds valued at more than \$50 million and has awarded \$37 million in grants and scholarships since its inception, positively impacting thousands of lives in this region.

For more information on INWCF and its work in the Inland Northwest, please visit our Web site.

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