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**Community Strategies Spring Grants Announced
At Inland Northwest Community Foundation**

SPOKANE, WA, 6.10.10— Inland Northwest Community Foundation (INWCF) awarded more than \$415,000 through the Community Strategies Grant Program in May 2010.

“We are honored to carry out the wishes of many generous donors who have entrusted their community foundation to make grants to support the greatest needs and opportunities in our region, said INWCF President & CEO Mark Hurtubise. “Through these exemplary projects and programs, nonprofit organizations help create healthy and thriving communities in Eastern Washington and North Idaho.”

Grants ranged between \$6,000 and \$30,000 to support the organizations and programs listed below.

Active4Youth (Spokane County)
Elementary school cross country program

Arc of Spokane (Spokane County)
Building consolidation project

Blanchard Area Seniors Incorporated (Bonner County)
Senior/Community Center kitchen completion

City of Kooskia (Idaho County)
City Park basketball half-court

Clearwater Valley Hospital and Clinics Foundation (Clearwater County)
Telepsychiatry services

Coeur d'Alene School District (Kootenai County)
Teen Aid high school mentoring/tutoring project

Communities in Schools of Spokane County
Resource coordinator at Glover Middle School

Community Action Center (Whitman County)
Davis Way Transitional Housing Project

Community Cancer Services (Bonner County)
Enriched Recovery Program

Daybreak Youth Services (Spokane County)
Achieving for Tomorrow program to provide services for children

Harrington Opera House Society (Lincoln County)
Auditorium ceiling insulation and sheeting

Holy Names Music Center at Fort Wright (Spokane County)
Project TEAM (Together Engaging in Alternatives through Music)

Idaho Youth Ranch/Anchor House & Family Services Programs (Kootenai County)
Outreach and Functional Family Therapy Project

Inland Northwest Land Trust (Spokane County)
Family Forests Forever land conservation project

Latah County Library District (Latah County)
Water-wise demonstration garden

Loon Lake Food Pantry and Resource Center (Stevens County)
Loading dock and storage facility

Pawsitive Works (Boundary County)
Pawsitive Works youth development program

People's Pantry (Ferry County)
People's Pantry Community Garden Backyard Harvest

Second Harvest Food Bank of the Inland Northwest (Spokane County)
Fair Share Project

Spokane Area Business Foundation (Spokane County)
Career Exploration Days

St. Joseph Family Center (Spokane County)
Affordable access to mental health care and psycho-educational classes

St. Vincent de Paul Salvage Bureau (Kootenai County)
St. Vincent de Paul H.E.L.P. Center to assist people who are homeless

Thin Air Community Radio (Spokane County)
Capital project to build full power community radio station

Tincan (Spokane County)
Youth Transitions Drop Out Prevention Project

Transitions (Spokane County)
New Leaf Bakery Cafe job training program

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 currently manages 285 funds valued at more than \$55 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 www.inwcf.org.

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