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YWCA of York Awarded \$100,000 Grant from Kresge Foundation

York, PA—The YWCA of York has been awarded a \$100,000 Economic Crisis Gap Grant from the Kresge Foundation that will help us continue our work in the community by serving those most in need.

In response to the growing numbers of clients in its emergency shelters and waiting list for services such as counseling, support groups and legal advocacy, the YWCA York decided to apply for the grant in order to continue providing services to victims of crime.

The Kresge Foundation is a national, private foundation that seeks to influence the quality of life for future generations by creating access and opportunity in underserved communities, improving the health of low-income people, and supporting artistic expression. The foundation's work is focused in six fields of interest: health, the environment, arts and culture, education, human services and community development.

When choosing the grant recipients, the foundation based the decision on several areas including, the demand for services, the reach of our programs, our budget size and the availability of Kresge Funds.

With these funds we have received, we will be able to further our mission and continue to provide comprehensive services to the increasing number of clients which will in turn enable them to become survivors.

In June 2008, our organization was awarded a grant from the Kresge Foundation in the amount of \$300,000 toward the renovation of the YWCA facility.

For more information about this award or the organization's goals for the future, please contact Jennifer Roberts, Chief Development Officer at 717-845-2631 ext. 136.

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