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**Chelsea Community Hospital, Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum  
Receive Chelsea Community Foundation Grants**

Chelsea, Mich. – Two nonprofit organizations recently received grants totaling \$7,360 from the Chelsea Community Foundation for programs aimed at improving the lives of residents in the Chelsea area.

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum received a grant of \$4,860 to expand interactive science programs to students in Chelsea public schools. The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum provides unique learning opportunities for preschool, elementary and middle school students to explore science, math and technology in an interactive environment that fosters creativity. The grant will allow the museum to expand programs such as Family Science and Math Programs, Hands-On Workshops, Preschool Explorations and Super Science Days.

“A core element of a successful community includes the educational opportunities provided to residents and the influence these opportunities may have on future generations,” says museum president Mel Drumm. “We are committed to supporting formal science education programs for students at the area public schools through museum-provided informal science activities.”

In addition, the Chelsea Community Hospital received a grant of \$2,500 to support an effort to encourage Chelsea residents to walk for recreation and health. The grant supported the

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installation this fall of a weatherproof walking route map on the wall of the Chelsea Market Building in downtown Chelsea. The map displays routes that begin at the corner of Park and Main streets and take walkers through the business district. In addition, various routes will take walkers south to Pierce Lake golf course and north to Timbertown.

“We are grateful to the Chelsea Community Foundation for funding this important project and to the Howard “Red” Flintoft family for donating the exterior wall space,” says Kathleen Griffiths, president and CEO of the hospital. “We hope this map will continue to build a strong community by encouraging healthy lifestyles and inspiring increased foot traffic in the business district.”

*The Chelsea Community Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment fund that provides an ongoing source of revenue for worthwhile programs and activities in the Chelsea community. Founded in December, 1995, the Chelsea Community Foundation is a \$1.2 million permanent charitable endowment and has provided more than \$573,000 in grants to organizations working to improve the quality of life in Chelsea and surrounding communities. For more information on the Foundation, call (734) 475-9891 or visit [www.cfsem.org](http://www.cfsem.org) and [www.chelseamichamber.org](http://www.chelseamichamber.org). The Chelsea Community Foundation is an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan.*

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