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Community Foundation to Advance Equity for Northern Virginia, Increase Opportunities for Young People, Seniors, Persons with Disabilities, and others with needs via Several Grants Amounting to More Than \$200,000

20 January 2023 (Oakton, VA)- The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia announces several grants made to organizations through multiple discretionary funds, including the **Afghan Refugee and Resettlement Fund, Business Women's Giving Circle, Healthy Kids Mental Health Grants**, the **Loudoun Impact Fund**, and the **Micron Opportunity Fund**. These grants, amounting to more than \$200,000 will increase equity by supporting educational opportunities, increasing access to social and economic support, and helping strengthen community resilience for residents across the region.

Sari Carp, Executive Director of Sustainability Matters, which received a Business Women's Giving Circle (BWGC) grant, said, "With this work, the girls will be connected with a mentorship ecosystem of female environmental professionals ranging from conservation science majors, to leaders in environmental engineering, scientific research, environmental agency and nonprofit management, and ecoentrepreneurship. This will give dozens of high school girls in Northern Virginia crucial real-world experience and networks."

Here are the organizations funded:

Afghan Refugee and Resettlement Fund | 3 Grants Totaling 10,500

Annandale High School \$2,300 FAMIL | \$3,200 Women for Afghan Women | \$5,000

Business Women's Giving Circle | 3 Grants Totaling \$50,000

<u>Sustainability Matters: Ecologigals</u> (\$20,000) <u>Boolean Girl: Boolean Girl Clubhouse</u> (\$15,000) <u>Black Girls Hack: We Got Next Cyber Training Program</u> (\$15,000)

Healthy Kids Mental Health Grants | 6 Grants Totaling \$9,781.

Cherry Run Elementary School/ Fairfax County Public Schools | \$1,695 Fairfax County Public Schools Early Child Identification & Services | \$1,540 Fort Belvoir Upper School | \$1,977 Briar Woods High School/ Loudoun County Public Schools | \$2,000 Orange Hunt Elementary School/ Fairfax County Public Schools | \$1,519 Saratoga Elementary School/ Fairfax County Public Schools | \$1,050

Loudoun Impact Fund | 13 Grants Totaling \$121,000

A Farm Less Ordinary | \$7,000 All Ages Read Together | \$5,000 A Place to Be | \$10,000 Crossroads Jobs | \$5,000 Dulles South Food Pantry | \$7,000 LAWS Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services | \$13,000 Friends of Loudoun Mental Health, Inc. | \$5,000 Loudoun Cares | \$7,000 Loudoun Hunger Relief | \$9,000 Loudoun Education Foundation | \$8,000 Loudoun Volunteer Caregivers | \$9,000 The Arc of Loudoun | \$10,000 Ryan Bartel Foundation | \$12,000

The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia made a grant to the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties for \$29,500, which makes up part of the \$112,000 total grant that the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties is awarding.

Micron Opportunity Fund | 2 Grants, Total Amount to be Determined

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The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia advances equity through philanthropy and community leadership. Comprised of donor advised funds, permanent funds, giving circles, and other charitable endowments, the Community Foundation connects donors to community and promotes a more equitable and inclusive prosperity that marries our economic strength with the full breadth of our diverse community. The Community Foundation reports \$80 million in managed philanthropic assets. For more information please visit us at <u>www.cfnova.org</u>, or follow up on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.