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## Community Giving Foundation Launches 2025 Youth in Philanthropy Program

Berwick & Lewisburg, PA — The Community Giving Foundation is excited to announce the kickoff of its 2025-2026 Youth in Philanthropy program, bringing together high school students from across the region to learn the power and purpose of giving back to their communities.

The program will officially launch with two in-person kickoff sessions:

- Wednesday, October 22 | 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. | Berwick YMCA
- Thursday, October 23 | 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. | The Miller Center, Lewisburg

This year marks a major milestone for the program—for the first time, all schools across the Foundation's five-and-a-half county service area will be participating. The expansion to 20 school groups reflects the growing enthusiasm and commitment of local students, educators, and community partners to building a culture of giving and leadership among youth.

Each session will welcome participating students, advisors, and mentors for a day of team building, learning, and inspiration. Through interactive workshops and discussions, students will explore the meaning of philanthropy, identify local needs, and begin planning for their upcoming grant rounds. Both kick-off sessions will also feature a special session with the Lilly School of Philanthropy, where students will learn about careers in philanthropy and how they can effect change today and into the future.

The Community Giving Foundation's Youth in Philanthropy program has been inspiring and empowering local youth for 22 years. The 2025 kickoff marks the beginning of another impactful season of learning and giving. Local media attendance is welcomed. For more information, please contact Danny Hess, Foundation Marketing Assistant, at dhess@csgiving.org.

The Community Giving Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that develops, manages, and distributes funds for charitable purposes in communities across the Central Susquehanna region. Serving as a philanthropic hub for charitable giving, the Foundation currently manages over 375 funds and awards over \$3 million annually to benefit local nonprofit initiatives and educational opportunities for students. Learn more at csgiving.org.