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**Grants Awarded by the Faye McBeath Foundation**

**Milwaukee, Wisconsin – October 2010** ... At the September 2010 meeting, the Faye McBeath Foundation Trustees awarded grants totaling \$170,000, announced Sara E. Aster, Chair. Grants support projects in the Foundation's five priority areas: children, aging and elders, health, health education, and civic and governmental affairs.

Highlighted awards demonstrate the breadth of the Foundation's interests in the welfare of children, particularly the education of children, and illustrate strategies to improve the scope and quality of opportunities for young people:

- **Urban Day School, Milwaukee, WI** – \$40,000 for the Advocacy Department aiming to increase student retention, to remediate behavior challenges and to link the school with the parents in an effort to improve academic performance.
- **Schools That Can Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI** - \$30,000 to help reshape the educational landscape in Milwaukee by dramatically increasing the number of students in excellent schools.
- **St. Francis Children's Center** received \$10,000 to support renovation and expansion of a specialized children's outdoor play area.

Grants were awarded to the following organizations:

- ☞ **Greater Milwaukee Foundation, Milwaukee, WI** - \$5,000 for support of the Mosaic Milwaukee Partnership Alumni Association. This program will focus on efforts to keep the 657 alumni connected through periodic gatherings.
- ☞ **Hunger Task Force of Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI** - \$20,000 for the Modernization of the FoodShare Program to assist individuals and service sites in an effort to increase the application for and receipt of FoodShare benefits.
- ☞ **Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce, Milwaukee, WI** - \$30,000 for Schools That Can Milwaukee.
- ☞ **St. Francis Children's Center, Milwaukee, WI** - \$10,000 for the renovation of a specialized therapeutic outdoor play area.
- ☞ **Urban Day School, Milwaukee, WI** – \$40,000 for the Advocacy Department, launched two years ago with Foundation Support.

- 📁 **UW – Milwaukee Center on Age and Community, Milwaukee, WI -**  
\$15,000 for the Penelope Project, a collaboration of artists, academics, practitioners, students and residents of Luther Manor to create and perform a play and ultimately a curriculum that can be used in other facilities catering to older adults.

This week, a project that has been a hallmark of the Foundation's collaboration with the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, Donors Forum of WI and the United Way of Greater Milwaukee, the 14<sup>th</sup> **Annual Report Card on Charitable Giving**, was released, thanks to research and analysis by the Public Policy Forum. Copies are available via [www.publicpolicyforum.org](http://www.publicpolicyforum.org) or [www.greatermilwaukeefoundation.org](http://www.greatermilwaukeefoundation.org)

The Foundation's Trustees meet four times each year to consider applications and award grants. Additional information on the Foundation is available through contacting staff or consulting [www.fayemcbeath.org](http://www.fayemcbeath.org), the Foundation's web site. The **2009 Annual Report** is posted on the Foundation website. We now "print on demand" when we have a request for a copy that can be held in your hand rather than read online. If you would like a copy, please contact the Foundation.

Niece of Lucius Nieman, the founder of *The Milwaukee Journal*, Faye McBeath established the Foundation in 1964 to be devoted entirely to the welfare of the people in the community. The Foundation has awarded in excess of **\$42 million** to nonprofit organizations, principally in the four-county metro Milwaukee area. By the end of 2014, the Foundation will have dispersed all of its assets, as directed by Miss McBeath.

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