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Women United awards Foothills a \$25,000 grant

(CHARLOTTESVILLE) – Women United, Together in Philanthropy, awarded Foothills Child Advocacy Center a \$25,000 grant at its 10th Anniversary Luncheon. Foothills was one of three area non-profits to receive a 2015 Human Services Grant Award; the other recipients included Charlottesville Works Initiative and City of Promise.

The Women United grant will provide training for professionals who serve child abuse victims and their families so that they can continue to provide a coordinated, evidence-based, culturally competent, and compassionate response that helps reduce trauma for these children, ensure their healing, and keep them safe. These trainings will address two new and significant challenges in child abuse intervention: (1) identifying and providing an appropriate response to victims of human trafficking under the age of 18 in the Charlottesville/Albemarle area and (2) improving medical care of child abuse victims in the community.

Cathee Johnson Phillips, Foothills' executive director, said, "We are so grateful to Women United. This generous award will provide a level of training for local professionals that has not been possible to date. Because of the support of Women United, we will be better prepared to help minors who have been caught up in human trafficking in our community."

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