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The Eagle Fund Awards More Than \$30,000.00 in Grants Benefitting Educational Enrichment Programs in the Southern Berkshire Regional School District

SHEFFIELD_The Eagle Fund has recently awarded more than \$30,000.00 in grants to programs benefitting students in the Southern Berkshire Regional School District. Individual grants were awarded to students, teachers and community members for dance programs, robotics, photography, earth science, empathy awareness, chorus, life skills, FFA, community work initiatives, global poetry and arts and a senior citizen luncheon.

“There are so many ways the Eagle Fund has benefited the district and the community. We are very fortunate to have this resource.” Says Susan Hawkins, chairman of the Fund’s Board of Governors.

Adds Catherine Miller, the Fund’s founder and first chairman, “It is gratifying to see that after nineteen years the Eagle Fund continues to have a significant impact on the lives of the students in our school district.”

The Eagle Fund, founded in 1998, raises money via a phoneathon conducted in the fall by members of the school’s chapter of SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions). Pledges and additional donations come from residents and businesses in the five towns that make up the Southern Berkshire District: Alford, Egremont, Monterey, New Marlborough and Sheffield.

Donations are added to the fund’s endowment managed by Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation in Sheffield. As an endowed fund, the organization can serve as an ongoing source of enrichment funding for Southern Berkshire schools supplementing the district’s educational reach by creating opportunities beyond what can be funded through the school district’s budget. Grant applications for the next awards cycle are due by March 1, 2018. Full details about the fund are available at www.eagle-fund.net or www.berkshiretaconic.org