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Hartford, Connecticut Organization Will Use Funds To Purchase Books For Students In The
“Readers As Leaders” Program

CARROLLTON, TX—The Women Helping Others (W.H.O.) Foundation, created to encourage women to actively support community service, has awarded a \$5,000 Education and Literacy grant to Everybody Wins! CT in Hartford, Connecticut.

The grant monies will be used to support their “Readers As Leaders” program. Currently 850 students participate in the program and each student receives four books over the course of the school year. This leadership/literacy program involves adolescent students reading to younger children.

“The ‘Readers As Leaders’ program benefits children of many ages and it’s exciting to hear how the older children are becoming leaders while helping the younger children learn to read,” said Cindy Turek, W.H.O. executive director. “We awarded them a similar grant in 2008, and are thrilled that we can continue to support their efforts.”

Carol Scully, Everybody Wins! CT executive director, said, “We’re honored by the support of the W.H.O. Foundation and are honored to have their continued involvement. Their grants have helped us expand our program and reach more children each year.

Everybody Wins! CT is an affiliate of Everybody Wins! USA, a national organization founded in 1991 by Arthur Tannenbaum. Mr. Tannenbaum Wanted to address illiteracy issues among elementary school children, specifically targeting high-risk populations. Through the “Power Lunch” and “Readers As Leaders” programs, they reach children while they are young, stimulate an interest in reading and writing, and encourage them to believe that they, too, can be successful.

The WHO (Women Helping Others) Foundation, established in 1993, is committed to encouraging women everywhere to help others through community service; supporting organizations dedicated to the needs of women, children and families in crisis. Since its inception, the WHO Foundation has granted more than \$3.6 million to other non-profit organizations supporting such issues as teen pregnancy, rape, education, homelessness, drug and alcohol abuse, and domestic violence.

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