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### **Mullett Township Group Receives \$750 Grant**

**Mullett Township, Michigan:** The Neighborhood Improvement & Community Enhancement (NICE) group has been awarded a \$750 grant from the Cheboygan County Community Foundation.

The grant was awarded to support the group's efforts to bring awareness to Mullett Township residents of the economic and health impacts of blighted properties. The grant will also be used to support the costs of property improvement for residents who need assistance.

"We were impressed with the NICE's approach to bringing awareness to Mullett Township residents that blight is a serious problem. We also like the idea of the group focusing on helping neighbors in their community who reach out for assistance," said Jim Conboy, a member of the Board of Directors of the Foundation. "Their approach could be a model for other townships in the area," says Conboy.

"We are excited about the grant as NICE wants to be a catalyst for neighborhood improvement and community enhancement in Mullett Township," says Marie Frick, the group's representative. "We are not a blight group and while we are advocating for the Township Board to approve a blight ordinance, our goal is to see 'neighbors helping neighbors' in improving and enhancing properties when a resident reaches out for help," says Frick.

"I appreciate the residents of Mullett Township organizing to form NICE to help their neighbors and support their elected leaders" said Hobart Kirsch, Supervisor of the Mullett Township Board. "Our township is fortunate to have such strong community involvement and I'm excited about what the future will bring for our township", said Kirsch.

Volunteers who gathered to accept their grant check from the Cheboygan County Community Foundation included Ken Hoehn, Sue Garlick, Dee Ellis, Jan Miller, Sue Chevalier, Linda Miller, Lori Hoehn, Gary Miller, Judy Jacalone, and Al Ellis. They were joined by Directors of the Foundation Chuck Baase, Dick Sanford, Tony Eustice, Noreen Keating, Mary J Hebert, Jim Conboy and Phil Welch.

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