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Chancellor Ellen Hobbs Lyle
By Hand Delivery

Dear Chancellor,

I write to provide you and the other parties our report on the distribution of the \$44,149 returned to us by grantees at the completion of our efforts to distribute the \$5 million entrusted to us by the Court.

In our July 28, 2017 report we inquired of the Court how we should proceed on this front:

"Eleven of our 121 recipients (less than 10%) did not spend all the money allocated to them. In most cases this was due to good stewardship on their parts. Example 1: a recipient nonprofit requested funding for a van but when they went to buy the van with cash, the dealer reduced the cost. Example 2: in Houston County, the work of prisoners reduced the cost of paving a parking lot. Example 3: in West Tennessee a bid process allowed a recipient to reduce the cost of technology. The money returned to us as a result totaled approximately \$44,000. Although the Court may have other wishes, we believe there are two ways to proceed: 1) we can return these funds to the Court; or 2) we can use the returned funds to make grants to nonprofits Serving Tennessee's Seniors through our annual grant process whose applications we are already in the midst of receiving."

On August 8, 2017, we received word from the Court that The Community Foundation could apply the returned funds to nonprofits serving Tennessee's Seniors based on their applications to our Discretionary Grants process, which was then underway.

What follows is an accounting of how those dollars were invested.

The Foundation Board joins in sending sincerest thanks to both the Court and the Chancellor for your investment in The Community Foundation and for allowing us to play a role in making this vision a reality. If we can help in the future in any way, please do not hesitate to call.

Most sincerely,

Ellen Lehman

**2017 Discretionary Grant Applications
Serving Tennessee Seniors Funds**

PROG	PAGE/APPLICANT	REQUEST	AWARD	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	CTY
HSSRDG	Ark Community Resource and Assistance Center	\$10,000	\$5,000	The Meals on Wheels program helps seniors age in place. Not just the meal, but also the volunteers who bring the meal, visit and make sure the senior is doing well. We currently serve approximately 36 people. If federal support for this program ceases, food costs are expected to go up 20% to \$8 per meal. We cannot sustain this high cost per meal and the expected growth in this program. Our 2018 goal is to find a less expensive food provider to provide nutritious food, so that we can continue to serve homebound seniors in south Cheatham County.	CHE
HSSRDG	Bethlehem Centers of Nashville	\$9,450	\$5,000	The Seniors Club at BCN provides educational, physical, and social activities to low-income seniors age 55 and older living in Nashville. Many of the club participants live in one of Nashville's primary food deserts in the North Nashville region. Funding from the Community Foundation will be used to provide monthly bags of fresh fruits and vegetables to club participants and to provide nutritious meals for club sponsored activities. Additionally, a monthly nutrition class and teaching kitchen will be implemented where at least one item from the bag will be highlighted in the featured recipe.	DAV
HSSRDG	BrightStone, Inc.	\$10,000	\$5,000	The target population for this program includes senior parents and their adult children with intellectual or development disabilities. The program will provide them financial and caregiver relief through financial aid (allowing their adult child to enroll in BrightStone's acclaimed day program) and providing their child a safe, loving, and empowering environment that offers job training and educational programs. Beyond providing senior adults daily respite from the constant demands of being a full-time caregiver, the proposed program provides resources, education, and support as senior adults face making long-term care decisions for their dependent child's future.	WIL
HSSRDG	Cannon County Senior Center	\$4,565	\$2,500	The Cannon County Senior Center is a non-profit organization, serving over 1,500 members age 60 and older, with the mission to promote independence, wellness and activities to enrich the lives of seniors. The Senior Center relies on grants, contracts, donations and fundraising to operate. SENIORSTAT electronic system will more effectively and accurately track seniors served, activities and services utilized, and demographics to determine areas of need and success rates. Improved data collection and tracking, will allow for additional funding opportunities and efficient use of staff time. Senior members and volunteers can operate SENIORSTAT independently.	CAN

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HSSRDG	Caregiver Relief Program of Bedford County	\$10,000	\$5,000	We increased our respite reimbursement program in Jan. 2017 for Alzheimer's families in Bedford Co. to \$200/ month. We have averaged 12-13 families monthly this past year. TRC does the paper work and contributes \$60 a month & we support the family with free nursing support, make referrals and contribute \$200 a month/ family. The primary family caregiver secures a quality respite provider & is responsible for requesting monthly funds. We are expanding our educational programs into Middle TN and several counties have benefited. A "Caregiver Empowerment" conference is planned to be held at Motlow College on Aug 11, 2017.	BED
HSSRDG	Council on Aging of Greater Nashville	\$10,000	\$2,500	One in five seniors, two thirds being women, fall victim to scams, abuse or neglect. 28% of older adults (65+) in Tennessee live alone, often facing barriers that isolate them from their peers and communities. These seniors are 66% more likely to be financially exploited. The Council on Aging requests funding to expand education and outreach including: reprinting our popular scam prevention brochure, partnering with home delivered meal providers to deliver our Directory of Services and scam prevention brochures to 2,000 home bound older adults, and offering scam prevention community education for seniors and professionals who work with older women.	DAV
HSSRDG	Cumberland Regional Development Corporation	\$5,000	\$2,500	The funding will be used to provide emergency food and other non-perishable items to elderly and disabled individuals, as well as relative caregivers who are raising relative children to keep them out of state custody. The funding will also help fund fans and heaters. The funding will assist the individuals who are on fixed incomes, and who either raise a relative child or for an elderly individual in one of the 18 housing complexes that are operated by CRDC.	PUT
HSSRDG	Elders First Adult Day Services Association	\$3,500	\$3,500	The in-house Fee Assistance Program enables people age 55+, affected by Alzheimer's disease and other health challenges, to attend our daytime program with specialized activities that promote mental and physical health. Grant support would provide access to this program to low income individuals for 100 days of attendance. Attendees are affected by memory loss, decline in health, and/or social isolation. They will be able to remain living at home in a non-institutional setting as independently as possible. We provide a person-centered compassionate program to foster stability and to slow mental decline. Caregivers receive a break and are strengthened.	RUT

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HSSRDG	Mt. Juliet West Wilson County Senior Citizens Service Center	\$4,375	\$3,149	Ballroom Dance is a fun and beneficial activity that provides health benefits to Seniors. These benefits include improved muscle and bone strength and a lower risk of injury and exhaustion. Moreover, participants may have improved posture, balance and motor skills which can assist in the prevention of falls and other accidents dangerous to seniors. The Mt. Juliet Senior Center would like to give all our members the opportunity to improve their physical fitness all the while having a fun and interesting time doing so.	WLS
HSSRDG	Nashville Public Television Council Inc.	\$10,000	\$5,000	Aging Matters informs Middle Tennessee about the major issues and needs facing senior citizens in the community. In 2018, Aging Matters will center around two new 30-minute documentaries, "Loneliness, Isolation and Relationships" and "Geriatrics and Medical Care." Two televised follow-up discussions will expand on documentary content. Other elements include 12 Aging Matters spots, website, extensive community engagement events and DVDs for distribution. Aging Matters serves seniors, their families and caregivers as well as the entire Middle Tennessee community. Aging Matters seeks to inform everyone about challenges confronting seniors while fostering broad community discussions, leading to improved outcomes for all seniors.	DAV
HSSRDG	South Central Human Resources Agency	\$10,000	\$5,000	The South Central Human Resource Agency Nutrition program is committed to ensuring the dignity of every participant and underlining their importance with continued social contact which will minimize the need for institutional style living. This grant will allow us to serve an additional 1670 hot meals at the senior centers that meet all of the daily requirements, a monthly nutrition education flyer as well as the socialization from the fellow participants. This meal is the only hot meal that the majority of these seniors receive on a daily basis.	LIN
		\$86,890	\$44,149		