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Caption: HCCF Awards Grant to the American Military Heritage Foundation (AMHF)



The Hancock County Community Foundation (HCCF) recently awarded the American Military Heritage Foundation (AMHF) a grant from the Hancock County Enrichment Endowment Fund, a component fund of HCCF. Created by HCCF, the Enrichment Fund is a comprehensive, unrestricted fund addresses a broad range of needs--including future needs that often cannot be anticipated. It helps support long-term solutions; respond quickly to emergencies; and meet changing social, cultural, educational, and environmental needs in our local community.

The mission of the AMHF is to preserve, in flying condition, the vintage PV-2 Harpoon in the organization's care. In accordance with that mission, the \$1000 grant will provide new weather covers for protection.

The PV-2 Harpoon is on the National Registry of Historic Places, and per AMHF, is one of only three in flying condition in the United States.

HCCF provides philanthropic leadership by encouraging giving, learning, community pride and civic engagement. Working with caring individuals, families, and organizations to create or grow existing permanent endowment funds is critical to the organization's mission. These funds generate income that is distributed in the form of grants and scholarships to enrich and enhance life in Hancock County, as well as support the donor's favorite charitable causes, both at home and afar forever. HCCF has granted over \$13 million since its inception in 1992.