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***Pictured: Joanna Crump, Hancock County Children's Choir; Katie Ottinger, HCCF***

**HCCF issues grant for new music curriculum**



The Hancock County Community Foundation (HCCF) recently awarded the Hancock County Children's Choir a grant from the Enrichment Fund, a component fund of HCCF. The \$993.70 grant will allow them to purchase new comprehensive music theory curriculum for their K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade choir.

The Hancock County Children's Choir is a choral performance and education program dedicated to creating musical opportunities for youth through the performance of a variety of musical literature including classical, cross-cultural, folk, patriotic, pop, sacred, and secular genres of music. Students in the choir are taught vocal production, diction, music theory, music history and appreciation, Solfege (sight singing), poise, stage presence, public speaking, and etiquette.

Created by HCCF, the Enrichment Fund addresses a broad range of needs. The Enrichment Fund helps support long-term solutions; respond quickly to emergencies; and meet changing social, cultural, educational, and environmental needs in our local community.

*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 more than \$14 million since its inception in 1992.*

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