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Homelessness Prevention Initiative receives Pharos Grant

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FORT COLLINS - The Homelessness Prevention Initiative has received a \$30,000 Pharos Grant from the Bohemian Foundation for program enhancements that will enable HPI to better serve low-income families in the area.

HPI provides rental assistance and services to help with clients' financial literacy. Additionally, HPI offers extra assistance to families with children who are experiencing extraordinary needs, as funding allows. The Bohemian Foundation grant will allow HPI to offer options to qualified clients immediately, according to a release from HPI last week.

"The HPI Extra Education program, which we offer in partnership with GreenPath, helps motivated clients improve their financial literacy," said HPI Executive Director Sue Beck-Ferkiss in the release. "Getting better money management skills helps move families toward self-sufficiency. Bohemian's support will make a big impact for a lot of families."

HPI is a local initiative that has been providing emergency rental assistance to families since 2001. Assistance - less than \$300 per family on average - is provided to families at risk for immediate eviction.

To learn more about Homelessness Prevention Initiative, visit www.homelessnessprevention.net.