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Community Action Program of Lancaster County's Child Care Receives Grant

(Lancaster, PA) – Music for Everyone has awarded a \$1,166 grant to the Community Action Program (CAP) of Lancaster County's Child Care Center. The grant will afford the child care center to purchase African drums for an entire preschool class along with drumming CDs and dance kits. Teachers will incorporate this musical thematic unit into other aspects of the curriculum including African foods, a safari adventure in the dramatic play area and a literacy unit covering African folk tales.

Allison Troutman, CAP Child Care director, says the grant will enable teachers to share the music of other cultures at an early age. "Not only will the African unit expose our children to another culture, but the grant will help the children grow confidence in themselves through the drumming and dance."

Music for Everyone is a local, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to raising awareness and resources to strengthen the role that music plays in our schools and communities. Since 2006, the organization has awarded close to \$150,000 in grants to schools and community groups in the Lancaster community.

The CAP Child Care Center is non-profit STAR 4 center in the City of Lancaster. This is highest achievable rating possible under the Keystone STARS standards. The CAP Child Care Center provides quality care for children from six weeks to five years of age.

The CAP Child Care Center is one of 35 programs administered by CAP of Lancaster County, which community leaders formed in 1966 to assist low and moderate-income individuals with the resources, skills and knowledge needed to become self-sufficient. CAP of Lancaster County has a budget of over \$46 million and employs 340 people who provide services to qualified individuals throughout Lancaster County.