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New Jersey Foundation for Aging Announces Two Grantees for 2011 to bring needed services to seniors.

Trenton- The New Jersey Foundation for Aging (NJFA) is pleased to announce that grants have been awarded to two exceptional organizations in New Jersey, Camden City Garden Club and Volunteer Guardianship One-on-One.

NJFA is awarding a grant to the Camden City Garden Club. This project will address food insecurity among the aging population in Camden. The Garden Club fosters community gardens to produce fresh food and provides education to residents in urban areas, who have little or no access to affordable, healthy food options. NJFA hopes that by supporting the outreach efforts of the Camden City Garden Club some of these issues can be alleviated. The Camden City Garden Club program will offer seniors a leadership role in the community, as well as, make gardening easier for those with mobility issues.

A grant award will also be given to Volunteer Guardianship One-on-One for their Center for Guardianship Studies. The Center for Guardianship Studies will bring high quality training, education and support programs for volunteer guardians and other members of the community seeking to promote excellence in guardianship services. The Center will also be a clearinghouse for information about guardianship laws, standards of practice, as well as, educational opportunities for guardians. NJFA is pleased to support an effort that will provide education and guidance to legal guardians for elders that are incapacitated.

NJFA believes strongly in working toward making New Jersey a great place to age well and believes these two programs will help older adults do that. The Foundation is pleased to continue its Community Grant Program, through which \$350,000 has been awarded over the past ten years, serving more than 25,000 NJ residents. NJFA congratulates this year's grantees and wishes them much success with their programs.

To learn more about the work of the Foundation visit www.njfoundationforaging.org or call 609-421-0206. The New Jersey Foundation for Aging was established in 1998 to create ongoing financial support for aging services in New Jersey. Its mission is to expand innovative approaches in the delivery of services that enable older adults to live in the community with independence and dignity.

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