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### **Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury Foundation Announces Recent Gifts and A Bequest**

**IRVINGTON, Va.** — In recent months, the Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury Foundation has received a number of important gifts that will allow the continuing care community in Irvington to enhance and improve operations in a number of areas.

For the 10<sup>th</sup> straight year, The Lettie Pate Whitehead Foundation of Atlanta made a grant to RWC. The Whitehead Foundation, chartered in 1946, provides financial assistance in nine southeastern states to schools, colleges and a small number of select retirement communities that serve the needs of women. Last year’s \$127,000 grant is the largest to date awarded by the Whitehead Foundation to RWC.

“We are delighted that the Whitehead Foundation continues to exhibit confidence in RWC,” said RWC Vice President for Development Whiz Harris. Funds from the Whitehead Foundation are used to support fellowships for women residents.

RWC also has enjoyed strong support recently, both locally and regionally. A gift from the Mason and Lula Cole Charitable Trust will be used to support fellowships, and for the 26<sup>th</sup> year, The J. Edwin Treakle Foundation of Gloucester provided funds for fellowship assistance. In addition, RWC residents continue to make generous gifts to support various programs and projects.

Another growing fund is the Sandra Madison Memorial Education Fund. Established in 2012 after the death of RWC’s beloved longtime nurse educator, the fund was created to assist RWC employees in pursuing advanced education. The fund also underwrites costs of bringing guest lecturers to nursing education programs at RWC.

A former resident recently made a \$58,000 bequest to the RWC Foundation. The bequest is unrestricted, so the funds can be used for programs and projects outside the RWC budget.

“We truly appreciate the generosity shown by those who have chosen to donate to RWC,” said RWC President and CEO Stuart Bunting. “Their contributions show that they believe in what we’re doing. For our part, we are committed to being wise stewards of these resources.”

#### **About Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury**

Established in 1985 and proudly celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury is a continuing care community that provides the highest quality living experience for discerning senior adults. Situated on 165 beautiful acres outside the village of Irvington in Virginia’s Northern Neck, RWC is home to those who want the independence and worry-free lifestyle afforded them in a tranquil, rural setting.

Rappahannock Westminister-Canterbury Inc. is a Virginia nonprofit corporation affiliated with the Episcopal and Presbyterian churches. All religions are welcome. Learn more about RWC at [www.rw-c.org](http://www.rw-c.org).

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