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THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION CENTER AWARDED \$2,000 GRANT FROM ULSTER SAVINGS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

(Poughkeepsie, NY) The Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse (CPCA) has been awarded a \$2,000 grant from the Ulster Savings Charitable Foundation to create and enhance a telecommunications and computer network system that will enable it to efficiently capture, gather, and disseminate data and information. New computer hardware and software joined together with new telecommunications equipment will greatly accelerate the rate at which the CPCA can move information.

“Each year, we serve more than 15,000 abused and at-risk children and provide support and education services to more than 3,000 adults,” said Kimberly Kochem, Executive Director of CPCA. “We are grateful for the grant that Ulster Savings has provided us to help us implement this desperately needed project,” she added.

The CPCA is a private non-profit that has been dedicated to the reduction of child maltreatment since 1973. Located in Poughkeepsie, NY they are the only agency in Dutchess County providing sexual-abuse prevention training. Their support services help abused children—and educate adults to prevent future abuse. Their Child Advocacy Center is committed to providing a safe place for child victims and their families during the investigative process and their Personal Safety Program provides in-class presentations to local Dutchess County Schools. They also have programs for parents and caregivers with various needs.

The Ulster Savings Charitable Foundation was formed in 2003 to assist the local community in areas of housing, education, and human services.

For more information about The Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse, please visit them online at www.thecpca.org.

Photo Caption: The Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse receives a \$2,000 check from Ulster Savings Charitable Foundation. Pictured (from left to right) Dennis Conn, Ulster Savings AVP/Poughkeepsie Multi-Site Branch Manager; Jessica Wallach, Deputy Director, CPCA; and Christina Tuttle, Director of Development, CPCA.

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