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**W.K. Kellogg Foundation Awards \$942,000 to the Capital Region  
Community Foundation for the Ingham Great Start Collaborative to  
Improve Racial Equity and System Access for Children Ages 0-8 in Lansing  
Neighborhoods**

(Lansing, MI – October 17, 2011) The Capital Region Community Foundation (CRCF), in partnership with the *Power of We Consortium*, and Michigan State University Outreach and Engagement (MSUOE), has been awarded a \$942,000 grant to the Ingham Great Start Collaborative coordinated by the Ingham Intermediate School District. The CRCF served as the applicant and is the fiduciary for this grant award. MSUOE is researching this project in relation to its risk to resilience framework focused on supporting children, families and communities from birth to work.

The purpose of the grant is to engage parents, residents, and system leaders in co-creating strategies to reduce racial disparities and improve policies and access to systems that affect children aged 0-8 years. The Great Start Collaborative is conducting this work in various Lansing neighborhoods from July 2011 – June 2014.

*The W.K. Kellogg Foundation, established in 1930, supports children, families and communities as they strengthen and create conditions that propel vulnerable children to achieve success as individuals and as contributors to the larger community and society. Grants are concentrated in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, and southern Africa.*

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