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### **Fostering Hope Receives Grant from Foxwynd Foundation to Support Fostering Phones and Dignity Duffles Initiatives**

Pottstown, PA – March 19, 2025 – Fostering Hope, a community of volunteers and families passionate about foster care, is proud to announce that it has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Foxwynd Foundation to support its Fostering Phones and Dignity Duffles initiatives. This funding will enable Fostering Hope to provide mobile phones and dignity duffles to youth experiencing foster care, ensuring they have essential communication tools and personal care items during transitions.

“We are incredibly grateful to the Foxwynd Foundation for their generous support,” said Dr. Michelle Filling-Brown, Board Member and Director of Finance at Fostering Hope. “This funding will allow us to equip youth experiencing foster care with mobile phones for safety and connectivity, along with dignity duffles to eliminate the common use of trash bags for their belongings when moving between homes. We are so appreciative of this Foxwynd grant which will support the well-being of some of the most vulnerable children and youth in our communities.”

The Foxwynd Foundation DAF funded the Foxwynd Foundation’s generous donation to Fostering Hope.

“The Bentley family and Foxwynd Foundation are proud to support this project because it provides essential tools and personal care items to youth in foster care, ensuring they are treated with dignity during their transitions between homes,” said Pamela Villagra, Executive Director of Foxwynd Foundation.

By providing these critical resources, Fostering Hope aims to reduce the barriers that stand in the way of people opening their hearts and homes to fostering and to make the transition into the foster care system less traumatic for children. Since its founding in 2018, the organization has been dedicated to comprehensive support, advocacy, and compassionate care to ensure every child experiencing foster care feels valued, cherished, and equipped to thrive. In 2024 alone, Fostering Hope supported 4,212 children across 10 chapters of Fostering Hope in 8 counties in Pennsylvania, and they anticipate continued expansion into additional counties in 2025.

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#### **About Fostering Hope**

Fostering Hope is a volunteer-run, donation-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to serving the foster care community. Through advocacy, comprehensive support, and resource distribution, Fostering Hope empowers youth experiencing foster care, nurtures families, and

works to restore dignity to every child experiencing transitions within the system. For more information, visit [www.fosteringhopepa.org](http://www.fosteringhopepa.org) or contact [info@fosteringhopepa.com](mailto:info@fosteringhopepa.com).

**About Foxwynd Foundation**

The Foxwynd Foundation is a philanthropic organization committed to enhancing access to healthcare, housing, and sustainable environmental initiatives. By investing in programs that promote human dignity and potential, the foundation serves as a lifeline for communities in need, ensuring a brighter future for all.