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**Zonta Club of East Lansing Area Foundation  
awards grant to Women's Center of Greater Lansing**

**WHAT:** The Women's Center of Greater Lansing was selected to receive a three-year grant from the Zonta Club of East Lansing Foundation (ZCELA). The center will receive \$5,000 each year, beginning June, 2008. The funds will be used to continue the programs and services for women in the Greater Lansing area.

Nancy Elwood, Co-Chair of the ZCELA Ways and Means Committee, stated a number of reasons why the Women's Center was chosen this year. "The fact that you do not turn any women away, that you assist women in attaining their goals whether it be financial, personal or wellness, and that your services are provided often at such a critical time when self-esteem has been shattered for any number of reasons. We were also impressed with the growth of your organization in such a short time and that our organization would have the opportunity to participate in the continuation of that growth not only financially, but also through a "hands on" partnership utilizing the variety of talents we have among our ZCELA members." Co-directors Cindie Alwood and Manuela Kress will be presented with the first \$5,000 check at the June Zonta Club of East Lansing meeting.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, June 11th at 12:00.

**WHERE:** University Club

Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. Nearly 33,000 members belong to more than 1,200 Zonta Clubs in 66 countries and geographical areas.

The **Women's Center of Greater Lansing** is a private non-profit organization that provides services to women in the Lansing area. Since its doors opened in

2005, the Women's Center has served over 1,000 women. The Women's Center is dedicated to helping women realize their potential, support each other, achieve economic self-sufficiency, and develop emotional and physical wellbeing, regardless of income level. Services that the Center provides include career counseling and resume preparation, individual counseling, and a wide variety of support groups and workshops.

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