\$90,000 in Grants Awarded To Local Nonprofits through The Washington Post Charities

Recipients Include: Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area, Capital Partners for Education, Everybody Wins! DC and The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy, Inc.

WASHINGTON- June 27, 2011- The Washington Post today announces that through The Washington Post Charities, a McCormick Foundation Fund, grants will be awarded to four local nonprofit organizations that support education for at-risk youth and teens in the Washington, D.C.-area. The 2011 grant recipients include:

- **Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area**, which will receive \$25,000 to support their *Bigs In Schools* program which offers One-To-One® mentoring for 4th-8th graders enrolled in DC Public Schools.
- Capital Partners for Education, which will receive \$30,000 to help motivated, low-income high school students in the D.C.-area overcome academic and social barriers through mentoring and scholarships.
- Everybody Wins! DC, which will receive \$25,000 to support the Power Lunch Program at Ross Elementary School which provides reading mentors for students once a week during the lunch hour.
- The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy, Inc., which will receive \$10,000 to support their Saturday School program which offers tutoring and mentoring support for students in Montgomery County.

"The Washington Post has a long tradition of supporting the local community through a variety of programs and initiatives," said Katharine Weymouth, publisher of The Washington and CEO of Washington Post Media. "We are pleased to be able to build on this commitment by providing area nonprofits with financial support in the form of grants made through The Washington Post Charities. These grants would not be possible without the support and dedication of people in the region who want to help improve education for our area's underserved children."

"The Washington Post and McCormick Foundation share a commitment to addressing the growing needs of our local communities," said David Hiller, president and CEO of the Robert R. McCormick Foundation. "These grantee partners are doing wonderful work with at-risk youth in the Greater D.C. area by providing mentoring and literacy services to help the kids get on a successful path."

The Washington Post Charities, in partnership with the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, launched in 2009 and is dedicated to increasing educational opportunities available for at-risk youth and teens in the Greater Washington Region. The McCormick Foundation matches all gifts at 50 cents on the dollar, increasing the impact of charitable donations. The Washington Post and the Foundation pay all campaign and administrative expenses. One hundred percent of all gifts, plus the match, benefit underserved children.

The four grant recipients will be celebrated in a ceremony at The Post building on June 29.

To learn more about The Washington Post Charities, visit: www.washingtonpostcharities.com.

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