Cumberland County Library System Foundation Receives TFEC –
The Foundation for Enhancing Communities –
Nutrition Sponsorship Grant for Daylong Staff Development Program

Mechanicsburg, Pa – The Cumberland County Library System Foundation has been awarded a $1,500 nutrition sponsorship grant to support its staff development day featuring national trainer Warren Graham, The Black Belt Librarian.

Originally scheduled for October 2020, the Cumberland County Library System Staff Development Day was to feature national trainer Warren Graham, The Black Belt Librarian. Mr. Graham was going to address staff from Cumberland County’s eight libraries, as well as guest library staff from Perry County and Dauphin County on all aspects of library safety. Because of COVID-19 distancing regulations, the Warren Graham training has been postponed until 2021.

“We are grateful for The Foundation for Enhancing Communities’ generous support for the Library System Foundation and Staff Development Day,” stated Carolyn Blatchley, library system executive director. “Warren Graham is well worth the wait, and we appreciate TFEC’s extending the grant so the event can take place when large in-person gatherings resume.”

The Cumberland County Library System Foundation serves Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, one of the fastest growing areas in the state. In 2019, the libraries served 110,351 active library card holders (more than 40 percent of Cumberland County’s 250,000 residents). Support from The Foundation for Enhancing Communities along with a national H.W. Wilson Grant from the American Library Association will be used to provide a full day of professional development training to Cumberland County public library staff, as well as staff from nearby rural Perry County and neighboring Dauphin County, all part of the Capital Area Library District. The day of training will be focused on developing the skills, strategies and techniques of staff, especially “frontline” staff, at these libraries to provide a safer library space for both staff and patrons.

About The Cumberland County Library System Foundation: The Library Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) organization with a mission to support the programs, services, and innovative initiatives of the Cumberland County Library System (PA) and its eight member library locations. For more information, please visit www.cumberlandcountylibraries.org/libraryfoundation.

About The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC): TFEC is a leader in working with individuals, corporations, governmental bodies, nonprofit organizations, and private foundations, helping them to achieve their philanthropic goals with confidence and sophistication. TFEC’s mission is to inspire giving by partnering with donors to achieve their charitable goals, and to strengthen our local communities by investing in them now and for future generations. For more information, please visit www.tfec.org.