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## Michigan City Enrichment Corporation To Announce Grant Awards

**Michigan City, IN** (December 1, 2003) – Mayor Charles Oberlie and the Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation (MCCEC) will announce the recipients of the 2003 Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation's Grant Awards at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2003, at the Michigan City Senior Center. This year, forty-one organizations will share over \$711,000.

Each year, the Enrichment Board is challenged with the task of distributing funds to many organizations which enhance and assist our community. The nine board members undertake a very difficult task in determining grant recipients. During the current grant cycle, the MCCEC received 68 applications requesting a total of more than \$2.4 million in funding for programs and projects that impact Michigan City and its citizens. The applications requested nearly \$400,000 in funding this year than was requested in 2002. One board member stated, "This is truly a statement of the difficult economic times that community organizations are in."

The Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation originated in 1997. The 2004 Grant Cycle will open in March 2004 and end on July 1, 2004. Applications will be available at City Hall during that time.

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