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Galesburg Public Library Foundation Announces Endowment Partnership with Galesburg Community Foundation

Galesburg, IL (November 19, 2025) – Galesburg Public Library Foundation is proud to share that the Library Foundation Board of Directors has made a significant decision to establish endowment funds at Galesburg Community Foundation, for designated purposes of the Library and the Library Foundation. This strategic partnership ensures the Library's Foundation's charitable resources are stewarded locally, with a focus on long-term sustainability and continued impact towards the needs of the Library and Library Foundation

"This partnership helps secure the library's future and reflects what Galesburg does best – coming together to invest in the community we share," commented Heather Sipes, Executive Director of Galesburg Public Library.

"We're honored to partner with the Galesburg Public Library Foundation to help ensure its resources and services are available for generations to come," said Joshua Gibb, President & CEO of Galesburg Community Foundation. "By establishing endowment funds at the Community Foundation, the Library Foundation is taking an important step to strengthen its financial sustainability and invest in the long-term vitality of their organization and the Galesburg Public Library."

Sue Dutell, President of the Galesburg Public Library Foundation, added, "Our Foundation has been fortunate to have extraordinary donors with the foresight to invest in our community library. They have left a legacy to continue supporting our programs and services. The funds we have been stewarding for many years will now be managed locally, through Galesburg Community Foundation, allowing us to better secure resources for the future. We are very excited for this new chapter!"

In total, nine endowment funds have been created to support specific needs and programs of the Galesburg Public Library, including one fund designated for the general operations of the Galesburg Public Library Foundation. Together, these endowments will help ensure continued support for library programming, building maintenance, and educational opportunities for years to come.

About Galesburg Community Foundation

Galesburg Community Foundation develops and supports the efforts of local people and organizations to promote healthy communities. The Community Foundation makes giving easy and believes that

generosity can positively change Knox, Warren, and Henderson Counties forever. The Community Foundation partners with individuals, families, businesses and nonprofits to help them have the greatest impact with their giving. The Community Foundation is working for the good of *your* community. Learn more at www.YourGCF.org.

About Galesburg Public Library Foundation

Established in 2007, the Galesburg Public Library Foundation, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt charitable institution, raises funds to strengthen the library's resources and services, ensuring it remains a vital part of the greater Galesburg community. The Galesburg Public Library Foundation collaborates with the Galesburg Public Library to enhance and support its services, ensuring that every resident has the chance to learn, grow, and succeed. Learn more at https://thegplf.org