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**Nine (9) Non-Profits Receive Grant Funds through the
Affinity Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card Program
Over \$10K Awarded in Fall 2017 to
Non-Profit Organizations Serving Hillsborough's Seniors and Youths**

Nine different non-profit organizations received grant awards through the Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card Program at Tuesday's Township Committee Meeting. Representatives from the organizations were present to accept the ceremonial check presented by Mayor Carl Suraci, Committeeman Doug Tomson, and the members of the Credit Card Advisory Committee.

The total amount awarded Tuesday evening was \$10,238. Since the inception of the program, nearly \$75,000 in grants to community based youth, senior and local non-profit organizations have been awarded. The Fall 2017 Grant recipients are:

- The Hillsborough RoboRaiders
- Safe+Sound Somerset
- HHS Choir Parents Association
- Spring Reins of Life, Inc.
- Hillsborough Seniors - Chapter B
- Hillsborough Baseball League
- Hillsborough Seniors - Chapter A
- Hillsborough Rockettes & Rockets
- Boy Scout Troop 489

"The Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card program is a great resource for our local organizations, that qualify, to obtain funding without any expense to our Hillsborough Taxpayers," commented Mayor Carl Suraci. "By obtaining and utilizing a rewards Visa credit card, funds will continue to be raised for future grant offerings."

The credit card program is at no cost to the taxpayers of Hillsborough. The program allows individuals or businesses to sign up for the special Hillsborough Township Rewards Visa Credit Card that gives back a portion of every charge, in the form of grants, to nonprofit local youth and senior citizen groups as recommended by the Credit Card Advisory Committee and approved by the Township Committee.

For more information on the Affinity Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card visit: <https://www.affinityfcu.com/credit-cards/hillsborough-rewards-visa.aspx>, call the Member Service Center at (800) 325-0808, or stop by the Hillsborough Branch of the Affinity Federal Credit Union.

About the Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card Program:

Hillsborough Township has partnered with the Affinity Federal Credit Union (AFCU) to offer a Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card. Administered through the Affinity Federal Credit Union – Hillsborough Branch, individuals and businesses are invited to sign up for a special Hillsborough Township Rewards Visa Credit Card. Similar to other reward based cards, card users of the Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card receive a point for every dollar spent which they can then redeem at a future time for various reward options such as cash back, gift cards, merchandise and much more. The unique feature of the Hillsborough Rewards Visa Credit Card, through AFCU is that a percentage of the purchases (card usage) is returned to the Hillsborough Credit Card trust fund. Funds deposited to the trust fund are then distributed to various Township non-profit senior citizen groups and youth organizations through the credit card grant application process. These grant opportunities are self-funded through the account and do not cost the taxpayers of Hillsborough any tax resource dollars.

About Affinity Federal Credit Union:

Affinity is the largest credit union headquartered in the state of New Jersey with 16 branches, more than 135,000 members from thousands of businesses and organizations, and total assets in excess of \$2.8 billion. Affinity began its charitable branch in 2005. Since its inception, Affinity has distributed over \$1 million to local charities and communities. For more information, please visit their website at www.affinityfcu.com

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