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Boone County Family Resources Honored at Statewide Conference

COLUMBIA, MO – Boone County Family Resources (BCFR) was honored at the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association’s annual conference with the Musco Give-Back Award. BCFR was presented with one of five awards given to individuals and organizations across the state that support Park and Recreation Departments.

BCFR won the award for their support of two Columbia Parks and Recreation programs: the C.A.R.E. program (Career Awareness Related Experience) and Adapted Community Recreation program.

BCFR, led by Executive Director Les Wagner, has provided more than \$40,000 to finance a partnership with C.A.R.E. to provide youth with developmental disabilities the opportunity to learn job and social skills, becoming more employable.

BCFR has also provided financial support for the Adapted Community Recreation program, which is housed at Paquin Tower. The organization gave \$16,000 to the program to replace funds that were cut in the program’s budget. These funds have allowed programs to remain in place and to expand weekend and evening activities. BCFR has also promoted the program’s services to their clients, increasing awareness of the program throughout the community.

Columbia Parks and Recreation nominated BCFR for the Give-Back Award, which is given annually to an individual or organization for an unusually noteworthy effort to serve the underserved in the community through parks and recreation services.