ADVOCACY POLICY

I. PURPOSE

To set forth guidelines by which grant money shall be allocated. The primary mission of the Foundation is to assist individuals and families that are suffering financial difficulties not of their making. The Foundation further seeks to aid as many individuals, families and community organizations requesting funds by meting out its limited funds in accordance with The Foundation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

II. POLICY

- A. Grants will not be made to churches and religious organizations.
- B. Requests from hospitals, schools or programs, and community outreach programs supported but not controlled by churches or religious organizations will be considered.
- C. The Foundation will not make grants to lobbying groups or political causes.
- D. The Foundation will not make grants to pro-life or family planning organizations.
- E. Grants to public and private schools that impact the entire student body will be considered.
- F. The Foundation will consider requests for grants from families of all individuals serving in recognized United States armed forces (Army, Navy, etc.) that are in keeping with Foundation policies.
- G. The Foundation will consider requests for grants made by civic and fraternal organizations that are in keeping with Foundation policies.
- H. The Foundation will consider requests for grants made by police, sheriff, highway patrol, fire department, and other emergency response organizations that are in keeping with Foundation policies.
- I. The Foundation will consider funding requests for environmental and education purposes.
- J. The Foundation will consider funding requests for medical expenses and equipment.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

It shall be the responsibility of the Foundation Chairperson to assure proper administration of this policy.