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## **Local Foundations Continue Support for TLC's Katherine Thomas School** *\$55,000 in Grants Awarded for Families in Need and High School Expansion*

Rockville, MD—[TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers](http://www.ttlc.org) announced today continuing support from three area organizations totaling \$55,000 to support financial aid programs and expansion of the high school program at [The Katherine Thomas School](#). KTS is an independent day school for students in preschool through twelfth grade with moderate to severe language and learning disabilities and/or high-functioning autism that was founded in 1995.

Fifteen KTS students from qualifying families are receiving financial aid this academic year, a reflection of the organization's commitment to provide services to families regardless of income level with help from foundation, corporate and individual donors. This critical role that TLC plays in the community has been lauded by the [The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation](#), a key supporter of TLC programs since 1997 with grants totaling more than \$160,000.

Cafritz Foundation Program Officer **Tobi Printz-Platnick** noted that "The school truly serves as a lifeline for low income families of students with learning disabilities seeking an alternative to public school special education. It has been my honor to work with them and once again recognize their commitment to enrolling all students regardless of family income with a grant of \$25,000 on behalf of the foundation."

Local students also benefit from the financial aid program thanks to generosity of The [Rockville Rotary Club Foundation](#), which renewed their \$10,000 grant to support KTS students living in Rockville.

Said one family who benefits from the financial aid program, "I know KTS with their high academic program will give Corey the opportunity of reaching and achieving his goals and ultimately help him regain his overall self confidence. KTS has truly made a difference in my child's life."

The **J. Willard & Alice S. Marriott Foundation** has been a strong supporter of TLC since 1997, providing nearly \$200,000 in program support over the years. Their latest \$20,000 grant supports KTS' high school expansion through new classroom furnishings and equipment. KTS is one of the few special education schools in the area that offers a diploma-based high school program, which has experienced tremendous growth in three short years and now enrolls 100 students.

### **About TLC**

[TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers](http://www.ttlc.org), located in Rockville, Md., improves lives and expands possibilities for individuals with special needs. Celebrating over 57 years of service to the community in 2008, TLC is committed to integrity and excellence in our care and strives to assist all, regardless of their ability to pay. For more information call 301.424.5200 or visit [www.ttlc.org](http://www.ttlc.org).

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