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**Wayne County Community Foundation
Receives Grant from Villaume Foundation**

Honesdale, Pa – The Board of The John and Helen Villaume Foundation announced that the Wayne County Community Foundation was selected to receive one of the Foundation’s 2021 community grant awards. Ryanne Jennings, Executive Director of the Wayne County Community Foundation, was on hand to receive a check for \$40,000.00 from Villaume Foundation board member, Jon Villaume.

The Wayne County Community Foundation, a public foundation founded in 1991, was established to provide an opportunity for fundraising, grant development, student scholarships, and the like in Wayne County. The Foundation assists donors in the creation of a variety of donor advised funds designed for short and long term causes. Funds are pooled to take advantage of investment opportunities that permit the endowments to fund a wide variety of charitable purposes. The Villaume Foundation grant will be used for a feasibility

study for the development of an Agriculture Innovation Center which will be designed to integrate food security resources, agri-business and food enterprises, local health & wellness initiatives, as well as support education and entrepreneurship in Wayne County. For additional information regarding this and other programs and initiatives of the Wayne County Community Foundation, please visit its website at www.waynefoundation.org.

The John and Helen Villaume Foundation established by Honesdale natives, John and Helen Villaume, is dedicated to benefit charitable, religious, scientific, literary and educational programs within Wayne County. Since its inception, the Foundation has made awards totaling over \$2,000,000.00 with Wayne Bank managing the account in the Wealth Management and Trust Services Division of Wayne Bank.

Additional information about the Foundation and grant applications may be obtained from: The John and Helen Villaume Foundation, c/o Wayne Bank Wealth Management and Trust Services Division, 717 Main Street, Honesdale, PA 18431, or by phone: 570-253-8507 or email: Trust@WayneBank.com

PHOTO CAPTION-LEFT TO RIGHT: Jon Villaume, Villaume Foundation Board Member, presents the check to Rynne Jennings, Wayne County Community Foundation Executive Director.

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