

# Lower Columbia CAP receives anonymous \$15,000 grant

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A \$15,000 gift to Lower Columbia CAP has helped put a challenge grant campaign more than halfway toward its goal of raising \$35,000, CAP announced Tuesday.

The check from an anonymous donor boosted the campaign to \$21,900, according to CAP.

"It took our breath away when the check was brought in," said Alan Rose, CAP's director of development and community relations. "We are delighted and humbled at this generous response to Tim and Lee's challenge."

Tim Welch and his wife, Lee Hutton-Welch, have pledged to match contributions to CAP up to \$35,000 a year annually over 10 years. If the community fully matches the Welches' pledge, the campaign will raise \$70,000 a year and \$700,000 over the 10-year period.

The deadline for contributing to this year's challenge is Oct. 15.

CAP, the area's largest nonprofit charitable organization, says it will put the money in its foundation and use the interest to fund a broad array of programs to help the disadvantaged and victims of domestic and child abuse.