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## Community Foundation Appoints Director of Programs and Operations

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The Middlesex County Community Foundation has appointed Thayer Talbott of Old Lyme as the Director of Programs & Operations.

Ms. Talbott, who began her duties March 1, has worked as a Communications Strategies Consultant in eastern Connecticut for three years. She has worked with not-for-profits, small businesses and a quasi-public state agency as a project manager, strategic advisor and communications/community relations specialist. Her areas of expertise include crisis communications and issue management, policy development, and collateral development. She is also an accomplished photographer.



Prior to her work in Connecticut, Ms. Talbott provided administrative management for the City of Oxford Division of Police in Ohio. She was responsible for the day-to-day administrative oversight of the office of the Chief of Police; managed the regular budget requests of the division; provided internal and external customer service duties; and acted as department liaison with other city offices and staff. During her career she coordinated with city and university professionals to develop a broad range of communications and information venues, served as division representative to an advisory board, community organizations and the county-wide emergency management team.

Ms. Talbott also served as the Director of Media & Information for the Butler County Chiefs of Police Association Respect for Law Camp (Oxford, Ohio) for five years. An annual summer weekend event held for 11 to 14 year olds, the camp provided an opportunity to introduce area youth to law enforcement professionals and encourage team work and self-respect through a series of hands-on learning programs. Ms. Talbott developed and issued media information kits, scheduled media interviews with campers and leaders, participated in information sessions for fundraising purposes, and oversaw a team of photographers and videographers during the camp.

As Director of Programs & Operations, she will oversee the day-to-day operations for the Foundation; manage the current competitive grant making process; research, develop and oversee new grant opportunities for the Foundation; manage marketing and communications materials and their distribution; and be a visible, effective and efficient representative of the Foundation throughout the community.