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MENTORING GROUP RECEIVES GRANT:

Take Stock in Children, a comprehensive program providing underprivileged and at-risk Pasco County students an opportunity to earn up to a four-year college scholarship, was awarded a \$7,500 grant from the Community Foundation of Pasco County. Pictured are Take Stock in Children program coordinator Rosanne Heyser, left, and Community Foundation grant committee member Lynn Goldman. This grant assists with enhanced mentor training, student motivation tools and Web site upgrades. About 146 seventh- and ninth-grade students have been awarded this opportunity and are earning their scholarships by meeting with mentors, receiving good grades, maintaining good attendance and good behavior. Upon receiving their award, students and their parents signed a contract agreeing to remain crime and drug free as they continue toward graduation day. Donor contributions to the Pasco Education Foundation for Take Stock in Children are matched dollar-for-dollar by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation. For information, call (813) 794-2134.