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## HANNAH'S TREASURE CHEST EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SARAH WILLIAMS, RECEIVES NATIONAL NONPROFIT AWARD

Kansas City, Mo. - The Nonprofit Leadership Alliance recently presented Sarah Williams, CNP, executive director at Hannah's Treasure Chest (Centerville, Ohio), with the prestigious Certified Nonprofit Professional (CNP) of the Year Award. The award presentation took place at the annual Alliance Management Institute—an educational conference geared toward students planning a career in the nonprofit sector. The 2015 event was located at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Years after graduation from Wright State University, Sarah Williams remains involved with their Community Council and alumni association. She is both a resourceful advisor and a champion for the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance program at Wright State.

In 2011, she was named executive director at Hannah's Treasure Chest—a nonprofit that works to enrich the lives of children in need by providing clothes, furniture, books, and other essential items. "During a time when many nonprofits were struggling to achieve financial goals, this Certified Nonprofit Professional's leadership helped bring significant growth in donations, allowing the organization to serve even more children," said Susan T. Schmidt, CNP, president of the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance. "We are proud of the work Sarah is doing to improve the quality of life in her community."

The CNP of the Year Award, sponsored by the Association of Certified Nonprofit Professionals, is given to an individual who has made meaningful contributions to the nonprofit sector and significant achievements at his or her organization. The 2015 honorees were chosen by an awards selection committee comprised of key Alliance stakeholders, including affiliated faculty members, alumni, nonprofit partners, board members and sponsors. The selection of the award recipients was based on specific criteria for each respective award.

**About the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance:** Since 1948, the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance has worked to strengthen the social sector with a talented, prepared workforce. Its Certified Nonprofit Professional (CNP) credential is the only national nonprofit management certification in the U.S. The Alliance system, which includes 40 colleges and universities, 12 national nonprofit partners and more than 9,000 CNPs, is the largest network in the country working to build a talent pipeline for the social sector.

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