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Kia Sweeney, Program Director, (middle) accepted the award on behalf of Girls Group

The Church of the Good Shepherd United Church of Christ of Ann Arbor, Michigan recognizes the justice ministry of Girls Group for empowering young women in middle school and high school to achieve emotional and economic self-sufficiency by graduating from high school and becoming first-generation college graduates;

- for fostering development of character, leadership, self-confidence, and social consciousness through core programming and mentoring;
- for focusing on academics, social skills, friendships, and belonging;
- for promoting the value of sharing stories about successes and about lessons learned;
- and for being based on **love**—loving oneself and loving others to make the world a better place.

Therefore, the award of Servant Leadership in Building a Beloved and Just Community (in the way of Dr. M. L. King, Jr.) is presented to Girls Group by The Church of the Good Shepherd, UCC

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