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“The Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras has been awarded a grant of \$50,000 by the Boston Foundation,” BYSO Executive Director, Catherine Weiskel, said today.

According to Weiskel, the grant will be used for expanding the organization’s marketing efforts to increase awareness of the BYSO among the New England community. The Boston Foundation has a long history of support with the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras, funding programs and special initiatives for several years.

“Our organization has expanded drastically during the last few years,” Weiskel said. “The grant from the Boston Foundation will give us additional resources to bring music to children in underserved communities.”

The Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras was founded in 1958 and has served thousands of children in the greater Boston area by providing the opportunity to learn music with others. David M. Welch is the chairperson of the board of directors.

The Boston Foundation, one of the nation’s oldest and largest community foundations, has an endowment of close to \$900 million. Last year, the Foundation made grants of more than \$90 million to nonprofit organizations and received gifts of \$90 million. The Boston Foundation is made up of nearly 900 separate charitable funds, which have been established by donors either for the general benefit of the community or for special purposes. The Foundation also serves as a civic leader, convener, and sponsor of special initiatives designed to build community. For more information about the Boston Foundation and its grant making, visit www.tbf.org, or call 617-338-1700.