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Community Generates \$1.5 Million in 2017 Challenge Match

The Wayne County Foundation announced today detailed results of its 2017 Challenge Match.

Forty-nine local organizations collectively raised \$1,268,535 from generous donors in an eight-day period this November. This amount, plus the Foundation match, represents over \$1,508,000 in total contributed benefit to the community.

The Challenge Match was an opportunity for participating organizations to share up to \$240,000 from the Foundation, based on qualifying gifts they received from the community in a designated match period. It was the sixth time that the program was offered.

“Our community is incredibly generous,” said Steve Borchers, executive director of the Foundation. “This was the largest Challenge Match to date in terms of the number of participating organizations and the number of dollars raised. Clearly, this remains an incredibly effective tool to help local not-for-profit organizations promote themselves in the community and raise critical operating dollars.”

All but one organization met or exceeded their match goals. Any unmatched dollars were distributed as ‘bonus bucks’ to the organizations that over-achieved their match goals.

“We especially want to thank our Match Partners,” Borchers said. The Match Partners included an anonymous donor, the Doxpop Charitable Giving Fund, the Fund for Tomorrow, the Connie and Roger Green Donor Advised Fund, Mr. Richard Jeffers, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reinke, the Rosar Donor Advised Fund, and the Wayne Bank and Trust Community Fund. “Their contributions really led the way and enabled more organizations to participate.”

The participating organizations and the amounts they received from the community and the Foundation are as follows:

| Organization Name | Match Goal | Total Community Contributions | Match Amount and Bonus Bucks | Total Raised Community and Foundation |
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| Achieva Resources Corporation, Inc. | \$2,500 | \$13,570.00 | \$2,548.21 | \$16,118.21 |
| Adult Day Care of Richmond, Inc. | \$2,500 | \$17,814.00 | \$2,619.55 | \$20,433.55 |
| Amigos, the Richmond Latino Center | \$5,000 | \$27,728.09 | \$5,078.88 | \$32,806.97 |
| Animal Care Alliance | \$2,500 | \$8,262.50 | \$2,549.88 | \$10,812.38 |
| Birth to Five | \$5,000 | \$15,638.09 | \$5,037.38 | \$20,675.47 |
| Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County | \$10,000 | \$231,620.32 | \$10,136.13 | \$241,756.45 |
| Center City Development | \$5,000 | \$12,895.00 | \$5,020.10 | \$17,915.10 |
| Christian Charities | \$5,000 | \$14,256.16 | \$5,023.22 | \$19,279.38 |
| Circle U Help Center | \$5,000 | \$47,340.70 | \$5,107.50 | \$52,448.20 |
| Communities In Schools of Wayne County | \$10,000 | \$49,157.00 | \$10,050.84 | \$59,207.84 |
| Community Christian School | \$5,000 | \$9,350.00 | \$5,017.53 | \$14,367.53 |
| Cope Environmental Center | \$5,000 | \$32,506.66 | \$5,101.73 | \$37,608.39 |
| DIPLOMAS Inc. | \$5,000 | \$6,607.00 | \$2,607.00 | \$9,214.00 |
| Friends of Morrisson Reeves Library | \$5,000 | \$9,035.26 | \$5,017.46 | \$14,052.72 |
| Gateway Food Pantry | \$2,500 | \$7,527.00 | \$2,524.47 | \$10,051.47 |
| Girls Inc. Wayne County | \$10,000 | \$46,481.91 | \$10,057.52 | \$56,539.43 |
| Golay Community Center Inc. | \$5,000 | \$25,370.00 | \$5,068.68 | \$30,438.68 |
| Good News Habitat for Humanity | \$2,500 | \$13,250.00 | \$2,581.79 | \$15,831.79 |
| Hayes Arboretum | \$5,000 | \$19,446.43 | \$5,060.57 | \$24,507.00 |
| HELP the Animals | \$5,000 | \$21,741.51 | \$5,065.96 | \$26,807.47 |
| Hope House | \$2,500 | \$17,310.85 | \$2,621.27 | \$19,932.12 |
| Independent Living Center of Eastern Indiana | \$2,500 | \$5,680.00 | \$2,527.52 | \$8,207.52 |
| JACY House | \$5,000 | \$11,076.66 | \$5,024.13 | \$16,100.79 |
| Junior Achievement of Eastern Indiana | \$2,500 | \$7,373.93 | \$2,542.18 | \$9,916.11 |
| K-Ready | \$5,000 | \$13,411.70 | \$5,034.24 | \$18,445.94 |
| Levi Coffin House Association. Inc. | \$5,000 | \$9,790.00 | \$5,020.73 | \$14,810.73 |
| Open Arms Ministries | \$5,000 | \$18,834.94 | \$5,046.16 | \$23,881.10 |
| Overbeck Museum/Cambridge City Public Library | \$2,500 | \$6,152.00 | \$2,531.61 | \$8,683.61 |

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| Richmond Art Museum | \$10,000 | \$47,927.25 | \$10,057.53 | \$57,984.78 |
| Richmond Community Orchestra | \$2,500 | \$8,770.00 | \$2,554.27 | \$11,324.27 |
| Richmond Day Nursery | \$2,500 | \$8,530.00 | \$2,543.54 | \$11,073.54 |
| Richmond Family YMCA | \$5,000 | \$10,951.43 | \$5,025.76 | \$15,977.19 |
| Richmond Friends School | \$10,000 | \$36,761.02 | \$10,051.41 | \$46,812.43 |
| Richmond High School Music Boosters | \$2,500 | \$5,235.00 | \$2,523.67 | \$7,758.67 |
| Richmond Parks and Recreation | \$10,000 | \$50,018.00 | \$10,016.25 | \$60,034.25 |
| Richmond Rose Garden | \$2,500 | \$12,015.00 | \$2,582.35 | \$14,597.35 |
| Richmond Shakespeare Festival | \$5,000 | \$30,315.00 | \$5,071.25 | \$35,386.25 |
| Richmond Symphony Orchestra | \$10,000 | \$82,002.45 | \$10,056.58 | \$92,059.03 |
| Senior Opportunities Services | \$2,500 | \$4,640.00 | \$2,514.19 | \$7,154.19 |
| Sprout of Control Community Garden Project | \$2,500 | \$2,876.70 | \$2,503.26 | \$5,379.96 |
| Starr-Gennett Foundation | \$2,500 | \$8,300.00 | \$2,550.20 | \$10,850.20 |
| Townsend Community Center | \$2,500 | \$7,797.00 | \$2,545.85 | \$10,342.85 |
| Wayne County Cardinal Greenway | \$5,000 | \$20,495.00 | \$5,060.56 | \$25,555.56 |
| Wayne County Historical Museum | \$5,000 | \$21,569.92 | \$5,065.22 | \$26,635.14 |
| Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District | \$2,500 | \$5,562.30 | \$2,526.50 | \$8,088.80 |
| Wernle Youth & Family Treatment Center | \$2,500 | \$107,380.05 | \$2,515.23 | \$109,895.28 |
| Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars | \$10,000 | \$30,925.00 | \$10,040.19 | \$40,965.19 |
| Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission, Inc. | \$2,500 | \$5,995.00 | \$2,530.25 | \$8,525.25 |
| YWCA of Richmond-Genesis | \$10,000 | \$41,342.00 | \$10,043.69 | \$51,385.69 |
| | \$240,000 | \$1,268,635.83 | \$240,000.00 | \$1,508,635.83 |

“Many people have told us how much they appreciate the Foundation’s role in promoting this kind of giving,” Borchers said. “But we’re the ones who need to be saying thanks. The participating organizations, our Match Partners, the media outlets that helped promote the program, and especially all of the donors who gave so generously are the ones who make the Challenge Match a success. They are the ones who make it all possible.”

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