Celebrating
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After more than a year of planning, the Wayne County Foundation was officially founded on May 31, 1978. Begun as a committee at the Chamber of Commerce, the Foundation grew into a vibrant community asset with nearly $43 million dollars under management at the end of 2017.

In February 1979, the Foundation achieved its qualified charity status and, forty year later, we are celebrating four decades of gathering, stewarding, sharing, and leading.

1978
Gannett Foundation awarded the Foundation $20,000 to establish a permanent office and staff.

1979
A total of $212,476.09 in gifts was received.

1980
Foundation’s first scholarship was awarded.

1983
Gannett Foundation gift helped establish the Wayne County College Fund.

1986
Rose Garden and Starr-Gennett Foundation agency funds were established.

1988
Foundation’s assets topped $1 million dollars.

1990
NATCO Foundation gift helped establish the Wayne County College Fund.
1991
Foundation moved to 33 South Seventh Street.

1994
The Charles A. Rodefeld Award for Leadership in Philanthropy and Community Service was established.

2001
Vigran Family Fund was established to support regional organizations.

2002
Stamm Koechlein Family Fund was established.

2000
College for a Day, coordinated by Vic Jose, was begun.

2005
The Foundation building underwent extensive renovation.
2006
Ruth J. Wickemeyer Award for Community Service was established.

2007
Confirmed in Compliance with Community Foundation Standards.

2008
Women Helping Others Women’s Giving Circle was formed.

2011
Foundation offered the first Challenge Match. Six organizations participated and over $160,000 was raised.

2013
The first All Aboard event was held to encourage people to join nonprofit boards.

2014
Girls Just Wanna Give Giving Circle was established.

2015
Assets reached $40 million and the Foundation was awarded the Indiana Philanthropy Association Outstanding Foundation award.
Forty years is a long time but it’s really just the beginning for the Wayne County Foundation. Our work began decades ago but the cumulative impact will be felt for years to come. Gifts given to the Foundation provide a meaningful base for sustained progress – a base from which many local nonprofit organizations and students will see steady streams of support over time. That’s the power of careful investment and strategic giving.

**HOW ENDOWMENTS WORK**

The Ruth Hamilton Robbins Memorial Scholarship was the first scholarship established at the Foundation in 1979. Created by her husband, Wilbur J. Robbins, the scholarship provides an award to a Richmond High School graduating senior who plans to study business or nursing and is a lineal descendent of a US veteran.

Here’s the amazing part! Mr. Robbins’ initial gift was $10,380. Over the decades, nearly 40 scholarships have been awarded totaling just under $32,000, and yet the fund still has a value of over $20,000.

Another scholarship - The Mary E. Hill Memorial Fund - was established when the assets of the Mary E. Hill Charities were transferred to the Foundation to assure the fund’s permanence and to lower administrative fees. Initially, the fund had assets of $109,416. Over the years since, the scholarship has helped 148 students who have pursued a career in the medical field, many whom are minorities, and, although it has awarded a total of over $225,800 in scholarships, the fund still has assets of more than $141,500.

That’s the power of the endowed funds and the power of permanence the Foundation can offer its donors today, tomorrow, and forever.

**Over the last 40 years, the Foundation has received more than $41,500,000 in gifts and awarded nearly $28,200,000 in grants and scholarships. The graph below shows the growth in total assets under management since 1979.**
The 2017 Challenge Match was an opportunity for participating organizations to share up to $240,000 of ‘match money’ offered by the Foundation and its Match Partners. Organizations garnered a portion of the match, based on qualifying gifts they received from the community during the designated eight-day period. 2017 marked the seventh year that the program was offered.

During the Challenge Match, forty-nine local organizations raised over $1.26 million from generous donors. This amount, added to the Foundation match, resulted in over $1.5 million in total contributions for the participating charities.

2017 Challenge Match Participants and the total amount each received

Achieva Resources Corporation ($16,118)
Amigos, the Richmond Latino Center ($32,806)
Animal Care Alliance ($10,812)
Birth-to-Five ($20,675)
Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County ($241,756)
Center City Development Corp. ($17,915)
Christian Charities ($19,279)
Circle U Help Center ($52,448)
Communities In Schools of Wayne County ($59,207)
Community Christian School ($14,367)
Cope Environmental Center ($37,608)
DIPLOMAS ($9,214)
Friends of Morrisson-Reeves Library ($14,052)
Gateway Food Pantry ($10,051)
Girls Inc. of Wayne County ($56,539)
Golay Community Center ($30,438)
Good News Habitat for Humanity ($15,831)
Hand-in-Hand Adult Day Care of Richmond ($20,433)
Hayes Arboretum ($24,507)
HELP the Animals ($26,807)
Hope House ($19,932)
Independent Living Center of Eastern Indiana ($8,207)
JACY House ($16,100)
Junior Achievement of Eastern Indiana ($9,916)

K-Ready ($18,445)
Levi Coffin House Association ($14,810)
Open Arms Ministries ($23,881)
Overbeck Museum/Cambridge City Public Library ($8,683)
Richmond Art Museum ($57,984)
Richmond Community Orchestra ($11,324)
Richmond Day Nursery ($11,073)
Richmond Family YMCA ($15,977)
Richmond Friends School ($46,812)
Richmond High School Music Boosters ($7,758)
Richmond Parks and Recreation ($60,034)
Richmond Rose Garden ($14,597)
Richmond Shakespeare Festival ($35,386)
Richmond Symphony Orchestra ($92,059)
Senior Opportunities Services ($7,154)
Sprout of Control Community Garden Project ($5,379)
Starr-Gennett Foundation ($10,850)
Townsend Community Center ($10,342)
Wayne County Cardinal Greenway ($25,555)
Wayne County Historical Museum ($26,635)
Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District ($8,088)
Wernle Youth and Family Treatment Center ($109,895)
Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars ($40,965)
Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission ($8,525)
YWCA of Richmond-Genesis ($51,385)
The Independent Living Center name says it all. Their mission is to help people live full, independent lives. In 2017, the Center participated in the Challenge Match for the first time. “This was our first official fundraising endeavor and it was a board-managed project. As it played out, the amazing part was the sense of cohesion and accomplishment the board felt from this effort,” Jim McCormick, CEO, said. “Everyone gave. Everyone solicited gifts from others. This was just a tremendous opportunity for us to strengthen relationships with current donors and gain new supporters of our mission while raising operating dollars which will be used to hire another staff person.”

“In our board was new to fundraising, the Challenge Match was really what motivated us to step out of our comfort zone a bit,” Board President Lee Ann Adams noted. “The matching dollars clarified for us that these services are valued by not only our consumers but also by the wider community - and since we had worked to familiarize potential donors with our services, asking for financial support was much less intimidating to our board members. We are truly grateful to the Foundation for giving us this opportunity.”

In addition to participating in the Challenge Match, the Independent Living Center is also a grant recipient. Most recently, they received a $10,000 grant to buy assistive devices for Wayne County residents. Here are two examples of how that grant is changing lives.

Ralph was once a tall farmer with strong hands, a bright smile, and a zest for life. He was a robust, independent man until Parkinson’s disease began robbing him of his balance, his coordination, and his dignity. Soon, he was confined to a chair and struggled with even the simplest tasks, including feeding himself. His disease turned what should have been a comforting family meal into a battle with his own body. With help from the Independent Living Center and an adaptive feeding device, he was able to begin feeding himself again. After months of just nibbling at his food, the first time he used the spoon he smiled up at his wife and said, “Could I have seconds?”

Forty six year old John suffered with significant neurological issues and was confined to a wheelchair and, essentially, his home. After Independent Living Center built a ramp at his house, he was able to venture outside and interact with his children. “I’m a dad again,” he said tearfully. “I have gained my independence.” A precious gift to a man and his family.

Last year the Independent Living Center served 676 people in 7 counties in Eastern Indiana.
When the inaugural Women’s Leadership Conference was offered in 2007, the Foundation saw it as a vehicle through which philanthropy could be explored and embraced by women of the community. What began as a one-day conference has grown into a highly-anticipated event that is attended by 100 women each year. The conference provides women with a day of networking and learning, while encouraging giving back through community involvement.

The conference gave rise to a series of regular luncheons that encourage women to meet and network informally throughout the year. Perhaps more importantly, conference attendees established the Women with Purpose Endowment at the Foundation. Today, that fund has a balance of nearly $12,000 and a goal of supporting projects and programs benefitting women in the community for many years to come.

In celebration of the 10th annual Women’s Leadership Conference, these ten female entrepreneurs each pledged $100 and challenged those attending to raise an additional $500 to help the endowment reach the $10,000 mark during its tenth year. It was a success!

- Becky Codiano, Therapeutic Solutions
- Dr. Laura Cooper, Lifeline Chiropractic
- Amy Noe Dudas, Dudas Law
- Jenna Hampton, Cochran and Associates
- Rachel Hughes, The Tin Cup Tea and Gift Shop
- Dr. Alisha Jones, Indiana Podiatry Group
- Jenie Lahmann, InSites Design
- Abigail Rohmiller, Dudas Law
- Dr. Casey Runnels, Runnels Chiropractic
- Donna Spears, Lingle Real Estate
Women Helping Others

Women’s Giving Circle

In November 2007, the first Women’s Giving Circle was formed at the Foundation by female philanthropists who sought a way to learn more about the needs of their community and to fund solutions. Through regular meetings, the members learn about local nonprofits benefitting women, children, and families in Wayne County. Armed with this information, they award grants to select organizations at the end of the year.

During its 11 years of giving, the Women Helping Others Women’s Giving Circle has awarded over $65,000 to 19 different organizations. In addition to those grants, members also used a portion of their gifts to establish the Women’s Giving Circle Endowment Fund which will assure their mission is carried forward if the Circle ceases to exist. The endowment currently boasts assets of nearly $14,000.

Girls Just Wanna Give

Giving Circle

A second Circle - the Girls Just Wanna Give Giving Circle – was established in 2014. The Circle’s mission is to promote healthy living for families in Wayne County, a cause that is dear to these women’s hearts. Although still young, the Circle has already granted nearly $12,000 to six organizations that meet that mission.

2017 Grants

• AMIGOS, the Richmond Latino Center
• Christian Charities
• DIPLOMAS
• Richmond Parks and Recreation Sensory Park

Circle Members

Beth Brittenham
Gail Connerley
Judy Dils
Rhonda Duning
Susie Ferrell
Vicki Grafflin
Ginger Gray
Pat Heiny
Mary Heyob
Carol Hunyadi
Cheri Jetmore
Francie Klinge

Monica Koechlein
Dr. Patty Lamson
Terri Logan
Pam Merchanthouse
Lori Jo Metz
Karen Niersbach
Sharon Ontko
Tammy Rhoades
Judi Studebaker
Linda VanVleet
Bobbi Whitlock

Pictured on page 6 are Becky Codiano, Aubrey Blue, Jenie Lahmann, and Kathy Bridgford. They, along with Tai Muldoon, served as the 2017 Women’s Leadership Conference Committee.

2017 Grants

• Richmond Day Nursery
• Meltdown Winter Ice Festival
• Richmond Police Department K9

Circle Members

Kim Baughman
Stephanie Bell
Leslie Bolser
Sara Coulter
Barb Cummins
Cherie Dolehanty
Shannon Guiley
Kristi Herig
Brandi Jackson

Dr. Alisha Jones
Judy Neher
Katie Reising
Tammy Smale
Mary Jo Stevens
Kelly VanVleet
Kelly Witte
Kathie Zaleski
Three women, each with a passion... 

There are so many ways to give... as a Challenge Match donor, a supporter of the Women’s Conference, through the Giving Circles, or in honor or memory of a friend or family member. Vikki, Joan, and Pat give in different ways but with the same purpose: helping others.

Read how their unique gifts are making a difference today, tomorrow, and forever.

**Vikki Johnson**

Even as a child, Vikki Johnson loved performing. Some of her earliest memories are of watching American Bandstand and dancing with her Aunt Helen. In grade school, she performed in plays. In high school, she was actively involved in choir, drama, and the Northeastern High School Damsel squad. You could say performing was ‘in her blood.’ Giving is also part of her life and that is why in 2007, she created the Vikki Johnson Performing Arts Fund as an Acorn Fund. Acorn Funds allow donors to create an endowed fund over time.

The fund was endowed in 2012 and made its first distributions in 2014. “When I got my first appreciation letter from the grateful staff, I was over the moon! I was able to make a difference in my community, supporting organizations which I am so very passionate about,” Vikki said.

To keep the fund growing Vikki continues to make gifts into the fund in celebration of life’s happiest moments – like the birth of her grandchildren – and for no reason at all. She also asks that, in lieu of gifts, those wishing to celebrate her birthday or Christmas make contributions into the fund.

“Making that fund grow and providing further support to the arts is very important to me,” she added. “I would encourage others to find something they truly can get involved with, and find a way to support it – without getting anything but a thank you in return.”

**Joan Martin**

After Joan Martin’s parents were both gone, she searched for a meaningful way to remember them. She found that solution in the form of a scholarship established in Jackson County, the community where they had lived most of their lives. When, a few months later, the Lilly Endowment offered matching dollars for new funds that were established at the Wayne County Foundation, Joan took advantage of the opportunity to create a fund that would benefit the community in which she lived. She used her gift to create a Charitable Gift Annuity that guarantees her an income for life, and, at her passing, helps support local nonprofit organizations.

Her gift also triggered a match from Lilly that created a fund to support the Foundation’s unrestricted grant-making. In addition, it had an immediate tax benefit, provided a lifetime income, and resulted in a long-term funding stream that provides grants in the community.
Pat James

Pat James started her own insurance agency and continually works to keep it successful. And, while she knows it takes hard work to get ahead, she realizes that it also takes a little help along the way. That is why, in 2006, she made the Wayne County Foundation the beneficiary of her life insurance policy that will eventually establish a fund to benefit women in the community.

“I set up this fund because I want to give other women in Richmond the opportunities that I have had to build a career. I hope this will be a blessing to women who need a little assistance as they live and work in our great area.”

Pat currently supports numerous organizations that assist women but, by making the Foundation the beneficiary of her policy, she ensured that her passion will be funded even after she is gone.
Organizations receiving grants made through our community grant-making cycles

- Achieva Resources Corporation
- Animal Care Alliance
- Birth-to-Five
- Boy Scouts of America
- Cambridge City Main Street
- Center City Development Corporation
- Christian Charities
- Circle U Help Center
- Communities In Schools of Wayne County
- DIPLOMAS
- Every Child Can Read
- Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana
- Hagerstown Nettle Creek Players
- HELP the Animals
- Independent Living Center of Eastern Indiana
- Indiana Women In Need Foundation
- JACY House
- K-Ready
- Richmond Day Nursery
- Richmond Parks and Recreation
- Special Olympics Indiana - Wayne County
- Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Western Wayne Heritage
- Williamsburg Area Community Center

**Funds**

**That Support Community Grant-Making**

Unrestricted and Field of Interest funds are the most flexible type of funds. They allow the Foundation’s Board of Directors to make grants in response to the community’s most important needs and promising opportunities.

**NEW FUNDS**
- William R. and Mary E. Niersbach Unrestricted Fund
- Lowell Robinson Family Fund

**PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FUNDS**
- William F. Adler Memorial Fund ($373,735)
- William F. Adler Unrestricted Fund ($204,217)
- Agribusiness Fund ($3,360)
- Ahaus Family Fund ($15,100)
- Anonymous Family Fund ($25,850)
- Ball-Bolle Family Fund ($27,682)
- Bank One Endowment Fund ($7,208)
- Doug and Ellen Bennett Endowment Fund ($8,394)
- Brady Family Fund ($8,768)

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**Organizations receiving grants made through our community grant-making cycles**

- John H. and Mary J. Brubaker Memorial Fund ($430,427)
- Florence Bultman Endowment Fund ($123,321)
- Children’s Fund ($27,226)
- Mary Jo and Len Clark Endowment Fund ($7,136)
- Mary Louise Custer Memorial Fund ($31,680)
- Eunice E. Dare Unrestricted Fund ($597,442)
- Discretionary Fund ($87,482)
- Julia Downs Endowment Fund ($45,594)
- Early Childhood Literacy Endowment Fund ($334,124)
- Easter Seals Community Fund ($13,015)
- Hub and Zella Etchison Memorial Fund ($54,949)
- Fine Arts Endowment Fund ($86,525)
- Fred Gabbard Fund ($23,895)
- Gethers Family Fund ($5,906)
- Goodwell Family Memorial Fund ($84,284)
- Roger and Connie Green Family Fund ($5,647)
- Hagerstown Hometown Fund ($196,101)
- Roscoe and Rosa Haindel Foundation Trust ($195,729)
- J. Ross and Natalie Harrington Memorial Fund ($11,451)
- Mike and Carol Hinshaw Endowment Fund ($17,304)
- J.B. and Frances Holthouse Family Fund ($8,096)
- Marie Ingabrand Memorial Fund ($41,872)
- Susan Isaacs Endowment Fund ($5,653)
- Jeffers Family Fund ($44,770)
If you’d like to create a lasting legacy, consider a named, endowed fund. Establishing an endowed fund offers ongoing support for the charity of your choice and provides you with valuable tax benefits.

Endowed funds may also be created in honor or memory of a loved one or friend to ensure they are remembered forever. If you are unable to fund the entire amount at once, consider an Acorn Fund which allows you to build an endowment over time.
Funds

THAT SUPPORT A SPECIFIC ORGANIZATION OR PURPOSE

The Foundation holds a number of funds that support nonprofit organizations directly. Agency endowed funds are established by nonprofit organizations that wish to ensure their long-term financial sustainability. Agency-designated funds are created by individuals who wish to support certain organizations for many years to come. Non-permanent funds are generally established to assist short-term projects or organizations that have not yet received qualified charity status from the IRS.

NEW FUNDS

Early Learning Coalition Fund
Albert C. and M. Loraine Gentry Fund
Grover and Dorothy Henthorn Fund for the Boys and Girls Clubs
Grover and Dorothy Henthorn Fund for JACY House
Tim Scales Endowed ACTION Fund

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FUNDS

Achieva Resources Endowment Fund ($97,109)
Altrusa Club of Richmond Fund to Benefit Girls, Inc. ($21,371)
Barthalomew County Education Fund ($261,678)
To support the purchase of school supplies by public elementary schools in Wayne County.

H. Charles and Joan Bartel Endowment Fund ($109,774)
To benefit St. Paul’s Lutheran Church.

H. Charles and Joan Bartel Operating Endowment Fund ($111,853) To provide operating support to the Wayne County Foundation.

Chris Benton Fund to Benefit Starr-Gennett Foundation ($6,073)

Beth Boruk Temple Endowment Fund ($5,414)

Birth-to-Five Endowment Fund ($42,624)

S. Edgar Bond Family Fund ($1,024,400) To benefit Earlham College.

Book Bank Fund ($12,721) To enable qualified college students in Wayne County to purchase textbooks in anticipation of a distribution of financial aid.

Bowen Family Fund ($70,108) To benefit St. Paul’s Lutheran Church.

Bowen Family Operating Endowment Fund ($35,332) To provide operating support to the Wayne County Foundation.

Jim Bower Fund for Stage One Youth Theatre ($9,469)

Zelma Bozworth Memorial Fund ($300,844) To benefit the Wayne County Historical Museum.

Angela Brinker Endowment Fund ($163,820) To provide tuition assistance to students enrolled in a Seton Catholic School.

Clay and Opal Brooks Family Fund ($45,830) To support Whitewater Gorge Park.

Lowell and Gladys Brooks Athletic Opportunity Fund ($27,796) To benefit Centerville Junior-Senior High School students.

Lowell and Gladys Brooks Christian Education Fund ($22,393) To benefit Centerville Christian Church.

Cambridge City 175th Commemorative Book Fund ($10,449)

Ira Carter Neighborhood Development Fund ($36,146)

Centerville-Abington Schools Educational Endowment Fund ($18,064) To provide teacher mini grants.

Centerville Library Endowment Fund ($44,703)

Central United Methodist Church Young Minister Fund ($112,070)

Fund for Civic Hall Performing Arts Center ($16,797)

Melissa Wilson Coffin and Anna Nicholson Coffin Memorial Fund ($139,984) To purchase non-fiction books for Morrison-Reeves Library.

Community Christian School Endowment Fund ($28,756)

Jim Cope Endowment Fund ($173,823) To support Cope Environmental Center.

Organizations receiving a distribution from funds established by or for an organization or a specific purpose

AgrInstitute
American Red Cross
Birth-to-Five
Boy Scouts of America
Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County
Center for Leadership Development
Centerville Christian Church
Centerville Junior and Senior High Schools
Circle U Help Center
Civic Hall Performing Arts Center
Community Christian School
Cope Environmental Center
Earlham Cemetery
Earlham College
Every Child Can Read
Families For Hope
First English Lutheran Church
Girls, Inc. of Wayne County
Golay Community Center
Hagerstown-Jefferson Twp. Public Library
Hand-in-Hand Adult Day Care of Richmond
HELP the Animals
Historic Hagerstown
Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana
Hope House
Hubbard Fund
Indiana Football Hall of Fame
Kiwanis Club of Richmond
Kuhlman Center
Morrison-Reeves Library
Neighborhood Services Clearinghouse
Nettle Creek School Corporation
Northeastern Elementary School
First Bank Richmond Private School Tuition Assistance Fund ($154,532) To provide tuition assistance to students enrolled in Seton Catholic High School.

Friends of McBride Stadium Fund ($1,749)

Friends of Richmond Parks Fund ($20,614)

GED Scholarship Fund ($833)

Hayes Arboretum Education Endowment Fund ($12,189)

Frank and Madeline Hensley Memorial Fund ($7,492) To benefit the Lutheran Cemetery.

Anna Belle Henthorne Memorial Scholarship Fund ($6,334) To provide art show awards for the Richmond Art Museum.

Heyob Fund to Benefit Altrusa Club of Richmond, Indiana ($18,524)

Heyob Fund to Benefit the Golay Center ($16,850)

Heyob Fund to Benefit Historic Landmarks Foundation ($16,850)

Heyob Fund to Benefit Seton Elementary School ($33,700)

Heyob Fund to Benefit St. Martha Catholic Church ($51,976)

Heyob Fund to Benefit the Wayne County Historical Museum ($16,852)

Heyob Fund for Wayne County Foundation ($18,524) To benefit the Women’s Giving Circle and Women’s Fund.

Donald L. and Martha L. Hoffman Memorial Fund ($14,933) To benefit Richmond Civic Theatre’s library and its Studio One program.

G. Howard and Helen L. Holthouse Memorial Fund ($17,614) To fund the “Teacher of the Year” award at Seton Catholic High School.

Holthouse-Thomas Memorial Fund ($40,201) To benefit St. Andrew Catholic Church.

Hope House Endowment Fund ($5,635)

John Charles and Gertrude Pardieck Hubbard Fund for Continuing Catholic Education ($2,708,244)

Eileen M. Hunt Seton Scholarship Fund ($724,283) To provide tuition assistance for students enrolled in Seton Catholic Schools.

Independent Center Endowment Fund ($19,876)

Indiana Football Hall of Fame Legacy Endowment Fund ($12,146)

Mattie G. Jacobs Memorial Fund ($2,990) To support children’s education programs at the Richmond Art Museum.

Vikki Johnson Performing Arts Endowment Fund ($6,640) To benefit Richmond Civic Hall Performing Arts Center and Richmond Civic Theatre.

Jose Fund for Every Child Can Read ($22,588)

Charles E. Kienzle-Kiwanis Endowment Fund ($22,504) To benefit Riley Hospital.

Gilbert Klose Endowment Fund ($8,080) To provide support to Rock Solid Ministry.

Kuhlman Center Endowment Fund ($7,781)

Lemonade Day Fund ($58,446)

Lilly Scholarship PR Fund ($18,940) To fund College for a Day and other education-related activities of the Foundation.

Father John Luerman Circle U Help Center Fund ($59,076)

Father John Luerman Fund for Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars ($19,915)

Father John Luerman St. Vincent de Paul Endowment Fund ($81,490)

Father John Luerman Tuition Assistance Fund ($40,711) To provide tuition assistance for Seton Elementary School students.

Father John Luerman Western Wayne Senior Center Fund ($24,095)

Father Luerman Fund for Western Wayne County ($73,927)
Henry J. and Hedwig Seegers Luerman Endowment Fund ($28,896) To provide tuition assistance to Seton Elementary students.

Henry J. and Hedwig Seegers Luerman Family Circle U Help Center Fund ($57,621)

Henry J. and Hedwig Seegers Luerman St. Vincent de Paul Endowment Fund ($44,771)

Robert A. Luerman and Carl H. Luerman Endowment Fund ($28,859) To provide tuition assistance to Seton Elementary students.

Lamar Lundy Endowment Fund ($354,362) To benefit Townsend Community Center.

Carolyn MacDowell, RN, Fund for Adult Day Care ($36,618)

Ruth and Henry Macy Memorial Museum Fund ($263,831) To benefit the Levi Coffin House and the Wayne County Historical Museum.

Carl J. Martin Endowment Fund for West Grove Cemetery ($5,960)

The Gloria J. and Richard L. McClaren Scholarship Fund for Seton High School ($108,620)

Joe and Roma Meyer Family Fund for Ivy Tech ($6,681)

Mary Helen Miller Operating Endowment Fund ($148,200) To provide operating support to the Wayne County Foundation.

Milton Town Fund ($269)

Morrison-Reeves Endowment Fund ($250,084)

Mothers Bank Fund ($5,737)

Murray Theatre Endowment Fund ($9,141)

Nettle Creek Schools Educational Endowment Fund ($30,914)

Nettle Creek Valley Museum Endowment Fund ($8,961)

Bonnie Nicholson Endowment for Education ($5,397) To provide support to Northeastern Elementary School science programs.

William R. and Mary E. Niersbach Boys Club Endowment Fund ($27,985)

William R. and Mary E. Niersbach Endowment Fund ($58,972) To benefit the cancer care programs of Reid Hospital.

Northeastern Schools Educational Endowment Fund ($44,362) To provide teacher mini-grants.

Robert L. O'Maley and Gregg Martin O'Maley Memorial Fund ($65,599) To benefit the Institute of Creative Leadership.

Powers Fund to Benefit HELP the Animals ($54,633)

Powers Fund to Benefit Optimist Little League ($13,679)

Quaker Hill Conference Center Fund ($9,932)

Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church Endowment Fund ($73,389)

Richmond Civic Theatre Fund ($47,398)

Richmond Community Schools Educational Endowment Fund ($36,999) To provide teacher mini-grants.

Richmond Friends School Nicholson/Smith Endowment Fund ($130,718)

Richmond Parks and Recreation Department Bark Park Agency Fund ($33)

Richmond Rose Garden Agency Fund ($98,161)

Richmond Symphony Orchestra Endowment Fund ($1,018,493)

Will and Emma Rodefled Family Fund ($114,396) To support Springwood Lake Park and Wayne County Foundation.

Hugh and Sara Ronald Memorial Fund ($130,993)

The Becky Rosa Endowment for Girls, Inc. of Wayne County ($14,055)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Endowment Fund ($133,203) To provide tuition assistance to Seton Elementary students.

Elmer J. and Esther T. Schwegman Fund for Crossroads of America Council BSA ($5,690) To provide support for the programs that are serving Cambridge City and western Wayne County.

Elmer J. and Esther T. Schwegman Fund for Wayne County, Indiana 4-H ($5,690) To provide support for the programs of the Wayne County 4-H that serve Cambridge City and western Wayne County.

The Franklin and Barbara (Bavender) Schwegman Fund for the Brick Church Cemetery ($5,527)

Franklin and Barbara Schwegman Fund for Hagerstown-Jefferson Township Library ($5,527)

Franklin and Barbara Schwegman Fund for Hagerstown Museum and Arts Place ($5,527)

Karl and Marjorie Sharp Fund ($4,156)

Karl and Marjorie Sharp Fund for Richmond Civic Hall ($13,202)

Karl and Marjorie Sharp Fund for Richmond Civic Theatre ($13,202)

Karl and Marjorie Sharp Fund for Richmond Symphony Orchestra ($13,202)

Karl and Marjorie Sharp Fund for United Way of Whitewater Valley ($13,202)

David Sherick HELP the Animals Endowment Fund ($519,129)

Siloam Clinic Endowment Fund ($56,480)

Starr-Gennett Agency Fund ($12,052)

Starr-Gennett Sustainability Fund ($15,804)

Rachel Steele Endowment to Benefit Families for HoPE ($6,086)

United Way of Whitewater Valley Endowment Fund ($224,692)

Joan Vigran Memorial Fund ($6,394) To benefit Richmond Civic Theatre.

Wayne County Farm Bureau Ag Leadership Fund ($27,153) To provide support for adults in Wayne County who are involved in agriculture-related disciplines and wish to advance their professional development.

Wayne County Farm Bureau AgrInstitute Fund ($25,488)

Wayne County Foundation Operating Endowment Fund ($110,386)

Wayne County Historical Museum Egyptian Gallery Endowment Fund ($13,999)

Wayne County Learning Corporation Fund ($4,318)

Wernle Youth and Family Treatment Center Endowment Fund ($7,509)
Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars Fund ($104,458)

Western Wayne Schools Educational Endowment Fund ($31,763) To provide teacher mini-grants.

Whitewater Gorge Park Project Fund ($53,327)

Whitewater Valley Arts Fusion Fund ($573)

Wickemeyer Family Endowment Fund ($15,774) To benefit the Richmond Rose Garden and First English Lutheran Church’s youth group and music activities.

Lura Carnes Wine Trust Fund ($100,304) To benefit the Richmond Symphony Orchestra.

Anne Withers Memorial Fund ($32,834) To benefit the YWCA.

John F. Wohlhueter Scholarship Award Fund ($8,128) To provide a permanent recognition of each year’s valedictorian at Richmond High School.

The Women’s Club Speaker Fund ($31,401)

Benjamin and Lanette Young Fund Benefiting the Center for Leadership Development ($41,912)

Youth as Resources Endowment Fund ($12,075)

YWCA Endowment Fund ($5,837) To benefit the YWCA.

Zion’s Lutheran Church of East Germantown Indiana Fund ($264,315)

Funds Retired in 2017

Julia Downs
Albert Gentry and Loraine Gentry
William and Mary Niersbach

Organizations receiving grants directed by our donors

Auburn University Foundation
Bethel Lutheran Church
Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County
Center City Development
Community Food Pantry
Cope Environmental Center
Earlham College
Every Child Can Read
First Presbyterian Church (Eaton Ohio)
Fort Bragg Community Foundation
Girls, Inc. of Wayne County
Hayes Arboretum
Hope House
Indiana University School of Medicine
Ivy Tech Foundation
Joseph Maley Foundation
Kiwanis Club of Richmond
Morrison- Reeves Library
Northwestern University
Open Arms Ministries
Richmond Art Museum
Richmond Civic Theatre
Richmond Community Orchestra
Richmond Friends School
Richmond High School Alumni Association
Richmond Neighborhood Restoration
Richmond Parks and Recreation
Richmond Shakespeare Festival
Richmond Symphony Orchestra
Riley Children’s Foundation
Rock Solid Ministries
Salvation Army
Sigma Chi Foundation
St. James Episcopal Church
The Breast Cancer Research Foundation
Townsend Community Center
United Way of Whitewater Valley
University of Florida Foundation
University of Missouri
Virginia Tech Foundation
Wayne County Cardinal Greenway
Wayne County Historical Museum
Western Wayne Food Pantry
Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission
YWCA

Fund descriptions have been provided where the purpose of the fund is not obvious by its name and may not contain all criteria for distributions. Fund balances as of December 31, 2017 are shown in parentheses.
Funds

THAT ENCOURAGE CONTINUED DONOR ENGAGEMENT

NEW DONOR ADVISED FUNDS
Rick and Debby Ahaus Donor Advised Fund
Phil Quinn Donor Advised Fund (former Acorn Fund)
Nelson Forrest Families Fund (former Acorn Fund)

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FUNDS
Acorn Society Combined Fund
Ahaus Tool Donor Advised Fund
Tom and Marilyn Barker Donor Advised Fund
Doug and Ellen Bennett Donor Advised Fund
Chris Benton Fund for Kiwanis
Howard C. and Suzanne M. Deitsch Family Fund
Clarence and Julia Downs Family Fund
Doxpop Charitable Giving Fund
First Bank Community Fund
Fund for Tomorrow
General Donor Advised Fund
Girls Just Wanna Give Giving Circle Fund
Connie and Roger Green Donor Advised Fund
Guthrie Family Donor Advised Fund
Hancock-Zelaya Donor Advised Fund
Chris Hardie and Kelly Burk Donor Advised Fund
David and Becky Harper Donor Advised Fund
Harry Ray Post 65 American Legion Fund
Ron and Rachel Hughes Donor Advised Fund
Faye Stewart Jose Family Fund
King Family Donor Advised Fund
Kiwanis Club of Richmond / Harry Thomas Endowment Fund
Barry and Carolyn MacDowell Family Fund
Joe and Roma Meyer Donor Advised Fund
Cooper M. Newton Fund
Dudas Advised Fund for the Arts
Kelli and Rob Quigg Donor Advised Fund
Robert L. and Toni L. Reinke Donor Advised Fund
Rohe Family Donor Advised Fund
Rotary Club of Richmond Endowment Fund
Second Chance Fund
Wayne Bank and Trust Company Community Fund
Williamson Family Fund
Women’s Fund
Women’s Giving Circle Endowment Fund
Women’s Giving Circle Fund
Women with Purpose Endowment Fund
Wooldridge Family Fund

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS RETIRED IN 2017
Lowell Conley Musician Fund
Nelson and Forrest Families Acorn Fund

Individuals who establish donor-advised funds provide periodic advice to the Foundation Board concerning grants from their fund to nonprofit organizations.

Acorn Society funds enable the donor to create a named, endowed fund over time.

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Donor Advised Funds

As the name implies, a donor advised fund allows someone to direct distributions out of a fund for the benefit of various charitable organizations. Essentially, donor advised funds work like “charitable checking accounts,” with money set aside now to distribute in the future.

Donor advised funds can be set up as non-permanent funds that can be depleted or as permanently endowed funds, where a portion of the fund is made available for distribution each year. Non-permanent funds can be converted to endowed funds at some future date.

For some, donor advised funds are simply a matter of convenience but there are advantages, too. Some donors use an advised fund as a substitute for a family foundation. Others use them to build a tradition of giving and teach their children the values of philanthropy.

Donor advised funds are also taking on new importance with tax reform. To reach the higher threshold for itemizing deductions, some donors are considering “bunching” their gifts with a contribution into an advised fund once every two or three years. This strategy will help them achieve periodic deductions more effectively and also maintain a regular distribution schedule to their favorite charities.
Lifelong Richmond resident Stanley Vigran considered forming a private foundation as a way to support causes that were important to him and his family. As a former Wayne County Foundation board member, however, he understood there was a way to use the Foundation to achieve his goals with fewer complications.

By creating a supporting organization, he and his family retained many of the benefits of a private foundation while leveraging many other benefits. In addition to a $1 million establishing gift in 2001, a very generous bequest came to the Vigran Family Foundation on Stan’s passing in 2004.

In 2017, the Vigran Family Foundation awarded $85,900 in grants to the following organizations:

- Achieva Resources Corporation
- Amigos, the Richmond Latino Center
- Beth Boruk Temple
- Birth-to-Five
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County
- Centerstone
- Circle U Help Center
- Communities In Schools of Wayne County
- Community Food Pantry
- Earlham College
- Every Child Can Read
- Gateway Church of Richmond
- Girls, Inc. of Wayne County
- Goldman Union Camp
- Hand-in-Hand Adult Day Care of Richmond
- Hillel at Miami University
- Hillel at the University of Rochester
- Indiana Historical Society
- Indiana Jewish Historical Society
- Indiana University Center for Civic Literacy
- Indiana University East
- Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation
- International School of Indiana
- JACY House
- Joseph Maley Foundation
- Kindervelt of Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center
- K-Ready
- Miami University
- Most Valuable Kids
- Planned Parenthood of Indiana
- Reid Health Foundation
- Richmond Civic Theatre
- Richmond Day Nursery
- Richmond Parks and Recreation
- Richmond Shakespeare Festival
- Rockdale Temple
- Second Helpings
- Special Olympics Indiana - Wayne County
- Stage One Youth Theatre at Richmond Civic Theatre
- Tufts Hillel
- United Way of Whitewater Valley
- Wayne County Cardinal Greenway
- Wayne County Foundation
- Wayne County Literacy Coalition
- Wernle Youth and Family Treatment Center
- Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission
- YWCA
- Youth as Resources
For forty years, the Foundation has helped generous individuals and families create lasting benefits for our community. These legacies are ones of “philanthropy in action” and of thoughtful concern for others. The Legacy Society was created in 2007 to thank these forward thinking donors and to recognize their generosity during their lifetimes.

The Society is comprised of the many caring individuals who have made formal plans to benefit the community through a gift to the Foundation. We thank the members of the Legacy Society and our Cornerstone Members who remembered the Foundation prior to the creation of the Legacy Society.

| Anonymous Donors          | *Vic and *Faye Jose                           | Allan and Miriam Rosar |
|                          | *Frank and Mary Alice Adney                  | *Peter and Jean Rossi  |
|                          | Tom and Sheryl Alberts                       | George and Mary Schmid |
|                          | Charles Ball                                | *Karl and *Marjorie Sharp|
|                          | *Chris Benton                               | *David Sherick         |
|                          | *Tom and Jo Bivens                           | Siri Shinn             |
|                          | Steve and Jill Borchers                      | *Hugh and *Sara Ronald |
|                          | *Julia Downs                                | *Glen and Jewell Spears|
|                          | Jim and Penny Duke                          | *William Starr         |
|                          | *Annadell Ebbinghouse                        | David and Carla Stidham|
|                          | Jon and Judy Ford                            | *Laurence Strong       |
|                          | *Al and *Lorraine Gentry                    | Don and Heidi Thurston |
|                          | *Leroy and Barbara Gohn                     | *Wayne and Jane Vincent|
|                          | Roger and Connie Green                      | Colleen Walter         |
|                          | Chris Hardie and Kelly Burk                  | Patricia Waskom        |
|                          | Tom and Mary Heyob                          | Darrell Watt           |
|                          | *Mike and Carol Hinshaw                     | *Patricia Wedding      |
|                          | *Eileen Hunt                                | David and Tammy Williamson|
|                          | Ron and Rachel Hughes                       | Carl and Connie Wooldridge|
|                          | Jon and Suzette Igelman                     |                         |
|                          | Pat James                                   | *indicates those we remember |
|                          | Vikki Johnson                               |                         |

**Legacy Society Members**

William F. Adler
Charles and Joan Bartel
Byron Bond
Willard G. and Jane Bowen
Clay and Opal Brooks
John and Mary Brubaker
Zelma Bosworth
Clarence Brown
Florence Bultman
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Thomas Coffin
William J. Cramer
M. Glenn Cross
Fred and Alice Crye
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Edward Fath
Kenneth Goodwell
Gilbert Gray
Francis and Earla Gregg
Roscoe and Rosa Haindel

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Elizabeth Jay
Mary Hatfield Jenkins
Charles Kienzle
Nora Lee Latture
Fern Lee
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Ruby Fender Martin
Donald McKinney
Mary Helen Miller
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Henriette Pierson

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Ruth Hamilton Robbins
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Will and Emma Rodefeld
Elizabeth Smelser
Catherine Binkley Thomas
Glenn Veal
Joan Vigran
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Mary Couch Wood
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Giving Through Bequests

A bequest is one of the most touching and enduring statements a person can make. Because bequests are gifts made on a donor’s passing, they represent a final declaration of what was important to them during life. Many times, they serve to create a lasting legacy for the benefit of future generations.

A bequest can be for any specific dollar value, a percentage of one’s estate, or the amount that remains after all other obligations have been fulfilled. Perhaps more importantly, a bequest can be directed to the charitable program or purpose that is most important to the donor.

Bequests to the Wayne County Foundation are generally used to create permanent funds designed to ensure the donor’s intent is fulfilled for years and years to come. These might be in the form of...

- scholarships, relating to a particular purpose or set of selection criteria;
- organization-designated funds, benefitting the work of a specific nonprofit agency;
- field of interest funds, that can advance a range of programs or initiatives relating to certain charitable themes; or
- unrestricted funds to be used to address the most pressing needs over time or in support of opportunities as they become apparent.

The Wayne County Foundation is grateful to everyone who has thought to support our community through a bequest or other testamentary gift. The generosity that is expressed is very meaningful and very important to making a lasting difference in our community.

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There are many ways to support the important work of the Foundation or your favorite local charity. Each offers unique opportunities, one of which is bound to be just right for your personal circumstances.

Anonymously
Perhaps you’re a very private person who wants to support our community but doesn’t want everyone else to know. Gifts made anonymously to the Foundation ensure your privacy, as well as your charitable intent.

Beneficiary Designations
You can also name the Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or investment account. Doing so is generally a simple process that can be easily modified at any time to meet your changing needs. Moreover, using retirement assets to fund your charitable interests is often a tax-wise strategy.

Life Insurance
You can name the Foundation as the beneficiary of your paid life insurance policy or gift a policy and continue making the annual payments. When the Foundation is named as both the beneficiary and the irrevocable owner of your policy, it can be recorded as a gift and you may be eligible to receive an immediate tax deduction.
When scholarship funds are established, the donor outlines criteria to guide the awards. The Foundation, through its own committees and in conjunction with an Honors and Awards Committee at each high school, works to ensure the donor’s wishes are met. The 2017 recipients of each scholarship are noted below the fund description.

**NEW SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
Centerville High School Class of 2017 Scholarship To provide a scholarship for the student who ranked fifth in the graduating class as of the end of the 2016-2017 academic year. Preston Lambert

**PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED SCHOLARSHIPS**
AAUW-Hoffman Scholarship ($221,268) To provide undergraduate and graduate scholarships to students from Richmond High School.
  Samantha Hays
  Marie Lindahl

Frank B. Adney, Jr., MD Scholarship for Nursing ($111,562) To benefit Indiana University East students who have been accepted into the BSN degree program and are pursuing an RN license upon graduation.
  Courtney Sebring

African-American Scholarship and Awards ($72,201) To benefit deserving Wayne County minority students.
  Shalese Cordova
  Leslie Lofton
  Harrison Rice
  Lillian Sagna
  Ryanne Spicer
  Kyla Wright

Jonathan Alan Scholarship ($65,712) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors who plan to enter a medical field.
  Rebecca Vivanco

Altrusa Club of Richmond, Indiana, Scholarship Fund ($62,633) To benefit females who are graduating from a Wayne County high school, who will attend a Wayne County college, and who have demonstrated a history of service to their school and community.
  Aubrianne Gibb
  Kayla Vinson

Earl Baker Memorial Scholarship ($8,829) To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors who plan to attend Purdue University.
  Abigail Sewell

Myyon Barnes Memorial Scholarship Fund ($1,374) To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors who plan to major in journalism.
  Savannah Baker

Erika A. and George E. Brattain, Sr. Scholarship ($1,254) To benefit Lincoln High School graduating seniors who are pursuing an education in music.
  Chase Newton

Theodore Braxton Creative Arts Fund ($89,492) To benefit Huntington (Pennsylvania) Area High School graduating seniors who have participated in the performing arts.
  Mikayla Harrington

Clarence Brown Scholarship ($34,173) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors.
  ‘Dylan Seal

Ralph Burkhardt Scholarship ($6,023) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who has been an outstanding orchestra student and who intends to study music in college.
  Elijah Howell

Lucille Campbell Scholarship ($64,560) To benefit a Wayne County high school graduating senior.
  Austin McNew

Betty J. Cecere Memorial Scholarship Endowment ($60,285) To benefit a female Richmond High School graduating senior.
  Nicole Goddard

Centerville-Abington Dollars for Scholars ($133,671) To benefit Centerville High School graduating seniors who plan to pursue education beyond high school.
  Nathaniel Cheek
  Mary-Catherine Couch
  Mackenzie Cregar
  Myles Cunningham
  Caleb Curts
  Abigail Dillman
  Jarrod Downing
  Joshua Duke
  Logan Erbse
  Joshua Fern
  Shelby Giffen
  Anna Leigh Hawk
  Logan Jackson
  Aydan Koyles
  Preston Lambert
  Jessi Martin
  Nicholas Maurer
  Sophia Neher
  Kyle Peters
  Mason Rader
  Marlon Robertson
  Loren Scales
  Mackenzie Schilling
  Philip Schroeder
  Abigail Sewell
  Matthew Stamper
  Madeline Steinfeldt
  Kurtis Stuckey
  Bennett Walther
  Elizabeth Walther
  Shelbie Warner
  Alison Weaver
  Larry Wilson

Jason Chaney Memorial Scholarship ($19,529) To benefit a male Hagerstown High School graduating senior.
  Keeton Adams

Norman and Josephine Chenoweth and Ira and Pauline Hollinger Scholarship ($19,755) To benefit a Northeastern High School graduating senior who plans to pursue a degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics.
  Dustin Catron
  Seth Martin
  Cassandra Mattingly

Melba Dawn Chiarenza Scholarship ($628,989) To benefit Lincoln High School graduating seniors who plan to major in business, nursing, or drama.
  Dustin Catron
  Seth Martin
  Cassandra Mattingly
Alex Christ Memorial Scholarship ($3,503) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors. Jonathon Weigel

Ed Clemmer Memorial Scholarship ($2,917) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors.

Edwin LeRoy Clopp Memorial Scholarship ($28,673) To benefit Wayne County graduating seniors intending a course of study that will lead to a vocation in public safety.

Helen Coble Memorial Scholarship for Business Education Fund ($7,592) To benefit a female Richmond High School graduating senior who intends to pursue a course of study in business administration.

Leslie Lofton

Chris Coffman Memorial Scholarship ($10,884) To provide the Christopher Coffman Giant of Heart Award to a Centerville High School graduating senior who exhibits the personality traits of Chris Coffman. Elizabeth Walther

William J. Cramer Scholarship ($395,270) To provide renewable scholarships to Richmond High School graduating seniors.

Cameron Delucio* Jordan Haney* Matthew Sheridan* Jared Sprague* Alonzo Villafuerte

Justin B. Cross Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund ($50,530) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors.

Gricelda Santiago-Cruz Taylar Shouse* Kobe Walker*

M. Glenn Cross Memorial Scholarship ($13,275) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who plans to attend an Indiana college.

Julia Allen

W. Barry Culy Memorial Scholarship ($41,591) To benefit Hagerstown High School graduating seniors.

W. Barry Culy 4-H Memorial Scholarship To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors who have participated in 4-H.

Bennett Walther Brittany Walther

Paula Marie Davis-Kitts Memorial Scholarship ($16,751) To benefit Hagerstown High School graduating seniors who are pursuing a degree in English, Journalism, or creative writing. Isaiah Neal

Jeffrey Duncan Scholarship ($61,539) To provide renewable scholarships to Richmond High School graduating seniors studying to be an engineer.

Andrea Pegg Matthew Sheridan*

Easter Seals Scholarship ($17,171) To benefit a Wayne or Union County High School graduating senior who intends to enter a career in service to people with disabilities.

Eastern Indiana Human Resource Association Scholarship ($8,882) To benefit an Indiana resident who is pursuing a career in human resources or a related field.

Dr. Tom H. and Annadell S. Ebbinghouse Scholarship for Nurses ($207,949) To benefit a Wayne County resident who has been accepted into the BSN degree program at Indiana University East, pursuing the opportunity for RN licensure.

Preston Lambert

Mary Hatfield Jenkins Memorial Scholarship ($125,398) To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors.


Hagerstown Community Scholarship Program ($22,341) To benefit Hagerstown High School graduating seniors.

Chase McIntosh Hannah Rogers

Ann Harmeier Memorial Scholarship ($15,006) To benefit a Lincoln High School graduating senior.

Dawson Moistner

Robert E. and Margaret M. Herbst Scholarship ($17,584) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who has demonstrated an interest in voluntary civic service.

Ethan Kuhn

Jean Hilker Memorial Scholarship ($34,349) To benefit Jefferson High School (Lafayette, Indiana) graduating seniors.

Jack Moulton Samantha Preston

Mary E. Hill Memorial Scholarship ($141,053) To benefit students studying health or medicine with priority given to minority students.

Kendall Baker Catherine Rose Berry Shalese Cordova Gysla Mullen

L.E. Gibbs Memorial Scholarship ($7,553) To provide scholarships for students studying law enforcement at Indiana University East. Mitchell Burelison

Frostie Gilley Memorial Scholarship Endowment ($10,633) To benefit a Northeastern High School graduating senior pursuing a degree in nursing.

Savanah McCracken

Tami Goss Memorial Scholarship ($1,155) To benefit female Centerville High School graduating seniors.

Elizabeth Walther

Francis and Earl Gregg Scholarship ($13,172) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who plans to study art.

Lily Vincent

Jo Anne Grigsby Memorial Scholarship ($23,645) To benefit a Lincoln High School graduating senior pursuing a career in math or science education, or Christian services.

Dawson Moistner

Marysville Community Scholarship Program ($60,861) To benefit Marysville High School graduating seniors.

Julia Allen

Lafayette Community Scholarship ($395,270) To benefit a Lincoln High School graduating senior.

Aubrey Coyle

Marysville Community Scholarship Program ($41,591) To benefit Hagerstown High School graduating seniors.

Christian services.

Given to minority students.

Kendall Baker

Catherine Rose Berry Shalese Cordova Gysla Mullen

Marysville Community Scholarship Program ($41,591) To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors.


M. Glenn Cross Memorial Scholarship ($13,957) To benefit a Hagerstown High School graduating senior who excelled academically, exhibited leadership, and who is planning to study nursing or medicine.

Keeton Adams

M. Glenn Cross Memorial Scholarship ($13,957) To benefit a Hagerstown High School graduating senior who excelled academically, exhibited leadership, and who is planning to study nursing or medicine.

Keeton Adams

Marysville Community Scholarship Program ($41,591) To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors.

Eileen M. Hunt Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship ($736,738) To benefit students who are attending Indiana University East or Ivy Tech Community College, Richmond campus and who are majoring in programs related to nursing or allied health.
Abigail Blass
Amelia Boicourt
Mariah Clear
Morgan Davis
Paige Flannery
Aubrianne Gibb
Shelby Good
Zachery Honeycutt
Codi Lowder
Ashley Strunk
Heather Tiemann
Mercedes Vaughn
Kayla Vinson

Greg and Rod Jarrett Donor Advised Scholarship ($3,828) To benefit a Hagerstown High School graduating senior seeking a business degree. Abby Lochofski

Joshua Johnson Memorial Fund ($30,347) To benefit an outstanding graduating senior of Hagerstown High School. Jon-David Drake Gunder

Hubert and Grace Jones Memorial Scholarship ($14,951) To benefit an exemplary Reid Hospital employee who graduated from Union County High School and is pursuing higher education in the field of nursing.

James Joseph Scholarship ($64,881) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who plans to prepare for a human service profession. Kaitlyn Harrison*

Paul and Mary Kay Keiser Scholarship ($91,801) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who plans to pursue a degree in agriculture or engineering. Jessica Atkinson*

Nancy Keelor Kelly Memorial Scholarship Endowment ($126,443) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior planning to attend a four-year accredited college in Indiana. Kirsten Baldwin

Kirk-Little Post 1108, VFW Scholarship #1 ($567,703) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors. Rebekah Creech
Kylee Doyle
Rachel Weikart

Kirk-Little Post 1108, VFW Scholarship #2 ($567,740) To benefit Centerville High School graduating seniors. Anna Leigh Hawk
Mason Rader
Bennett Walther

Kirk-Little Post 1108, VFW Scholarship #3 ($68,283) To benefit Northeastern High School graduating seniors. Kaleb Mikessell
Harrison Rice
Andrew Schuler
Garrett Schuler
Josh Tudor

Kirk-Little Post 1108, VFW Scholarship #4 ($568,850) To benefit Hagerstown High School graduating seniors. Kory Beeson
Brytni Dale
Emily Dick
Madeline Henley
Kelsey Zetzl

Kirk-Little Post 1108, VFW Scholarship #5 ($67,049) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors. Adam Foster
Sydney Miller
Leslie Richardson
Madison Siggers

Kirk-Little VFW Post #1108 Scholarship #6 ($29,360) To benefit Seton Catholic High School graduating seniors. Kelsey Martin
Nick Mathews
Maggie Westjohn

Lacy Memorial Scholarship ($16,667) To benefit Hagerstown High School graduating seniors who had a strong academic performance and exhibited leadership. Aimee Hoodbrin
Jevon Osborne
Kayla Vinson

Johnathan A. Lahmann Memorial Scholarship ($23,921) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who is pursuing formal technical training. Travis King

Paul J. and Bernice J. Lamberson Memorial Scholarship ($14,590) To benefit Lincoln High School graduating seniors. Nicholas Cupp
Chase Newton

Ellen M. Lane Memorial Scholarship ($44,992) To benefit Lincoln High School graduating seniors going into the education or health care fields. Garren LAYAMON
Sidney Steele

Rebecca Lanter Memorial Scholarship ($17,114) To benefit a Hagerstown High School graduating senior who expresses a dedication to educational achievement and has a strong determination to succeed despite adversity. Brytni Dale

Fern A. Lee Memorial Fund ($29,211) To benefit a Lincoln High School graduating senior who enrolls in a post-secondary business training school or college. Olivia Bertsch

Christina Maria Danielle Leitner Memorial Scholarship ($9,985) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors and Community Christian School students.

Kimberly Long Memorial Scholarship ($8,425) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior. Austin Turner

Megan Lyons Memorial Scholarship ($42,044) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who intends to pursue a teaching degree in the field of special education. Megan Crass

Kevin Scott MacDowell Memorial Scholarship ($45,423) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors. Hannah Davis
Eric Hollingsworth

Ruth and Henry Macy Memorial Scholarship ($76,043) To benefit Northeastern High School graduating seniors. Christy Johnson*
Chase McNew
Shane Stiner*
Adriane Ullery*

Rob Mahoney Memorial Scholarship ($79,311) To benefit Lincoln and Hagerstown High School graduating seniors who are pursuing a career in construction management, engineering, building trades, auto mechanics, or agriculture. Michael Bane
Bryant Hilbert

Ruby Fender Martin Memorial Scholarship ($29,289) To benefit a Centerville High School graduating senior of high academic performance and moral character. Emilie Deibel

Ruby Fender Martin Nursing Scholarship ($34,322) To benefit Centerville High School graduating seniors who are enrolling in a nursing program. Mary-Catherine Couch
Alexandra Marshall*
Mackenzie Schilling

Mary E. Maurer, Hilda Dickman Herold, and Martha Jane Dickman Scholarship Endowment Fund ($40,342) To benefit Seton Catholic High School graduating seniors. Jake Leverton
Cindy Lopez
Kelsey Martin
Nick Mathews

Frances Mayhew, RN Scholarship ($38,185) To benefit nursing students who are seeking a course of study leading to a Bachelor of Science or a master’s degree. Morgan Masters

Niqui McCown Honor and Memorial Scholarship ($430) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors who intend to pursue a career related to the law or criminal justice.

Donald A. McKinney Memorial Scholarship ($33,289) To benefit Centerville High School graduating seniors. Abigail Dillman
Kaylee Duncal

Jerry and Randa Mendenhall Scholarship ($71,059) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors. Eric Mejia

Margaret Roushaar Menning Memorial Scholarship ($17,510) To benefit a student who plans to continue his or her education at a liberal arts college. Lauren Tubing
Galen Miller Scholarship ($20,207) To benefit students who have volunteered to assist people with disabilities.
Jessi Martin

Antonio Mitrione Scholarship ($11,193) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior.
Ryan Tillery

Marian H. Niswander Business Scholarship ($7,916) To benefit Wayne County graduating seniors who plan to study business.
Jarrett Focht

Nixon Family Scholarship ($634) To benefit Centerville High School, Connersville High School, Franklin County High School, Lincoln High School, Rushville Consolidated High School, or Union County High School graduating seniors who have successfully completed a 2-year course of vocational study at the Whitewater Technical Career Center, and who intend to major in engineering, technology, or related fields.
Kenneth Sparks

Daniel Patrick Oberle Memorial Scholarship ($51,058) To benefit a Centerville High School graduating senior who plans to pursue an education leading to a career in an aspect of the construction industry.

Dorotha Packard Memorial Educational Fund ($225,547) To benefit Wayne County high school graduating seniors.
Nicole Goddard

Alicebel Parry Scholarship ($122,276) To benefit Winchester High School graduating seniors.
Kaitlin Cline* Jamin Edwards* Bailey Gates* Austin Lawrence

Mary K. Paust Memorial Scholarship ($17,857) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior studying business.
Ordiana Crosby

Perfect Circle Credit Union Scholarship Endowment Fund ($5,617) To benefit a Wayne County high school graduating senior.
Lydia Bertsch

Edna Johnston McNary Pickett Memorial Scholarship ($26,616) To benefit a Centerville High School graduating senior.
Marlon Robertson

Henriette Pierson Scholarship Fund ($83,364) To benefit a Richmond High School graduating senior who is pursuing a degree leading to a teaching career.
Joseph Kinley

Jack Reed Memorial Fund ($29,276) To benefit outstanding members of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County who plan to attend college.
Jessika Mills

Reid Hospital and Health Care Services Dependent Scholarship ($2,701) To provide scholarship opportunities for current Reid Hospital employees’ dependent children who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in health care related fields.
Brett Bowersock Peyton Dean Samuel Griffin Samantha Lackey Kelli McCurdy Kathryn Schneider Chase Southerland Ashley Strunk Annie Warmoth Cameron Whitesel

Reid Hospital Graduate Student Scholarship ($532) To benefit full-time students pursuing a graduate degree in one of the following majors: nurse practitioner, pharmacy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, physician, or physician assistant.
Allyson Garrett Tracie Kinney Alexi Scott

Richmond High School Alumni Association To provide scholarships to Richmond High School graduating seniors who plan to attend a Wayne County college. This fund is composed of the following component funds:

Thomas N. Coffin Memorial Fund ($140,969) Patricia Best Ordiana Crosby Trenton Davis Andrew Ervin


Richmond College Incentive Plan ($976,508)

Ruth Hamilton Robbins Memorial Scholarship ($20,107) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors who plan to study business or nursing and are a descendant of a U.S. Veteran.
Emily Malone Gysia Mullen

Rodefeld Family Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund ($21,538) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors who participated in high school swimming.
Hannah Davis Zachary Harrison

George Romack Memorial Scholarship ($7,872) To benefit a Centerville High School graduating senior who demonstrates academic responsibility, has an interest in teaching, coaching, physical fitness, and/or conservation, wildlife, or natural resources.
Marlon Robertson

Rosa Family Scholarship Award ($151,289) To be used to recognize the academic excellence of Richmond High School graduating seniors.
Zachery Honeycutt Joseph Kinley Erika Santiago-Julian

Rose Hamilton Scholarship ($18,643) To benefit a Centerville High School graduating senior.
Aydan Koyles

Harold W. Ryan Memorial Scholarship ($94,095) To benefit a Wayne County graduating senior who is entering a course of study that will lead to a vocation in public safety, especially in the field of law enforcement, firefighting, or emergency medical training.
Rose Chimenti*

Karl and Marjorie Sharp Scholarship ($55,750) To benefit a graduating senior who has a strong work ethic, significant extracurricular involvement, and community leadership and who attended Centerville, Hagerstown, or Richmond High School.
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Shepherd Family Memorial Scholarship ($18,414) To benefit Richmond High School graduating female seniors who played basketball.
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Richard F. Smith Memorial Scholarship ($7,143) To benefit Richmond High School graduating seniors studying graphic arts.
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Wayne County College Fund Scholarship Fund Benefiting Ivy Tech Community College Richmond Region and Indiana University East ($42,154) To benefit African-American students who graduate from Ivy Tech Richmond Region with an associate degree and who will be attending Indiana University East.
Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic performance, written essays, letters of recommendation, and extracurricular activities. Chosen from a large pool of applicants, the Foundation’s Lilly Scholars receive a four-year full tuition scholarship and book stipend to the public or private Indiana college of their choice.

ANDREA PEGG

Andrea Pegg is the daughter of Keith and Beverly Pegg. During her years at Richmond High School, Andrea maintained a 4.35 GPA while participating in Devilettes Dance and Color Guard, Red Devil Mentors, National Honor Society, Science Academic Team, and French Club. She served in several leadership positions including the Teen Advisory Board at Morrisson-Reeves Library and was chosen as one of forty students nationally to attend the Duke Energy Academy at Purdue University.

Andrea plans to major in Tissue Engineering at Purdue University.

KATELYN VIERK

Katelyn Vierk is the daughter of Debra Vierk and Ronald Vierk. While attending Richmond High School, Katelyn maintained a 4.385 GPA and participated in Business Professionals of America, Social Studies Academic Team, Pierian Yearbook, varsity track, Red Devil Mentors, RHS Movement, and National Honor Society. Katelyn founded Red Devil Mentors for College, a partnership between Earlham College and Richmond High School. She volunteered for United Way, was active with Richmond Young Life, and attended the Indiana University High School Journalism Institute.

Katelyn plans to major in economics and history at DePauw University, eventually becoming a civil rights attorney.

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE | ERICA COULTER

Erica Coulter received the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship in 2012 and attended Indiana University where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism and Spanish in 2016. Erica took advantage of Indiana University’s study abroad program and spent a semester during her senior year in Lima, Peru. She also traveled to 17 other countries while attending college.

Erica is currently the Development and Marketing Director at Girls Inc., where she strives to make Wayne County a positive place for local girls to call home.
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Ginger Gray’s philanthropic leadership includes donating her time to create and implement large fundraising galas and events. These events create a fundraising atmosphere that has strengthened and sustained the area’s vibrant arts and culture organizations. Ginger has volunteered for numerous nonprofits including nearly 35 years as a volunteer for the Richmond Symphony Orchestra. Her dedication to the community, coupled with her gift of philanthropic vision, mark her as an exceptional leader and the inspiration that helped the Symphony board increase and professionalize their fundraising capacity.

Over her decades of service to the Symphony, Ginger has created exhilarating, memorable celebrations that have introduced people to the Symphony and its mission while demonstrating the vibrancy and high caliber of programming that is flourishing in Wayne County.

June Miller, a highly-respected community member, is known for her dedication to people with disabilities. June was instrumental in founding Green Acres (known today as Achieva Resources), has created Christian education curriculum for individuals who learn differently, and helped raise funds for the Super Park for All Kids. When she first became involved with Special Olympics fifty years ago, the organization was just getting its start and, while her involvement was mainly due to her interest in finding meaningful activities for her son, Jimmy, her passion grew to include people from all walks of life who are challenged.

Lonnie Snow, director of Special Olympics, noted, “Her leadership and experience have been vital to this organization. Her passion is seeing special needs individuals enjoying the same opportunities as individuals without a disability. Those who are facing challenges are fortunate to have June in their corner.”

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- 2011 – David Nixon
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- 2013 – Penn Ansorg
- 2014 – Aileen Wickett-Harris
- 2015 – Karole Passmore
- 2016 – Mark W. Harris
As the Board considers applications for grants each year, we appreciate and admire the people and organizations in our community that are trying to make a difference. We love to support their efforts. To serve on the Foundation Board is an education and a privilege.

But the experience is also bittersweet. So many people in our community need help, and those needs are often complex and hard to meet. Our poverty rate, our modest average educational attainment and work readiness are all stubborn problems that often resist the best efforts of our providers.

The Foundation Board is one of many groups trying to increase the prosperity of our community and currently we have no central guidance that can help all of us have a truly collective impact. That realization has led the Foundation in the past two years to lead in the development of Forward Wayne County, a new organization for guiding our collective efforts.

Forward Wayne County can lead us to focus attention and resources on a few central issues that are keys to the prosperity of our people. Certainly the most central of these is education, from Pre-K nurturing to programs for workforce readiness. It can develop measures of success that allow us to see when we are making progress and it can help us redirect our efforts when new and better opportunities arise. I encourage you to watch for news of Forward Wayne County as it continues to spark community conversation and drive collective action.

Thanks to those of you who donate time and funds to promote the well-being and the best hopes of our fellow citizens and our community.

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Looking TO THE FUTURE
Over one hundred years ago, a Cleveland banker and lawyer named Fredrick Goff had the idea to pool the charitable resources of community members into a single, permanent endowment for the benefit of all. This led to the creation of the Cleveland Foundation. Needless to say, his idea caught on. Today, there are over 760 community foundations across the United States that collectively manage nearly $65 billion in assets and make distributions of approximately $5 billion each year.

Organized 40 years ago, the Wayne County Foundation seeks to serve as a trusted partner, resource, and steward to improve the quality of life here through effective philanthropy. The people pictured on this page have led our board over the past 40 years. They, along with generations of generous donors, have enabled us to serve the community effectively today, tomorrow, and forever.
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A Solid Year Of Growth

Forty years is but a moment in the life of an organization envisioned to last forever. Even so, it is more than adequate to give us a sense of what is possible when generous people care enough to act on their charitable interests. The stories and reports on the previous pages stand testament to that. So do the annual metrics we use to make sure we’re on track for long-term success.

In all respects, 2017 was another solid year of growth and impact for the Wayne County Foundation.

• We booked $1.37 million in new gifts and receivables, representing nearly a 35% increase over the previous year.

• The Foundation awarded $1.73 million in grants, distributions, and scholarships over the course of the year. As usual, support for education is the single largest program category, with scholarships alone accounting for about $490,000 of that total.

• We signed seven new active funds and nine new testamentary funds. Additionally, two Acorn Funds matured into new active funds and two funds were created on the passing of split-interest gift donors.

• It was another strong year in the market, with the endowed pool earning 11.9%. This helped boost the Foundation’s total assets under management to $42.9 million as of December 31—an increase of some $3.5 million over the course of the year.

Beyond the numbers, the Foundation initiated a comprehensive review of its investment function in 2017, including a due-diligence review of our long-time advisor, Oxford Financial. While the final results of this work were not complete by year-end, it is certain that we will be making changes to better position the Foundation’s investments for long-term growth.

The Foundation also continues to lead the Forward Wayne County initiative. This framework to help align community assets toward widely accepted and measurable objectives, ultimately seeks to promote economic vitality and individual prosperity. It also serves to inform the Foundation’s own strategic initiatives around human capital development and quality of place. We expect Forward Wayne County to grow in relevance and importance... and involve many area organizations in meaningful roles over time.

All in all, your Wayne County Foundation remains fiscally strong and well-positioned to serve our community for many years to come.
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<td>Investments</td>
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<td>Other Assets</td>
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<td>Property and equipment - net</td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
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<th>Liabilities</th>
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<td>Scholarships and grants payable</td>
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<td>Agency funds</td>
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<td>Split-interest liabilities</td>
<td>$1,047,891</td>
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<td>Other liabilities</td>
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<th>Net Assets</th>
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<td>Unrestricted</td>
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<td>Temporarily restricted</td>
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<td>Permanently restricted</td>
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<td><strong>Total net assets</strong></td>
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### Consolidated Statement of Activities

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<th>Year Ended 12/31/2017</th>
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<tr>
<td>Revenue, Gains, and Other Support</td>
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<td>Total amounts raised (including pledges)</td>
<td>$1,371,426</td>
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<td>Less amounts received as agency endowments</td>
<td>$(76,411)</td>
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<td>Net contributions and grants</td>
<td>$1,295,015</td>
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<td>Investment income</td>
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<td>Realized gains on investments</td>
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<td>Net unrealized gain on investments</td>
<td>$924,730</td>
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<td>Rental income</td>
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<td>Administrative fee income</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous income</td>
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<td>Less investment return from agency endowments</td>
<td>$(314,286)</td>
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<td><strong>Net revenue, gains and other support</strong></td>
<td><strong>$6,384,389</strong></td>
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<th>Expenses</th>
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<td>Grants and scholarships*</td>
<td>$1,733,134</td>
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<td>Less grants from agency endowments</td>
<td>$(109,395)</td>
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<td>Net grants and scholarships expense</td>
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<td>Program</td>
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<td>Management and general</td>
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<td>Fund development</td>
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<td>Less expenses from agency endowments</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses, net</strong></td>
<td><strong>$2,886,189</strong></td>
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| Change in Net Assets before Change in Value of Split-Interest Agreements | 3,498,200 |
| Change in value of split-interest agreements | $(174,903) |
| **Change in Net Assets** | **3,323,297** |
| Net Assets - Beginning of Year | $35,449,604 |
| **Net Assets - End of Year** | **$38,772,901** |

*Net of prior year returns

### Investment Activity

Investment returns for the Foundation’s total return pool were up 11.9% for the year ending December 31, 2017. This performance was slightly below our benchmark indicator for similarly constructed portfolios (12.7%). Overall, the Foundation remains focused on maximizing investment return relative to risk and maximizing distributions with respect to achieving real fund growth over time.

Notably, the Foundation initiated a regular due-diligence review of its investment consultants in 2017 that was still in progress through the first quarter of 2018.
Our Mission

The Wayne County, Indiana, Foundation, Inc. exists to foster and encourage private philanthropic giving, to enhance the spirit of community and to improve the quality of life in the Wayne County, Indiana, area now and for future generations.