WAYNE COUNTY FOUNDATION SET TO AWARD $257,500 IN 2019 CHALLENGE MATCH PROGRAM

Forty-Seven Organizations Selected to Participate

The Wayne County Foundation announced today the organizations selected to participate in its 2019 Challenge Match Initiative. This year’s award will be the largest in the program’s eight year history.

Last year the Challenge Match generated over $1.6 million for 54 local non-profits, including $240,000 of match dollars made available by the Foundation and its Match Partners.

“Thanks to some very generous Match Partners we are able to support more organizations than ever before, “said Steve Borchers, the Foundation’s Executive Director. “We wanted to keep the Challenge Match challenging,” said Borchers, “and we wanted to inspire thoughtful, high-quality investments in the community.”

Every one of the 54 applications was judged against a set of criteria that we announced earlier this year. The 47 participating organizations will have the opportunity to receive funding from the Foundation up to their Match Goal, based on the gifts they receive from the community in a designated period of time.

“We believe this is a good opportunity for many different organizations to raise significant operating dollars or money in support of selected programs that will benefit from broad-based community involvement,” Borchers said.
The organizations selected to participate in the Foundation’s 2019 Challenge Match and their match goals:

- 2nd Chance Animal Rescue of Richmond $2,500
- Achieva Resources Corporation, Inc. $2,500
- Amigos Richmond Latino Center $5,000
- Animal Care Alliance $2,500
- Birth to Five $5,000
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County $10,000
- Brighter Path Inc. $2,500
- Cambridge City Main Street $2,500
- Center City Development $2,500
- Christian Charities $2,500
- Circle U Help Center, Inc. $10,000
- Communities In Schools of Wayne County $10,000
- Cope Environmental Center $10,000
- Every Child Can Read $5,000
- Friends of Morrisson Reeves Library $2,500
- Gateway Hunger Relief Center $2,500
- Genesis of Richmond $5,000
- Girls Inc. of Wayne County $10,000
- Golay Community Center Inc. $5,000
- Good News Habitat for Humanity $5,000
- Hand-in-Hand Adult Day Care of Richmond, Inc. $5,000
- Hayes Arboretum $10,000
- HELP the Animals $2,500
- Hope House $5,000
- Independent Living Center of Eastern Indiana $2,500
- JACY House $5,000
- Junior Achievement of Eastern Indiana $2,500
- Model T Ford Club of America $10,000
- Open Arms Ministries $5,000
- Richmond Art Museum $10,000
- Richmond Civic Theatre $5,000
- Richmond Community Orchestra $2,500
- Richmond Day Nursery $2,500
- Richmond Family YMCA $5,000
- Richmond Friends School $10,000
- Richmond Neighborhood Restoration $2,500
- Richmond Parks and Recreation $10,000
- Richmond Rose Garden $5,000
- Richmond Shakespeare Festival $10,000
- Richmond Symphony Orchestra $10,000
- Sunrise, Inc. Therapeutic Riding Center $2,500
- Wayne County Cardinal Greenway $10,000
Wayne County Historical Museum  $5,000
Wayne County SWCD  $2,500
Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars  $10,000
Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission, Inc.  $2,500
Williamsburg Area Community Center, Inc.  $2,500

The Challenge Match Program will kick off on Monday, November 4, and run for 9 days, through Tuesday, November 12. Qualifying contributions to the participating organizations in that period will trigger matching dollars from the Foundation, with respect to certain criteria. Contributions may also be made online through the Foundation’s Website.

More information about specific details of qualifying gifts is available on the Foundation’s Website. Additional information may also be obtained by contacting Lisa Bates at lisa@waynecountyfoundation.org or by calling 765-962-1638.