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## **Wayne County Foundation completes the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations® accreditation process**

**Wayne County Foundation** has recently been re-accredited with National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations®—the highest standards for philanthropic excellence.



County, Indiana.

We work to enhance the spirit of community and improve the quality of life in Wayne County, Indiana by fostering and encouraging private philanthropic giving. National Standards says that we meet the most rigorous standards in philanthropy and is a promise to our community that we'll continue to do this good work together, right here in Wayne

National Standards is not mandatory. We chose to go above and beyond by affirming our commitment to excellence and accountability. Our accreditation provides assurance that we have sound policies and practices in place. In short, it means we meet the highest standards for local giving.

To receive accreditation with National Standards, the Wayne County Foundation submitted our policies and procedures to a rigorous review of 26 National Standards in six key areas of community foundation operations, including donor services, investment management, grantmaking and administration.

The National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations® program was established in 2000 in cooperation with the Council on Foundations. For more information about National Standards, visit [www.cfstandards.org](http://www.cfstandards.org).

Established in 1979, the Wayne County Foundation encourages individual, family, and corporate philanthropy in order to meet current and emerging community needs. Gifts to and through the

Foundation create the resources needed to address critical issues throughout the county...Today.  
Tomorrow. Forever.

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