2nd Chance Animal Rescue is about giving animals a second chance at finding their forever homes. We can continue our mission to rescue sick, injured, and abandoned animals and provide them with proper vet care, shelter and food.

Achieva Resources Corporation provides guardianships to adults with developmental disabilities and mental illnesses who have no family members, as well as to individuals who have been abused, neglected, or exploited by their friends and families. Occasionally, we also obtain referrals from family members who ask us to become guardian of their loved one. In the most extreme cases, we may receive a request for emergency guardianship due to significant health issues. Over the past year, we received three (3) emergency referrals, each of which has been obtained within hours. We pride ourselves in placing individuals in safe environments where they receive quality health care services and supports. As necessary, Achieva Resources also helps to manage issues surrounding the individual's estate. All guardianships come through the Wayne County Courts, to whom we are responsible to report on the individual's personal health and finances to the Court on an annual basis. We are truly serving the neediest people in our community. Without our Guardianship Program, individuals would remain in deplorable conditions and continue to be abused and neglected.

The mission of Amigos, the Richmond Latino Center is to empower the Latino community to engage actively in Richmond and Wayne County, and to promote respect, cooperation, and understanding across cultures. Our focus is on education, health, and providing social service assistance. Amigos is the only Latinx serving organization in east central Indiana. Amigos provides programming that mentors, teaches, and nurtures youth and families to find their fullest potential. Our programs consist of English Language learning, mentoring through tennis, Latinx Leadership Program, and career development summer camp. The pandemic and cultural unrest made the basic needs in the community very clear. We have worked to disseminate bilingual information about COVID-19 and distribute food/hygiene supplies to 1,737 individuals and counting. We are distributing furniture and clothing as well. As schools open, we are preparing a mentoring program for youth, as many will not be attending in-person classes. This program will support the youth in moving forward with their schoolwork and social-emotional growth. We continue to listen to the needs of the community we serve and adapt accordingly.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Birth to Five
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Match Goal: $5,000
Birth to Five’s mission is to provide children and the people in their lives supportive, educational, and healthy resources to help them grow and thrive. The matching grant through the Wayne County Foundation will allow Birth to Five the ability to continue to provide services to the youngest in Wayne County and their parents and caregivers. By supporting families, Birth to Five continues to provide a strong foundation for the children in our community.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County
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Match Goal: $10,000
The Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County (BGCWC) provides membership to all Wayne County youth between the ages of 6 and 18 with a low annual fee of $15. There is no charge for members who live in HUD subsidized housing. Buses transport children from schools to the Clubs Monday through Friday where kids participate in programming that supports three primary outcomes BGCWC promotes: Healthy Lifestyles, Academic Success and Good Character and Citizenship. The programming currently offered includes academic support for Richmond Community Schools and Nettle Creek schools, through the Indiana state designation that makes our Clubs a 21st Century Community Learning Center. This designation allows us to share academic student performance data and supports our efforts to provide tutors for students, space to complete homework, literacy promotion with a reading program and high yield STEM learning curriculum. The Club also supports healthy lifestyles by providing ClubFit fitness programming in Club gyms for several hours each day and by presenting evidence-based social emotional curriculum that helps youth build skills to resist substance use, achieve goals and manage stress. BGCWC also offers teen clubs to introduce members to community volunteerism and help them plan for post-secondary education and future careers.

Brighter Path, Inc.
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Match Goal: $2,500
Brighter Path, Inc. provides a safe and encouraging environment for people of all ages to experience the therapeutic benefit of horses. From Recreational riding lessons to Therapeutic Horsemanship, the program offers a wide range of services which can be uniquely designed to meet the individual needs and goals of each rider. Our caring and compassionate volunteers aid and support riders, providing students a momentary escape from their physical and emotional adversities and their caregivers a temporary reprieve. Challenge Match funds would be utilized in many different ways- Equine care, facility maintenance, Instructor continuing education, therapy equipment, program expansion, and more. Brighter Path strives to bring the best service to our students and with that comes the utmost care of our staff and animals, high quality equipment, and a safe facility. Through the Challenge Match, Brighter Path will continue to uphold the highest standards.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

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Match Goal: $2,500
Cambridge City Main Street is devoted to developing and maintaining a healthy, viable downtown commercial district, through respect for our community’s history, focusing on inclusive community economic growth and viability, and working to improve the quality of life available to residents and visitors alike. Specifically for this Challenge Match fund raising effort we wish to focus on powering one of our key 2020-2021 “work plan” objectives: Improving the living and business conditions in our town by forming the Cambridge City Beautification and Blight Reduction Program. Partnering with the Town Council, the Chamber of Commerce, key school, church, and other philanthropic organizations we are are committed to creating an atmosphere of, “We Can Do Better!” in Cambridge City. We have already started this effort with Town Council commitment, Chamber engagement selecting one house to clean up this year, and Main Street's efforts to clean up buildings downtown. We wish to accelerate our efforts with this Challenge Match so we can work with business owners and home owners to make significant improvements to the look and feel of our town.

Center City Development Corporation
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Match Goal: $2,500
Center City Development Corporation’s (CCDC) mission is to enrich Richmond’s downtown by coordinating and collaborating with city government, property owners and business owners resulting in economic prosperity, community development and a vibrant center city. Our purpose is to lead change to create a vibrant downtown where people want to live, work and play. CCDC strives to support businesses in the Main Street district through all facets of their business needs, while helping grow the community.

Christian Charities of Richmond/Wayne County Inc.
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $2,500
Christian Charities is focused on service to our community and specifically our children. We run programs that help our kids prepare for school and with the food insecurities they face. Backpack Blessings is designed to provide food during the weekend that the social network is the weakest. Teachers note that kids on Monday fall asleep in class, ask for seconds on breakfast, wonder how soon lunch will be served and do not do their normal level of achievement in their schoolwork. Providing the kids with two meals on the Friday at the end of a school month has proven to help the kids achieve their best on Monday. Funding from this Challenge Match will be used to provide the three distributions planned for the first half of 2021, in January, February and April (March is skipped because of the Spring Break timing).
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Circle U Help Center, Inc.
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Match Goal: $10,000
Our mission is to provide food to the needy. We accomplish this by providing meal service 3 days per week and handing out groceries 3 times per month. We also deliver, every Saturday, meals for two days to shut-ins who have signed up with Meals-On-Wheels. And we prepare and deliver 600-800 hot Thanksgiving Dinners on Thanksgiving Day. The money raised will help fund our operating costs for food, supplies, management, utilities, insurance and building and equipment maintenance.

Communities In Schools of Wayne Co.
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $10,000
Communities In Schools of Wayne County surrounds students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. Our evidence-based approach, adapted to meet each community’s unique needs, is the key to our success.

The CIS of Wayne County affiliate and its site coordinators leverage partnerships to connect students and families with community resources, tailoring them to their specific needs. The CIS site coordinator is responsible for executing the CIS School Support Plan and meeting the needs of the student population, aligning with the priorities of school leadership. They work inside the school with principals, teachers, and other student support personnel to forge community partnerships that bring resources into the school. These resources help remove barriers to learning both inside and outside the school to improve the child’s ability to succeed in life. Based on the needs of the school and community, they can provide any or all of the following: Academic Assistance, Basic Needs, Behavioral Intervention, College & Career Preparation, Family Engagement, Life Skills, Mental Health, and Physical Health.

The Match will assist CIS in continuing to reach those children and families in need in each of the Wayne County schools it currently serves.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Community Christian School
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $2,500

CCS is an educational institution founded to support parents who desire a solid, rigorous, academic environment rich with family involvement. CCS is proactive in the support of all families who enter the school, with a purposeful emphasis on Christian training as our name implies.

CCS has utilized the WCF Challenge Match historically to stimulate donors to assist in the acquisition of new technology for the classroom. This year we hope to utilize the WCF Challenge Match to build on our history and complete another Phase of our Technology acquisition plan while also expand our learning platforms.

Our current plan includes the purchase of: 25 Lenovo Ideapad Chromebook Duet tablets for Grades 1st and 2nd, the purchase of Kami and Pear Deck software which will allow teachers and students to interact remotely with more in-depth precision. We also desire to update our Google G-Suite plan and finally, implement a "Google Audit" for all Google platform programs which are currently in operation at CCS.

Cope Environmental Center
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Match Goal: $10,000

The mission of Cope Environmental Center (CEC) is to promote the sustainable use of the Earth's resources through education, demonstration, and research. We strive to achieve this mission through our environmental education programming, sustainability lectures, and the demonstration of sustainable practices and policies through our new facility. CEC offers more than 3 miles of trails and 130 acres of wetland, woodland, and prairie habitat, all open to the public for recreation and research. Even with the challenges of COVID-19, we have seen continued and increased activity on our trails during months of COVID-19 restrictions. To further address these challenges, we have adapted programming efforts and resources to provide virtual and physically distanced nature education opportunities. All of the above efforts and Center resources play into CEC's long-term plan to become a state leader in environmental education and sustainability programming. Our short-term goals to achieve this include investing more in local educators, staff, and volunteer understanding of our Center, updated technology, and environmental education by initiating programs that are financially feasible and fit into the schedules of the diverse, working families in our community. Funds raised during the Wayne County Foundation Challenge Match will be used to underwrite these efforts.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

K-Ready
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Match Goal: $5,000
Every Child Can Read, Inc. believes all children of Wayne County deserve the opportunity to enter school prepared to learn and read. Through our K-Ready program we encourage parents/caregivers to read with their children every day from birth. We hope to open a world of opportunities by growing a love of reading. Through K-Ready sponsored programming and outreach activities, we educate families, while building bridges between the educational community and our underserved population. The Match will help K-Ready continue to grow 3 programs: Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library (DPIL); Wayne County children receive FREE books each month sent directly to their home until they turn 5. Our current enrollment is 1889. With your support and support of a successful inaugural campaign, we surpassed our 2020 goal of 1500. We were able to enroll Early Head Start children and all newborns born at Reid Health. RX Prescription for Reading; We distribute a FREE book for wellvisits (7 books) and a “prescription” explaining the health benefits of reading to your child every day and Books at Birth (Reid Health); a book and Bunny Backpack given to every mother and baby supporting the importance of reading every day.

Friends of Morrisson-Reeves Library
80 North 6th Street
Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $2,500
The Friends of Morrisson-Reeves Library’s mission is to encourage lifelong learning and inspire our community to learn and grow through regular use of the library and its valuable resources.

With funds raised through the Wayne County Challenge Match, the library will continue its initiatives to encourage local citizens to utilize the valuable resources the library has to offer. Grant money will be used for programming and events that are offered free of charge to all citizens. We plan on reaching under-served citizens, bridging the digital divide by offering digital literacy training and offering early literacy classes for parents of young readers.

Gateway Hunger Relief Center
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $5,000
The Gateway Hunger Relief Center serves members of our community that are challenged regarding food insecurities. We operate a food pantry that is open two days every week and serves all that come. We have created an environment of dignity by structuring our facility similar to grocery stores and allowing our clients to choose nutritious foods, especially fresh produce. We do not qualify any clients other than to ask them general background questions as required by our food donor organizations. We also have outreach programs to other smaller pantries, sharing our supplies with them.

In 2020, we started a delivery program to facilities, agencies and institutions that house clients that are unable to get to our location. We are expecting this project to grow.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Genesis of Richmond, Inc.
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $5,000
Genesis of Richmond has been providing services for the community since the mid 1970's. We serve victims and their children of family, domestic, dating violence and sexual assault. Our services include but are not limited to safe shelter, victim advocacy, self-help programs, individual and group counseling, 24 hr. hotline service, and community education and presentations. All services are available to residential and non-residential clients. Our services are available 365 days a year, 24 hours a day.

Girls, Inc.
of Wayne County
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $10,000
Girls Inc. of Wayne County is in our 51st year of serving our community by upholding our mission to inspire all girls to be strong, smart, and bold through direct service and advocacy. Our comprehensive approach to whole-girl development equips girls to navigate economic, social, and gender barriers and grow up healthy, educated, and independent. Girls Inc. delivers research-based programming to girls in Kindergarten through 8th grade which teaches them to face societal challenges in a positive way. We also provide outreach programming in local schools throughout Wayne and Union counties. We will use funds from the 2020 Challenge Match to support our afterschool and summer programming in the following ways: (1) program supply costs, (2) scholarships, (3) extended programming dates, (4) transportation (5) expanded outreach efforts(6) staffing and (7) recruitment. We strive to keep our year-round care affordable for families in our community, and this year our afterschool session is only $10/month.

Golay Community Center
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Cambridge City, IN 47327

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Match Goal: $5,000
Like many other non-profit organizations, the Golay Community Center has been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our facility was required to shut its doors for 10 weeks and upon reopening business has dropped drastically. Our focus for the Challenge Match is to obtain funds to continue to help offset the cost of general operating bills (such as water, gas, electric, etc.) to help continue to keep the Golay Community Center open to the public. The Golay Community Center is a large facility and the cost of operating comes with a large price tag. Unfortunately, with all the restrictions made just to open, our capacity has been limited, which has caused a drop in our normal day pass purchases. Some of our bigger money-making programs and events have been cancelled, causing a decline in funds for operating.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Good News Habitat for Humanity
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $2,500
Our mission at Good News Habitat for Humanity, Inc. is to build homes, community and hope. We have a vision to eliminate poverty housing in Wayne County through increasing homeownership opportunities to families with low-but stable income, we do so by providing a hand up to homeownership not a hand out. Every night in Wayne County it is estimated that as many as 3,800 children go to sleep in an apartment or house that is either considered poverty housing, in need of major repairs or is too small for their family size. Some of their living spaces are unsafe, have leaky roofs, mold issues or windows that are loose or broken. We believe that stable housing brings people in from the margins, we teach our partner families the tools with which to help themselves break the cycle of poverty. This is why we advocate for affordable housing for our families because low-income should never keep a family from pursuing the American Dream of raising their family in their own home.

Hand-in-Hand Adult Day Care of Richmond
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $5,000
Adult Day Center has been a vital part of the Wayne County area for thirty-four years, serving the frail and elderly. Our services are a cost-effective alternative to other forms of long-term care while allowing an individual to remain at home as long as possible. Adult Day Center provides daily socialization, medical monitoring, structured activities, nutritious meals, flexible hours, individualized care, and transportation. Self-worth, independence, and a feeling of belonging are some of the goals we strive to achieve with our participants. Respite for caregivers is vital to their well-being.
The approximate daily cost of an ECF in Indiana is $215. The average cost for a home health aide is $23 an hour. A full day at our center (including all services listed above) is $68. We will use funds raised to help cover operating expenses such as transportation, programming, etc. in order to help keep our fees reasonable.

Hayes Arboretum
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $10,000
Gifts to Hayes Arboretum through the Challenge Match Program are applied to nature-oriented educational programming, staff and volunteer development, and property & facilities enhancement. This support is more important than ever as members of our community are eager to capitalize on existing opportunities and the need for health, wellness, education and entertainment. The Arboretum offers an expansive outdoor laboratory to motivate children to aspire to love nature as well as to respect and protect our environment. Concurrently, their families enjoy hiking (our most popular outdoor activity) as a way to relax, reduce stress and enjoy meaningful time. Events such as the 2021 Richmond’s Family Earth Day will bring people together in a family-friendly venue to celebrate the stewardship of our planet. Our Challenge Match participation enable us to optimize educational program growth with financial support necessary to sustain that growth. Every gift is meaningful and very much appreciated!
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Help the Animals, Inc.
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $5,000
The Mission of HELP the Animals, Inc. (Humane Existence for Lost Pets) is very straightforward, and one that we have pursued for over 30 years. We maintain a no-kill shelter, providing a home for lost or abandoned dogs and cats that are sometimes victims of cruelty, abuse and/or neglect. All animals in our care are current with immunizations and are spayed or neutered before adoption, ensuring that they will not add to the overpopulation of unwanted pets. Shelter staff provide medical care, nourishment, exercise and love while actively pursuing lifetime adoptive homes; animals remain at the shelter until permanent guardians are found. We will use funds raised in the service of this mission, and provide care, enrichment and love for the over 1,000 dogs and cats who pass through our doors each year. Like most animal shelters, adoption fees cover less than half of our cost per animal. And like most shelters, the need in our community far outstrips our capacity to respond. Challenge Match funds directly impact our ability to provide a safe haven for animals as well as our ability to reach out to potential adopters and find the right homes for them.

Hope House
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $5,000
Hope House has two missions: we are a voluntary residential addictions recovery program for men and our facility serves as homeless shelter for men at night. We are a non-medical addictions program and the only homeless shelter for men in the Wayne County area. Our addictions program is for those who are seeking an alternative treatment for addiction. It is for those who choose a sobriety through, prayer/meditation, counseling and peer accountability. We work to provide services that ensure opportunities exist for individuals recovering from drug/alcohol addictions. Our homeless shelter provides food, clothing and shelter for those men in need of a safe overnight environment.

Independent Living Center of Eastern Indiana
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $2,500
The mission and focus of our Center is succinct and powerful; to empower people with disabilities. In 2021 our Center will celebrate 23 years of providing independent living services through collaboratively working with our consumers as they manage the challenges that come with significant disabilities. Our primary goal is assist them as they remain in their own home and live as independent a life as they choose. The money raised through our collaborative effort with the Wayne County Foundation’s Challenge Match will be used to further our mission.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

JACY House
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Match Goal: $5,000

JACY House believes it is critical for children to be protected from the various types of bullying and all forms of abuse. In response, JACY House utilizes two prevention education programs in Wayne County.

The Monique Burr Foundation (MBF) for Children provides abuse prevention programming that is offered to all pre-K through 12th grade students in Wayne County. This abuse education programs, Child Safety Matters and Teen Safety Matters, build on children’s self-esteem and helps provide them with the skills needed in order for them to resist abuse or bring an end to existing abuse, which may affect them from childhood into adulthood.

Darkness to Light’s Stewards of Children is used to train parents, staff and volunteers that work with children on how to protect them specifically from child sexual abuse. Stewards of Children is the only nationally available program proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and increase child protective behaviors. Created by experts in the field of prevention and evaluated for effectiveness, this program equips participants with self-awareness tools and five simple steps used to protect children.

Junior Achievement of Eastern Indiana
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Match Goal: $2,500

The mission of Junior Achievement (JA) is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy. JA’s programs for K-12th graders – in the core content areas of work readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy – ignite the spark in young people to realize the opportunities and realities of work and life in the 21st century. During the previous school year, JA successfully reached over 3,500 students in the Eastern Indiana area with the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their futures, and make smart academic and economic choices. Each JA program, from Kindergarten through 12th grade, is delivered by a trained volunteer who brings the curriculum to the students in their classroom. Our structure and delivery system allows us to draw upon a long history of professionally-developed programs, and to target them specifically to our local communities. Through the collaborative support of grants, business partners, and individuals, we are able to provide our programs to schools at no cost. We strive to continue to improve the quality of life in our communities by giving our young people the confidence, tools, and motivation to achieve their personal, educational, and career goals.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Model T Ford Club of America
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Match Goal: $5,000
The Model T Museum is an anchor in the Historic Richmond Depot District, a strong business partner, and contributor to the community’s economic health. It will be pivotal to post-COVID recovery of District businesses by attracting people back to visit. A dynamic learning experience is provided for those who come every year from nearly every state and many countries. Making each visitor’s time educational and enjoyable is a top priority and has consistently earned us TripAdvisor’s highest rating. While the COVID situation severely affected momentum, we have adapted and continue to grow. A major goal was achieved with completion of the Vintage Ford Agency Show Room, Sales Office, and Parts Department. This ‘completes the loop’ to show how simple automobile agencies evolved into modern dealerships. We also created ‘tour enhancers’ that allow people to learn and have fun while social distancing. A recent visitor wrote, “We planned our trip north so we could be there ‘re-opening day.’ It’s amazing each year we visit how much the Museum continues to evolve. Entering the Agency, we truly felt as if we’d stepped back in time! Authentic exhibits are only outshined by beautiful cars and a genuine Ford Garage!” The Tagerts, Florida

Natco Community Empowerment Center
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Match Goal: $2,500
Natco Community Empowerment Center's mission is "Helping people live better lives". Empowering our citizens through financial education, training, tools, strategies, encouragement and support to change their lives, build a self-sustaining, secure, thriving future and become a positive contributor in our community.

Our agency is a "one-stop-shop" that assists individuals and families through our 4 Steps to Empowerment.

Step 1: Connection to Needed Resources – this includes connection to assistance for immediate needs such as rent, utilities, food, etc.

Step 2: Job Seeking Assistance – this includes resume' writing assistance, computer/internet access for applying for jobs, practice interviewing, our Career Closet which has business appropriate attire.

Step 3: Money Management Counseling – this includes one-on-one financial reviews with a certified financial counselor, budget development, credit building/repair, free tax preparation, Individual Development Accounts (a savings program used for first time home purchases, post-secondary education, staring a new business or critical home repairs).

Step 4: Classes, Training, & Workshops – this includes a variety of training opportunities, continued one-on-one follow-up counseling meetings, participation in a poverty simulation, and connection to additional resources as needs change.

Our agency wants to be a change-agent and assist our citizens in meeting their life goals.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Open Arms Ministries
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Match Goal: $5,000
Open Arms Ministries, established in 2009, is a front line grass roots organization that responds to the needs of those struggling with poverty and in danger of losing shelter or basic utilities. We provide care kits and sleeping mats to the homeless, bus passes to those starting new jobs and budget management education and planning. Our services provide a stopgap in the downward spiral into more permanent poverty for those facing challenges due to situational poverty.

Challenge match funds will be used to support the salary and efforts of a PT Outreach Coordinator. The focus for this position will be directed toward potential donor relationships and increasing our funding base. An additional focus will be increased visibility to potential clients and those newly facing poverty.

Richmond Art Museum
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $10,000
RAM will utilize the challenge match funds for our vital educational programs. The museum currently does an excellent job of serving the elementary schools through our multi-cultural program, Art Is... and for our high school art students through the All Wayne County High School Art Exhibition. With the new RAM VanGo program, a new mobile educational program will bring programs to middle schools, both private and public.

RAM provides nearly 200 programs annually serving 22,000 citizens from the Indiana region including Wayne, Union, Franklin, Fayette, Henry, Randolph and Preble and Darke Counties in Ohio. RAM partners with local and regional schools via current educational and outreach programs.

Today, more than ever, the museum has become a resource for not only the visual arts, but for the greater arts community at large. RAM has been integral part of public initiatives such as the Meltdown Winter Ice Festival and City Life.

Richmond Civic Theatre
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $5,000
Since the 1940s, the Richmond Civic Theatre has pursued its mission to produce high-quality theatrical productions that will engage, entertain, educate, and inspire the people of Richmond and the surrounding area, participants and audiences alike. Donations given during the match will be used to further this mission, most notably by raising money to fund social distancing compliant theatrical shows and events.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Richmond Day Nursery
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Match Goal: $5,000
Richmond Day Nursery provides our community workforce with dependable childcare and kindergarten preparedness, just as it has for over 100 years. We provide educational childcare from 6am-6pm, Monday through Friday for ages two through preschool. We serve warm meals and snacks to our students at NO ADDITIONAL COST to families. RDN prepares students socially, academically, morally and emotionally for future learning and experiences. Our teachers and staff demonstrate how to be respectful and follow rules while encouraging students to be kind and give back to our community. Funds raised throughout the year, and especially during the Challenge Match allow us to provide a safe, fun and educationally stimulating program that is affordable to area families.

Richmond Family YMCA
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $5,000
The YMCA’s Mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all. Our cause is that every day we work side-by-side with our families and partners to make sure that everyone, regardless of age, race, income or background, has the opportunity to physically active and be healthy.

The Challenge Match will support our Y Program Scholarship and Assistance Fund. This fund ensures no student is turned away from involvement with our Youth Sports Programming, Fitness Programming or Child Care. For every dollar we issue in Scholarship assistance, we have to raise through grants or fundraising efforts.

As of August 1st, we had already issued $14,489 in scholarships, and issue around $20,000 annually. In our normal (pre-COVID) year, our Youth sports programming serves close 400 youth participating in sports and over 150 students participating in our Child Care programming (Wayne and Union). We believe that every child, teen and family deserves the experience of YMCA sports programs and affordable Child Care regardless of any financial difficulties their family might be facing.
Richmond Friends School
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $10,000
Richmond Friends School provides a quality educational experience for each child, preschool through 8th grade. RFS nurtures the intellectual, emotional, creative, spiritual, and physical gifts of the individual within a community explicitly framed by the Religious Society of Friends. Accepting of all faiths and not instructive in religious education, RFS is dedicated to the Quaker testimonies of Simplicity, Peace, Integrity, Community, Equality and Stewardship. RFS provides low student-to-teacher ratios and project-based, collaborative learning environments that include out-of-school experiences and hands-on opportunities. RFS exceeds state academic standards and is committed to non-traditional assessments. Without state standardized testing, RFS families do not participate in the state voucher program making tuition assistance especially important. Due to the spread of COVID-19, RFS has seen a reduction in enrollment, an immediate need to update technology, and a need to expand scholarship opportunities to families who have experienced a loss of income. With the Challenge Match funds, RFS will ensure the availability of the intimate, high-quality academic experience to students, regardless of their family’s financial capacity.

Richmond Indiana Pickleball, Inc.
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $2,500
Richmond Indiana Pickleball Inc. was incorporated February 24, 2020, following 2 years of successful fund raising and the construction of 8 pickleball courts at Clear Creek Park. Local donors contributed monies and we received a matching grant from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority. The courts were completed mid-August 2019.
It is the intent of Richmond Indiana Pickleball, Inc. (a 501c3) to provide increase fitness of Wayne County residents, to increase interaction and socialization among players and spectators, provide multigenerational interaction and sport, and increase the number of players in Wayne County.

Last summer and fall over 80 free classes were held with 688 participants. Participation grew throughout the past year and we now have around 500 active players. We also have spectators who come to the courts for socialization and interaction. Our social media facebook group has over 900 members. Pickleball is not only a local phenomena but a national one with over three million players this year and projected five million players next year.
Match Goal: $5,000

If not us, then who? If not now, then when? These two simple questions were the founding words for Richmond Neighborhood Restoration (RNR). In January 2014, while the City of Richmond was taking great strides to demolish blighted houses, no group was working to preserve the rich architectural history of the area.

Simply put, RNR restores houses, to restore neighborhoods, to restore Richmond. The historic resources in Richmond are an invaluable asset to our community, one that distinguishes Richmond from other cities, and one that attracts people to our area. We work to preserve these resources and in doing so, create a positive, identifiable image of Richmond.

As a nonprofit, RNR can tackle some of the most challenging blight issues within Wayne County. Through our team of wonderful volunteers and community partnerships, we can reduce the costs of renovation while delivering a beautiful product.

To date, we have saved three houses in Richmond, each abandoned and set to decay; The William Bockhoff House (36 South 19th), The Elwood McGuire House (1903 East Main), and The Ann & Jerry Judge House (74 South 17th). Two more houses are currently in progress located at 2009 and 2237 East Main Street.

Match Goal: $10,000

The Richmond Parks and Recreation Department provides for the positive development and well-being of the Richmond community through the provision of parks, greenways, trails and recreational programming and facilities while working in cooperation with other service providers and partners in the community to maximize all available resources. A dwindling budget and manpower has aided in the deterioration of our park system for the past several years. We believe now is the time to enlist the help of the Wayne County Foundation Challenge Match Program and our community to make our park system SHINE. "Parks take a community effort to truly exemplify their full potential." Together we can make a considerable impact to reach our true potential for both parks and recreation. Enlisting in efforts to repair while making necessary improvements will be essential to maintain the momentum we seek to continue. The ultimate goal will be to provide parks and spaces that become destinations and our community can take PRIDE in for generations to come.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Richmond Rose Garden
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $5,000
The Richmond Rose Garden provides a one-of-a-kind experience for residents and visitors to enjoy the beauty of roses and the solace of a well-maintained garden space within the city. The Garden is also a venue for community events, weddings, and tourism that brings revenue to supporting businesses in the city. The Garden is funded through individual donations and grants. All funds go directly into the maintenance and improvement of the Garden. The Garden has no paid staff and relies on the dedication of over 40 volunteers who donate approximately 1500 hours of their time. Maintaining a Garden of over 1100 roses requires a significant financial investment. About 10% of the rose plants need to be replaced each year. In addition, the roses must be protected against pests and disease by the purchase and professional application of pesticides and insecticides. Over 25 cubic yards of mulch is purchased annually for weed control. A professionally maintained irrigation system assures the plants receive sufficient water. Contractors are hired for heavy work such as tree and shrub maintenance, painting, and repairs. The funds raised this year during the Challenge Match will assist with all of these maintenance expenses in the Rose Garden.

Richmond Shakespeare Festival
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $10,000
The mission of the Richmond Shakespeare Festival organization is to produce and promote an annual Shakespeare festival of the highest quality, including theatrical performances and educational opportunities, based in Richmond, Indiana. Funds raised through the Challenge Match will be used to support: our annual summer festival of plays by William Shakespeare in the historic Starr-Gennett Factory building in the Whitewater Gorge Park; our free Shakespeare in the park offerings at Elstro Plaza; our in-school programming including productions of Shakespeare plays; and, other community events and activities related to Shakespeare.

Richmond Symphony Orchestra
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $10,000
For more than 60 years, Richmond Symphony Orchestra (RSO) has shaped the cultural landscape of the region by delivering exceptional, inclusive music experiences that enrich, entertain and educate. The pandemic has certainly caused the cancellation of some of RSO's performances but has also served to provide opportunity for creative thinking and a re-envisioning of how to fulfill the organization's mission despite current constraints. Until musicians and patrons can safely return to the hall, RSO is committed to bringing people back into community in safe, socially distanced ways hosting events with small ensembles. When we are able to return to full programming, continuing the tradition of full orchestra performances and youth programming will be a priority. Support raised during the Challenge Match will financially support player compensation and ensure the RSO continues its tradition of creating cultural experiences that bring value and vitality to the Richmond community.
Wayne County Foundation

2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Starr-Gennett Foundation
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Richmond, IN 47374

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Match Goal: $2,500
The focus of the Starr-Gennett Foundation is to keep the Starr and Gennett legacies alive in order to inspire future generations of musical innovators. We are currently developing content for a new virtual series titled "Have you met...?". This series will introduce a different Gennett Recording artist each week through our website and social media platforms. These introductions will include video and/or audio clips of each highlighted artist. We have also created a tour map highlighting the Gennett Walk of Fame, murals of Gennett Recording artists and locations important to the Starr-Gennett story. We will use this map to invite our supporters to join us on a virtual tour with live commentary. As a follow-up to the "Have you met...?" series there will be "Remember when you met..." series revisiting the previously introduced artists and encouraging continued financial support.

Sunrise, Inc. Therapeutic Riding Center
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Match Goal: $2,500
Sunrise Therapeutic Riding Center is updating our strategic growth and development plan to better serve children and adults with disabilities, at risk youth, and returning veterans during our next 40 years (1980-2020) of service to our local communities. We are requesting support for general operating expenses that would include feed, farrier, veterinary care, horse purchase, staff development and education through PATH (Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship) certification training assistance, board development, and strategic planning. With your help we can implement an efficient and effective staffing plan to allow us to generate additional revenue and meet our strategic goals.

Townsend Community Center
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Richmond, IN 47375

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Match Goal: $2,500
Townsend Community Center, Inc. consistently focuses to fulfill our mission statement by the development & implementation of requested services/programs. Periodically, we must re-evaluate our lives, neighborhoods, cities, our values must be reassessed, principals restated, & our convictions must definitively begin afresh by endeavors. Nowadays, Richmond community & the residents, face many apparent issues regarding social, health, safety, security, family dynamics, education, economics, housing, employment, & the rampant substance abuse issues.

The 2020 Challenge Match funds will be used for General Operating costs; operation of Harambee After-School Program virtually & at Crestdale Elementary School; research, development, collaboration & implementation other programs to assist our community & neighbors.
Wayne County Foundation  
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Wayne County Cardinal Greenway
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Richmond, IN 47375

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**Match Goal: $10,000**

The Cardinal Greenway is the longest trail in the state of Indiana at 62 miles and spans five counties from Richmond to Marion with 22.5 miles here in Wayne County. It offers a free health and wellness resource for the communities it serves by providing a safe, inviting environment to walk, run, bicycle and spend time outside in nature being physically active. The Greenway is open and available to use from dawn to dusk every day of the year. As a private, non-profit trail we receive 100% of our funding from our donors and supporters, private grant-making organizations and our fundraising events and we receive no taxpayer dollars. We offer several outreach programs for the community, including a free bicycle rental program in partnership with the Cycling and Fitness Warehouse and "Couch to 5K" walking and running training groups. We are a small organization with a part-time Director and part-time, seasonal Maintenance Assistant so we rely heavily on our dedicated group of volunteers to help us care for and maintain the trail.

Wayne County Historical Museum
1150 North A Street
Richmond, IN 47374

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**Match Goal: $5,000**

The Wayne County Historical Museum educates, promotes, collects, preserves, and interprets the rich heritage of Wayne County, Indiana and illustrates the county’s role in American and World Culture. Our museum is a unique showcase of Wayne County and world culture. Our founder, Julia Meek Gaar brought back items from her many world excursions to share with the children of Wayne County. As the museum’s first director, Mrs. Julia Meek Gaar collected objects that interpreted the vast history of Wayne County, and made important connections between Wayne County and the world at large.

We will use the funds raised during the Challenge Match to assist with expenses related to reopening and sustaining our organization. We are planning exciting ways to engage audiences virtually during 2020 and 2021. This year is the Wayne County Historical Museum’s 90th anniversary and we plan to celebrate the next year with exciting exhibits, innovative programs, and increased preservation efforts.

Western Wayne Dollars for Scholars
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**Match Goal: $10,000**

The Western Wayne Chapter of Dollars for Scholars Board Members are extremely active in establishing our chapter and raising funds to provide local scholarships for Lincoln High School graduates. Our all-volunteer board is dedicated to expanding access to postsecondary education and encouraging educational preparation. Our group understands the impact these scholarships have in Western Wayne County. The amount of funds we raise each year directly affects the number of scholarships we are able to give.
Wayne County Foundation
2020 Challenge Match Participant Information

Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission
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Match Goal: $2,500
We are the only free civil legal services provider in east central Indiana. We do not charge clients for work on their non-criminal cases. Most of our work deals with families in crisis. In recent years our work has been, to a great extent, due to the opioid crisis and this year we are helping families who have been adversely affected by covid-19.

Williamsburg Area Community Center
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Match Goal: $2,500
The Williamsburg Area Community Center, Inc. (WACC) is a building which is truly the center of the community. It holds nearly 100 years of history, both literally and figuratively, as it houses a museum of area treasures and artifacts. The building has seen generations come and go through life cycles of baby showers, graduation parties, wedding receptions, retirement celebrations and funeral observations. It regularly hosts the Jon Detweiler Memorial Shootout high school basketball tournament, drawing in athletes from all around the region. It is used by local elementary, middle and high school athletes from nearby Northeastern Wayne Schools for their wrestling club, adult basketball leagues and AAU travel teams. The WACC is now 97 years old. The main costs associated with this building are utilities and maintenance. Due to its age, the building is in constant need of repairs.