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Wayne County Foundation awards \$132,783 through latest round of grantmaking

The Wayne County Foundation is pleased to announce that ten different local organizations have been awarded a total of \$132,783 through its latest round of grantmaking. Nine organizations were awarded \$97,783 through Grant Cycle II to support local programs or projects to enhance the spirit of the community and improve the quality of life across Wayne County.

Additionally, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County received a \$35,000 award through the Foundation’s Impact Grant Program. Impact Grants are available for larger programs or projects that proactively respond to a community need and have a plan for long-term sustainability and ability to be funded in the future by the organization. The Boys & Girls Clubs will be undergoing a major renovation of their teen center and construction of a new staff training facility at their McDaniel Unit.

‘The Wayne County Foundation is very excited about this most recent round of grants,’ said Executive Director Rebecca Gilliam. ‘The impact of the work of these organizations is realized on a daily basis. We are a proud partner of the great work they accomplish around our community.’

Earlier this year, the Foundation awarded eighteen different organizations received a total of \$146,015 through its Grant Cycle I in May. Grant Cycle III awards will be announced in September.

The Wayne County Foundation’s grantmaking is made possible by income from unrestricted and endowed field-of-interest funds. Below is the list of the grant awards approved by the Foundation’s Board of Directors at their July meeting.

American Red Cross	\$7,500	To support their home fire response program in Wayne County. Response can include temporary shelter, food, clothing, or other basic needs.
Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County	\$35,000	To support the renovation of the teen center and construction of a new staff training center at their west side McDaniel Unit.
Communities in Schools, Inc.	\$15,000	To support school-based site coordination program.
Cope Environmental Center	\$15,000	To support the maintenance and upkeep of the center's trails, bridge, and for new signage for wayfinding and educational purposes.
Every Child Can Read	\$11,133	To support the organization's K-Ready Program, which emphasizes literacy in children ages 0-5, and includes the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

Food Bank Inc. DBA Gateway Hunger Relief Center	\$7,500	To support the purchase of food for their pantry and costs associated with food distribution.
Golay Community Center, Inc.	\$7,500	To support the purchase of a new air conditioning system for the gymnasium.
Good News Habitat for Humanity, Inc.	\$15,000	To support a home-building project in the Fairview Neighborhood in collaboration with the EDC and State.
Levi and Catharine Coffin House	\$14,000	To support on-site educational programs at the historic site.
Richmond Rose Garden	\$5,150	To support the renovation of the gazebo and gazebo roof.

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Since 1979, the Wayne County Foundation has existed 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.