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**Wayne County Foundation
Announces Lilly Endowment Community Scholars**

The Wayne County Foundation is pleased to announce the selection of two area high school seniors who will receive the prestigious Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.

Michael Davis and Alexis Worl were chosen from a pool of 90 applicants from throughout Wayne County. Each recipient will receive a four-year, full-tuition scholarship and \$900 annual stipend for required books and equipment to attend an accredited public or private nonprofit college or university in Indiana.

Michael is a senior at Centerville-Abington High School. At the end of his junior year he had a 4.36 GPA and plans to graduate with an Academic Honors diploma. Michael has participated in National Honor Society, Chess Club, Swimming, Golf, Model Legislature, and Experimental Aircraft Association. He served in several leadership positions, including Class President, Flight Sergeant in Civil Air Patrol, Captain of the Soccer and Academic Teams. Michael plans to attend Purdue University and study Aeronautical Engineering Technology. He is the son of Mike and Alyssa Davis.

Alexis, a senior at Lincoln High School, completed her junior year with a 4.30 GPA and plans to graduate with an Academic Honors diploma. Alexis has participated in Cheerleading, Golf, National Honor Society, Key Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She has held several leadership positions within these activities. Alexis plans to attend Butler University and major in Psychology. She is the daughter of Richai Morgan and Daniel Worl.

“The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship is an amazing opportunity for students to continue their education after high school, without incurring the debt most students experience,” said Lisa Bates, the Foundation’s program officer.

The primary purposes of the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program are 1) to help raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana; 2) to increase awareness of the beneficial roles Indiana community foundations can play in their communities; and 3) to encourage and support the efforts of current and past Lilly Endowment Community Scholars to engage with each other and with Indiana business, governmental, educational, nonprofit and civic leaders to improve the quality of life in Indiana generally and in local communities throughout the state.

Since 1998, 51 students have been awarded Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships through the Wayne County Foundation. This year’s awardees will be recognized, at the Wayne County Foundation’s Annual Report to the Community dinner in June, 2021.

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The Wayne County Foundation 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.