

2020 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

# CONNECTIONS DEARBORN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC.

















## DCF HELPS ESTABLISH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM WITH LILLY ENDOWMENT INC. LEADERSHIP GRANT

The Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF), Inc. received a \$100,000 Community Leadership Grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. in late 2020 to help establish the poverty-to-self-sufficiency employment program, Rural Works, in Dearborn County.

The Community Leadership Grant is part of the seventh phase of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT VII) initiative. DCF is one of 84 community foundations in Indiana receiving grants through this round of GIFT VII grantmaking. Lilly Endowment created GIFT in 1990 to help local communities in Indiana develop the philanthropic capacity to identify local needs and challenges. GIFT VII was launched in 2018 and made available a total of \$125 million to help foundations strengthen their leadership capacities in the towns, cities and counties they serve.

"We are very thankful Lilly Endowment once again provided us with a great opportunity to help tackle a challenge in our community," said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director. "We also are thankful to community members who helped the Foundation identify the need for a program like Rural Works in Dearborn County."

As part of GIFT VII, Dearborn Community Foundation was awarded a planning grant of \$50,000 in 2019 to convene local stakeholders to identify, prioritize and assess opportunities and challenges in Dearborn County. In March 2020, DCF was invited to apply for a GIFT VII Community Leadership Grant to implement strategies and activities identified during the planning period.

The \$100,000 GIFT VII Community Leadership grant provides funding to River Valley Resources, Inc. (RVR), Madison, Ind., to help establish Rural Works, an employment program based on the highly-successful, nearly 25-year-old Cincinnati Works model. The program is called Dearborn Works and is working closely with other community partners, like Work One, Ivy Tech Community college, the Southeast Indiana Chamber Foundation, the CARE (Community Action Recovery Effort) Initiative, Jail Chemical Addiction Program (JCAP) and others.

In addition, DCF's Board of Directors approved matching the \$100,000 GIFT VII Community Leadership Grant with a \$100,000 grant from the Foundation's Lawrenceburg Community Grant Program to help sustain Dearborn Works after the initial funding. United Way of Southeast Indiana also has already begun providing funding to establish and sustain the program in Dearborn County.

DCF relied heavily on the United Way's "Big Ideas" community assessment along with convenings, large and small, to help prioritize challenges and opportunities in Dearborn County. The Foundation and other community leaders also attended community development workshops, planning sessions, and conferences to get community input. The top three needs identified by assessment by United Way and DCF were "A Ready Workforce," "Leadership Development," and "Substance Abuse Prevention and Support."

"The leaders of workforce development and substance abuse initiatives, along with the United Way, urged us to consider supporting a program like Rural Works," McCarter said. "We all agreed Rural Works would compliment the work these initiatives are doing to help individuals in our community."

The key goal of Dearborn Works is to help people that need support and coaching to become, or get back to being, prideful, economically self-sufficient people, who are productive, tax-paying citizens without the need for public assistance. Dearborn Works will be open to the general public and also will serve justice-involved individuals. In order to graduate from Dearborn Works, a participant must attend and participate in 30 hours of intensive soft skills training taught in a week-long job readiness workshop. Curriculum is taught by professional case management staff, as well as community volunteers, including local employers.

Established in December 1997 during the ear-



ly phases of the GIFT initiative, members of the community have been turning to Dearborn Community Foundation for more than 20 years now to make their philanthropic dreams come true. DCF, a 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt public charity, helps donors' dreams come true by safeguarding endowments for the community through contributions large and small. DCF recently was reaccredited with the nation's highest standard for philanthropic excellence from the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations®, which establishes legal, ethical, and effective practices for community foundations everywhere. The Foundation first received this accreditation in January 2009.

Lilly Endowment Inc. is an Indianapolis-based private philanthropic foundation created in 1937 by J.K. Lilly, Sr. and his sons Eli and J.K. Jr. through gifts of stock in their pharmaceutical business, Eli Lilly and Company. Although the gifts of stock remain a financial bedrock of the Endowment, it is a separate entity from the company, with a distinct governing board, staff and location. In keeping with the founders' wishes, the Endowment supports the causes of community development, education and religion. The Endowment funds significant programs throughout the United States, especially in the field of religion. However, it maintains a special commitment to its founders' hometown, Indianapolis, and home state, Indiana.





Austin Clark, Dearborn Works Career Coach, presents certificates to someof the recent grads of the employment program partially funded through grant funding DCF received from Lilly Endowment Inc.

## **COMMUNITY MESSAGE**

## DCF MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

#### Dear Friends:

One of the main goals of the Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) is to connect people who care with causes that improve the quality of life in our community! In our 23 years, the Foundation's many volunteers and staff members have done just that: improved the lives in our community, in part, through the establishment of more than 150 endowment funds that will make a difference in our community in perpetuity.

The Foundation's significant positive impact wouldn't be possible without the generous support of its donors and dedicated volunteers. This Annual Report shares the impact on our community that the Foundation has had through its endowments held, the grants and scholarships awarded, and our volunteers' efforts over the past year. Not only with words and financial figures, but also with photos we tell the story of the Foundation during 2020.

Through endowment at DCF, donors are able to impact our community by supporting causes close to home and close to their heart. With assets of \$24.2 million and 156 endowed funds, we take seriously the responsibility to be good stewards of the assets contributed. Due to the generosity of our donors, the Foundation was able to award nearly \$1.5 million in grants and scholarships in 2020 making a difference in the lives of many people in our community by strengthening the work of many non-profits through grants and providing aid to students in their post-secondary educational efforts.

As the lead philanthropic organization in Dearborn County, DCF is deeply committed to its role in strengthening the community through strong leadership in bringing people together around common challenges and opportunities. As we continue to partner with other non-profit organizations, donors and volunteers, we are the catalyst to connect people who care with causes that improve the quality of life in our community.

As many would expect, 2020 proved to be a challenging year with shutdowns and restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. DCF was able to provide much needed support to organizations that provide essential items and services to many in the community. Our staff, Board, donors and volunteers did not miss a beat during this time and all were instrumental in providing timely and much needed support in the true DCF fashion that many have come to know.

Our hope is that you will read this 2020 Annual Report to the Community and share it with family, friends and neighbors. We want to share with others the exciting news of the Foundation's significant impact on our community and how we all can work together to increase the county's philanthropic resources.







#### ENDOWMENT FUNDS / your contributions



## DCF IS YOUR PARTNER IN PHILANTHROPY

The Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. (DCF) offers its services to donors and professional advisors to help them fulfill their philanthropic wishes and maximize their benefits. DCF is committed to making your charitable giving a pleasurable and easy experience. The Foundation can discuss various gift vehicles and help find the best gift methods to meet donors' charitable, financial and estate planning goals.

The Foundation with assets of nearly \$24.2 million, administers 156 endowment funds. Each endowment fund is established by a separate agreement and is accounted for individually. The funds are designed to carry out the philanthropic dream of the founding contributors. The corpus of a fund is pooled with other funds for investment purposes. Distributions from the fund in the form of grants, scholarships, or payments to designated non-profit agencies are made each year.

Donors' wishes vary from the granting of scholarships in the name of a deceased loved one to designated and field of interest endowments that provide assistance to a particular non-profit organization or cause. By establishing an endowment, a donor can create a source of income for a fund's purpose in perpetuity.

For a description of the purpose of each endowment fund listed, please visit our website at dearborncf.org and select the Donors tab and then click on existing endowments in the drop-down menu.

#### **DESIGNATED FUNDS**

Alzheimers Support Groups of Southeast Indiana Fund

- Amy Cotton Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Anderson Academic Awards Fund
- The ARC of Dearborn County Fund
- Aurora Public Library District Fund Aurora Quality of Life Improvement Fund
- Aurora Tri-Kappa Fund
- Barrott Family Scholarship Fund
- Benner-Walsman Memorial Scholarship Fund

Bill Lakes Dillsboro Elementary School

Scholarship Fund

Bill Slayback Memorial Basketball Scholarship Fund Brandon Cromer Memorial Scholarship Fund Bright Lions Club Fund

Bright Volunteer Fire Department Fund

Brittany Kelly Black Memorial Scholarship Fund

Buck Crontz Boy Scouts of America Troop 637 Eagle Scout Fund

Carnegie Hall Operating Fund

Charlie Thayer Memorial Scholarship Fund

Christopher Midlam Memorial Scholarship Fund

Clarence and Wilbert Ruff St. Leon Park Fund Clayton Family Dillsboro Park Maintenance Fund

Coach Dick Meador Lawrenceburg Football Scholarship Fund

Coach Jim O'Brien Memorial Soccer Scholarship Fund Collier Holtegel Memorial Scholarship Fund Community Mental Health Center Foundation Fund Community United Methodist Church Fund Cory Lewis Memorial Scholarship Fund Daniel J. Gleason Memorial Fund Dave and Kay Chalk Education Scholarship Fund Dearborn Adult Center Fund Dearborn Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund Dearborn County Clearing House Fund Dearborn County Convention, Visitors & Tourism Bureau Fund Dearborn County Historical Society Fund Dearborn County Hospital Foundation Fund Dearborn County Parks Fund Dearborn County Quality of Life Improvement Fund Dearborn County Retired Teachers Educators Grant Fund Dearborn Highlands Arts Council Fund Deborah Meyers Guss Memorial Scholarship Fund Dillsboro Quality of Life Improvement Fund Dillsboro Fire Department Fund Dixon-Andrews Designated Endowment Fund Donald Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund Dr. Leslie M. and Dodie E. Baker Hillforest Fund Fields Family Fund Frances Deddens Memorial Fund Frank Frondorf Memorial Fund Gentrup-Fogle-Denning Military Scholarship Fund Heffelmire Family Fund for DCF Hillforest Historical Foundation Fund Historic Hoosier Hills RC&D, Inc. Fund Ivy Tech Lawrenceburg Campus Fund Ivy Tech Community College Scholarship Fund James B. Wismann YES Home Fund Jeffrey L. Huntington Hillforest Fund Jerry Tucker Memorial Scholarship Fund Jim Thayer Memorial Scholarship Fund John F. PeGan Memorial Fund Joseph & Norma Banschbach St. Lawrence School Scholarship Fund Kathi Green Memorial Scholarship Fund Laura Busse Rahe Library Fund Lawrenceburg Public Library Services & Resources Fund LaVerne Denmure Fund Loren & Christine Shuter Family Fund Main Street Aurora Fund Main Street Aurora Inc. Trail Fund Manchester Universalist Unitarian Church Fund 1

Marvin and Sabra Duerstock Scholarship Fund

Matt McIntosh Memorial Scholarship Fund

#### **ENDOWMENT FUNDS** / your contributions

Mindy McIntosh Memorial Scholarship Fund Michael R. Marine Memorial Scholarship Fund

Moores Hill Alumni Scholarship Fund Moores Hill Parks & Recreation Fund New Horizons, Services & Support Fund North Dearborn Pantry Fund PAWS of Dearborn County Fund Pete Parrott Fund PI Chapter of Kappa Kappa Kappa Inc. of Lawrenceburg Fund Pregnancy Care Center Fund Rachel Meece Memorial Fund Ross Foundation Fund Senior Services Development Fund South Dearborn Dollars For Scholars Good Knight Award Fund South Dearborn Dollars for Scholars Initiative Scholarship Fund South Dearborn Education Foundation Fund South Dearborn It Pays To Stay Scholarship Fund

- South Dearborn Scholarship Foundation Fund
- Stephanie Marie Gould Memorial Scholarship Fund
  St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church Fund
  Stock Family Fund
  Sunman Rural Fire Department Fund
  Telford & Louise Walker Fund
  Tim Tyler Memorial Scholarship Fund
  United Way of Greater Cincinnati, Dearborn
  & Ohio Counties Fund

#### DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Aurora Lions Club Charitable Fund Blair Family Fund Borgman-Meek Family Fund Community Health & Wellness Fund DCF Youth Council Fund Jack Carpenter Memorial Fund Kevin Lynch Community Impact Fund Kevin & Meghan Schafer Charitable Fund Lawrenceburg Youth Fund Lehner Family Fund Maddin-Beall Family Fund Michael S. Davis Memorial Fund Myles Alig Memorial Fund James & Darlene Phillips Family Fund Powell Family Fund PFC Craig A. Keller Memorial Fund Rupel Family Fund The Willis & Irene Chalk Memorial/Dixon Family Fund William K. Ewan Memorial Fund

#### FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Chester & Ida Muntz Family Memorial Fund Sprint Educational Excellence Fund Women Empowering Women Fund

#### SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Adam Wilhelm Memorial Scholarship Fund Byron Hartman Memorial Scholarship Fund Clarence Ruff and Wilbert Ruff East Central Scholarship Fund Clifford and Gladys Ellerbrook Ender Nursing Scholarship Fund Dan Kuebler Memorial Endowment Fund Dearborn County 4-H Scholarship Fund Denise Ann Beyer Memorial Scholarship Fund Dr. Jim Swanson Scholarship Fund Dr. Leslie M. Baker Memorial Scholarship Fund

East Central Scholarship Fund

The Frank R. Longcamp Scholarship Fund Fraternal Order of Police Scholarship Fund Gary Lyon Memorial Scholarship Fund Gerry Lehn Memorial Scholarship Fund Greg Andres North Dearborn Conservation

Club Memorial Scholarship Fund. Jacob Amberger Memorial Scholarship Fund James Lohmiller Memorial Scholarship Fund Larry Kinnett Memorial Scholarship Fund Lawrenceburg Kiwanis Club Fund

- Lil & Docky Meyers Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Manchester Area Civic Association Scholarship Fund
- Martha McKinney Newhouse Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Marvin Curry and Melvina Curry Scholarship Fund
- Michael Cleary Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Nanz Family Scholarship Fund Paul E. "Truck" Tremain Memorial
- Scholarship Fund
- Perpetual Rotary Scholarship Fund
- R. Daniel Newhouse Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Roger Gulley Memorial Scholarship Fund Ronald Selmeyer Scholarship Fund Ross Eiler Memorial Scholarship Fund William Curtis Ewbank Memorial Scholarship Fund

#### UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Community Grantmaking Fund Community Unrestricted Fund In The Interest of Children Unrestricted Fund Katie Bruner Community Fund Lauren Hill Make A Difference Fund Mike and Margaret Renck Community Fund Rupel Family Unrestricted Fund





Donors establish endowments at DCF for a range of charitable causes, including awarding grants to food pantries, whose volunteers help those in need across Dearborn County.

#### DCF AWARDS MORE THAN \$1.2 MILLION IN GRANTS DURING 2020

Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) awarded 196 grants totaling more than \$1.2 million to non-profit organizations in 2020. The grants support the needs/interests of the community in the fields of: Art, Culture and Humanities, Community and Public Benefit, Education, Environment and Animal Protection, Human Services, Public Safety and Youth Programs.

The Foundation considers awarded grants to be investments in our community. DCF grants benefit the community in a variety of ways and for more than two decades have had a major impact on the lives of the people in our community.

The majority of Foundation funds awarded to non-profit organizations are discretionary grants for which DCF conducts a competitive review and decision-making process. These grants are administered by DCF through non-permanent grant programs. Generous contributions from both the City of Lawrenceburg and the City of Aurora provide the funding for the non-permanent grant programs. DCF's administration of the non-permanent programs helps both donors achieve their charitable goals. The remaining grants are awarded based on recommendations by donors and are paid out of endowment funds established by donors. Figures for total grants awarded in 2020 also include designated endowment fund distributions and grants administered by DCF for the Lawrenceburg Schools Endowment Corporation.

#### LAWRENCEBURG COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM – A total of \$502,485 in grants was awarded in 2020 to the following organizations:

City of Aurora - Fire Department -\$21.830 In-station air cascade machine **Dearborn Community Foundation -**\$3,500 TV and dedicated laptop for CVTB conference room **Dearborn Community Foundation -**\$35,000 2020 Double Your Donation Endowment Matching program **Dearborn County Clearinghouse for** Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$7,900 COVID-19 Response Grant Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$15,000 Reconfigure receiving dock for safety reasons Dearborn Highlands Arts Council - \$2,390 Portable art exhibit walls Dearborn Highlands Arts Council -\$1,100 Materials for Totems of Hope project **Dillsboro Community Food Pantry -**\$5,000 COVID-19 Response Grant Heart House, Inc. - \$5,000 COVID-19 Response Grant Hillforest Historical Foundation - \$3,325 Technology upgrade **Hogan Township Volunteer Fire Company** 1 Inc. - \$6,000 Gear lockers

**Ivv Tech Foundation - \$5,000** Lawrenceburg Campus - Student Emergency Relief Fund Lawrenceburg Community School Corporation - \$8,490 SchoolGuard school safety system Lawrenceburg Main Street, Inc. - \$7,528 2020 Winter Wonderland Lawrenceburg Public Library District -\$80,000 Mezzanine reconfiguration LifeTime Resources, Inc. - \$5,000 Catch-A-Ride LifeTime Resources, Inc. - \$20,000 COVID-19 Response Grant Manchester Township Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc. - \$25,000 In-station SCBA refilling machine Miller-York Volunteer Fire Department -\$25,000 Portable radios Moores Hill - Sparta Twp. VFD & EMS, Inc. - \$15,000 Turnout gear Moores Hill Food Pantry - \$5,000 **COVID-19** Response Grant North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$17,900 COVID-19 Response Grant PAWS Partners for Animal Welfare Society of Dearborn Co. - \$2,500 COVID-19 Response Grant Pregnancy Care Center - \$4,500 COVID-19 Response Grant River Valley Resources, Inc. - \$100,000 Dearborn Works Program Safe Passage - \$5,000 COVID-19 Response Grant Safe Passage - \$4,000 Funds towards SUV purchase

#### South Dearborn Community School Corporation - \$10,938 SchoolGuard school safety system Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corporation - \$5,000 Covering Kids and Families of SIEOC program

St. John's Lutheran School- \$1,698 SchoolGuard school safety system St. Lawrence Catholic School - \$1,698 SchoolGuard school safety system St. Mary Catholic School - \$1,698 SchoolGuard school safety system St. Vincent de Paul - \$5,000 COVID-19 Response Grant Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation - \$8,490 SchoolGuard school safety system We Care Packages, Inc. - \$32,000 Care packages for overseas servicemen

CITY OF LAWRENCEBURG YOUTH GRANT PROGRAM – A total of \$83,103 in grants was awarded in 2020 to the following organizations:

Aurora Little League Baseball- \$2,203 Infield groomer **Dearborn Community Foundation – Youth** Council - \$5,000 Youth Council needs **Dearborn County Clearinghouse for** Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$5,000 Food and hygiene items for the food pantry **Dillsboro Community Food Pantry-\$5,000** Food and hygiene items for the food pantry **Dillsboro Summer Recreation, Inc. -**\$8,000 Uniforms and equipment Heart House, Inc. - \$5,000 Needs of the youth who reside at the shelter Laughery Valley Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 146 - \$8,000 2020 FOP Cops and Kids Christmas program Lawrenceburg Pee Wee Football -\$8,000 Football equipment Moores Hill Food Pantry - \$5,000 Food and hygiene items for the food pantry North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$5,000 Food and hygiene items for the pantry Pregnancy Care Center - \$5,000 Diapers, wipes and formula Safe Passage - \$5,000 Food and shelter for children that are Dearborn County residents St. Vincent de Paul - \$5,000 Food and hygiene items for the food pantry Trojans Youth Football, Inc. - \$6,900 Football equipment Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. -\$5,000 Needs of the youth who reside at the YES Home

#### **GRANTS / making it all come together**

CITY OF AURORA GRANT PROGRAM – A total of \$43,058 in grants was awarded in 2020 to the following organizations:

Aurora Little League - \$5,000 Concession and maintenance equipment Hillforest Historical Foundation -\$5,000 Hillforest Museum exterior maintenance **Historic Landmarks Foundation of** Indiana - \$5,000 Aurora historic home renovation LifeTime Resources, Inc. - \$5,000 Catch-A-Ride People Helping People - \$3,000 Annual canned food drive South Dearborn Community School **Corporation - \$5,000** Vape detectors South Dearborn Dollars For Scholars (SDDFS) - \$5,000 2020 SDDFS Challenge Scholarship program South Dearborn High School Band Department - \$3,900 Mellophones **Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corporation - \$5,000** Covering Kids and Families of SIEOC program St. Mary Catholic School - \$1,158 Establish Pre-K program

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS, FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS, HEART OF GOLD, LAUREN HILL MAKE A DIFFER-ENCE FUND, LILLY ENDOWMENT GIFT VII IMPLEMENTATION GRANT, PROACTIVE GRANTS, SPRINT EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE, AND WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN (wEw) – A total of \$156,595 in grants was awarded in 2020 to the following organizations:

4 Paws for Ability, Inc. – \$10,000 Powell Family Donor Advised Fund Grant for needs of the organization All Saints Catholic Church – St. Paul Campus - \$105 James & Darlene Phillips Family Donor Advised Fund Grant for cemetery maintenance All Saints Catholic Parish - \$500 Heart of Gold Grant for Youth Group and Gobble Wobble

Bright Lions Club, Inc. - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for charitable works of the organization Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana, Inc. - \$2,033 Jack Carpenter Memorial Fund Donor Advised Grant for charitable works of the organization City of Greendale - \$1,000

DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for Community Garden project

## Dearborn Community Foundation -\$500

PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for DCF Operating Endowment Fund **Dearborn Community Foundation -**\$150

Lauren Hill Make a Difference Grant for scholarships

Dearborn Community 4-H Association -\$2,500

Lauren Hill Make a Difference Grant for Dearborn County 4-H programs

**Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$1,100** Lehner Family Donor Advised Fund for COVID-19 Response Grant

Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$1,000 Rupel Family Donor Advised Fund for COVID-19 Response Grant

Dearborn County Hospital Foundation, Inc. - \$1.695

Health and Wellness Fund Donor Advised Grant for needs of the organization

East Central High School - \$250 Heart of Gold Grant for FCCLA program

Ellise Ellie Helene Brown Foundation, Inc. - \$1,000

DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

God's Bright Treasures Ministry, Inc. -\$482

Michael S. Davis Memorial Fund Donor Advised Grant for needs of the organization **Grain of Rice Project, Inc. - \$500** James & Darlene Phillips Family Donor Advised Fund Grant for needs of the

organization Heart House, Inc. - \$1,000

DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

Hillforest Historical Foundation, Inc. -\$1,000

DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

Hillforest Historical Foundation, Inc. -\$750

Heart of Gold Grant for needs of the organization

Hillforest Historical Foundation, Inc. -\$1,000

PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for needs of the organization Laughery Valley Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 146 - \$1,000

DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for Kids and Cops Christmas program **Moores Hill Recreation, Inc. - \$1,000** DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for 5th Annual Winter Walk

**North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$1,100** Lehner Family Donor Advised Fund for COVID-19 Response Grant

North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$1,000 Rupel Family Donor Advised Fund for COVID-19 Response Grant

Pregnancy Care Center - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the organization Pregnancy Care Center - \$600 PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for the needs of the organization Pregnancy Care Center. - \$1,000 Women Empowering Women Grant for needs of the organization Pregnancy Care Center - \$500 PFC Craig A. Keller Donor Advised Fund for COVID-19 Response Grant River Valley Resources - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for Dolly Parton Imagination Library River Valley Resources - \$109,000 Lilly Endowment Inc. GIFT VII Implementation Grant for Dearborn Works Program **River Valley Resources - \$500** Women Empowering Women Grant for Dolly Parton Imagination Library Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Cincinnati - \$975 Chester and Ida Muntz Family Memorial Fund Grant for needs of families with children that have cancer Safe Passage - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for client food and housing needs South Dearborn Middle School - \$655 Sprint Educational Excellence Grant for flexible classroom seating Southeastern Indiana Art Guild, Inc. -\$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the organization Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for local medical transportation services Special Olympics Indiana, Inc. - \$450 DCF Youth Council Grant for needs of the organization St. John's Lutheran School - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the school St. Lawrence Catholic School - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for technology needs of the school St. Mary Catholic School - \$1,000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for 2020-2021 school-year Pre-K program Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. -\$1.000 DCF Board Member Proactive Grant for needs of the organization Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. -\$750 Heart of Gold Grant for needs of the organization Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. -\$1,500 DCF Youth Council Grant for Christmas gifts for the youth residents

In 2020 Dearborn Community Foundation Designated Endowment Funds distributed \$259,673 to the many charitable organizations in the community that they were established to support.

## SCHOLARSHIPS 2020

## LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program is the result of a statewide Lilly Endowment Inc. initiative to help raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana; to increase the awareness of the beneficial roles Indiana community foundations can play in their communities; and to encourage and support the efforts of current and past Lilly Endowment Scholars to engage with each other and with Indiana business, governmental, educational, not-for-profit and civic leaders to improve the quality of life in Indiana generally and in local communities throughout the state.

Since the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships were first offered in 1998, the Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. (DCF) has been pleased to award the scholarships to Dearborn County



Noah Blankman

students graduating from high school. In 2020, DCF was eligible to nominate a recipient and alternates for one full-tuition scholarship. The Lilly Endowment, Inc. program provides scholarships for full tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis, leading to a baccalaureate degree at any Indiana public or private college or university accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The 2020 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar: Noah Blankman, a graduate of East Central High School, is currently attending Rose-Holman Institute of Technology and majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Since 1998 the following Dearborn County students have been awarded the Lilly Endowment Scholarship (It is important to note that Lilly Endowment Inc. provided for more than one scholarships in years past.)

Ashley Fields 1998 Stacy Jagoditz 1999 Shanaree Sailor-Brown 1999 Lee Caldwell 2000 Andy Batta 2000 Brian Barker 2001 Kathleen Hountz Gellert 2001 Jennifer Saylor 2001 Krista Fricke 2002 Kristy Kime 2002 Kyla McMullen 2002

Keith Kaffenberger 2003

Rachel Becker 2003 Molly Cutter 2003 Grace Noppert 2004 Nicholas Ferrell 2004 Sarah Rice 2004 Kelly Eckstein 2005 Alysa Flannery 2005 Erin Brunner 2006 Michael Williams 2006 Mackenzie Stuart 2007 Elizabeth Bates 2007 Abbey Schmahl 2008 Rebecca Taylor 2008 Taneesha Parker 2009 Christopher Ochynski 2009 Jessica Ruschke 2010 Carissa Wyatt 2010 Jenna Beck 2011 Amanda Hornbach 2011 Michael Frondorf 2012 Matthew Davis 2012 Jacob Hornberger 2013 Abigail Frizzell 2013 Alex Orndorff 2014 Baxter McCory 2014 Eric Harrington 2015 Madeleine Feller 2016 Lauren Rabold 2017 Sebastian Smith 2018 Lila Socks 2019 Noah Blankman 2020

## FOUNDATION AWARDS MORE THAN \$267,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship funding is provided by donors who establish endowments or non-permanent funds to encourage higher education and lower the cost of post-secondary education. Scholarships totaling more than \$267,000 were awarded to Dearborn County Residents in 2020.

JACOB AMBERGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Logan Shattuck

GREG ANDRES NORTH DEARBORN CONSERVATION CLUB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Emalee Dehner, Taylor Mc-Creary, and Kaitlyn Miller

DR. LESLIE M. BAKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Emily Wilson

DENISE ANN BEYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Kerra Manor For a description of each scholarship please visit our website at www.dearborncf.org and select the "SCHOLARSHIPS" tab

MICHAEL CLEARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Jennifer Wullenweber

ROSS EILER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Alexis Knight

CLIFFORD AND GLADYS ELLERBROOK ENDER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP – Sidney Fox, Alexius Lyons, Kerra Manor, and Leah Wright

WILLIAM CURTIS EWBANK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Emma Sandford

**ROGER GULLEY MEMORIAL** SCHOLARSHIP – Leah Kemper

BYRON HARTMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – John Deddens

IVY TECH SCHOLARSHIP – Marina Dickerson, Aleyah Piersawl, Samuel Strom, Isabelle Wiehe and Leah Wright

DAN KUEBLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Alexis Knight

LAUGHERY VALLEY FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE SCHOLARSHIP – Daniel Deddens, John Deddens, Hannah Halbig, Leah Kemper, and Shelby Lillie

LAWRENCEBURG KIWANIS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP – Adrian Bryant

## SCHOLARSHIPS 2020

## **DEARBORN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**



**Megan Caudy** 



Megan Heeke



William Hartwell



Mackenzie Roth



**Emma Sandford** 

The Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. recognizes the outstanding abilities of the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program finalists. The Board of Directors has chosen to award \$1,000 to the finalists from each school corporation area. The scholarships are renewable

## FOUNDATION AWARDS

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GERRY LEHN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Braydon Nutley

LEHNER WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN SCHOLARSHIP – Jessica Cochran and Ashley Davis

JAMES LOHMILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Hannah Brayton

FRANK R. LONGCAMP SCHOLARSHIP – Alexandra Disbro, Allyson Kunkel, and Hannah Morgan

MARTHA MCKINNEY NEWHOUSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Breanna Abdon

**R. DANIEL NEWHOUSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** – Violet Rebich

LIL AND DOCKY MEYERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – John Deddens

PERPETUAL ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP – Allyson Kunkel

RONALD SELMEYER SCHOLARSHIP – Hannah Morgan

PAUL E. "TRUCK" TREMAIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP -The Dearborn Community Foundation administers the Paul E. "Truck" Tremain Scholarship Program which is funded by the City of Lawrenceburg. Scholarships for the year 2020 were \$1,800 per recipient. A total of 121 students received this scholarship for the 2020/2021 school year totaling \$218,000 in scholarships awarded.

for up to four years providing the recipient maintains at least a cumulative 2.0 GPA. The 2020 finalists were:

Megan Caudy, East Central High School graduate

Megan Heeke, South Dearborn High School graduate

William Hartwell, Milan High School graduate (resides in South Dearborn School Corporation) Mackenzie Roth, Lawrenceburg High School graduate

**Emma Sandford**, Lawrenceburg High School graduate



## **COVID-19 RELIEF GRANTS**

## DCF AWARDS \$82,500 IN GRANTS TO HELP ORG

The Dearborn Community Foundation awarded a total of \$82,500 in grants to 10 organizations serving Dearborn County those in need at the onset of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak in the first quarter of 2020.

The grant funds were proactively awarded primarily to five food pantries and four other organizations serving folks in need. DCF also awarded a grant to support an animal shelter. All the grants were aimed at helping the organizations serve clients during an unprecedented time of challenge in our country, said Fred McCarter, Executive Director of DCF.

"With the help of our generous donors, we are proud to help address some of the immediate needs of organizations helping Dearborn County residents being impacted in ways we've not experienced in our lifetimes," McCarter said. "We focused on food pantries that serve a diverse portion of our population impacted by job loss, and other organizations that assist the more vulnerable residents in our community, including older adults and individuals with disabilities."



DCF worked with donors to make proactive grants to help organizations, like food pantries, with COVID-19 relief efforts.

#### The 10 organizations receiving the \$82,500 in special COVID-19 funding include:

- Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. (food pantry located in Aurora)
- North Dearborn Pantry, Inc., (food pantry located in Bright)
- St. Vincent de Paul (food pantry located in Aurora)
- Moores Hill Food Pantry
- Dillsboro Community Food Pantry
- Heart House, Inc. (homeless shelter, Aurora)
- Lifetime Resources, Inc. (serves older adults, individuals with disabilities, and caregivers of those populations throughout Dearborn County)
- Pregnancy Care Center (to provide formula, diapers and wipes for new mothers and their babies throughout Dearborn County)
- Safe Passage, Inc. (women and children's shelter)
- Partners for Animal Welfare Society of Dearborn County/PAWS (to provide food and other needs of the animal shelter due to no adoptions taking place during the COVID-19 outbreak)

McCarter said the \$82,500 in grant funds were made possible through DCF's Lawrenceburg Community Grant Program, funded by the City of Lawrenceburg, and by four of the Foundation's donor-advised endowment funds: PFC Craig A. Keller Memorial Fund; the Lehner Family Fund: the Powell Family Fund; and the Rupel Family Fund.

"These grants certainly wouldn't be possible without the support of the City of Lawrenceburg and the generous donors who established these donor-advised funds," said McCarter. "We are blessed in Dearborn County to have so many individuals, organizations and businesses who stepped up early on and continue to support the increased needs during this unprecedented time in our community and nation."

## **COVID-19 RELIEF GRANTS**

## **ANIZATIONS WITH COVID-19 RELIEF EFFORTS**



## LEGACY SOCIETY

## **DCF LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBERS**

The Dearborn Community Foundation's Legacy Society is a group of individuals, organizations and other entities who have made a dedicated effort to invest in our community through endowment at the Foundation. These honorees live in Dearborn County or have strong ties to our community. Legacy Society members have chosen to make a difference in our community today, knowing that their gifts will continue to give tomorrow and forever into the future. The 2020 inductees are: Carina Lewis; Mary Jo Lynch; Gary Kinnett; David & Emily Alig; and P.G. Gentrup.

David & Emily Alig Alzheimer's Support Groups of Southeast Indiana, Inc. Jada & Greg Ankenbauer Anonymous Anonymous The late Delores E. Baker James, Jr. & Carla Blair The late Charles Beyer and Wilma Beyer Keri Brown Paula and Mark Bruner Carnegie Hall Historic Landmarks Preservation Society, Inc. Allan Carpenter Kenny & Verna Cotton Roger & Aimee Cromer Carol Davis **Dearborn County Retired Teachers** Foundation. Inc. David Deddens The late Gerhard Deddens The late Hartell F. Denmure & the late LaVerne R. Denmure (both posthumously) Jeremy Dilts The late Luella Dixon Melody Dixon Sabra Duerstock The late Robert Dunavent & Helen Dunavent East Central High School Community Lynn & Camille Eiler Andrea Ewan Naomi Ewan Thomas Peters Ewbank Victor Fav Mary Fields The late Wilma Firsich Beth Fox Patricia Frondorf Stephanie Frondorf P.G. Gentrup Jeff Graf Fred & Jody Grawey The late Ruth Gulley Gray Donna Hartman Larry & Marylin Heffelmire Mike & Loretta Heffelmire Steve & Virginia Heffelmire Daniel Honchell Jamie Howard Jeffery L. Huntington



DCF Vice President, Elise Smith, left, and Executive Director Fred McCarter, present a Legacy Society inductee plaque to Carina Lewis.

Jerry & Stefanie Keller Doug & Luree Ketcham Gary Kinnett Jeanne Lehn The late Charles Lehner & Diana Lehner Carina Lewis Deb Locke Gary & Jennifer Lohmiller The late Frank R. Longcamp (posthumously) Märy Jo Lynch Ken & Cherie Maddin D. Neal & Monica Meece Sherry & Rich Midlam The Town of Moores Hill Barry & Fayla Nanz E. Alan Newhouse The late R. Daniel Newhouse Gerald & Dorothy Nixon Jane & Mike Noel North Dearborn Conservation Club Jenni Pause Courtney PeGan

James Mitchell PeGan Nicki PeGan **Darlene Phillips** Ron & Bonnie Powell Amber Probst F. William and Stephanie Rahe John & Patricia Rahe The late Dellas Ross and the late **Dorothea Ross** The late Jim Rupel & the late Janet Rupel Kevin & Meghan Schafer The late Ronald Selmeyer The late Loren Shuter James Stock & the late Sue Stock Heather Strasemeier Sunman Rural Fire Department Members Dr. Jim Swanson Jo Ellen Tucker Connie Tyler Nick & Judy Ullrich The late Louise Walker The late William Zimmer & the late Marjorie Zimmer



DCF Vice President, Elise Smith, left, and Executive Director Fred McCarter, present a Legacy Society inductee plaque to Mary Jo Lynch.

## **REMEMBERING OUR SPECIAL FRIENDS**

The Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) recently lost two fine friends: Gerhard Deddens of St. Leon, and Mike Hornbach of Jackson Township.

**Gerhard Deddens** passed away in January of 2021 at the age of 89. Gerhard was inducted into the DCF's Legacy Society in 2015 in recognition of his establishment of the Frances Deddens Memorial Fund, which provides support to All Saints Parrish charitable outreach. The fund is named in memory of his late wife Frances Deddens.

"Gerhard and his family wanted to establish the fund to provide support to the All Saints because he and Frances strongly believed in Catholic education," said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director. "Gerhard and Frances both worked hard and always set a great example for their four children, grandchildren and others in the community about work ethic and giving back to their community."

Gerhard was born in Germany and completed an apprenticeship as a master baker before coming to the United States in 1953. He was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1955 as a German citizen. He was able to earn his U.S. citizenship because of his service in the Army. Gerhard married Frances (Kramer) in 1960. Frances was the daughter of the owners of Kramer's Bakery where he worked. Gerhard and Frances opened Deddens Bakery in Rushville, Ind. and then moved it to Sunman.

Together, the Deddens were always looking for ways to improve the community they loved. They also owned other businesses in St. Leon.

"Gerhard loved his adopted homeland of America," McCarter said. "There's no doubt that he and Frances instilled work ethic and forged a culture of giving back not only within their family, but also within their community. They were fine examples of philanthropists in our community."

**Mike Hornbach**, who passed away in early 2021 at the age of 61, was a founding member of the DCF Board of Directors. He served on the DCF Board two different times and served as an officer, including being vice president, president, and chairperson. Mike also was a member of the Grants Committee, Lilly Scholarship Committee, and the Board Development Committee.

"I had the privilege of serving on the DCF Board with Mike in the late 1990s and early 2000s," McCarter said. "Then a few years





Gerhard Deddens

Mike Hornbach

later, I enjoyed working with him, when I became the Foundation's executive director. ... He was one of the most kind, caring, intelligent, ethical, and professional individuals I've ever met. He was always ready to pitch in and help others."

Hornbach grew up in St. Leon and graduated from East Central High School. He was a Purdue University graduate who taught agriculture at Milan High School for a few years. He completed his working career as Dearborn County's Purdue Extension Educator before retiring in 2017. It was at Purdue where Mike met his wife of nearly 40 years, Lesa, who survives. The Hornbach's have two daughters and two grandchildren.

"Mike was a diehard Purdue fan and, of course, I'm an IU fan," McCarter said. "We had a lot of fun talking about college basketball and football. ... Most of all, though, I enjoyed Mike's insight on many topics. He was an early guiding light for the future success of DCF."

Mike truly cared about our community and believed in teamwork to get things done, McCarter said. "He made it a point to get to know other Board members and always had their utmost respect. He impacted so many others in the community in the same way."



#### **YOUTH GRANTS**

DCF's Lawrenceburg Youth Grant Program was established by the City of Lawrenceburg more than two decades ago. Grants are awarded to non-profit charitable organizations for programs, including youth sports, that directly benefit youth in our community.

## 2020 CONTRIBUTORS

5 Way Chili, LLC - St. Leon and Brookville Skyline Chili Antoinette Andres Jada & Greg Ankenbauer Anonymous Daniel & Colleen Aug Aurora Lions Club Backbone Bourbon Co. Cathey Backman John G. Baker Dr. & Mrs. Robert Barnhorn Jim & Carol Beach **Dorothy Behrens** Alexander Bever Bill's Shoe Repair Brenda Black Kyle Black Jody and Karen Blasdel Blue & Co., LLC Kenneth and Barbara Boyer Charles and Debbie Brandel Bright Veterinary Clinic Keri Brown Mark & Paula Bruner Scott and Debbie Busching CALCOMMINDIANA LLC Sandra & Milton Carley Carnegie Historic Landmarks Preservation Society, Inc. Michael & Judy Cheek Cheek Insurance Agency City of Aurora City of Aurora - Fire Department City of Lawrenceburg **CIVISTA Charitable Foundation** Frank and Connie Cleary Community Mental Health Center, Inc. Community Spirit Credit Union Travis Conover Cornerstone Realty, Inc. Kenny & Verna Cotton David & Mary Lou Crouch Toby & Loretta Day Dearborn County Chamber of Commerce **Dearborn County Retired Teachers** Foundation, Inc. Dearborn Title Insurance, Inc. Gerhard Deddens Andrew Denning **Dream Ventures LLC** East Central High School Enhanced Telecommunications Corp.

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In Memory of Ruth Gully Gray Pamela Frable

In Memory of Byron Hartman Leslie Kovacs

In Memory of Gerry Lehn Floyd Lattire Jeanne Lehn

In Memory of Carroll & Doris Walker Lee & Melinda Edgerton

In Memory of Telford Walker Lee & Melinda Edgerton

In Memory of Ethyl Zanitsch Frank and Connie Cleary

**Darlene Phillips made memorial** contributions for the following individuals: Bob Boyd **Dannie Flannery** Donna Martini Andy Rehr Bob Walker

The Dearborn Community Foundation made memorial endowment contributions for the following individuals: John Blasdel, Sr. Sandy Fairfield Ruth Gully Gray

**CONTRIBUTIONS HONORING INDIVIDUALS** Jeremy Dilts made contributions in honor of the following individuals: Angela Dilts and Harper Loewe Charmaine Jodi Gleason Judy Guss Marlyn Guss Marlyn Guss and Family Jennifer and Charles Jackson Jeff and Meghan Meyers Jim and Carolyn Meyers Mary Meyers Sharen Meyers Suzette and Donald Meyers Blanche and Thom Schmidt

#### The Dearborn Community Foundation made endowment contributions to honor the following individuals:

Kevin and Meghan Schafer in honor of their daughter's birth

## **PROACTIVE GRANT**

## DCF GRANT HELPS SCHOOLS ADD LEVEL OF SECURITY



A total of \$33,000 in grants from the Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. (DCF) to the three Dearborn County public school corporations and the three parochial schools is helping to add another level of security to measures already in place at the institutions of learning.

In early 2020, DCF awarded six separate proactive grants to the schools to install SchoolGuard, an early warning system that puts a "panic button" in the hands of all school staff. The early warning/ response system utilizes smartphones and other technology to help safeguard schools and alert all personnel, including law enforcement.

"We are pleased to be able to help Dearborn County schools add another layer of security to better safeguard schools," said Fred McCarter, Executive Director of DCF. "Grants like these to help protect students, teachers, other school staff and members of the public attending school events was an easy decision for the Foundation's board of directors."

The grants came about after DCF was made aware local schools had not been awarded a state grant through the Indiana Secured School Fund, McCarter said. "Dearborn County Sheriff Shane McHenry contacted me and asked if there was anything the Foundation could do to help. We set out learning more about the application and how it could make a huge difference in the effort to make schools safer."

SchoolGuard places a panic button in the hands of all teachers and school staff with a compatible smart phone. The system can speed dial 911 while simultaneously notifying both on and off duty federal, state, and local law enforcement officers within close proximity to the event. Additionally, the system sends an alert to all teachers and school staff who have downloaded SchoolGuard, and even notifies other protected locations within five miles, which McHenry says is especially important to all the Dearborn County school corporations as each corporation has an instance of multiple buildings on or adjacent to the same campus.

Once activated, SchoolGuard displays a mapped location of the initial alert on the teachers' smartphone. Using this mapping in conjunction with Smart 911, responding law enforcement officers will receive information that may be more reliable than information transmitted only verbally by those speaking with dispatchers, McHenry said. In addition to the notifications to various law enforcement personnel, the system can be used by teachers to request assistance in urgent situations.

"One of my main goals as sheriff is to focus on school safety," McHenry said. "I think this is a major step forward toward making our schools safer during the school day and for other events throughout the year. ... I greatly appreciate the Foundation for helping make this happen."

McHenry said SchoolGuard not only helps with response times for law enforcement and other first responders, but also will help make responses more targeted. "The technology allows first responders to pinpoint where the activity is occurring," he said.

Sheriff McHenry was involved in the process when the public schools sought funding through the Indiana Secured School Fund. He worked with the schools to choose an application that would work best for all. The three public school corporations, Lawrenceburg, South Dearborn, and Sunman-Dearborn became aware of Guard911 LLP's SchoolGuard application when grant funds were made available by the state.

DCF worked with McHenry to measure interest of the three parochial schools, St. John's and St. Mary's

in Aurora, and St. Lawrence in Lawrenceburg, regarding adding the SchoolGuard app at their schools. All three schools were interested, so they were added to the grant. "I greatly appreciate the collaboration of all of the schools in this effort," added McHenry.

St. Mary's Bob Brookbank says his K-8 grade school of less than 100 students would not have been able to afford the addition of SchoolGuard without the generosity of DCF. "Adding SchoolGuard on our own is not something that would've happened considering our tight budget," he said. "Having this along with other security measures without a doubt gives staff and especially parents some peace of mind."

Karl Galey, Superintendent of Lawrenceburg Community School Corporation, says receiving the grant for SchoolGuard certainly adds another layer to safety for schools by providing all staff with the ability to contact first responders immediately, reducing response times. "We appreciate the Foundation supporting the collaborative effort between the schools and the sheriff," he added.

McCarter said the \$33,000 in proactive grants were awarded through the Lawrenceburg Community Grant Program, which is funded by the City of Lawrenceburg. Each schools' grant pays the original set-up fee and the first year of monthly service fees. The schools will pay the monthly fees after the first year. The grants awarded are differing amounts based on the number of "locations" for each school corporation/parochial school. Grants awarded are: Lawrenceburg Community School Corporation, \$8,490; South Dearborn Community School Corporation, \$10,938; Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation, \$8,490; St. John School ,\$1,698; St. Lawrence School, \$1,698; and St. Mary's School, \$1,698.

## DCF BOARD OF DIRECTORS **2020 BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENT** ALL CORNERS OF DEARBORN COUNTY

The Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc.'s (DCF) Board of Directors is made up of volunteers from all corners of Dearborn County, supporting the Foundation's primary purpose of building permanent endowment funds to serve donors who have charitable interests.

There were 16 members of the board during 2020. Directors are elected for three-year terms beginning with the annual meeting held in January of each year with approximately a third of the terms ending each year. A director may serve

a maximum of two full consecutive terms of service. The terms are staggered to provide continuity of experience.

Board members are elected by the board after it receives recommendations from the Board Development Committee which is charged with seeking talented leaders who are representative of the community.

The 2020 DCF Board of Directors and officers are pictured below.



Mark Neff Chairperson Aurora



James Stock President New Alsace



Elise Smith Vice President Aurora

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS** 



**Bill Ward** Treasurer St. Leon



Ed Gordon Secretary Greendale



Loretta Day\* Moores Hill



Lawrenceburg



Jeanne Lehn Lawrenceburg



**Cherie Maddin\*** Aurora



Mike McLaughlin Lawrenceburg



Julie Murphy\* Lawrenceburg



Fayla Nanz Lawrenceburg



Ramzi Nuseibeh Lawrenceburg



Tim Russell Greendale



Kevin Schafer Lawrenceburg



Randy Tyler\* Aurora

#### THE FOLLOWING JOINED THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN 2021



Becky Lyons Greendale



16

Jon Strautman Moores Hill



Jan Tyler Auróra





#### **DCFTEAM**

## COURTEOUS PROFESSIONAL STAFF SERVES COMMUNITY

The DCF Team is made up of staff, legal counsel, and community volunteers and board members that serve on various Foundation committees.

The DCF Staff is a group of courteous, experienced professionals that are dedicated to making a difference in their community through top-notch service to donors, grantees, and other community members, as well as, by providing professional support to board members.

**Executive Director** Fred McCarter joined the DCF staff in early 2005, after a combined 19 years in the newspaper journalism and media/marketing professions. McCarter also served on the Foundation's board of directors prior to joining the staff. Mc-Carter's professional experience as well as his experience in community relations and governmental affairs serves him well as the Foundation continues in its constant efforts to grow the impact it has on the community through its philanthropic resources.



Fred McCarter



Gretchen Hambrick

Administrative Assistant Gretchen Hambrick joined the DCF staff in early November 2017. Hambrick brings to the Foundation valuable interpersonal skills along with her professional experience in administrative duties.

Accountant Cheryl Wessel came to the Foundation in late 2007. Wessel brings to the Foundation more than 40 years of experience in the accounting field. Her work experience and volunteer activities pro-



Cheryl Wessel



Adrienne Flannery

vides the Foundation and Community with a very valuable asset for both non-profit accounting and tax.

Legal Counsel DCF Legal Counsel Adrienne Flannery of Miller and Flannery Law started with the Foundation in early 2019. Adrienne's passion for serving charitable organizations in the community and her experience in estate planning, elder law and probate administration makes her a great fit for DCF.

#### **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FORM DCF COMMITTEES**

In addition to Board Members, community volunteers also participate in the committee process of the Dearborn Community Foundation. Like the board, the participants represent a cross-section of the Dearborn County community.

2020 COMMITTEE MEMBERS Board Development Committee Jada Ankenbauer Mary Ewbank Gerald Nixon James Stock\* J David Wismann Grants Committee Jada Ankenbauer Ed Gordon\* Becky Lyons Gerald Nixon Ramzi Nuseibeh\* Mike McLaughlin\* Bill Ward\*

Investment Committee Dave Deddens Leigh Kem Phil Meyer Mark Neff\* John Rumsey Kevin Schafer\*

Bill Ward\*

Lilly Scholarship Committee Karen Blasdel Bill Lakes Jeanne Lehn\* Elise Smith\* J David Wismann

 Community Scholarship

 Community Scholarship

 Committee I

 Andrea Ewan

 Eric Kranz

 Julie Murphy\*

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 Tim Russell\*

 Jon Strautman

Community Scholarship Committee II Loretta Day\* Mike Hollenbeck\* Cherie Maddin\* Randy Tyler\*

Community Scholarship Committee III Michelle Deddens Fayla Nanz\* Mark Neff\* James Stock\* Lawrenceburg Youth Grant Committee Barb Branigan Rick Castillo Garrett Cavanaugh Mike Heffelmire E.G. McLaughlin Brenda Spade Melissa Watkins

\* Denotes 2020 Board of Director's member

**FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION** 

The Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) tries to recognize individuals, organizations or businesses that have been strong supporters of the Foundation for a significant period of time. These long time supporters of the Foundation come from all corners of Dearborn County and have a history of strong involvement in the community.

Friends of the Foundation Honorees:

1997 Charles W. Lehner

1998 Lisa deHart Lehner

1999 Richard Ullrich, Jr.

- 2000 Mark Neff, Dellas Ross
- 2001 John Maxwell
- 2002 Jim Deaton, E.G. McLaughlin
- 2003 Dr. Frank Frable, James Rupel
- 2005 Mike Kramer, Jim Helms
- 2006 Leaders of City of Aurora, Dearborn County & City of Lawrenceburg

2007 Argosy Casino & Hotel, Pi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Kappa Inc. of Lawrenceburg, Rupel Family & Hidden Valley Golf Club

- 2009 Aurora Public Library District, Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department, Main Street Aurora, and South Dearborn Dollars For Scholars
- **2010** Aurora Casket & The Barrott Family, Historic Hoosier Hills RC&D, Inc., Ivy Tech Foundation, UCB Charitable Foundation, and U.S. Bank
- 2014 Dave Deddens and Michelle Deddens
- 2015 The late William K. Ewan (posthumously)

## HEARTS OF GOLD FOUNDATION HONORS VOLUNTEERS WITH 'HEARTS OF GOLD'

The Dearborn Community Foundation honored three community volunteers for having "Hearts of Gold" in 2020. The Heart of Gold Award recipients were recognized for touching the hearts of others through their volunteerism and other acts of kindness.

"Each honoree deserves this recognition for making a difference in our community in their own unique ways," said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director. "They are all role models for how all of us can make a difference in our community."

The honorees, nominated by a DCF committee and then chosen as Heart of Gold Award recipients by the Foundation's board of directors, were given the privilege to serve on the "Heart of Gold Grants Committee." Each recipient recommended a proactive grant(s) totaling \$750 to a charitable organization(s) that serve Dearborn County residents.

In recent years, Heart of Gold recipients have been recognized for helping senior citizens or disadvantaged persons, working to improve the quality of education, expanding recreational or cultural opportunities, working with children, protecting the environment, promoting public safety, raising public awareness of issues that affect all ages, and other acts of kindness.



Jada Ankenbauer



Dave Deddens

E.G. McLaughlin

#### DCF HEART OF GOLD RECIPIENTS AWARD GRANTS

The Heart of Gold Grants Committee Awarded a total of \$2,250 in grants to community organizations.

All Saints Parish – Gobble Wobble and Youth Group Activities. East Central High School – FCCLA Program. Hillforest Historical Foundation, Inc. – Needs of the organization. James B. Wismann YES Home – Needs of the organization.

#### Jada Ankenbauer, Aurora:

Jada's volunteerism and acts of kindness for others go back to her time in high school and college when she was a Special Olympics volunteer. The Aurora resident, who is a retired special education teacher and former childcare center owner (Lollipops and Rainbows in Aurora), has always been drawn to helping children, especially those in need. An example of this is how she, a volunteer committee member and/or board member at Hillforest Historical Foundation for more than two decades, spearheaded the establishment of the American Girl Doll Day Camp 16 years ago. Girls, ages 5-14 that attend the camp at National Landmark Hillforest Mansion learn about history, manners, and hardships through quality activities provided by volunteers. Jada never wants to be recognized, but she always has great ideas. She always recognizes immediately when there's a need and is willing to do what is needed to make things work out great. When the Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) needed a few new volunteer Board members in 2005, she was asked to serve. Jada served more than a decade as a Board member, including being President and Chairperson of the Board. She has also served on several DCF committees. Jada's generosity to others will continue in perpetuity at DCF, as she and a good friend and former business partner established an endowment, In The Interest of Children Fund, several years ago to allow the Foundation Board to make grants to support charitable purposes. She's not only a great advocate for the Foundation, but she is a fine example of someone who truly cares about her community.

#### **HEART OF GOLD HONOREES**

#### Dave Deddens, New Alsace:

Dave has a habit of hospitality and generosity. Dave, who along with his wife Michelle own the Skyline Chili restaurants in St. Leon and Brookville, is known for extending the love he has for his family to the entire community. The first word you think of with Dave is family and to him, family is the larger community as well. If there's a funeral, he asks "What do they need? Do they have food?" ... He looks at the extended community and asks, "what are they going through?" Dave has served on different boards and committees for non-profits throughout Dearborn County, including volunteering as a member of All Saints Parish Council and Finance Committee. He's a longtime volunteer for the annual All Saints Gobble Wobble 5K on Thanksgiving Day which raises funds to support the works of North Dearborn Pantry, Sunman Food Pantry and the East Central High School Food Pantry. Dave is also a longtime volunteer and supporter of the Dearborn Community Foundation. He's a former President and Chairperson, and he currently serves on the Foundation's Investment Committee. Dave says he's lucky to grow up and still live in such a giving community. Some would say that Dave helps create a culture of generosity in the community. He always asks, "What can I do to help?" He impacts his five children and others in the community with his attitude of "we can make this happen." Much of that certainly came from the hospitality of his parents (the late Gerhard and Frances Deddens). He's carrying on what he learned from his family.

#### E.G. McLaughlin, Greendale:

E.G is the first to get back to you and the first to volunteer. He's always there when you need him. He will help and support in any way. E.G. is known as a steward of leadership in the Southeast Indiana non-profit community. In addition to serving on the local United Way Action Council for more than 40 years, he has served many other organizations for decades. Some of those include the Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. (YES Home) (Board Member & President), Lawrenceburg Youth Grants Committee at the DCF, Lawrenceburg Community Center (Board Member & Finance Chair), Lawrenceburg Lions Club and Sons of the American Legion. He spent most of his professional career in the banking industry, serving as President and CEO of UCB until his retirement in 2018. E.G. got his knack for volunteering early in life with plenty of examples, including his parents (the late Tom and Betty McLaughlin). During his decades of volunteering, E.G. has been involved in the establishment of a few different organizations and programs in Dearborn County, including Lawrenceburg Main Street, the Lawrenceburg Youth Grant Program at DCF, and the CIVISTA Charitable Foundation (formerly known as UCB Charitable Foundation). Perhaps E.G.'s role at Greendale Cemetery Association exemplifies best his connection to the community and his effort to carry on a family tradition of volunteering and helping others. He has been the cemetery board's secretary-treasurer since 1977. Each weeknight, E.G. shows just how much he cares. He has the duty of closing the gates at the beautiful Greendale Cemetery. To him, it's an honor to help take care of one more important piece of his community.

## FINANCES

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSTITION

December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### ASSETS

	2020	2019
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,962,399	\$ 2,581,042
Certificates of deposit	864,742	1,109,501
Investments	20,366,167	18,903,121
Property and equipment, net	9,091	3,974
	\$ 24,202,399	\$ 22,597,638
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Liabilities	¢ • • • • •	<b>A</b>
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 9,135	\$ 9,160
Deferred revenue	-0-	15,899
Charitable gift annuities payable	4,338	4,449
Liability for funds held as agency endowments	6,787,979	6,493,071
Custodial funds	2,405,803	2,195,260
Total liabilities	9,207,255	8,717,839
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions:		
Operating	1,298,951	1,091,396
Board designated	490,474	426,016
Invested in property and equipment	9,091	3,974
	1,798,516	1,521,386
With Donor Restrictions:		
Restricted due to time restrictions	(2,924)	(2,446)
Endowment funds	13,199,552	12,360,859
	13,196,628	12,358,413
Total net assets	14,995,144	13,879,799
	\$ 24,202,399	\$ 22,597,638
STATEMEN	TS OF ACTIVITIES	
For the Years Ended	December 31, 2020 and 2019	
	2020	2019
Support and revenues		
Contributions	\$ 361,779	\$ 805,082
Investment return, net	1,105,998	2,042,616
Other investment income	41,015	50,844
Administrative fees	398.889	393.528

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Other investment income	41,015	50,844
Administrative fees	398,889	393,528
Total support and revenues	1,907,681	3,292,070
Total expenses	792,336	721,903
Change in net assets	1,115,345	2,570,167
Net assets, beginning of year	13,879,799	11,309,632
Net assets, end of year	\$ 14,995,144	\$ <u>13,879,799</u>

An independent audit for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 was conducted by Blue & Co., LLC for the Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. The complete audited financial statements can be reviewed at the Foundation office located at 322 Walnut Street, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025. The Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc.'s three most recently filed Forms 990 may also be reviewed at the Foundation office.



#### HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

There are many ways to get involved in the Dearborn Community Foundation's efforts to make a difference in Dearborn County.

Become Aware: Learn more about how the Foundation helps donors achieve their charitable goals and the positive impact of the results.

Volunteer: Offer to be a volunteer board or committee member. Volunteers also are needed at Foundation events.

Be A Donor: Establish an endowment to support your favorite charitable organization or cause in perpetuity. ... Or contribute to an existing fund at DCF. We can help you make a difference for the charities or the issues you care most about.

Share Ideas: Let the DCF staff and board members know about your ideas. Let us know what you think the charitable needs are in our community.

Be A Sponsor: Individuals, organizations and businesses can provide sponsorship support or door-prize items for DCF's annual golf scramble to raise funds to support Foundation operations. MISSION STATEMENT: The Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. is a catalyst to connect people who care with causes that improve the quality of life in our community by advancing cultural, educational and social opportunities, while preserving our community's heritage and helping donors to create a permanent legacy in Dearborn County.



ON THE COVER: These photos truly show how the Dearborn Communiity Foundation helps make the "Connections" between those who contribute and those who benefit from their philanthropy.

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