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DEARBORN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC.



2018 ANNUAL REPORT
TO THE COMMUNITY

LILLY ENDOWMENT INC. GRANTS SUPPORT FOUNDATION'S PHILANTHROPIC, LEADERSHIP EFFORTS

The Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF), Inc. and the community as a whole is benefitting from two grants awarded as a part of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s seventh phase of its Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT) initiative.

In November 2018, DCF received a grant of \$500,000 as part of the Endowments GIFT VII initiative. With GIFT VII, the Endowment made up to \$125 million available to help Indiana community foundations strengthen the towns, cities and the counties they serve. DCF also received a \$50,000 Community Leadership Planning Grant through GIFT VII in 2019.

The GIFT initiative is part of Lilly Endowment's grantmaking to strengthen Indiana communities and has been a priority of the Endowment since the first phase of GIFT in 1990. The initiative's primary aim is to help Indiana community foundations develop the philanthropic capacity to identify, prioritize and address local opportunities and challenges.

DCF is utilizing the \$500,000 Lilly Endowment GIFT VII grant to match contributions to endowment at the Foundation. The Foundation must use at least two-thirds of the \$500,000 matching fund grant to support growth of the Foundation's unrestricted endowment funds (also known as community funds), which over time will provide flexibility to help DCF meet the community's changing needs. Lilly Endowment will pro-

vide \$2-for-\$1 matches (\$2 match for a \$1 donation) for contributions to any new or existing unrestricted endowment funds. The GIFT VII grant also allows for a 50-cent match for donations to any other types of new or existing endowments.

"We are very thankful Lilly Endowment has once again provided us with a great opportunity to further develop our community's perpetual legacy of self-reliance," said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director. "Our hope is this unique opportunity will encourage or challenge more individuals and businesses in our community to participate in philanthropy through endowment at the Foundation."

The Foundation staff and board of directors along with other volunteers and community leaders are using GIFT VII planning grant funds to increase community knowledge, connections and to improve general knowledge and skills in the area of community development and leadership to better serve the community and donors.

"The planning grant is affording us the ability to improve as a leader and collaborator in the Dearborn County community," McCarter said. "While the Foundation has never shied away from leading or collaborating, this is an opportunity to grow in those areas and, perhaps, to learn to be even more proactive in these areas."

DCF is working hard to learn more about Dearborn County through outreach efforts

throughout 2019 and plans to continue similar efforts to engage more with the community members on an ongoing basis.

Established in December 1997 during the early 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.

To learn more about DCF and the matching opportunities, contact Fred McCarter or Cheryl Wessel at 812-539-4115, or stop by the office at 322 Walnut Street in Lawrenceburg. Donors can also make online donations by going to the "Give Now" page on the Foundation website at dearborncf.org. DCF has a deadline of December 31, 2020, for donors to match the \$500,000 in Lilly Endowment matching funds.

In January 2009, DCF received the nation's highest philanthropic standards for operational quality, integrity and accountability: the seal of approval from the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations Program operated by the Council on Foundations (COF), a national professional association based in Washington, D.C. DCF was reconfirmed for the National Standards by the COF in 2014.



Dearborn Community Foundation staff members gather community input during an outreach effort at the dedication of the new Lawrenceburg Civic Park in June 2019.

DCF MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH LEADERSHIP BY CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH CAUSES THAT IMPROVE LIVES

Dear Friends:

The mission of the Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) includes the words “connecting people who care with causes that improve the quality of life in our community.” Now in our 21st year, the Foundation’s many volunteers and staff members have helped donors improve others’ lives through the establishment of 144 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 2018.

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 nearly \$19 million and 144 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 \$2.4 million in grants and scholarships in 2018 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.

While DCF has emerged as the lead philanthropic organization in Dearborn County, it also 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.

Our hope is that you will read this 2018 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.



Kevin Schafer
2018 Board President

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Fred McCarter
Executive Director

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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 \$19 million, administers 144 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.

- 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 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
- Jeffrey L. Huntington Hillforest Fund
- Jerry Tucker Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Jim Thayer Memorial Scholarship Fund
- John F. PeGan Memorial 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
- Manchester Universalist Unitarian Church Fund 2
- Marvin and Sabra Duerstock Scholarship Fund
- Matt McIntosh Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Mindy McIntosh Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Michael R. Marine Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Moores Hill Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Moores Hill Parks & Recreation Fund

DESIGNATED FUNDS

- Alzheimers Support Groups of Southeast Indiana Fund
- Amy Cotton Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Anderson Academic Awards Fund
- The ARC of Dearborn County
- 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
- 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
- Coach Dick Meador Lawrenceburg Football Scholarship Fund
- Collier Holtegel Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Community Mental Health Center Foundation Fund
- Community United Methodist Church Fund

ENDOWMENT FUNDS / *your contributions*



Donors contribute to DCF for a range of charitable causes to award scholarships and grants, like a \$2,500 grant to Main Street Aurora to purchase educational "AuroraOpoly" board games for the city's Bicentennial celebration.

North Dearborn Pantry Fund
 Pete Parrott Fund
 PI Chapter of Kappa Kappa Kappa Inc. of
 Lawrenceburg Fund
 Pregnancy Care Center Fund
 Rachel Meece Memorial Fund
 RSVP Fund
 Ross Foundation Fund
 Senior Services Development Fund
 South Dearborn Dollars For Scholars Good
 Knight Award Fund
 South Dearborn Education Foundation Fund
 South Dearborn It Pays To Stay
 Scholarship Fund
 South Dearborn Scholarship Foundation 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

Blair 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 Dearborn County Register Warm the
 Children Endowment 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
 Martha McKinney Newhouse Memorial
 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 Selmeier 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
 Rupel Family Unrestricted Fund



The City of Lawrenceburg created the Lawrenceburg Community Grant Program to provide grants to organizations like River-town Quilters Guild and its Quilts of Valor program. A \$2,260 grant helped Shiela Stevenson, Quilts of Valor Coordinator, and other volunteers provide quilts to veterans like Jerry Bondurant, a Vietnam War era veteran.

**DCF AWARDS MORE THAN \$2 MILLION
IN GRANTS DURING 2018**

Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) awarded 208 grants totaling more than \$2 million to non-profit organizations in 2018. 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 over the past twenty years 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 2018 also include designated endowment fund distributions and grants administered by DCF for the Lawrenceburg School Endowment Corporation.

**LAWRENCEBURG COMMUNITY
GRANT PROGRAM**

Total of \$1,396,7274 in grants was awarded in 2018 to the following organizations:

- Aurora Emergency Rescue Unit, Inc. - \$99,127**
Monitors, defibrillators and portable radios
- Aurora Lions Club - \$30,000**
Fair management of the 110th Aurora Farmers Fair
- Aurora Riverfront Beautification, Inc. - \$5,000**
2018 Red White and Boom Event
- Beautification of Dillsboro, Inc. - \$5,000**
Flower pot replacement and improvement project
- Bright Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. - \$99,031**
EMS equipment upgrade
- City of Aurora Fire Department - \$36,124**
Turnout gear
- City of Aurora Police Department. - \$63,877**
In-car camera project
- City of Greendale Police Department - \$76,362**
Radio and computer equipment
- Community Foundation of Switzerland County - \$1,763**
Regional Broadband study
- Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$32,077**
Purchase of food delivery vehicle
- Dearborn County Government - \$70,705**
Automated external defibrillators
- Dearborn County Court Services. - \$97,593**
Jail Chemical Addictions Program evaluation and database
- Dearborn County Historical Society, Inc - \$74,810**
Angevine Cabin Restoration
- Dearborn County Parks & Recreation Board - \$20,000**
Purchase of a rough terrain vehicle
- Dillsboro Emergency Ambulance Unit, Inc. - \$39,507**
Motorola radios
- Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department - \$69,600**
Turnout gear
- Greendale Emergency Rescue - \$100,000**
Lifepak 15/Lucas chest compression system
- Heart House, Inc. - \$10,000**
Commercial dishwasher
- Hogan Township Volunteer Fire Company 1 Inc. - \$83,259**
Radios and rescue equipment

- Hoosier Hills Literacy League - \$3,852**
Digital learning program
- Lawrenceburg Community Center - \$10,000**
HVAC system replacement match grant
- Lawrenceburg Main Street, Inc. - \$15,000**
2018 Winter Wonderland
- Lawrenceburg Main Street, Inc. - \$1,050**
Lawrenceburg Farmers Market portable hand-washing station and tote bags
- LifeTime Resources, Inc. - \$5,000**
Catch-A-Ride program fuel costs
- Main Street Aurora - \$2,500**
City of Aurora's bicentennial celebration "Aurora-opoly" games
- Miller York Volunteer Fire Department - \$81,407**
4X4 brush truck
- Moore's Hill Recreation, Inc. - \$5,000**
Moore's Hill Bicentennial Celebration
- Rivertown Quilters Guild, Inc. - \$2,260**
Fabric for Quilts of Valor for Dearborn County veterans
- South Dearborn Dollars For Scholars - \$1,000**
Needs of the organization
- Special Olympics Indiana, Inc. - \$2,122**
Needs of the organization
- Special Olympics Indiana, Inc. - \$1,000**
Marketing & Equipment
- St. John Evangelical Lutheran School- \$1,000**
Needs of the school
- Town of Dillsboro - \$33,736**
Friendship Gallery HVAC replacement
- Vineyard Community Church of Aurora - \$19,735**
HVAC replacement
- Water Rescue, Inc. - \$57,230**
Side-scan sonar equipment
- We Care Packages, Inc. - \$40,000**
Product and postage costs for packages sent to overseas military
- Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. - \$1,000**
Needs of the organization
- Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. - \$100,000**
Recreational building project

**CITY OF LAWRENCEBURG YOUTH
GRANT PROGRAM**

A total of \$121,584 in grants was awarded in 2018 to the following organizations:

- Aurora Lions Club - \$8,000**
2018 Youth activities
 - Aurora Little League Baseball - \$8,000**
Uniforms and equipment
 - Community United Methodist Church - \$3,000**
Food and hygiene items for the food pantry
 - Dearborn Community Foundation – Youth Council - \$3,000**
Youth Council needs
 - Dearborn County Citizens Against Substance Abuse – \$7,952**
Youth Summit supplies
 - Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$3,000**
Food and hygiene items for the food pantry
 - Dearborn County Girls Softball Inc. - \$8,000**
Equipment, uniforms and insurance
 - Dearborn County Social Council c/o RSVP - \$2,500**
2018 Halloween Sensation
 - Dearborn Highlands Arts Council - \$2,052**
Art supplies for the 2018 Artists-in-Schools program
 - Dillsboro Community Food Pantry - \$3,000**
Food and hygiene items for the food pantry
 - Dillsboro Summer Recreation, Inc. - \$8,000**
Uniforms, equipment and charter fees
 - East Central High School - \$3,000**
2018 After Prom
 - Heart House, Inc. - \$3,000**
Needs of the youth who reside at the shelter
 - Ivy Tech Foundation - \$2,455**
Advanced Manufacturing summer camp
 - Laughery Valley Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 146 - \$8,000**
2018 FOP Cops and Kids Christmas Program
 - Lawrenceburg Greendale Soccer Club - \$7,669**
Fees, uniforms and equipment rental
 - Lawrenceburg Lions Club - \$8,000**
Uniforms for the Youth Baseball League 2018 Season
 - Lawrenceburg Pee Wee Football - \$8,000**
Football equipment and insurance
 - Moore's Hill Food Pantry - \$3,000**
Food and hygiene items for the food pantry
 - North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$3,000**
Food and hygiene items for the food pantry
 - South Dearborn Pee Wee Football - \$4,956**
Football equipment
 - St. Vincent de Paul - \$3,000**
Food and hygiene items for the food pantry
 - Warm the Children - \$4,000**
Warm The Children program
 - Warm the Children - \$4,000**
Warm The Children Endowment Fund at DCF
 - Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. - \$3,000**
Needs of the youth who reside at the home
- CITY OF AURORA GRANT PROGRAM**
A total of \$23,526 in grants was awarded in 2018 to the following organizations:
- Dearborn Highlands Arts Council - \$1,600**
Artists in Schools Project



Dearborn County 911 Director Jared Teaney demonstrates one of the new Automated External Defibrillators that are placed in all Dearborn County Sheriff's Department vehicles and all county governments buildings thanks to a \$70,705 grant from the Lawrenceburg Community Grant Program at Dearborn Community Foundation.

Hillforest Historical Foundation - \$5,000
Hillforest Museum Exterior Maintenance

LifeTime Resources, Inc.- \$5,000
2018 Catch A Ride Program

South Dearborn Dollars For Scholars (SDDFS) - \$5,000
2018 SDDFS Good Knight Scholarship Program

Special Olympics Indiana, Inc. - \$5,000
2018 Summer Games

Water Rescue, Inc. - \$1,926
Tires for dive truck

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS, HEART OF GOLD, LAUREN HILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE FUND, PROACTIVE GRANTS, SPRINT

EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE, AND WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN (wEw)

A total of \$59,675 in grants was awarded in 2018 to the following organizations:

All Saints Catholic Church – St. Paul Campus - \$323 James & Darlene Phillips Family Donor Advised Fund Grant for needs of the church

Aurora First United Methodist Church - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for basement repair

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cincinnati - \$360 DCF Youth Council Donor Advised Grant for the needs of the organization

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cincinnati - \$500 Heart of Gold Grant for activities of the organization in Dearborn County

Bright Lions Club, Inc. - \$500 Heart of Gold Grant for organization's charitable programs

Bright Lions Club, Inc. - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for Backpack Program

Carnegie Historic Landmarks Preservation Society, Inc. - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana, Inc. - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

City of Greendale - \$500
Lauren Hill Make A Difference Grant for Arbor Day Celebration

City of Greendale - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for Community Gardens

Dearborn Community Foundation. - \$1,200
PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for DCF 20th Anniversary Dinner

Dearborn Community Foundation - \$2,500
Powell Family Donor Advised Grant for DCF 20th Anniversary Dinner

Dearborn Community Foundation - \$2,500
Rupel Family Donor Advised Grant for DCF 20th Anniversary Dinner

Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for Sacks for Snacks Program

Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$500
Heart of Gold Grant for Sacks for Snacks Program

Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$2,000 Rupel Family Donor Advised Grant for operational needs

Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc. - \$1,000 Rupel Family Donor Advised Grant for operational needs

Dearborn Highlands Arts Council - \$500
Sprint Educational Excellence Grant for Arts In Schools Tile Project

Dearborn Superior Court I - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for Veteran's Treatment Court Services

Moore's Hill Church of Christ - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for Moore's Hill School Backpack Program

North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$1,000
Rupel Family Donor Advised Grant for operational needs

North Dearborn Pantry, Inc. - \$1,000
Rupel Family Donor Advised Grant for operational needs

Partners for Animal Welfare Society of Dearborn County Angel Fund- \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for animal vet treatment expenses

Pregnancy Care Center - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

Pregnancy Care Center - \$1,000
PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for the needs of the organization

Pregnancy Care Center - \$1,000
wEw Grant for the needs of the organization

Pregnancy Care Center - \$500
Heart of Gold Grant for charitable needs of the organization

Safe Passage - \$1,000
wEw Grant for the needs of the organization

Salvation Army Kettle Drive Dearborn Ohio Counties - \$489

William K. Ewan Memorial Donor Advised Fund Grant for 2018 Kettle Drive Program

Salvation Army Kettle Drive Dearborn Ohio Counties - \$500 Heart of Gold Grant for Dearborn County Kettle Drive

Southeast Indiana Youth Orchestra, Inc. - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for purchase of instruments

Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corporation - \$1,000 DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for Bev Henry Emergency Fund

Special Olympics Indiana, Inc. - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for 2018 Summer Games

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital - \$1,000
PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for the needs of the organization

St. Lawrence School - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for needs of the school

St. Nicholas Catholic School - \$200
James & Darlene Phillips Family Donor Advised Fund Grant for classroom needs

Sunman Rural Fire Department, Inc. - \$20,000
Powell Family Fund Donor Advised Grant for communication equipment

United States Army Ranger Association - \$1,000 PFC Craig A. Keller Fund Donor Advised Grant for the needs of the organization

Volunteers in Medicine of Dearborn, Ohio and Switzerland Counties - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

Warm the Children - \$1,603
Warm the Children Fund Donor Advised Grant for the charitable needs of the organization

Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. - \$1,000
DCF 20th Anniversary Proactive Grant for needs of the organization

Youth Encouragement Services, Inc. - \$1,000
DCF Youth Council Grant for Christmas gifts for the youth residents

In 2018 Dearborn Community Foundation Designated Endowment Funds distributed \$241,640 to the many charitable organizations in the community that they were established to support.

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 students graduating from high school. In 2018,



Sebastian Smith

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 2018 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar: Sebastian Smith, a graduate of Lawrenceburg High School, is currently attending Purdue University. Sebastian is pursuing a major in Political Science and a minor in Philosophy with plans to become a lawyer.

Since 1998 the following Dearborn County students have been awarded the Lilly Endowment Scholarship (*It is important to note that Lilly Endowment Inc. provided funding for more than one scholarship 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 McCorry 2014
 Eric Harrington 2015
 Madeleine Feller 2016
 Lauren Rabold 2017
 Sebastian Smith 2018

FOUNDATION AWARDS MORE THAN \$320,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. (DCF) has awarded more than \$6 million in scholarships for students since its inception. Scholarship funding is provided by donors who established endowments or non-permanent funds to encourage higher education to lower the cost of post-secondary education. Scholarships totaling more than \$320,000 were awarded to Dearborn County residents in 2018.

JACOB AMBERGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Nathan Weis

GREG ANDRES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Anita Alig, Sydney Hornberger and Autumn McDaniel

DENISE ANN BEYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Courtney Teaney

For a description of each scholarship please visit our website at www.dearborncf.org and select the “SCHOLARSHIPS” tab

MICHAEL CLEARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - Lacy Engelking

ROSS EILER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Kyle Knight and John Reinshagen

WILLIAM CURTIS EWBANK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - Kyra Strahan

ROGER GULLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Ashton Hoog

IVY TECH SCHOLARSHIP – Alexius Lyons, Britteney Minges, Claire Nagel, Madeline Nixon and Dawson Vilaro

DAN KUEBLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – Kyle Knight

LAUGHERY VALLEY FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE SCHOLARSHIP – Anita Alig, Bailey Held, Taylor Ingle and Logan Lawrence

LAWRENCEBURG KIWANIS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP – Jarod Hofmann

GERRY LEHN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - Matthew Bezold

JAMES LOHMILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - Matthew Bezold

DEARBORN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Madison Fentress

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 for up to



Jacob Herbert

four years providing the recipient maintains at least a cumulative 2.0 GPA. The 2018 finalists were:
Madison Fentress, South Dearborn High School graduate
Jacob Herbert, Oldenburg Academy graduate (Sunman-Dearborn School



Logan Lawrence



Jamie Morman

Corporation Resident)
Logan Lawrence, Lawrenceburg High School graduate
Jamie Morman, East Central High School graduate
Paige Kirkey, South Dearborn High School graduate



Paige Kirkey

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TREMAIN SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS \$273,6000 IN 2018

The Paul E. “Truck” Tremain Memorial Scholarship Program awarded a total of \$273,600 in scholarships to 152 Lawrenceburg High School graduates for the 2018/2019 school year. The Tremain Scholarship, which is funded by the City of Lawrenceburg, has been administered by the Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. since 2002. The scholarship amount has been in the range of \$1,400 to \$1,800 per year for each recipient. The scholarship is renewable for up to four years as long as students continue to meet all established eligibility criteria. Scholarships for the year 2018 were \$1,800 per recipient.



FOUNDATION THANKS DONORS, VOLUNTEERS

The theme of the night was to thank donors and volunteers at Dearborn Community Foundation's 20th Anniversary Dinner Celebration in July 2018.

"My No. 1 message is to thank the hundreds and hundreds of donors and volunteers who have given treasure and talent to make the community foundation concept such a great success in our community," said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director. "As we reflect on 20 years helping donors make a difference, it's clear that our success is all about people."

McCarter also acknowledged the generous funding and significant expertise provided by Lilly Endowment Inc., whose GIFT (Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow) initiative for community foundations has left a legacy in all 92 Indiana counties, including Dearborn. He went on to thank the Rising Sun Regional Foundation for providing grants and advice in the early days. He also thanked the Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County for allowing DCF to be an affiliate foundation at its inception.

Generous donors, dedicated volunteers and staff, past and present, led DCF to become a vital instrument in our community for the advancement of education, social activity, charity and culture, McCarter said. The evidence of the 20 years of work done by donors, volunteers and staff is the awarding of more than \$40 million in meaningful grants and scholarships and the assets that have grown to \$20 million.

To provide some perspective of where the Foundation started and the difference it has made over the last two decades, speakers representing donors, scholarship recipients, and charitable organizations shared their stories. The keynote speaker was Lisa deHart Lehner, one of the Foundation's founders, who shared her unique story.



Mark and Paula Bruner (above) share their story about the establishment of the Katie Bruner Community Fund in memory of their daughter. 20th Anniversary Dinner Attendees (right top and bottom) are all smiles as they file into the Lawrenceburg Event Center.



VOLUNTEERS FOR DCF'S 20 YEARS OF SUCCESS



DCF Program Director Tom Snape, Master of Ceremonies, (top) draws the name of a lucky winner of a chance to recommend a grant to a charity of their choice. DCF Board member Cherie Maddin (right) checks an attendee's ticket to see if she's a winner.

DCF RENAMES SCHOLARSHIP TO HONOR RETIRING ATTORNEY, FOUNDER

A Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc., (DCF) scholarship that annually helps a non-traditional female college student was recently renamed in honor of one of the organization's founders and sole attorney, Lisa deHart Lehner.

Lehner was the keynote speaker at the Foundation's 20th Anniversary Dinner Celebration in July 2018. After completing her speech, covering the beginnings of the history of DCF, Foundation Chairperson Randy Tyler announced the honor of renaming the scholarship.

The scholarship formerly known as the Women Empowering Women Scholarship is now named the Lehner Women Empowering Women Scholarship. Lehner, DCF's one-and-only attorney and a founder of the now 21-year-old charitable organization, in 2018 announced her retirement from her legal practice to pursue other interests.

"When we learned Lisa was retiring from her law career, the board of directors and staff decided renaming the scholarship was an appropriate honor for Lisa for her service to the Foundation and our community," said Fred McCarter, Executive Director of DCF. "Lisa, her mother, Diana Lehner, and her father, the late Charles Lehner, have all had a significant impact on the Foundation and particularly the Women Empowering Women program."

Charles Lehner and Diana Lehner are members of the Foundation's Legacy Society for their investment in our community through endowment. Charles was also the first individual to ever receive the Foundation's Friend of the Foundation honor, a designation that was also



Lisa deHart Lehner, left, and her mother Diana Lehner share a moment at the dinner.

bestowed upon Lisa Lehner for her role as a Founder of DCF.

One of the endowments established by Diana Lehner is the Women Empowering Women Fund. The endowment fund supports the Women Empowering Women program at the Foundation. The program is aimed at connecting women who care with causes that matter in our community. Women empowering women has awarded nearly \$24,000 in grants and scholarships in 10 years.

"This is a great honor," Lehner said of renaming of the scholarship in her family's name. I

have been so very fortunate to have the opportunity to work with so many giving volunteers, contributors and staff members over the years. It's very gratifying to see how the Foundation grew into the charitable organization of record in Dearborn County."

During her keynote speech, Lisa Lehner spoke about how the Foundation was established and how she and other founders are proud of how the Community Foundation concept is working so well in Dearborn County.

"For 20 years, most of my professional life, I have had an intimate connection with the Foundation," Lehner said at the event. "Envisioning, creating, building and growing the Foundation has been a remarkable and rewarding adventure. It's been a journey of discovering hidden opportunities, overcoming surprising obstacles and creatively solving problems through collaboration and pooling of resources."

Lehner spoke of how she and other founders, like Mike Kramer and Richard Ullrich, had to educate themselves to understand the concept of a community foundation and then work with other volunteers to educate the community on the concept. "So much has changed since those early days," Lehner said. "We didn't know exactly how this would turn out. We learned that Dearborn County residents are philanthropic. They give to charities they love. They create endowments out of love. The donations to scholarships, 4-H, EMS or endowments like the Lauren Hill Make A Difference Fund happen because a person has a passion or a strong emotional connection to a specific charitable cause."

YOUTH COUNCIL HAS HELPED OTHERS FOR SIX YEARS

The DCF Youth Council completed its sixth year in 2018, continuing to have a significant impact in Dearborn County through both community service and fundraising/grant-making. The Youth Council once again completed hundreds of hours of community service and has contributed nearly \$13,000 in grants to charitable organizations that make a difference in the community.

The Youth Council, which is made up of high-school age youth (grades 9-12) from across the county, was established by DCF in 2012 to involve youth in a meaningful way in the philanthropic tradition, to encourage young people to give and serve in their community, and to make philanthropy a habit of the heart for future generations.

The goal is for the Council to be self-sufficient and youth-ran with DCF staff and volunteers giving guidance and direction where needed. The Council is guided by the three ideals of giving and serving, leadership development, and community engagement.

The Youth Council has raised more than \$18,000 in six years through fundraisers. The Council often splits funds raised between other charitable organizations in the community and the DCF Youth Council Endowment Fund. The endowment fund has grown to a value of nearly \$17,000. Youth Council mem-



In six years, the DCF Youth Council has raised funds for important community causes and donated hundreds of hours of community service.

bers annually make grant recommendations from the fund to worthy causes in the community.

Youth Council grants have been made to local food pantries, Safe Passage, the Pregnancy Care Center, Partners for Animal Welfare Society of Dearborn County (PAWS), Special Olympics Indiana, Big Brothers Big Sisters, James B. Wismann Y.E.S. Home, Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana, and the Lauren Hill Make A Difference Fund at DCF.

Youth Council members are learning the value of philanthropy and that setting aside funds for the needs of future generations through endowment is vital. The DCF Youth Council Endowment Fund has grown significantly through the hard work of the youth, volunteer

coordinator Denise Sedler, other volunteers, and Foundation staff. Sedler, a former DCF staffer, was instrumental in the establishment of the Youth Council during her time as the DCF Program Director. She has continued to coordinate the Council as a volunteer.

Sedler says it is indeed a challenge working with high-school age youth with all of the other activities in which they are involved. "It's great to see how Youth Council members work to raise funds and complete projects to help others," said Sedler. "Our goal is to encourage them to be fine community service and philanthropic role models to other youth and adults. ... Everyone at DCF is proud of how all of the kids over the years have truly made a difference.

COMMUNITY IMPACT PROJECT 2018-2019

In 2017, the Council embarked on a community impact project which combines community outreach, community service and fundraising to impact as many charitable organizations as possible. The community impact projects continue in 2018-2019. The youth chose to have an impact on organizations, like Dearborn County PAWS, the James B. Wismann YES Home, the Dearborn County Clearinghouse for Emergency Aid, Inc., the Pregnancy Care Center, and nursing home residents as recipients of special gifts.

The community responded very generously by contributing \$475 to help create the gift boxes, bags or baskets during a free-will donation bake sale at the Aurora Walmart store, said Sedler. After the fundraising was complete, Youth Council members made a philanthropy presentation to fifth and sixth grade students at St. Mary's School, Aurora, to express how the elementary students could make a difference in the community. Council members also shared their fundraising and community service experiences with

the younger students. The presentation ended with the fifth and sixth graders working alongside the Youth Council members to decorate the "birthday boxes" that would later be filled with birthday party items to be given to Clearinghouse clients, who may not have the means to purchase decorations etc. for their children's birthday parties. UPS donated boxes for the "birthday box" project

The final phase of the community impact project included purchasing items for gift bags/baskets and delivering them to the organizations: Y.E.S. Home clients received backpack cinch bags filled with essentials such as deodorant, toothbrush/paste, hairbrush, journal, word search activity book or coloring book, lip balm, tissues, antibacterial wipes and a few other items; the Pregnancy Care Center received gift bags filled with essential items needed for new parents and their babies; Nursing home residents' gift bags contained a word search or coloring book with pen or coloring pencils, a lip balm and tissues.

Youth Council also adopted Y.E.S. home res-

idents for Christmas 2018, purchasing items from their wish lists, wrapping them and then delivering them along with homemade Christmas cards. It was impactful for Council members to get a chance to meet the youth they were helping. Council members also provided goody bags to Dearborn County PAWS for cat and dog adoptions. The bags included treats, toys and other items needed to take care of the animals.

2018-2019 Youth Council members are: Stephanie Gray, Claire Hollingsworth, Hannah Morgan, Justine Stenger and Lauren Weissmann. Youth in grades 9-12 who live in Dearborn County can learn more about joining the DCF Youth Council by contacting Coordinator Denise Sedler at djsedler5@gmail.com or by contacting the Foundation office at 812-539-4115. The commitment: one-hour meeting once a month on a Sunday; 1-2 hours every other month for community service or fundraisers; August through May (no summer activities); active communication and ideas; commitment to attend meeting/activities.

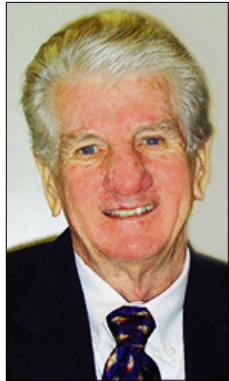
REMEMBERING OUR SPECIAL FRIENDS

The Dearborn Community Foundation (DCF) lost four fine friends in 2018: Charles R. “Charlie” Blankenship, formerly of Greendale, James M. Casper, Zionsville, Ind., John W. Reiniger, Greendale, and Susan Stock of New Alsace.

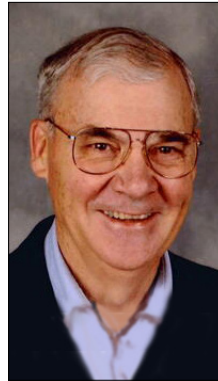
Mr. Blankenship passed away in April 2018 in Fort Myers, Florida, at the age of 76. The late Mr. Blankenship was a former member of the DCF Board of Directors and also served on committees. He was always willing to volunteer his time even though he also owned and ran Carousel Cleaners in Lawrenceburg for many years. He was retired from Joseph E. Seagram & Sons.

“Charlie cared about Dearborn County and was always willing to volunteer to help, especially when the Foundation golf scramble fundraiser rolled around,” said Fred McCarter, DCF Executive Director.

Jim Casper, a former founding member of the DCF Board of Directors, passed away in February 2019 at the age of 82. He was a native of Evansville, Ind., where he attended Evansville College where he received a Bachelors of Science in Biology. He also attended graduate school at Indiana University and Butler University. Jim was a microbiologist at Pittman-Moore (Dow) and stayed at Dow Chemical for 35 years. Upon retirement, he worked for the State of Indiana through the Purdue Extension Services in Southeastern Indiana. After raising their family, Casper and his wife, Vera, who survives him, moved to a 100-acre farm in Aurora. While in Dearborn County, he was very involved in 4-H and, of course, as one of the founding members of the DCF Board. The Casper’s moved back to Zionsville in 2001. “I had the pleasure of serving on the Foundation Board with Jim,” McCa-



Charlie Blankenship



Jim Casper



John Reiniger



Sue Stock

rtter said. “He was such a good guy. I remember him as someone who thought things through before making a decision. I also remember his sense of humor.”

John Reiniger, a former founding member of the DCF Board of Directors and former Publisher of Register Publications, Lawrenceburg, passed away December 29, 2018, at the age of 81. John, a CPA, was a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church, HVL Bridge Club, Finance Committee of the HVL Properties Owners Association, and, of course, served on the DCF Board and Investment Committee.

“John was a fine Board member and Investment Committee member at the Foundation,” McCarter said. “I actually worked for John at Register Publications before getting to know him even better in my capacity as Foundation director. He provided the Foundation with solid counsel on the Investment Committee for many years. **Sue Stock** passed away in September 2018 at the

age of 70. Sue and the love of her life, Jim Stock, a current DCF Board member, were inducted into the Foundation’s Legacy Society in 2015 in recognition of their establishment of the Stock Family Fund, a designated endowment fund that supports the operations of DCF. Sue was the co-founder of Compassionate Friends, which is a support group for parents who have lost children. She and Jim founded this group after losing their five-year-old son, Danny, many years ago. The organization has since gone nationwide. Sue was also active as a swim mom and with the Adoration Chapel.

“Sue was a wonderful, compassionate person,” McCarter said. “She made everyone she met feel like they had known her forever. Her smile was infectious. She also cared very much about the mission of the Foundation and was more than willing to support it.”

DCF AMONG SE INDIANA COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS TO FUND REGIONAL BROADBAND STUDY

The Community Foundations in Southeastern Indiana, including the Dearborn Community Foundation, Inc. (DCF), shared the cost of a 2018-2019 study to determine the region’s digital readiness.

The study by the Purdue University Center for Regional Development was completed in early 2019. A “State of Broadband” report for the nine-county region made up of Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, Shelby and Switzerland counties was released in April 2019. A regional broadband taskforce has been established to review the report and take next steps.

The regional task force’s mission is “to ensure everyone in Southeastern Indiana has adequate

and affordable internet connectivity and skills to improve their quality of life.” The group is busy reviewing the report and also plans to do public presentations to share the findings of the report and explain implications.

According to Purdue, 75 percent of Indiana households have a broadband internet subscription. However, only 68.9 percent of rural households have broadband. The main objective of the report encompassing the nine-county region of Southeastern Indiana is to increase awareness of the state of broadband availability and its implications.

Broadband is an important tool for education, healthcare and overall economic development, said Fred McCarter, Executive Director of the

Dearborn Community Foundation. “We’re pleased to be a part of this regional effort among Community Foundations to support this study. We collectively believe the reported findings will provide the data for action steps that will lead to improved broadband service in our region.”

The report analyzes the broadband footprint in the region, number of providers available, and other broadband-related information. It also gauges the digital readiness level of households in the region. A public survey completed in early 2019 to get input from residents 18 and older who live in the nine-county region helped provide needed data.

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DCF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2018 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 15 members of the board during 2018. 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 2018 DCF Board of Directors and officers are pictured below.

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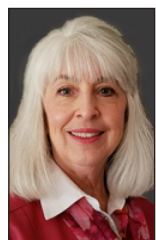
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Lawrenceburg



Tim Russell
Greendale



Elise Smith
Aurora

THE FOLLOWING JOINED THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN 2019



Ed Gordon
Greendale



Jim Stock
New Alsace

*Term expired 2018

COURTEOUS PROFESSIONAL STAFF SERVES COMMUNITY WELL

The DCF Team is made up of staff, legal counsel, and community volunteers and board members that serve on the 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. McCarter'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.

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.



Fred McCarter



Gretchen Hambrick



Tom Snape



Cheryl Wessel



Adrienne Flannery

Program Director Tom Snape joined the staff in early 2017. Snape brings significant experience to the Foundation as a communications professional, and in sales and customer service which is very valuable in providing assistance to the many non-profit organizations and students in Dearborn County. Snape manages the grant and scholarship programs.

Accountant Cheryl Wessel came to the Foundation in late 2007. Wessel brings to the Foundation more than 35 years of experience in the accounting field. Her work experience and volunteer activities provides the Foundation and Community with a very valuable asset for both non-profit accounting and tax.

Legal Counsel Long-time DCF Legal Counsel Lisa deHart Lehner, one of the founders of the Foundation, retired in mid-2018. Lehner's extensive knowledge of the Foundation and her expertise in tax planning, charitable giving, trust administration, probate administration, and estate planning made her a great asset to DCF.

After Lehner's retirement, DCF hired Adrienne Flannery of Miller and Flannery Law to be the new DCF Legal Counsel. 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.

2018 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Board Development

Jada Ankenbauer*
David Deddens
Mary Ewbank
Gerald Nixon
Jim Stock

Grants Committee

Jada Ankenbauer*
Susan Harrison
Becky Lyons
Gerald Nixon
Ramzi Nuseibeh*
Mike McLaughlin
Dr. Matthew B. Probst
Bill Ward*

Investment Committee

Jim Deaton
Dave Deddens
Leigh Kem
Phil Meyer
Barry Nanz

Dr. Matthew B. Probst
John Rumsey
Kevin Schafer*
Bill Ward*

Lilly Scholarship Committee

Karen Blasdel*
Marsha Ford
Bill Lakes*
Elise Smith*
J David Wismann

Community Scholarship Committee I

Paula Bruner*

Julie Murphy*

Tim Russell*
Jon Strautman
Judy Ullrich

Community Scholarship Committee II

Connie Cleary
Loretta Day*
Cherie Maddin*
Randy Tyler*

Community Scholarship Committee III

Michelle Deddens
Fayla Nanz*

Mark Neff*

Jim Stock

Lawrenceburg Youth Grant Committee

Barb Branigan
Rick Castillo
Garrett Cavanaugh
Mike Heffelmire
Brenda Konradi
E.G. McLaughlin
Mike McLaughlin

* Denotes 2018 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, Dells 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)

FOUNDATION HONORS VOLUNTEERS WITH 'HEARTS OF GOLD'

The Dearborn Community Foundation honored five community volunteers for having "Hearts of Gold" in 2018. The Heart of Gold 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."

During the Heart of Gold reception, each of the five honorees nominated by others in the community and then chosen as Heart of Gold recipients by a Foundation Committee received the coveted Heart of Gold award. The honorees were also given the privilege of serving on the Heart of Gold Committee to further touch the hearts of others by awarding \$2,500 in proactive grants to non-profit organizations that serve Dearborn County.

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.



The Foundation honored community volunteers (from left to right) Kristen Strzynski, John Herbert, Kevin Wang, Linda Maxwell and Andrea Ewan.

DCF HEART OF GOLD RECIPIENTS AWARD GRANTS

The Heart of Gold Grants Committee Awarded a total of \$2,500 in grants to community organizations.

Salvation Army of Dearborn and Ohio Counties –Dearborn County Kettle Drive.

Pregnancy Care Center – Program needs of the organization.

Bright Lions Club – Organization's charitable programs.

Big Brothers Big Sisters – Program needs of the organization in Dearborn County.

Dearborn County Clearing House for Emergency Aid – Sacks for Snacks Program.

HEARTS OF GOLD HONOREES

Andrea Ewan, Aurora: Andrea Ewan is deeply involved in her community. She generously volunteers her time for so many worthwhile causes that she believes in.

Whether it's volunteering for the countless county fish fries or helping coordinate the serving and delivery of thousands of Thanksgiving meals for those less fortunate families in our community, she is helping others. She is always willing to help in any way to ensure the success of any fundraising event she is called upon to support as a volunteer. As contributors to the well-being of the community, we all feel a certain obligation to "pay it forward, and Andrea does."

John Herbert, West Harrison: John Herbert has been a volunteer at the Pregnancy Care Center of Southeast Indiana (PCC) since 2016. He helped renovate the suite next door which helped PCC double their services. John has completed over 60 hours of training to be a Man2Man coach to serve men and fathers in the community working with them through the Dadhood program and providing one-on-one mentoring for those facing an unplanned pregnancy or other life hurdles. John volunteers his time at least once a week, to listen to and empower

male clients. John cares greatly about the clients, their children and significant others.

Linda Maxwell, Miller Township: Linda Maxwell is the personification of altruistic goodness, a person who gives of herself because there is a need, not because of anything it provides her in return. Those who have had the honor to know her and benefit from her unselfishness are richer for it. For 18 years, Linda has taken it upon herself to run the gift shop of North Dearborn Village Apartments senior housing complex. She purchases items to sell in the shop, co-ordinates the volunteers and then turns the profits into much needed items for the residents at the Village.

Kristen Strzynski, Aurora: Kristen Strzynski is a quiet hero to a lot of local kids and their families. She and her husband, Adam, have been foster parents to over 58 kids and have adopted four of them. Because of her experience as a foster parent, Kristen started Closet of Promises, a non-profit, all-volunteer organization. Closet of Promises serves foster, adoptive and relative placement families in South-eastern Indiana by providing clothing, hygiene needs, diapers, car seats, cribs, beds

and more. Kristen's goal is to help enrich the lives of families that are in some way impacted by Children's Services with the hope to raise their self-confidence and help feel good about themselves regardless of their circumstances.

Kevin Wang, Greendale: Kevin, the owner of the Grand Buffet Restaurant, was looking for a way to give back to his community so he began providing pick-up and delivery of Thanksgiving meals to residents in need. He closed his restaurant and had his staff prepare the meals at his expense, serving 400 people in 2016, 700 people in 2017 and with plans to provide meals again in 2018. His kindness has been a blessing not only to those who received a hot meal, but also to those who volunteered. Kevin is a board member of the Dearborn County Clearinghouse volunteers at the Coalition for Children's Christmas Toys and helps plan the annual Hunger Awareness dinner. Kevin is also great supporter of veterans in our community and helps with fundraising at Safe Passage and the James B. Wisnann YES Home. Anyone who meets Kevin knows how much the spirit of community means to him.

FINANCES

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2018 and 2017

	ASSETS	
	2018	2017
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,187,044	\$ 2,481,702
Certificates of deposit	1,086,311	575,721
Investments	15,507,893	17,218,656
Property and equipment, net	6,881	10,486
	<u>\$ 18,788,129</u>	<u>\$ 20,286,565</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 13,443	\$ 9,531
Deferred revenue	411,757	-0-
Charitable gift annuities payable	4,667	4,985
Liability for funds held as agency endowments	5,602,920	6,376,688
Custodial funds	1,445,710	1,784,808
Total liabilities	<u>7,478,497</u>	<u>8,176,012</u>
Net assets		
Without Donor Restrictions:		
Operating	994,886	888,804
Board designated	334,293	349,704
Invested in property and equipment	6,881	10,486
	<u>1,336,060</u>	<u>1,248,994</u>
With Donor Restrictions:		
Restricted for specific purposes	8,481	8,481
Restricted due to time restrictions	(2,206)	(1,765)
Endowment Funds	9,967,297	10,854,843
	<u>9,973,572</u>	<u>10,861,559</u>
Total net assets	<u>11,309,632</u>	<u>12,110,553</u>
	<u>\$18,788,129</u>	<u>\$20,286,565</u>

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

	2018	2017
Support and revenues		
Contributions	\$ 407,597	\$ 377,751
Investment return, net	(959,404)	1,310,590
Other investment income	30,547	22,949
Administrative fees	399,768	366,696
Other revenue	15,645	3,868
Total support and revenues	<u>(105,847)</u>	<u>2,081,854</u>
Total expenses		
	<u>695,074</u>	<u>610,515</u>
Change in net assets	(800,921)	1,471,339
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>12,110,553</u>	<u>10,639,214</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$11,309,632</u>	<u>\$12,110,553</u>

An independent audit for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 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.

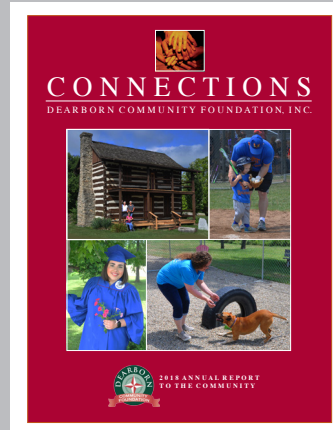


HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

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 Community Foundation helps make the "Connections" between those who contribute and those who benefit from their philanthropy.

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