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years

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1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011

**2011** annual report

16,905 gifts received

208 youth grant committee members

111 board members

6,892 donors

2,867 scholarships

\$32,806,529 in assets

451 funds

51893 staff

20 highlights



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# 20 highlights from 20 years

Out of the hundreds of accomplishments in the 20-year history of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation, we have chosen to focus on these 20 highlights, which you'll discover in the pages of our 2011 Annual Report.

## vision

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation will strive to be the primary steward of endowed funds and a leader that encourages broad-based charitable activity in the Wabash Valley.

## mission

The mission of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation is to engage people, build resources and strengthen community in the Wabash Valley.

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# letter from the president



Dear Friends,

Twenty years is a long time. As President of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation, I have had the privilege of leading the foundation for the past two years.

This 20th anniversary edition of the Annual Report is a celebration and look back on *your* community foundation. An anniversary is a time to honor the past...and anticipate the future.

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation was formed in 1991 through the volunteer efforts of Don Springman, Sally Lowery and Ed Jukes, the board of Community Chest of Terre Haute at that time. The Community Foundation was created to participate in Lilly Endowment's "Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow" or "GIFT" initiative.

The Foundation's first Board of Directors was committed to putting donor intention at the forefront of everything it did. Thanks to the Endowment's matching GIFT opportunity, many people and organizations became involved in the fledgling organization. Early in its existence, Del and Betty Jones gave \$1 million to the Foundation, which leveraged \$500,000 from Lilly Endowment and brought credibility to this new organization.

After a successful start, the Community Foundation expanded its services to the citizens of Clay County in 1997 and Sullivan County in 1998.

The Community Foundation measures success not only by the size of its assets, but also by the number and amount of its grants. I want to share a few facts that illustrate the difference that the Foundation is making in our community right now.

This year, the Community Foundation made grants to more than 50 different nonprofit agencies. It provided nearly \$900,000 in scholarship support to students from Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties. Over the past 20 years, grant dollars from the Foundation have:

- helped to make a performing arts experience available – and affordable – for area children and their families;
- transformed lives through the support of an employment opportunity program for the developmentally disabled;
- saved and enhanced quality of life through disease prevention and cardiac health awareness programs;
- provided life-saving comfort through utility support and food programs;
- preserved historical structures through restoration of a county courthouse clock, clock tower and more;

- enhanced parks and recreation facilities and programs in numerous communities;
- saved lives through the purchase of equipment for emergency service providers;
- provided dictionaries to all third grade students in Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties each school year;
- provided the basic needs of food, clothing and shelter for area families;
- and the list goes on and on.

Since its launch, the Foundation has distributed more than \$12 million to agencies and programs to benefit residents in Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties. That is a successful past, but what about the future?

Imagine the Wabash Valley as we would like it to be in 2016, 2021 and beyond. We could have:

- a community with enough scholarships so that all students who want to continue their education beyond high school have the funds to do so;
- a community whose social service organizations no longer have to scramble for cash to meet the needs of their clients;
- a community where the government, education, business and social service sectors work together to solve their most pressing issues;

- a community that supports its emerging musicians and artists and then enjoys the wonderful cultural opportunities that these talents provide;
- a community that is known across the state and across the nation as a place that invests in its youth;
- a community where economic development is at the forefront of everyone's mission and a place where new jobs are created at such a pace that people want to put down roots and stay here.

If we can imagine it, we can make it happen. Through the Community Foundation we can forge partnerships, convene parties around a table, lead by example, leverage funds and enable philanthropy. As citizens of the Wabash Valley, it is our responsibility to develop the dream and build it for those who will follow us.

With all of us working together, our collective vision of the future can indeed happen. With your help and support, we can make sure it does!

Sincerely,



Jackie Lower  
President

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# the roots of philanthropy in the wabash valley

## In many ways, the founding of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation in 1991 changed the face of philanthropy in our communities.

Behind the numbers you see throughout our 20th Anniversary Annual Report are the stories of our donors and their legacies...the stories of our grant recipients and their commitment to make the community a better place.

The roots of philanthropy in the Wabash Valley go back to 1882 and the Society for Organized Charity. Dedicated to relief for the poor, it was Terre Haute's first federated fundraising body. Through the years, philanthropy was carried out by successive groups, including the Welfare League (1919), the Terre Haute Community Fund (1920 to 1932) and the Health-Welfare Fund (1936 to 1941).

In 1942, Community Chest of Terre Haute Inc. was organized to coordinate the activities of the various agencies providing welfare, health or recreational services to the public. The United Appeal, the Community Chest's fundraising arm, began in 1957 and evolved to become the United Way of the Wabash Valley in 1972.

Community Chest was instrumental in organizing the Wabash Valley Community Foundation Inc. in 1991. By transferring its assets to create the Community Chest Fund, Community Chest made one of the very first gifts to the Community Foundation. Six years later, when the Terre Haute Day Nursery closed its doors after 105 years of caring for the children of low-income parents, it too became a part of the Foundation. Its board established the Terre Haute Day Nursery Fund, which continues to carry on its mission.

Because of the generosity of Wabash Valley residents like the first major donors, Delmar and Betty Jones; the Foundation's affiliation with the Clay County Community Foundation and the Sullivan County Community Foundation; Lilly Endowment's five GIFT initiatives; and the able stewardship of the endowment through the years, the Wabash Valley Community Foundation has experienced phenomenal growth. From nothing, the Foundation's endowed assets have grown to nearly \$30 million, making it possible to award more than \$12 million in cumulative grants and scholarships.

The first founding contributors of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Delmar and Betty Jones, pose with their family, Ron and April Jones, Shirley McDonald and Sharon and Steve Nicolson in a 1993 photo from the Terre Haute Tribune Star.

## 1 Lilly Endowment's impact

A \$1 million endowment building grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. was the impetus for the creation of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation. Lilly Endowment, the Indianapolis-based, private family foundation, exists to support the causes of religion, community development and education. With its 1990 GIFT initiative (Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow), the Endowment dedicated more than \$60.1 million to establish and strengthen community foundations in Indiana. The Wabash Valley Community Foundation raised \$2 million in permanently endowed funds by 1994 to receive the \$1 million in GIFT funds. But the Endowment's impact didn't stop there.

- The Endowment's GIFT initiatives were designed to strengthen Indiana communities by creating a permanent source of charitable dollars and encouraging local leaders to identify and solve local problems. Through 13 years and five GIFT phases, the Wabash Valley Community Foundation was the beneficiary of more than \$8.7 million in GIFT funds.
- The Endowment's Community Scholarship Program, kicked off in 1997, has made it possible for the Community Foundation to offer four-year, full-tuition scholarships so that 108 high school students in Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties could pursue their educational dreams at any accredited Indiana institution of higher education.
- The Endowment's significant Community Alliances Promoting Education (CAPE) grants, from 2001 to 2005, made it possible for Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties to address literacy issues and increase educational attainment in partnership with the school corporations and area institutions of higher education.
- With a \$384,6670 grant from Lilly Endowment, the Community Foundation implemented its Sustaining Resource Development (SRD) initiative in 2005 and achieved goals of increasing awareness of the Foundation, educating and utilizing volunteers in development efforts, and developing and maintaining sufficient operating resources.

# 2 community expo celebrates the foundation's 20th anniversary and area nonprofits



The Wabash Valley Community Foundation celebrated its 20th anniversary by showcasing the services of more than 40 area nonprofit agencies at its Community Expo at Hulman Center on September 15th.

Nearly 550 residents of Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties joined in the celebration and voted for their favorite agency. The top vote recipients that evening shared in the \$20,000, which was added to their agency endowments.



### Special thanks to Our 20th Anniversary Sponsors

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### 3 winning recognition

Our 20th anniversary year was indeed a banner year for the Wabash Valley Community Foundation! We were chosen by readers of the Terre Haute Tribune Star as the Best Not for Profit Organization in the newspaper's 2011 Readers' Choice competition. We were presented with the Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce's 2011 Vision – A Level Above Award for our work to grow our communities for the future. We also achieved reconfirmation of compliance with National Standards from the Council on Foundations.

#### The agencies sharing in the top prize were:

- 1st place:** 14th & Chestnut Community Center - \$7,000
- 2nd place:** Swope Art Museum - \$5,000
- 3rd place:** (tie) Clay Community Schools CAPE Endowment - \$2,000  
TREES Inc. - \$2,000
- 5th place:** St. Ann Clinic - \$1,000
- 6th place:** Terre Haute Humane Society - \$1,000
- 7th place:** (tie) Ivy Tech Community College - \$666.67  
Terre Haute Symphony - \$666.67  
VNA/Hospice of the Wabash Valley - \$666.67



# many ways to embrace philanthropy

## 4 wabash valley gives

2011 provided a new donor opportunity for the Wabash Valley. We introduced our online community engagement platform, Wabash Valley Gives, where people can learn about and assist directly with a variety of needs in their own communities. The platform, funded by several area private and corporate foundations and managed by the Foundation, is free to nonprofit organizations needing assistance. No gift is too small, and donors can be assured that the platform is a safe, secure place to make donations. Please check it out at [www.wabashvalleygives.com](http://www.wabashvalleygives.com)!

The Community Foundation has been built on the gifts of our generous donors, each one a philanthropist, no matter the size of the gift. Gifts to the Foundation are as varied as the donors and the needs for which they are intended. Your financial, tax or estate planner, assisted by the staff at the Community Foundation, can help you select the type of gift that best suits your situation.

- **Cash** is the easiest way to donate, whether it is actual cash in hand or a check. The Foundation's online giving opportunity makes it convenient to give.

- **Real estate** or personal property may be given to the Foundation. Of course, all gifts qualify as a charitable tax deduction.

- **Appreciated securities**, when donated, allow you to avoid paying the capital gains tax while providing an accompanying income tax deduction for the current fair-market value.

- **Testamentary gifts**, such as a bequest in your will, allow the gift amount to be exempt from estate taxes.

- **Transferring life insurance**, with the Foundation named as the beneficiary and owner of an existing or new policy, allows you an immediate tax deduction, which usually approximates the cash surrender value of the policy. Insurance premiums paid after the transfer of the policy may be deductible as a charitable contribution.

- **A charitable remainder trust** allows you or someone you choose to receive an income for life from assets transferred to a trust. The transfer also qualifies as a tax deduction, the amount of which is determined by the age of the income recipient. When the trust ends, the trust remainder is placed in a permanent fund in your name with the charitable distributions made in accordance with your wishes.

- **A charitable gift annuity** is a simple way to make a substantial gift while retaining the right to a lifetime income. The amount of income is fixed, based on your life expectancy. When the income is no longer needed, the remainder supports the charitable cause you have selected.

- **A charitable lead trust** allows the Foundation to receive an annual payment during your lifetime or for a specified number of years. When the trust terminates, the principal is returned to you or others that you have designated.

- **Private foundations or trusts** often require significant time and money to manage. By transferring your private foundation or charitable trust to the Community Foundation, all responsibilities for reports and administrative duties will be carried out by the staff of the Foundation. Since the Foundation is a public charity and does not pay excise tax, more income is available for charitable purposes.

- **The Acorn Program** allows everyone to be a philanthropist. To create a fund in the Foundation requires a contribution of \$5,000 or more. If it is not possible to give a large gift or to donate the \$5,000 all at once in order to establish a permanent fund, the Foundation's Acorn Program is an alternate way to create a fund. A minimum contribution of \$100 opens the account with a commitment on your part to have it grow to the required \$5,000 within five years. As resources become available, you may make contributions to your fund. Family members and friends also may contribute to your fund in the Foundation. You don't have to be a millionaire to help your community.

**Professional Guidance.** No matter how much or which type of resources you choose to donate, the Community Foundation will make it possible for you to have a charitable fund without all the red tape and legal fees. Your fund will be invested by professional investment managers and monitored by a board composed of local leaders who know your community and will seek to honor your wishes.

# many ways to create your fund

The Community Foundation can customize a fund that will achieve your personal charitable goals and establish your legacy.

## **Unrestricted Funds**

If you wish to provide resources for your community to meet future needs, assist an existing program or even start a new program, the unrestricted fund will be your choice. Your resources will be granted by the local board for purposes which are meaningful and timely in your county.

## **Field of Interest Funds**

Perhaps you have an interest in the arts, education, youth or a specific geographic area. Once you define your particular interest, the Foundation board will award grants from your fund within the area you have identified.

## **Advised Funds**

You may wish to have more “say” in the annual distributions from your fund. By choosing an advised fund, you may serve on or specify who will serve on the grant selection committee. Each year you can recommend different charitable grantees.

## **Designated Funds**

If you are devoted to one or more charitable organizations, you may wish to establish a designated fund, thereby assuring that your favorite charity or charities will receive annual grants from your endowed resources.

## **Agency Endowment Funds**

An agency itself or a long-time supporter may establish an agency endowment fund for the agency’s benefit. An agency endowment fund allows supporters to contribute funds to ensure an uninterrupted and dependable source of funding to carry out the agency’s work on a perpetual basis.

## **Scholarship Funds**

A scholarship fund will assist students with tuition and fees to pursue a post-secondary education. Unlike generic scholarships, a Community Foundation scholarship can be customized to incorporate the donor’s preferences for a particular field of study or a particular institution of higher education. Eligibility of applicants, application procedures and the amount and duration of scholarship support are designed to reflect the wishes of the donor.

## **Deferred Funds**

The Community Foundation can work with you now to create a fund agreement that will not receive any gift from you until some time in the future, perhaps as a part of your estate plan. The Community Foundation will work cooperatively with your financial planner, attorney or accountant to ensure that your wishes are properly followed when the deferred gift is received.

## **Special Project Funds**

Immediacy is an element in the Foundation’s Special Projects Funds. Perhaps a new project emerges, a need arises or a nonprofit group requests fundraising assistance from the Foundation. Rather than establish a permanent endowment, resources are given to support these special short-term goals now.

## **Acknowledgement**

All donors to the Community Foundation are acknowledged, regardless of the size of their gift. Should a donor prefer anonymity, the Wabash Valley Community Foundation protects the identity and confidentiality of the donor.

# fund listing

## 5 growing funds

At the end of our 20th year, there were 403 endowment funds and 26 special project funds in the Wabash Valley Community Foundation. Individuals, families, companies or organizations have the flexibility to customize a fund that will achieve their charitable objectives. (See the variety of available funds outlined on page 9, and the named funds listed on pages 10-13.)

## unrestricted funds

### Clay County

- Beulah Ahlemeyer Memorial Fund
- Bill and Edna Ahlemeyer Endowment Fund
- Lewis and Eva Berry Endowment Fund
- Brazil Rotary Community Fund
- Clay City Lions Community Fund
- Clay Civic Memorial Foundation Community Fund
- Clay County Community Foundation Board Endowment Fund
- Clay County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

Albert and Freda Eder DeCoursey Community Fund

Anna Ferrell Endowment Fund

Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Clay County

Lilly Endowment Fund for Clay County

John E. and Karen E. Mercer Family Endowment Fund

Herschel and Josephine Morge Endowment Fund

Riddell National Bank - John H. Riddell Memorial Fund

Spencer Miller and Associates, L.L.C., CPAs Clay County Community Fund

Richard and Hila Zimmerman Endowment Fund

### Sullivan County

Allomatic Products Community Enrichment Fund

Lois A. Andrews Foundation Fund for Sullivan County

Black Beauty Sullivan County Community Fund

Guy and Wilma Edds Charitable Endowment Fund - Gammie's Closet

First National Bank & Trust Employee Fund

Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

Lilly Endowment Fund for Sullivan County

John and Yvonne Longfield Endowment Fund

Harold and Malinda Medsker Endowment Fund

Milam Family Endowment Fund

Lorene B. and Malcolm Pigg Endowment Fund

William Snyder Endowment Fund

Sullivan County Community Foundation Board Endowment Fund

Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

William and Joanne Wright Family Endowment Fund

### Vigo County

Henry and Geraldine Adelman Memorial Fund

Andres Family Endowment Fund

Walter and Katherine Bledsoe Family Endowment Fund

Curt & Linda Brighton Family Endowment Fund

Thelma Maxine Dever Memorial Fund

Thomas and Susan Dinkel Family Fund

O. Earl and Tina Elliott Family Endowment Fund

Allen and Mildred D. Felstein Charitable Endowment Fund

First Financial Bank Community Fund

Thomas L. and Connie L. Francis Charitable Endowment Fund

Lavelda M. Goble Endowment Fund

Steve Harris Memorial Endowment Fund

Hulman George Family Endowment Fund

Dr. Paul and Nadine Humphrey Charitable Fund

Ray G. Ingram Endowment Fund

Delmar L. and Betty L. Jones Family Fund

Landsbaum Endowment Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh B. Lee, Jr. Endowment Fund

Salo and Mary Levite Endowment Fund

Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund

Lilly Endowment Fund

Gershon H. & Janice K. Loeser Endowment Fund

Lukens Family Endowment Fund

MillerWhite Community Endowment Fund

PMC Fund

Jacqueline H. Phillips Endowment Fund

Carl W. ("Bang") and Josephine M. Price Memorial Fund

Leon and Roberta Sackrider Endowment Fund

Gary W. and Judy A. Schomer Family Endowment Fund

Donald O. Springman Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Academy of Medicine Endowment Fund

John Tipton Memorial Fund

Wabash Valley Asphalt Endowment Fund

Wabash Valley Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

Wernsing Fund

White Family Endowment Fund

Myrl and Marie Wilkinson Community Endowment Fund

David and Joan Zaun Endowment Fund

## field of interest funds

### Clay County

Clay City Community Recreation Fund

Connley-Hall-Rentschler Fund

### Sullivan County

Dana M. Burton Memorial Endowment Fund

Carlisle Community Endowment Fund

Cemetery Preservation Endowment Fund

Concern for Animals Fund

Joe and Betty Dukes Family Endowment Fund

Furry Friends Fund

JAC (Job and Career) Fund

Merom Community Endowment Fund

Lorene B. and Malcolm Pigg Beautification Fund

Harry J. Stanley Memorial Fund for Children of Sullivan County

Sullivan County Volunteer of the Year Fund

Youth Endowment for Sullivan County Fund

## Vigo County

Altrusa Foundation Fund  
Larry C. Archer Memorial Fund for Autism Awareness and Understanding Fund  
Community Chest of Terre Haute Fund  
Encouraging Access & Success in Education Fund  
Larry P. Fleschner Good Samaritan Fund  
Carol M. Starkey Kochell Charitable Fund  
James R. Piker, Ada A. Piker and Virginia M. Ginter Memorial Fund  
Sara Lou Fund  
Volunteer Action Center Endowment Fund  
Wabash Valley Long Term Disaster Recovery Fund  
Youth Grant Committee Endowment Fund

## advised funds

### Clay County

Carbon Town Fund  
Clay Civic Memorial Foundation Advised Fund  
Clay County Hospital Health Improvement Fund  
Judge Silas D. Coffey Memorial Fund

### Sullivan County

James and June Conner Civic Endowment Fund  
Dugger Community (Jefferson/Cass Townships) Endowment Fund  
J. Carter Hale Memorial Fund  
Richard and Virginia McHugh Fund  
Sullivan Business and Professional Women's Club Endowment Fund  
Sullivan County Ag Day Fund  
Sullivan County Women In Giving Support "WINGS"

### Vigo County

Marilyn Scott Allen Fund  
Primo A. and Sylvia A. Andres Fund  
The Barnabas Fund  
Georgia Marie Bird Memorial Fund  
Bruce Brentlinger Endowment Fund  
Patrick and Mary Cahill Endowment Fund

James and Beverly Cristee Fund

Jerry and Jo Einstandig Endowment Fund

Gilbert and Virginia Gambill Charitable Endowment Fund

Pamela Gresham Angel Fund

The Halo Fund

Jason A. Harvey Memorial Endowment Fund

Terry Ho, M.D. Memorial Fund

Jackie's Garden Fund

W. Edward and Connie K. Jukes Family Fund

Thomas L. and Patricia W. Kelly Fund

Kiwanis Club of Terre Haute Fund

Baldwin Kloer Endowment Fund

Fred and Nancy Nation Endowment Fund

Newman Family Endowment Fund

J. Laurence and Barbara A. Passmore Charitable Fund

Jack and Joann Ragle Charitable Endowment Fund

Henry Monroe Shagley Memorial Fund

Vincent G. Sison, M.D. Memorial Education Program for Nurses Fund

Haley Kathryn Smith Memorial Fund

Mary and Don Smith Fund

Mary Ann Stadler Memorial Fund

Terre Haute Bar Association Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Cityscape Fund

Terre Haute Day Nursery Association Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Regional Hospital Foundation Fund

Ralph and Helen Tevlin Endowment Fund

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 972 Charitable Endowment Fund

Richard C. Vining Endowment Fund

Herman and Coriene White Charitable Fund

## designated funds

### Clay County

Angels for Eastside Fund  
Roy E. Brown Memorial Fund  
Forest Park Endowment Fund  
Penman Girls Operating Endowment Fund  
Marion and Marie Kattman Sendmeyer Endowment Fund for Poland Historical Chapel  
Serving on the Street Community Center Project Fund

### Sullivan County

Angels for Sullivan Elementary School Fund  
Angels for Sullivan Junior High School Fund  
CAPE Endowment Fund for Sullivan County  
Paul Edmiston Agriculture Education Fund  
Norma G. McNeill Fund  
Leo and Virginia Pellum Endowment Fund  
Irwin and Mary Reiss Operating Endowment Fund for the Sullivan County Community Foundation

Shelburn Community Endowment Fund

Jesse R. Sherwood Fund

Stairways to Success Mentoring Program Fund

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### Vigo County

Danette Angermeier Memorial Fund  
Col. Peter Baer Memorial Fund  
Mary Ann Carroll Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum  
Clabber Girl Fund for Camp Riley  
John Rogers Cox Preservation Fund  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund  
Susie Dewey Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum  
Donna J. Doti Endowment Fund  
Norma Lemmon Evans Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum  
Felstein Grandchildren Fund in Memory of Allen and Millie Felstein  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund  
Thomas L. and Connie L. Francis Endowment Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum  
Goodwill Industries Tennis Family Dictionary Fund

Haslem Endowment Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

Nancy Hellmann Educational Fund

Helping Hand Endowment Fund

Jessie E. Hickman Fund

Humphrey Honor Award Fund

Jamie Jacobsen Memorial Endowment Fund

Eileen Stith Jensen Endowment Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

Delmar L. and Betty L. Jones Fund for Hospice

Joseph A. Bray Detachment 471 Marine Corps League Endowment Fund

Julie McLaughlin Memorial Fund

Harriet McNeal Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

Esther MacBain Meeks Memorial Fund for Children's Literature

Guido and Barbara Meischer Endowment Fund

Chuck Miles Memorial Fund

Miriam Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Foundation Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

Evelyn Peterman Endowment Fund

Pfister Fund

Robert S. Ratcliffe Memorial Fund

Ronald G. Reeves Endowment Fund

Scottish Rite Preservation Fund

Robert and Carolyn Steinbaugh Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

Susan Templeton Scott Dictionary Project Fund

Terre Haute Academy of Medicine Fund

Terre Haute Rotary Club Endowment Fund

Earl and Hazel Travioli Charitable Endowment Fund

Vigo County Public Library West Terre Haute Wabashiki Wetland Observatory Fund

Wabash River Development and Beautification, Inc. Nonpermanent Fund

Wabash Valley Dictionary Project Endowment Fund

Myrl and Marie Wilkinson Endowment Fund

Karen J. Wright Memorial Fund

## agency endowment funds

### Clay County

Annunciation Church Educational Endowment Fund  
Brazil City Fire Department Safety and Equipment Fund  
Clay Community Schools CAPE Fund  
Clay County Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund  
Clay County Genealogical Society Fund  
Clay County YMCA Endowment Fund  
Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department Endowment Fund  
R.E.I.N. Center Endowment Fund

### Sullivan County

Community Kitchen Endowment Fund  
Gill Township Volunteer Fireman's Operational Fund  
Merom Conference Center Endowment Fund  
Merom Improvement Association Fund  
Merom United Methodist Church Endowment Fund  
Our Father's Arms Charitable Fund  
Southwest High Schools Alumni Association - Cooper Endowment Fund  
Sullivan City Endowment Fund  
Sullivan County 4-H Endowment Fund  
Sullivan County Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund  
Sullivan County Community Hospital Foundation Fund  
Sullivan County Public Library Endowment Fund  
Sullivan County Public Library Genealogy, Family and County History Endowment Fund  
Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation Fund  
Sullivan Presbyterian Church Mission Fund  
Sycamore Trails RC&D SCCF Endowment Fund  
Turman Township Youth Foundation 2000 Limited Fund

# fund listing continued

## Vigo County

14th & Chestnut Community Center Endowment Fund

Mary Ellen Adams Endowment Fund for the Eastside Church of Christ

A.L.L. - Washington High School Nursery Endowment Fund

ARC of Vigo County Endowment Fund

Area 7 Agency on Aging and Disabled Endowment Fund

Art Spaces Endowment Fund

Boy Scouts of America, Crossroads of America Council Fund

C.H.A.N.C.E.S. for Indiana Youth Endowment Fund

Clothes Closet Endowment Fund

Community Christian School Endowment Fund

Community Theatre of Terre Haute Endowment Fund

Crossroads of America Youth Orchestra Endowment Fund

Davis Gardens Health Center Fund

Dispute Resolution Center Endowment Fund

Gibault Fund

Girl Scouts of Central Indiana Fund

Goodwill Industries Endowment Fund

Katherine Hamilton Endowment Fund for Hamilton Center Inc.

Happiness Bag Endowment Fund

Hospice of the Wabash Valley Endowment Fund

Humane Society Fund

Ivy Tech Technology Endowment Fund

League of Terre Haute Endowment Fund

Light House Mission Endowment Fund

Mental Health Association in Vigo County Endowment Fund

Saint Ann Clinic Endowment Fund

Saint Benedict Church Endowment Fund

Saint Joseph University Parish Fund

Spay-Neuter League Endowment Fund

Sumar Fund for the Salvation Army

Sheldon Swope Art Museum Endowment Fund

Sycamore Trails RC&D Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club - Max Gibson Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club - John G. Schmidt Capital Fund

Terre Haute Children's Science & Technology Museum Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Parks Department Endowment Fund

Terre Haute Symphony Association Fund

Terre Haute Symphony Association - Walter and Margaret Reed Fund

TREES, Inc. Endowment Fund

United Cerebral Palsy Endowment Fund

United Way of the Wabash Valley Endowment Fund

United Way of the Wabash Valley - Ada Hodge Endowment Fund

United Way of the Wabash Valley Operating Endowment Fund

Vigo County Education Foundation Endowment Fund

Vigo County Historical Society Endowment Fund

Vigo County LifeLine Endowment Fund

Vigo County Park & Recreation Department Endowment Fund

Vigo County Public Library Endowment Fund

Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc. Endowment Fund

Wabash Valley Community Foundation Board Operating Endowment Fund

Wabash Valley Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund

Wabash Valley Youth for Christ & Urban Life Endowment Fund

Western Indiana Community Action Agency Endowment Fund

World Gospel Church Missions Endowment Fund

Blair Endowment Fund

## scholarship funds

### Clay County

Roy W. Barnhart Scholarship Fund

Denise D. and John C. Bell Scholarship Fund

Brazil Business & Professional Women's Club Scholarship Fund

Virginia M. Buell Memorial Scholarship Fund

Clay County Scholarship Fund

Robert and Barbara Deakins Scholarship Fund

Albert and Freda Eder DeCoursey Scholarship Fund

Rob and Lisa Denker Scholarship Fund

Sam J. and Joyce E. Emmert Family Fund

Barbara H. Fenton Scholarship Trust

Kelly Fuqua Memorial Fund

Halie's Rainbow-The Halie Hite Memorial Scholarship Fund

Harry M. and Rosemary L. Grandey Scholarship Fund

Harriet Hicks Scholarship Fund

Earl F. Hopkins Scholarship Fund

Mabel Kidwell Scholarship Fund

Renis and Fern Knust Scholarship Fund

Albert A. Landes Endowed Scholarship Fund

Roy and Louie E. Lucas Scholarship Fund

Janice Hart Modesitt, R.N. Nursing Scholarship Fund

Gary and Leesa Nesty Scholarship Fund

Martha and Mary Ann Pedlar Scholarship Fund

Max and Helen Pierce Scholarship Fund

John and Myrtle Price Scholarship Fund

Brent and Helen Rentschler Scholarship Fund

Dan and Jane Robbins Northview Marching Knights Scholarship Fund

Bob Romas Memorial Scholarship Fund

SERCOLBE Scholarship Fund

Dedia M. Sexton Scholarship Fund

Dedia M. Sexton Scholarship Fund for the Indiana School for the Deaf

Richard and Margaret Shattuck Memorial Scholarship Fund

Everett E. and Fern A. Tucker Scholarship Fund

Dr. Robert K. Webster & Wanda Webster, R.N. Scholarship Fund

## Sullivan County

Richard and Veadia Akers Medical Education Scholarship Fund

J.P. Alexander Memorial Scholarship Fund

Allomatic Products Machine Trades Scholarship Fund

Elizabeth A. Bledsoe Scholarship Fund

Jim Case Scholarship Fund

Janet Romine Chatfield Business Award

Jeffrey Alan Cole Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dr. James Harvey Crowder Memorial Scholarship Fund

Farmersburg Alumni Association Scholarship Fund

Sarah Geitz Scholarship Fund for the John and Eunice Organ Valedictorian Scholarship & the Rex E. Pierce Salutatorian Scholarship

Evelyn W. Gettinger Indiana University Scholarship Fund

John D. Gettinger Purdue Scholarship Fund

Chris Gilbert Memorial Scholarship Fund

Gill Township Scholarship Fund

David A. Gilman, Ph.D. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Fred A. and Nannie O. Graham Scholarship Fund

James F. Jackson Scholarship Fund

Esther Ruddell Ladson Scholarship Fund

Albert and Verna McKee Memorial Scholarship Fund

Floyd and Irene Phillips Scholarship Fund

Jesse O. & Martha L. Reynolds Scholarship Fund

Reid & Nina Ross Scholarship Fund

Sherman Educational Fund

Dercie E. (Hawkins) Simmons Education Scholarship Fund

Sara W. Springer Memorial Scholarship Fund

Sullivan County Purdue Alumni Association Scholarship Fund

Sullivan County Scholarship Fund

Sullivan High School Automotive Scholarship Fund

Sallie Unger Scholarship Fund

Valentine Family  
Scholarship Fund

Robert P. White Elks  
Charitable Fund

### Vigo County

Joe and Dorothy Archer  
Scholarship Fund

Bentrup Family  
Scholarship Fund

Dr. Charlotte M. Boener  
Scholarship Fund

Beta Sigma Phi City Council  
Scholarship Fund

Rex Buntain Tribune Star  
Scholarship Fund

Fred Christman  
Scholarship Fund

Rachael Dawn Clark  
Memorial Scholarship

Tina Clem Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Dr. and Mrs. James O.  
Conklin Scholarship Fund

Betty E. and Curt DeBaun,  
Jr. Aviation Scholarship Fund

Dr. William W. Drummy  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

William W. Drummy III,  
Rebecca A. Drummy, R.N.,  
and Lillian A. Drummy,  
R.N., Nursing Scholarship  
Fund

Vigo County Education  
Foundation - Jennifer M.  
Dunham Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Peter Anthony Duong  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Lloyd and Lela Ewbank  
Scholarship Fund

Senator Herman J. Fanning, Jr.  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

William Fenton  
Scholarship Fund

Anonymous Scholarship Fund

Larry Paul Fleschner  
Scholarship Fund

Gay Floyd, R.N. Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Dr. John E. Freed, Jr.  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Gerstmeyer Technical High  
School Scholarship Fund

Glenn High School Alumni  
Scholarship Fund

Lavelda M. Goble  
Scholarship Fund

Don and Mary Goltry  
Scholarship Fund

Sgt. Dale Russel Griffin  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jo Ann F. Johnson  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Josh Kackley Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Vigo County Education  
Foundation - John Kassis  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Carol M. Starkey Kochell  
Scholarship Fund

Harold Paul Loveall III  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jack Lower Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Tom McCarthy Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Avice McCrae Scholarship Fund

Laura Brooke McDonald  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Nancy and Dale McKee  
Family Scholarship Fund

John and Carol Myers  
Scholarship Fund

Liane R. Page Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast  
Foundation Funds for:  
- Indiana State University  
Department of Marketing  
- Indiana University  
School of Law  
- Rose-Hulman  
Institute of Technology  
- Saint Mary-of-the-Woods  
College

Dorothy Wurst Porter  
Scholarship Fund

Ambrose and Miriam  
Rubey Scholarship Fund

Gene K. Shike Memorial  
Scholarship Fund

Travis James Smith  
Memorial Fund

Elizabeth Smudde  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Terre Haute Exchange Club  
Annual Speech Contest Fund

Terre Haute Junior Golf  
Association Scholarship Fund

Terre Haute Regional  
Hospital Foundation  
Scholarship Fund

Andy and Edythe Turner  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

VFW Post 972 Voice of  
Democracy Scholarship Fund

Vigo County Scholarship Fund

Wabash Valley Community  
Foundation Scholarship Fund

Erskine Lee and Eula  
Webb Scholarship Fund

Wiley High School Alumni  
Scholarship Fund

Myrl and Marie Wilkinson  
Scholarship Fund

Bill Wood Insurance  
Adjuster's Scholarship Fund

Wright, Shagley and  
Lowery Scholarship Fund

Thomas J. Wright  
Scholarship Fund

Kimberley Jeanne Fowler  
Wulf Scholarship Fund  
for Catholic Education

YWCA of Terre Haute  
Scholarship Fund

## special project and nonpermanent funds

**Clay County**  
Literacy Initiative in  
Clay County Fund

**Sullivan County**  
Lois Andrews Charitable Fund

Humane Shelter of  
Sullivan County Fund

Sullivan High School  
Athletic Fund

**Vigo County**  
Art Spaces Preservation Fund

CARE Council Project Fund

Cultural Alliance of  
Terre Haute Fund

Duke Energy Grants Fund

The Essence of Red  
Committee Fund

Felstein Grandchildren Project  
Fund in Memory of Allen and  
Millie Felstein

HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

Hulman George Family  
Project Fund

Indiana EASE - Vigo County  
Grant Fund

Janet Sue's Helping Hand Fund

Scottish Rite of Wabash Valley  
Capital Project Fund

Terre Haute Parks Department  
Project Fund

Terre Haute Parks Department  
Project Fund - Deming Park

Terre Haute Parks Department  
Project Fund - Dobbs Park

Terre Haute Parks Department  
Project Fund - Gold Medal Plaza

Terre Haute Parks Department  
Project Fund - Maple Ave.

Veterans Memorial Plaza  
Project Fund

Vigo County Park &  
Recreation Department  
Projects Fund

Wabash River National  
Road Wetland Reservation  
Project Fund

# 6 building agency endowments

A nonprofit agency pursuing its mission to benefit the community may struggle to pay its staff and keep its doors open. The Community Foundation provides support for nonprofits through agency endowments that can supplement nonprofits' operating budgets with a reliable annual stream of income. In 1997, Lilly Endowment Inc.'s GIFT Phase III initiative provided \$1 million, which was leveraged to create and increase agency endowment funds in the Foundation. Today, local agencies or their benefactors have established 79 agency endowments in the Community Foundation.



Terre Haute artist, Diane Songer, designed and painted the Wabash Valley Community Foundation's car, sponsored as part of the Swope Art Museum's Cruising Around in Terre Haute fundraiser.

## 20 years of grantmaking

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation continues to be a charitable vehicle that donors give *through* rather than *to*. It is a collection of various funds, each one as individual as its creator, and each one designed to improve the community.

The Foundation exists to help donors – both those of wealth and those of modest means – to carry out their charitable objectives forever. At the same time, it is committed to the improvement of the Wabash Valley, providing a steady source of financial resources to respond to changing community needs and positively impact quality of life.

To this end, the Foundation links agencies and organizations with donors' charitable goals and community needs. Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties each have their own individual review process, carried out by local volunteer leadership, to determine the agencies and projects to be funded. The resulting grants have enriched arts and culture, boosted community development, supported educational opportunity, assisted in emergencies and crises, and supported citizens in times of need and despair. The figures below demonstrate the level of support for each broad interest area.

Funds in the Community Foundation operate as perpetual endowments from which only the annual income is distributed, while the principal stays intact. Gifts grow and are leveraged with other gifts, thus allowing the Foundation to make larger grants with greater impact.



# 7 notable grants in all sizes

Every one of the nearly 3,000 grants awarded by the Community Foundation in its 20 years has impacted the lives of residents in Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties. Here are some notable ones.

- Access to the arts is important in all three of the Foundation's counties. A \$500 grant assisted with the start-up of the Sullivan Community Band. Community Theatre of Clay County was awarded \$3,000 from no fewer than 10 endowment funds to update its lighting. Grants have supported Sheldon Swope Art Museum's Summer Art Program for Youth, which continues today, and Art Spaces received grants in support of two outdoor sculptural placements.
- In our 10th Anniversary year, a \$100,000 grant established a trailhead at the eastern terminus of the National Road Heritage Trail in East Glenn commemorating Delmar and Betty Jones' outstanding support of the Foundation. That grant leveraged an additional \$539,515 for the trailhead from the State of Indiana.
- A special project fund assists the Veterans Memorial Plaza on the grounds of the Vigo County Courthouse to honor the county's fallen war heroes.
- In 2009, the Foundation announced a \$150,000 endowment building challenge grant to the Terre Haute Children's Museum to develop sustained funding to cover operational costs for the museum's new facility.
- Volunteer fire departments are the first responders for any emergency and are critical to the safety of residents in our rural areas. VFDs in Clay and Sullivan counties have been awarded numerous grants for new communication for new communications systems, external defibrillators, extrication tools, trucks, protective gear and training materials to support their efforts.
- Poverty and a lack of resources limit access to healthcare for Wabash Valley residents. Since 1997, the Community Foundation has provided nearly \$89,000 in grants to help St. Ann Clinic, which provides free healthcare services to thousands of people who are at or below the poverty level and do not have a physician or medical insurance.

## Arts and Culture

**249 Grants Totaling \$1,013,328.25**

One measure of the quality of life in any community is the diversity of its arts and cultural opportunities. Grants to provide these opportunities to the Wabash Valley include support for the preservation of historic buildings and landmarks in all three counties; support for concert programming for the Terre Haute Symphony and for exhibits at the Swope Art Museum and Terre Haute Children's Museum; and scholarships for children in the Terre Haute Children's Choir.

## Community Development

**492 Grants Totaling \$2,838,847.35**

Community development can mean creating job opportunities that will result in a better standard of living for residents. But in the communities of Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties, it can also mean maintaining services that keep those communities safe, viable and alive. To help make that happen, the Foundation has granted funding for equipment, training, and even K-9 protection for local law enforcement and emergency response agencies; improvements to community centers and recreation facilities, including youth leagues, pools and parks; technology upgrades to promote business development; humane shelter support; and development and beautification of downtowns and neighborhoods.

## Education

**453 Grants Totaling \$1,993,166.35**

Regardless of age, education is a lifelong pursuit. In addition to its scholarship program, the Community Foundation has funded a variety of grants to support educational opportunities for all ages, from toddlers to non-traditional students. Education-related grants have included installing and upgrading Internet technology; creating outdoor classrooms and other special learning areas; supporting the educational needs of disadvantaged children; providing special reading and after-school tutoring programs; training educators and mentors; supporting alternative education; and funding adult and family literacy programs.

## Social Services

**1,219 Grants Totaling \$4,032,230.22**

By far the largest grant area, in both number and dollar amount of grants, is the area that addresses human needs. Over the years this has included grants to improve access to healthcare; provide facilities, programming and services at community centers; assure quality daycare for working families; create opportunities for adults and children with disabilities; provide emergency services; feed, clothe and house the disadvantaged; and support families with education and counseling.

## Religion

**454 Grants Totaling \$626,875.63**

Donors with an interest in the work of a particular congregation or mission may set up an endowment fund that provides grants in support of their chosen church or program.

## Scholarships

**893 Scholarships Totaling \$5,514,094.43**

Every year the post secondary education dreams of area students are given a boost from the Community Foundation's scholarship funds. Many of the scholarships are generic in nature, but many are customized to the donor's preference as to field of interest or institution of higher learning.



# 2011 grants

## 8 crisis response

When the worst flooding the Wabash Valley had seen in 95 years poured into homes and businesses on Saturday, June 7, 2008, lives were disrupted and thousands fled to temporary shelters. That day, the Wabash Valley Community Foundation made a \$50,000 emergency grant to help the Wabash Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross provide flood victims with fresh water, shelter, food and supplies for personal hygiene. The Foundation became a lead partner in forming the Wabash Valley Long Term Disaster Recovery Coalition, which coordinated volunteers, churches and response agencies in Vigo, Clay, Sullivan, Vermillion and Parke counties, assessing unmet needs and providing funding to put families back on their feet. Thanks to a statewide grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to the Indiana Association of United Ways, the Coalition was able to help 100% of families who qualified for assistance.

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation was one of the lead partners in establishing the Wabash Valley Long Term Disaster Recovery Coalition. In conjunction with the Coalition, volunteers – both local and from across the nation – helped to restore homes after the 2008 flood.

## arts and culture

\$55,589.50

**Art Spaces, Inc. - Wabash Valley Outdoor Sculpture Collection**  
*Commission and install a sculpture on the Arts Corridor*  
\$5,000.00  
Hulman George Family Endowment Fund; Salo and Mary Levite Endowment Fund

**Clay County Genealogical Society**  
*General support*  
\$151.00  
Clay County Genealogical Society Fund

**Community Theatre of Terre Haute**  
*Agency Endowment proceeds*  
\$406.00  
Community Theatre of Terre Haute Endowment Fund

**Poland Historical Chapel Society**  
*General support*  
\$994.00  
Marion and Marie Kattman Sendmeyer Endowment Fund for Poland Historical Chapel

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$258.00  
Norma Lemmon Evans Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$7,498.23  
Guido and Barbara Miescher Endowment Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*Autism Art Camp at the Swope*  
\$750.00  
Larry C. Archer Memorial Fund for Autism Awareness and Understanding Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$1,392.66  
Hermine M. Haslem Endowment Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$248.00  
Harriet McNeal Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$239.00  
Susie Dewey Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$13,621.00  
Sheldon Swope Art Museum Endowment Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*Sheldon Swope Art Museum*  
\$922.00  
Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Foundation Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$8,014.51  
Eileen Stith Jensen Endowment Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*Swope 70th Anniversary Calendar*  
\$1,000.00  
Wabash Valley Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*Preservation and/or restoration of art collection*  
\$1,119.00  
John Rogers Cox Preservation Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*Juried Art Exhibit*  
\$18.00  
Danette Angermeier Memorial Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$884.00  
Thomas L. and Connie L. Francis Endowment Fund for The Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$230.00  
Robert and Carolyn Steinbaugh Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$253.00  
Miriam Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$556.10  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund

**Sheldon Swope Art Museum, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$229.00  
Mary Ann Carroll Fund for the Sheldon Swope Art Museum

**Sullivan County Historical Society**  
*Smithville Charitable Foundation support for a copier and printer*  
\$1,500.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Symphony Association**  
*General support*  
\$2,704.00

Terre Haute Symphony Association Fund

**Terre Haute Symphony Association**  
*Support of one concert (of a series) targeting school children and their parents*  
\$4,000.00  
Ray G. Ingram Endowment Fund; Walter and Katherine Bledsoe Family Endowment Fund; Lukens Family Endowment Fund; Donald O. Springman Endowment Fund

**Vigo County Historical Society**  
*Agency Endowment proceeds*  
\$3,602.00  
Vigo County Historical Society Endowment Fund

## community development

\$71,704.78

**Aspen Institute Riverfront Development Project, Terre Haute**  
\$6,412.13  
Lilly Endowment Fund

**City of Brazil**  
*Beautification of Forest Park Golf Course*  
\$102.00  
Roy E. Brown Memorial Fund

**City of Brazil**  
*Forest Park recreation volunteer project*  
\$500.00  
Duke Energy Grant Fund

**City of Sullivan**  
*Streets of Sullivan flowers/landscaping of city square project*  
\$1,500.00  
Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

**City of Sullivan**  
*Twelve trash receptacles for downtown Sullivan*  
\$4,758.00  
Lorene B. and Malcolm Pigg Beautification Fund

**Friends of Goose Pond, Inc.**  
*Outdoor youth programming*  
\$467.00  
Youth Endowment for Sullivan County

**Merom Improvement Association, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$1,045.00  
Merom Improvement Association Agency Fund

**Merom Improvement Association, Inc.**  
*Roof replacement - two small shelter houses*  
\$1,600.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Sullivan City Park and Recreation**  
*Basketball pad and goals*  
\$3,500.00  
Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

**Sullivan County Public Library, Friends of**  
*General support*  
\$200.00  
Sullivan County Public Library Endowment Fund

**Sycamore Trails RC&D Council, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$183.00  
Sycamore Trails RC&D SCCF Endowment Fund

**Sycamore Trails RC&D Council, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$1,107.00  
Sycamore Trails RC&D Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce**  
*Installation of flags and poles along Wabash Avenue*  
\$1,735.47  
Terre Haute Cityscape Fund

**Terre Haute Park and Recreation Department**  
*Mini shelters*  
\$1,259.14  
Terre Haute Parks Department Project Fund - Maple Ave.

# 2011 grants continued

## 9 youth grant committee

The Youth Grant Committee involves teens in grant review and funding decisions for service learning projects designed and organized by other youths. Since the program was formed in 1996, the committees have awarded grants of more than \$79,000 to projects designed and implemented by young people. Committee members, who are students in grades 8 through 12, are trained in aspects of grantmaking. The 2007 committee established an \$8,000 permanent endowment that continues to benefit youth community service projects and promote a community of caring for coming generations of philanthropists.

**Terre Haute Rotary Foundation, Inc.**  
General support for charitable activities  
\$853.00  
Terre Haute Rotary Club  
Endowment Fund

**Town of Carlisle**  
Improvement and beautification of Carlisle Town Park  
\$1,745.00  
Jesse R. Sherwood Fund

**Town of Carlisle**  
Shelter house construction  
\$5,500.00  
Lilly Endowment Fund for Sullivan County; Harold and Malinda Medsker Endowment Fund; William Snyder Endowment Fund; Sullivan County Community Foundation  
General Endowment Fund

**Town of Dugger Wastewater Treatment Plant**  
\$9,999.00  
Dugger Tomorrow Fund

**TREES Inc.**  
General support  
\$266.00  
TREES Inc. Endowment Fund

**Turman Township Youth Foundation**  
General support  
\$98.00  
Turman Township Youth Foundation  
2000 Limited

**Vigo County Commissioners**  
Maintenance of flag poles and flag replacement  
\$307.72  
Veterans Memorial Plaza  
Project Fund

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
Community Engagement Platform  
\$9,015.32  
Volunteer Action Center Endowment Fund; Wabash Valley Community Foundation Special Account

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$189.00  
Wabash Valley Community Foundation Board Operating  
Endowment Fund

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$2,659.00  
Sullivan County Operating  
Endowment Fund

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$3,973.00  
Myrl & Marie Wilkinson  
Endowment Fund

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
Operating support  
\$236.00  
Irwin & Mary Reiss Operating  
Endowment Fund for the Sullivan  
County Community Foundation

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$8,289.00  
Wabash Valley Community  
Foundation Operating  
Endowment Fund

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$2,643.00  
Clay County Community Foundation  
Operating Endowment

**Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$615.00  
The Penman Girls Operating  
Endowment Fund

**YMCA of Clay County**  
General support  
\$948.00  
Clay County YMCA  
Endowment Fund

## education \$387,469.87

**A.L.L. - Washington High School**  
General support  
\$229.00  
A.L.L. - Washington High School  
Nursery Endowment Fund

**Clay Community Schools**  
Discretionary funds for principal of Eastside Elementary School to advance students' ability to learn  
\$176.00  
Angels for Eastside Fund

**Clay Community Schools**  
Better Together award in support of Court Ordered Placement for Education (COPE), a cooperative program between Clay Community Schools and Clay Community Corrections to address student discipline and truancy issues  
\$25,000.00  
Lewis & Eva Berry Endowment Fund; Beulah Ahlemeyer Memorial Fund; Bill and Edna Ahlemeyer Endowment Fund; Brazil Rotary Community Fund; Clay City Lions Community Fund; Clay Civic Memorial Foundation Community Fund; Clay County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund; Albert and Freda Eder DeCoursey Community Fund; Anna Ferrell Endowment Fund; Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Clay County; Lilly Endowment Fund for Clay County; John E. and Karen E. Mercer Family Endowment Fund; Herschel and Josephine Morge Endowment Fund; Spencer Miller and Associates, L.L.C., CPA's Clay County Community Fund; Richard and Hila Zimmerman Endowment Fund

**Dictionary Project**  
Provide dictionaries for all third graders  
\$3,984.00  
James R. Piker, Ada A. Piker and Virginia M. Ginter Memorial Fund

**Girl Scouts of Central Indiana**  
General support  
\$366.00  
Girl Scouts of Central Indiana Fund

**Hymera Elementary School**  
Library renovation and new books  
\$9,996.00  
Sullivan County Community  
Foundation General  
Endowment Fund

**Indiana State University Foundation**  
Passmore Family Supplemental Endowed Fellowship  
\$5,000.00  
J. Laurence and Barbara A. Passmore Charitable  
Endowment Fund

**Indiana State University Foundation**  
March On! Campaign support  
\$229,000.00  
Hulman George Family Project Fund

**Indiana University Foundation Ivy Tech Community College**  
Funding for new technology  
\$673.00  
Ivy Tech Technology  
Endowment Fund

**Ivy Tech Foundation**  
Sullivan Learning Center technology  
\$4,000.00  
Milam Family Endowment Fund; Lilly Endowment Fund for Sullivan County; Lorene B. and Malcolm Pigg Endowment Fund; William and Joanne Wright Family Endowment Fund

**Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology**  
General support  
\$1,576.80  
Jessie E. Hickman Fund

**Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College**  
General support  
\$1,576.80  
Jessie E. Hickman Fund

**Science Education Foundation of Indiana**  
Vigo County Science Fair  
\$469.00  
Terre Haute Academy  
of Medicine Fund

**Southwest High Schools Alumni Association Inc.**  
General support  
\$2,426.00  
Southwest High Schools Alumni  
Association - Cooper Endowment

**Southwest School Corporation of Sullivan County**  
Support for field trip expenses or to provide food, clothing, shelter or medical attention to a student and his/her family that demonstrates need  
\$202.00  
Angels for Sullivan Junior High  
School Fund

**Southwest School Corporation of Sullivan County**  
Support for field trip expenses or to provide food, clothing, shelter or medical attention to a student and his/her family that demonstrates need  
\$208.00  
Angels for Sullivan  
Elementary School

**Stair Steps to Success**  
General support  
\$330.00  
Stair Steps to Success  
Endowment Fund

**Stair Steps to Success**  
Smithville Charitable Foundation support for program mentors  
\$10,000.00  
Sullivan County Community  
Foundation General  
Endowment Fund

**Stair Steps to Success**

General support  
\$330.00  
Sullivan Business and Professional Women's Club Endowment Fund

**Stair Steps to Success**

Program support  
\$3,000.00  
Guy and Wilma Edds Charitable Endowment Fund - Gammie's Closet; John and Yvonne Longfield Endowment Fund; Harold and Malinda Medsker Endowment Fund

**Sullivan County 4-H**

General support  
\$293.00  
Sullivan County 4-H Endowment Fund

**Sullivan High School**

Support for athletic programs  
\$700.00  
Sullivan High School Athletic Fund

**Sullivan High School**

Jobs For American Graduates program support  
\$330.00  
Sullivan Business and Professional Women's Club Endowment Fund

**Sullivan High School**

Sullivan County Future Farmers of America support  
\$216.00  
Paul Edmiston Agriculture Education Fund

**Terre Haute Children's Museum**

Challenge grant for operating endowment  
\$34,586.27  
Terre Haute Children's Science and Technology Museum Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Children's Museum**

ISU Center for Mathematics Education "Go Figure" math program at the Museum  
\$1,120.00  
Wernsing Fund; Thomas and Susan Dinkel Family Fund; Lukens Family Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Children's Museum**

General support  
\$4,401.00  
Terre Haute Children's Science and Technology Museum Endowment Fund

**Twenty-First Century Scholars Program**

Program support  
\$1,160.00  
Lois Andrews Charitable Fund; Black Beauty Sullivan County Community Fund; Sullivan County Community Foundation Board Endowment Fund

**Vigo County Education Foundation**

General support  
\$1,251.00  
Vigo County Education Foundation Endowment Fund

**Vigo County Education Foundation**

Support for school activities and other personal items for children in need at Fayette Elementary School  
\$175.00  
Nancy Hellmann Educational Fund

**Vigo County Education Foundation**

Terre Haute North Vigo High School - Advanced Speech class literacy project  
\$250.00  
- Caring Quilts program support  
\$300.00  
- Latin Club Roman Banquet project  
\$300.00  
- Friendship Club Challenge Grant  
\$100.00  
West Vigo High School - Student Council Santa's Elves  
\$300.00  
Youth Grant Committee Endowment Fund

**Vigo County Education Foundation**

Heart health education in classrooms  
\$600.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**Vigo County Education Foundation**

West Vigo High School Football Team Leadership program  
\$500.00  
Duke Energy Grant Fund

**Vigo County Public Library**

General support  
\$235.00  
Vigo County Public Library Endowment

**Vigo County School Corporation**

Better Together award in support of Partners Advancing Literacy Skills (PALS) to enhance writing skills among students in the Vigo County School Corporation  
\$25,000.00  
Delmar L. and Betty L. Jones Family Fund; Altrusa Foundation Fund; James R. Piker, Ada A. Piker and Virginia M. Ginter Memorial Fund

**Wabash Valley Dictionary Endowment Fund**

Smithville Charitable Foundation support to endow the Dictionary Project for Sullivan County students  
\$9,760.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**social services**

**\$218,511.29**

**14th & Chestnut Community Center / UMC**

General support  
\$463.00  
14th & Chestnut Community Center Endowment Fund

**A.L.L. - Washington High School**

Digital scale  
\$173.00  
Terre Haute Day Nursery Association Endowment Fund

**American Cancer Society, Vigo County Unit**

General support  
\$2,470.25  
Earl and Hazel Travioli Charitable Endowment Fund

**American Heart Association**

Cardiac research and education  
\$500.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**American Heart Association**

General support  
\$2,470.25  
Earl and Hazel Travioli Charitable Endowment Fund

**The American Red Cross**

CPR classes  
\$105.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**The American Red Cross**

General support  
\$367.00  
Leo & Virginia Pellum Endowment Fund

**The American Red Cross**

Adult CPR course  
\$350.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**The American Red Cross**

CPR and Your Heart Matters program support  
\$635.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**ARC of Vigo County**

General support  
\$112.00  
ARC of Vigo County Endowment Fund

**Area 7 Agency on Aging and Disabled**

General support  
\$462.00  
Area 7 Agency on Aging and Disabled Endowment Fund

**Birthright, Inc.**

General support  
\$157.62  
Pfister Fund

**C.H.A.N.C.E.S. for Indiana Youth Agency**

General support  
\$1,172.00  
C.H.A.N.C.E.S. for Indiana Youth Endowment Fund

**C.H.A.N.C.E.S. for Indiana Youth**

Smoking cessation classes  
\$1,000.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**Catholic Charities of Terre Haute**

Support for Bethany House  
\$718.68  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Catholic Charities of Terre Haute**

General support  
\$315.26  
Pfister Fund

**Catholic Charities of Terre Haute**

General support  
\$556.08  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund

**Catholic Charities of Terre Haute**

Support for Ryves Youth Center  
\$1,586.39  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Children's Bureau of Indianapolis**

Support for Children's Bureau  
\$618.51  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Christian Foundation for Children & Aging**

General support  
\$94.58  
Pfister Fund

**Covenant Cooperative**

Ministry Inc.  
General support  
\$477.00  
Helping Hand Endowment Fund

**Crossroads of America Council, Boy Scouts of America**

General support  
\$2,034.00  
Boy Scouts of America, Crossroads of America Council Endowment Fund

**Crossroads of America Council, Boy Scouts of America**

First aid station at Camp Krietenstein  
\$2,000  
Harold and Malinda Medsker Endowment Fund

**The Dispute Resolution Center for the Wabash Valley**

General support  
\$136.00  
Dispute Resolution Center Endowment Fund

**Early Head Start, Hamilton Center, Inc.**

Storage shed  
\$2,400.00  
Terre Haute Day Nursery Association Endowment Fund

**Families By Choice**

General support  
\$735.45  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Family Service Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc.**

Counseling support for Terre Haute North Vigo High School students with non-drug related mental health problems  
\$1,135.00  
Jamie Jacobsen Memorial Endowment Fund

**First Christian Church, Champaign, Ill.**

Central Mexico Christian Mission  
\$1,000.00  
Anonymous Fund

**First Presbyterian Church of Sullivan**

Support for Community Kitchen  
\$302.00  
Community Kitchen Endowment Fund

**Foundation for National Institutes of Health**

Heart Truth program for cardiac health and education  
\$2,000.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**Freebirds Solution Center**

General support  
\$2,822.12  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Freebirds Solution Center**

Replace windows and frames at the facility  
\$4,000.00  
Hulman George Family Endowment Fund; Wabash Valley Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Friends of Families, Inc.**

General support  
\$500.00  
M. Evelyn Peterman Fund

**Gibault Foundation, Inc.**

General support  
\$556.10  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund

**Gibault Foundation, Inc.**

General support  
\$1,166.46  
Pfister Fund

# 2011 grants continued

## 10 dictionaries forever

Rotary Clubs in Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties have collaborated with the Community Foundation to deliver more than 17,238 dictionaries to third grade students since 2004. The dictionaries, given to every public, private and home schooled third grader, are theirs to keep. To maintain the project for generations to come, the Wabash Valley Dictionary Project Endowment Fund was established. Individuals can endow a classroom to ensure that each third grade student gets a dictionary every year, forever!

**Gibault Foundation, Inc.**  
General support  
\$2,427.00  
Gibault Fund

**Gill Township Volunteer Fire Fighters Inc.**  
General support  
\$145.00  
Gill Township Volunteer Fireman's Operational Fund

**Hamilton Center, Inc.**  
General support  
\$331.00  
Katherine Hamilton Endowment Fund for Hamilton Center Inc.

**Hamilton Center, Inc.**  
General support  
\$500.00  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Housing Authority of the City of Terre Haute**  
General support  
\$500.00  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**Humane Society of Sullivan County**  
General support  
\$934.00  
Furry Friends Fund

**Humane Society of Sullivan County**  
Smithville Charitable Foundation support for van and dog cages  
\$11,542.50  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Indiana Kentucky Conference UCC**  
General support for Merom Conference Center  
\$130.00  
Merom Conference Center Endowment Fund

**Indiana Kentucky Conference UCC**  
Day camp support at Merom Conference Center  
\$500.00  
Allomatic Products Community Enrichment Fund; Lois Andrews Charitable Fund

**Indiana State University Early Childhood Education Center**  
Rubber playground mulch  
\$5,000.00  
Terre Haute Day Nursery Association Endowment Fund; James R. Piker, Ada A. Piker and Virginia M. Ginter Memorial Fund

**The League of Terre Haute**  
General support  
\$331.00  
League of Terre Haute Endowment Fund

**The League of Terre Haute**  
Clothes Closet program support  
\$178.00  
Clothes Closet Endowment Fund

**Hospital & Medical Foundation of Paris, IL**  
General support  
\$500.00  
Jack and Joann Ragle Charitable Endowment Fund

**Light House Mission, Inc.**  
General support  
\$556.10  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund

**Light House Mission, Inc.**  
General support  
\$477.00  
Helping Hand Endowment Fund

**Light House Mission, Inc.**  
Roof repair  
\$5,000.00  
Community Chest of Terre Haute Fund; Anonymous Fund

**Luke House**  
Smithville Charitable Foundation support for roof and second-story windows for transitional housing  
\$13,500.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Luke House**  
Conversion of garage into space for program use  
\$7,000.00  
Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

**Maple Center, Inc.**  
Scholarship support for CHIP program  
\$5,000.00  
James R. Piker, Ada A. Piker and Virginia M. Ginter Memorial Fund

**Mary's Children, Inc.**  
General support  
\$516.00  
Donna J. Doti Endowment Fund

**Mended Hearts Chapter 236**  
Cardiac education  
\$500.00  
The Essence of Red Committee

**Mental Health America**  
General support  
\$163.00  
Mental Health Association in Vigo County Endowment Fund

**Missionaries of Charity - Bronx, N.Y.**  
General support  
\$157.63  
Pfister Fund

**Open Arms Christian Ministries**  
General support  
\$4,325.00  
Norma G. McNeill Fund

**Our Father's Arms, Inc.**  
General support  
\$135.00  
Our Father's Arms Charitable Fund

**Our Father's Arms, Inc.**  
Utility bill assistance  
\$10,000.00  
Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

**Our Father's Arms, Inc.**  
Food for residents in need  
\$5,000.00  
Lilly Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

**Pleasantville United Methodist Church**  
Sullivan County 2011 Volunteer of the Year Award  
\$2,500.00  
Sullivan County Volunteer of the Year Fund

**Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department of Clay County**  
CPR training equipment  
\$1,788.50  
Duke Energy Grant Fund

**Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department of Clay County**  
General support  
\$192.00  
Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department Endowment Fund

**Richard L. Roubush VA Medical Center**  
General support  
\$722.50  
Joseph A. Bray Detachment 471 Marine Corps League Endowment Fund

**Riley Memorial Association**  
General support  
\$489.50  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund

**Riley Memorial Association**  
Camp Riley support  
\$1,317.00  
Clabber Girl Fund for Camp Riley

**Ronald McDonald House**  
Housing support for Sullivan County families  
\$1,000.00  
Lois A. Andrews Foundation Fund for Sullivan County

**Salvation Army**  
General support  
\$2,049.00  
Sumar Fund for the Salvation Army

**Salvation Army**  
Computers for the Food Pantry Network Call Center  
\$1,750.00  
Lukens Family Endowment Fund; Community Chest of Terre Haute Fund

**Shriners Hospitals for Children**  
General support  
\$489.50  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund

**Spay-Neuter League**  
General support  
\$1,704.00  
Spay-Neuter League Endowment Fund

**St. Ann Clinic**  
General support  
\$2,220.00  
Saint Ann Clinic Endowment Fund

**St. Ann Clinic**  
General support  
\$477.00  
Helping Hand Endowment Fund

**St. Ann Clinic**  
General support  
\$315.26  
Pfister Fund

**Sullivan County Ambulance Service**  
Purchase and installation of a standby generator  
\$5,875.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Sullivan County Community Hospital**  
General support  
\$565.00  
Sullivan County Community Hospital Foundation Endowment Fund

**Sullivan County Community Hospital**  
General support  
\$367.00  
Leo & Virginia Pellum Endowment Fund

**Sullivan County Public Library**  
*General support for the Genealogy Section*  
\$642.00  
Sullivan County Public Library Genealogy, Family & County History Endowment Fund

**Sullivan County Sheriff's Department**  
*Tough Book computers and related equipment for squad cars*  
\$7,400.00  
Lily Endowment Board Designated Fund for Sullivan County

**Sullivan County Sheriff's Department**  
*Computers and mounting devices for squad cars*  
\$10,000.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Sullivan Lions Club**  
*Smithville Charitable Foundation support for vision screening for Sullivan County school children*  
\$3,900.00  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Sullivan Volunteer Fire Department**  
*Extraction tools*  
\$11,387.50  
Sullivan County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club**  
*General support*  
\$734.25  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund

**Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club**  
*General support*  
\$788.40  
Jessie E. Hickman Fund

**Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club**  
*General support*  
\$521.00  
Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club - Max Gibson Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club**  
*Support for capital improvements*  
\$185.00  
Terre Haute Boys and Girls Club - John G. Schmidt Capital Endowment Fund

**Terre Haute Humane Society**  
*General support*  
\$1,599.00  
Humane Society Fund

**Terre Haute Humane Society**  
*General support*  
\$2,470.25  
Earl and Hazel Travioli Charitable Endowment Fund

**Union Hospital Foundation, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$1,576.80  
Jessie E. Hickman Fund

**Union Hospital Foundation, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$1,223.75  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund

**United Cerebral Palsy**  
*General support*  
\$115.00  
United Cerebral Palsy Endowment Fund

**United Cerebral Palsy**  
*General support*  
\$500.00  
HomeWard Bound Walk Fund

**United Cerebral Palsy**  
*Security device*  
\$1,800.00  
David and Joan Zaun Endowment Fund; Terre Haute Academy of Medicine Endowment Fund

**United Way of the Wabash Valley**  
*General support*  
\$236.00  
United Way of the Wabash Valley Endowment Fund

**United Way of the Wabash Valley**  
*General support*  
\$5,630.00  
United Way of the Wabash Valley - Ada Hodge Fund

**United Way of the Wabash Valley**  
*Operating support*  
\$2,659.00  
United Way of the Wabash Valley Operating Endowment

**VA Illiana Health Care System - Danville, IL**  
*General support*  
\$722.50  
Joseph A. Bray Detachment 471 Marine Corps League Endowment Fund

**Vigo County CASA**  
*Day care scholarships for CASA kids*  
\$6,000.00  
Terre Haute Day Nursery Association Endowment Fund

**Vigo County Public Library**  
*Children's literature program*  
\$485.00  
Esther MacBain Meeks Memorial Fund for Children's Literature

**Vigo County LifeLine**  
*General support*  
\$252.54  
Vigo County LifeLine Endowment Fund

**Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$356.00  
Hospice of the Wabash Valley Endowment Fund

**Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc.**  
*Support for Hospice of the Wabash Valley*  
\$592.00  
Delmar L. and Betty L. Jones Fund for Hospice

**Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$135.00  
Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley Inc. Endowment Fund

**Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$556.10  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund

**Visiting Nurse Association of the Wabash Valley, Inc.**  
*Support for Hospice of the Wabash Valley*  
\$489.50  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund

**Wabash Valley Goodwill Industries, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$1,824.00  
Goodwill Industries Endowment Fund

**Western Indiana Community Action Agency, Inc.**  
*Wheelchair ramps*  
\$1,121.46  
Janet S. Newman Helping Hand Fund

**Western Indiana Community Action Agency, Inc.**  
*Health care related costs for children of families in need*  
\$5,937.00  
Larry P. Fleschner Good Samaritan Fund

**Western Indiana Community Action Agency, Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$102.00  
Western Indiana Community Action Agency Fund

**Western Indiana Community Action Agency, Inc.**  
*Medical, dental and general care for Clay County children*  
\$4,005.00  
Connley-Hall-Rentschler Fund

**Celebration Church/World Harvest Outreach of Modesto**  
*Equipment and training to advance day care to Level 1 facility Paths to Quality Program*  
\$1,540.00  
Wabash Valley Asphalt Endowment Fund; Henry and Geraldine Adelman Memorial Fund; Ray G. Ingram Endowment Fund

**YMCA of Clay County**  
*Challenge grant to purchase security system*  
\$5,765.00  
Clay County Community Foundation General Endowment Fund

## religion

\$24,855.08

**Annunciation Catholic Church**  
*General support*  
\$251.00  
Annunciation Church Educational Endowment Fund

**Archdiocese of Indianapolis - United Catholic Appeal**  
*General support for Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish and St. Benedict Church Parish*  
\$315.26  
Pfister Fund

**Capuchin Franciscan Friars**  
*General support*  
\$157.63  
Pfister Fund

**Central Presbyterian Church**  
*General support*  
\$788.40  
Jessie E. Hickman Fund

**First Congregational Church**  
*General support*  
\$250.00  
Jack and Joann Ragle Charitable Endowment Fund

**First United Presbyterian Church**  
*Mission support*  
\$223.00  
Sullivan Presbyterian Church Mission Fund

**Franciscan Mission Association**  
*General support*  
\$472.89  
Pfister Fund

**Franciscan Retreats Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$78.82  
Pfister Fund

**Mother Theodore Corporation**  
*General support*  
\$3,940.75  
Pfister Fund

**New Covenant Fellowship**  
*Program and mission support*  
\$5,040.00  
Barnabas Fund

**Paulist Fathers**  
*General support*  
\$157.63  
Pfister Fund

**Province of our Lady of Consolation Inc.**  
*General support*  
\$236.45  
Pfister Fund

**Real Life Christian Church**  
*General support*  
\$500.00  
Barnabas Fund

**Sacred Heart Church**  
*General support*  
\$3,940.75  
Pfister Fund

**Sacred Heart Church**  
*General support*  
\$135.00  
Elizabeth Smudde Memorial Fund

**Sisters of Our Lady Mt. Carmel**  
*General support*  
\$1,576.30  
Pfister Fund

**Sisters of Providence**  
*General support*  
\$1,576.30  
Pfister Fund

**St. Benedict Church**  
*General support*  
\$556.10  
Edmund J. and Mary R. Dede Fund

**St. Benedict Church**  
*General support*  
\$667.00  
Saint Benedict Church Endowment Fund

**St. Benedict Church**  
*General support*  
\$315.26  
Pfister Fund

**St. Joseph University Parish**  
*General support*  
\$104.00  
Saint Joseph University Parish Fund

**St. Joseph University Parish**  
*General support*  
\$315.26  
Pfister Fund

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**  
*General support*  
\$788.40  
Jessie E. Hickman Fund

**United Hebrew Congregation Foundation**  
*General support*  
\$1,489.88  
Felstein Grandchildren Fund in Memory of Allen & Millie Felstein

**United Hebrew Congregation Foundation**  
*General support*  
\$979.00  
George I. and Rose E. Felstein Fund

# 2011 grants continued

## 11 scholarship support

The Wabash Valley certainly has shown no lack of generosity when it comes to supporting educational opportunities for its young people. The Community Foundation ended its 20th year with:

- 127 endowed scholarships;
- 893 students from Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties having received assistance;
- amounting to \$5,514,094.43 in scholarship awards!

## scholarships

\$382,790.00

### Appalachian Bible College

\$3,700 – *Nicole Nelson*  
John & Myrtle Price Scholarship

\$830 – *Nicole Nelson*  
Gary and Leesa Nesty Scholarship

### Ball State University

\$500 – *Alicia McDonald*  
Peter Anthony Duong Memorial Scholarship

\$250 – *Alicia McDonald*  
Senator Herman J. Fanning, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

\$350 – *Jordan Nickels*  
Erskine Lee & Eula Webb Scholarship

### Butler University

\$215 – *Kaci Kehrt*  
Albert A. Landes Endowed Scholarship

\$2,265 – *Bethany Wright*  
Ted and Anna Nesty Scholarship

\$250 – *Bethany Wright*  
SERCOLBE Scholarship

### Cincinnati Christian University

\$200 – *Mikaela Chagnon*  
Rex E. Pierce Salutatorian Scholarship

### DePauw University

\$1,000 – *Erika Matson*  
Albert & Freda DeCoursey Scholarship

\$1,000 – *Dustin Query*  
Sgt. Dale Russel Griffin Memorial Scholarship

### Earlham College

\$325 – *Caroline Disney*  
Mabel Kidwell Scholarship

\$175 – *Caroline Disney*  
Richard & Margaret Shattuck Memorial Scholarship

### Hanover College

\$1,000 – *Rachel Helt*  
Laura Brooke McDonald Memorial Scholarship

### Indiana State University

\$391 – *Mallory Brown*  
Liane R. Page Memorial Scholarship

\$250 – *Myles Burton*  
J.P. Alexander Memorial Scholarship

\$2,000 – *Myles Burton*  
John & Carol Myers Scholarship

\$700 – *Scott Dugger*  
Tom McCarthy Memorial Scholarship

\$500 – *Scott Dugger*  
Gene K. Shike Memorial Scholarship

\$500 – *Kacie Fritz*  
Virginia M. Buell Memorial Scholarship

\$1,100 – *Kacie Fritz*  
Everett E. & Fern A. Tucker Scholarship

\$9,500 – *Delaney Gadberry*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$250 – *Angela Garrett*  
Janet Romine Chatfield Business Award

\$18,000 – *Angela Garrett*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$16,200 – *Caleb Gilman*  
James F. Jackson Scholarship

\$500 – *Taylor Hanson*  
Dan & Jane Robbins Northview Marching Knights Scholarship

\$600 – *Hallie Harbison*  
Dedia M. Sexton Scholarship for Clay Community School Corporation

\$18,000 – *Erin Hazelrigg*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$250 – *Tamara Henderson*  
Bentrup Family Scholarship

\$100 – *Tamara Henderson*  
Donald and Mary Goltry Scholarship

\$1,000 – *Tamara Henderson*  
Terre Haute Regional Hospital Scholarship

\$250 – *Dustin Hunter*  
Chris Gilbert Memorial Scholarship

\$3,000 – *Jennifer Inman*  
Richard P. & Veada Akers Medical Education Scholarship

\$2,000 – *Jennifer Inman*  
Dr. William W. Drummy Memorial Scholarship

\$3,500 – *Jennifer Inman*  
William W. Drummy III, Rebecca A. Drummy, RN, and Lillian A. Drummy, RN Nursing Scholarship

\$9,500 – *Haylie James*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$500 – *Zack Lewis*  
Vigo County Education Fund John Kassis Memorial Scholarship

\$500 – *Macy Mayle*  
Halie's Rainbow - Halie Hite Memorial Scholarship

\$8,000 – *Molly Mishler*  
Carol M. Starkey Kochell Scholarship

\$118.03 – *Corlisha Mitchell*  
Jo Ann F. Johnson Memorial Scholarship

\$1,000 – *PJ Montgomery*  
Griffin Memorial Scholarship

\$500 – *Carly Pell*  
Janice Hart Modesitt, R.N. Nursing Scholarship

\$1,000 – *Carly Pell*  
Terre Haute Regional Hospital Scholarship

\$200 – *Taylor Pierce*  
John and Eunice Organ Valedictorian Scholarship

\$18,000 – *Taylor Pierce*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$500 – *Alexa Smith*  
Beta Sigma Phi City Council Scholarship

\$124 – *Cody Steele*  
Tina Clem Memorial Scholarship

\$200 – *Conor Strain*  
Blair Endowment Fund Scholarship

\$1,000 – *Quinton Stewart*  
Laura Brooke McDonald Memorial Scholarship

\$350 – *Quinton Stewart*  
Dorothy Wurst Porter Scholarship

\$300 – *Jessica Thacker*  
Earl F. Hopkins Scholarship

\$1,500 – *Hannah VanHorn*  
Denise D. & John C. Bell Scholarship

\$2,500 – *Shelby Weaver*  
David A. Gilman, PhD Memorial Scholarship

\$18,000 – *Shelby Weaver*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$700 – *Soo Gil Yang*  
Nancy & Dale McKee Family Scholarship

### Indiana University

\$235 – *Emily Dorcholz*  
Kelly Fuqua Memorial Scholarship

\$9,500 – *Matthew Fleace*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$600 – *Bradley Harting*  
Dedia M. Sexton Scholarship for Clay Community School Corporation

\$15,300 – *Carson Kleiber*  
Brent and Helen Rentschler Scholarship

\$2,600 – *Joshua Lawson*  
Elizabeth A. Bledsoe Scholarship

\$176 – *Joshua Lawson*  
Evelyn W. Gettinger Indiana University Scholarship

\$400 – *Joshua Lawson*  
Albert and Verna McKee

\$18,000 – *Joshua Lawson*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

\$400 – *Brittany Stigler*  
Harriet Hicks Scholarship

\$2,750 – *Brittany Stigler*  
Martha & Mary Ann Pedlar Scholarship

\$16,600 – *Jacob Van Bever*  
Joe & Dorothy Archer Scholarship

\$300 – *Jacob Van Bever*  
Ambrose & Miriam Rubey Scholarship

### IUPUI

\$1,000 – *Logan Fry*  
Renis and Fern Knust Scholarship

### IU School of Law

\$751 – *Neil Black*  
Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Foundation for Indiana University School of Law

### IU School of Medicine

\$266 – *Sandra Ngo*  
Dr. John E. Freed, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

### Ivy Tech Community College

\$3,000 – *Leigha Cottom*  
Carol M. Starkey Kochell Scholarship - Vocational

\$4,100 – *Elizabeth Emmert*  
Dr. Robert K. Webster & Wanda Webster, RN Scholarship

\$3,000 – *Jack Etling*  
Harold Paul Loveall III Memorial Scholarship

### John Brown University

\$500 – *David Danner*  
Jim Case Scholarship



**Lake Land Community College**  
*\$500 – Natalie Shonk*  
Andy & Edythe Turner Memorial  
Scholarship

**Lincoln Christian University**  
*\$1,500 – Dan Mayhill*  
Sallie Unger Scholarship

**Medtech College**  
*\$350 – Jessica Holsinger*  
Dedia M. Sexton Scholarship for  
Indiana School for the Deaf

**Mountain State University**  
*\$9,500 – Kelsey Burr*  
Sherman Education Scholarship

*\$250 – Kelsey Burr*  
Rex Buntain Tribune Star  
Scholarship

**Olney Central**  
*\$500 – John Patterson*  
Beta Sigma Phi City Council  
Scholarship

**Purdue**  
*\$500 – Brittany Bezy*  
John D. Gettinger Purdue University  
Scholarship

*\$500 – Brittany Bezy*  
Gill Township Scholarship

*\$200 – Brittany Bezy*  
John and Eunice Organ  
Valedictorian Scholarship

*\$1,500 – Brittany Bezy*  
Sara W. Springer Memorial  
Scholarship

*\$100 – Brittany Bezy*  
Sullivan County Purdue Alumni  
Association Scholarship

*\$1,000 – Nicholas Brownfield*  
Sgt. Dale Russel Griffin  
Memorial Scholarship

*\$175 – Nicholas Brownfield*  
Terre Haute Junior Golf Association  
Scholarship

*\$150 – Clint Grey*  
Sam J. and Joyce E. Emmert  
Family Fund

*\$500 – Josh Hunt*  
Jeffrey Alan Cole Memorial  
Scholarship

*\$16,600 – James Lange*  
Joe & Dorothy Archer Scholarship

*\$1,400 – James Lange*  
Gerstmeyer Technical High  
School Scholarship

*\$190 – James Lange*  
Glenn High School Alumni  
Scholarship

*\$19,200 – Sarah Tennis*  
Dr. and Mrs. James O. Conklin  
Scholarship

*\$220 – Sarah Tennis*  
Wright, Shagley & Lowery  
Scholarship

*\$580 – Lauren Webster*  
Robert & Barbara Deakins  
Scholarship

**Rhode Island School of Design**  
*\$350 – Ayla Walter*  
Jack Lower Memorial Scholarship

**Rochester School of Technology**  
*\$1,000 – Megan Bernella*  
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*\$626 – Doug Collett*  
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*\$6,547 – Paige Cook*  
Myrl and Marie Wilkinson  
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*\$2,074 – Jordan Maurer*  
Roy & Louie Lucas Scholarship

*\$200 – Courtney Nash*  
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*\$625 – Justin Nuttall*  
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*\$4,700 – Lauren Reberger*  
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*\$600 – Lindsay Vencel*  
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*\$16,600 – Ty Wiggins*  
Joe & Dorothy Archer Scholarship

*\$489.50 – Ty Wiggins*  
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*\$9,500 – Kayla Anderson*  
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*\$282 – Kelsey Vanwey*  
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*\$200 – Aaron Gettinger*  
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Valedictorian Scholarship

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*\$4,000 – Olivia Stockton*  
*\$3,000 – Hannah Thomas*  
*\$2,500 – Richard Hansen*  
*\$2,000 – Amanda Clark*  
*\$1,500 – Shane Sizemore*

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*First offered in 1998 by Lilly  
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the Lilly Endowment Scholarship  
Program is to help raise the level of  
educational attainment in Indiana  
and to leverage further the ability of  
Indiana's community foundations  
to enhance the quality of life of the  
state's residents.*

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Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

**Sullivan County**  
*Alexandria Thompson*  
Graduate of Sullivan High School  
Indiana University

**Vigo County**  
*Thomas Foulkes*  
Graduate of Terre Haute North Vigo  
High School  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

*Colleen Curley*  
Graduate of West Vigo High School  
Marian University

# 12 harris bank trust funds

The Community Foundation's endowments received a boost in 2008 when Harris Bank transferred more than \$4.5 million in 14 different funds, received in the acquisition of First National Bank & Trust, to the Foundation's Clay and Sullivan county affiliates. Recognizing the importance of local volunteers in the scholarship process, Harris Bank decided to transfer the funds, citing the professionalism of the Foundation and the bank's confidence that the original donors' charitable intentions would be honored.



# 2011 donors

## 13 unique gifts

Gifts to the Community Foundation may come in any shape or size, and many types of gifts can become part of the donor's lasting legacy. Over our history, donors have made some unique, if not unusual, gifts including:

- A jewelry box of treasured heirlooms;
- A Colt 45 handgun;
- A Kentucky farm that included tobacco shares, which allowed the farmer to plant tobacco;
- The Duggar, Indiana, Post Office.

These items were sold to allow the proceeds to be invested to fulfill the donors' charitable desires.

Among the more unusual gifts received by the Community Foundation was this jewelry box, which held precious heirlooms, given by the Bledsoe family to improve the lives of others in the community.

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In 2010, Lilly Endowment launched the Community Foundation Internships program, which makes it possible for Indiana foundations to hire any Indiana college or university student as a paid intern. The program gives students real-life work experience and a paycheck while helping to build healthy foundations. So far Wabash Valley Community Foundation has benefitted from the time, skill and enthusiasm of 10 Lilly interns.

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Our communities have benefited immeasurably from the generosity of thousands of donors over our 20-year history. Every gift is important, and every donor has been recognized in our annual reports, since the first one in 1993. Here are some of our notable gifts.

- Our first major endowment contribution was a \$1 million gift made in 1992 by Delmar and Betty Jones. By taking advantage of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s GIFT I initiative, the Jones Family assured the success of the Foundation. Since that original gift, the Community Foundation has had eight other donors who have contributed assets exceeding \$1 million each.
- The two largest gifts from individuals came from Clarabelle Conklin, who created the Dr. and Mrs. James Conklin Scholarship Fund, and from Dr. Charlotte M. Boener to fund science education scholarships at Indiana State University.
- The two largest corporate donors are Lilly Endowment, at more than \$10 million through its various GIFT initiatives, the CAPE initiative, Taking Stock and Sustaining Resource Development; and Harris Bank, which transferred 22 charitable trusts to the Foundation with assets totalling more than \$4.5 million
- The Community Foundation has 54 different donors who individually have contributed cumulative gifts totaling more than \$100,000.

Some of our more unique gifts are mentioned on page 25.



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Frank Kleptz  
Virginia Klippel  
Ronald Kneeland  
William Kumpf  
Donald Kuykendall  
Harold Ledbetter  
Floyd Martin Lee, Sr  
Ken Levin  
Plexanne Lewis  
Doug Liebermann  
Richard Lind  
Delores Linder  
Thomas Lorek  
Clarence A. Loudermilk  
Judith Ann Ryan Lowder  
Mary Lou Lukens  
Laverne Lydick  
Richard L. Mace  
Major Mary Maegenlein  
Mary Jean Lowry Markey  
Rudolph May  
Richard McCann  
Laura Brooke McDonald  
Joan McDowell  
Karen Coyner McKain  
Julie McLaughlin  
Donald Meiners  
Amy Migaki  
Stanley J. Minger  
Mary Jane Modesitt  
Dorothy "Dottie" Monroe  
Victoria Monroe  
David Montague  
Nancy Moore  
Dean Myers  
Janet Sue Newman  
Dolores Miller Templeton Nichols  
Audrey Olah  
Liane Page  
Dr. Stephen Fredrick Paige  
John Parker  
Steven Persinger  
Robert "Bob" W. Peter  
Robert L. Piker  
John "Bernie" Pollock  
Mr. & Mrs. C.W. Price  
Catherine Price  
Frances H. Price  
Virginia M. Purcell  
Joann Ragle  
Earl Ramsey  
Marcia Readinger  
Ernest Herb Redman  
William Reed  
Judith Bell Rehimel  
Robert Richeson  
Carl Riddle  
Ivan Roach  
Charlotte Roan  
Shari T. Robertson  
Alana Roby  
Bob Romas

Gene Rudy  
Patrick J. Ryan  
Patty Salter  
Anna Schomer  
Louis Seprodi  
Henry Monroe Shagley  
Gene Shike  
James Val Shorter  
Dr. John Showalter  
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K. F. Smith  
Margaret Lou Wasson Smith  
Myrna Sproul  
William Lawrence Stahl  
Mike Steele  
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Rosemary Stierwalt  
John Strole  
Kim Struble  
Jeanne H. Sumansky  
Barbara Swango  
Donald Tallent  
Edna Tempel  
Robert L. Templeton  
Grace Tevlin  
John Thomas  
Steve Thompson  
Fran Turchi  
Mr. Robert Turcotte  
Mark Turner  
Dick Uhey  
Jack J. Ury  
John Vester  
Hazel Wagner  
Dr. Ben Watson  
Larry Dean Weaver  
Raymond L. Wieinger  
Marie Williams  
Adelaide Willis  
Madonna Wilson  
Mary "Helen" Wittick  
Jeff Woelfle  
Lelia Wright  
Frank Wulf  
Kimberely Jeanne Fowler Wulf  
Lloyd A. Yargus  
Isabel Zimmerly

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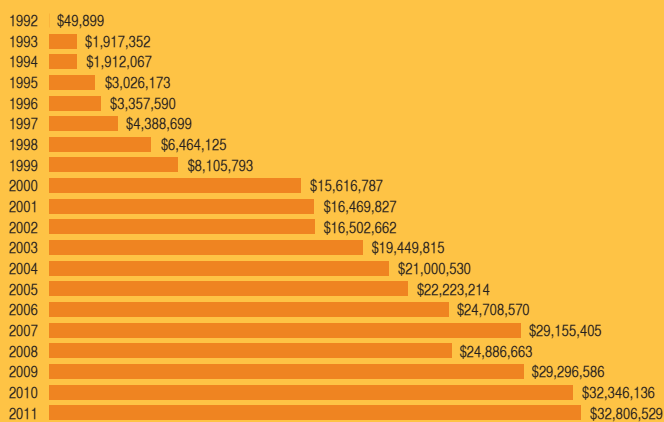
## honorariums

All the great Dads in the Bird & Mattingly Families  
The Bird Family at Christmas Time  
L. Bird's Birthday  
Susan Brattain  
Susie Dewey  
Ellen & Paul Hayes  
Chuck & LaDonna Howard  
Randy Keyes  
Mr. & Mrs. George Korenski's 40th Anniversary  
Justice Ben Overton  
Lorene Pigg  
Ron Prettyman for being the Athletic Director of the Year  
Walter Sommers' 90th Birthday  
Dr. Joseph G.S. Weber's Birthday

This "Butterfly Girl" sculpture, a gift from Doug and Patti Grim in honor of their "precious butterfly," granddaughter Jackie Collett, graces the entrance to the handicapped-accessible Oakley Playground at Deming Park. Sallee Collett honored her daughter Jackie's memory with her support of the playground for all the children of the Wabash Valley.

# 2011 financials

## 20 years of asset growth

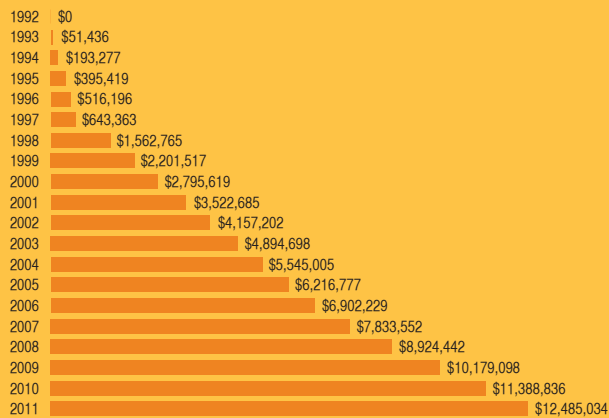


assets	2011	2010
<b>cash</b>	\$ 155,031	\$ 97,962
<b>investments</b>	32,643,484	32,204,357
<b>office furniture and equipment</b>	99,890	99,890
less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(93,460)</u>	<u>(90,073)</u>
	6,430	9,817
<b>real estate</b>	<u>1,584</u>	<u>34,000</u>
<i>total assets</i>	<u>\$ 32,806,529</u>	<u>\$ 32,346,136</u>

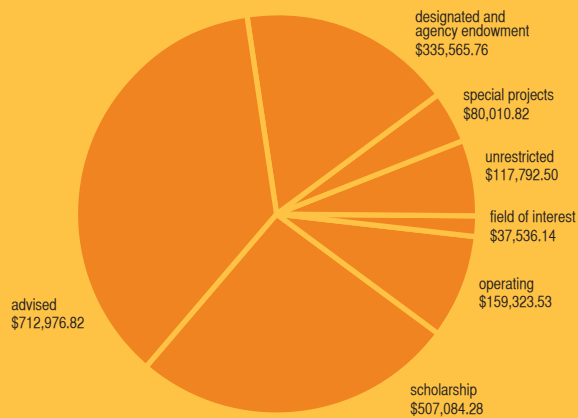
liabilities & net assets	2011	2010
<b>agency endowments</b>	\$ 2,490,058	\$ 2,453,717
<b>scholarships and grants payable</b>	633,585	559,356
<b>retirement withheld</b>	-	-
<b>HRA payable</b>	38,532	38,818
<b>annuity liability</b>	<u>2,867</u>	<u>2,867</u>
<i>total liabilities</i>	<u>3,165,042</u>	<u>3,054,758</u>
<b>net assets</b>		
unrestricted	27,016,218	26,663,931
temporarily restricted	12,778	14,956
permanently restricted	<u>2,612,491</u>	<u>2,612,491</u>
<i>total net assets</i>	<u>29,641,487</u>	<u>29,291,378</u>
<i>total liabilities and net assets</i>	<u>\$ 32,806,529</u>	<u>\$ 32,346,136</u>



### cumulative grants 1992 - 2011



### 2011 gifts by fund type



### 2011 statement of activities

	unrestricted	temporarily restricted	permanently restricted	total
<b>public support</b>				
total amounts raised	\$ 1,774,878	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,774,878
less: amounts received as agency endowments	(83,251)	-	-	(83,251)
<i>total contributions</i>	1,691,627	-	-	1,691,627
seminar fees	4,936	-	-	4,936
fundraising revenue	71,570	-	-	71,570
other fees	36,555	-	-	36,555
<i>total public support</i>	1,804,688	-	-	1,804,688
<b>revenue and gains</b>				
investment income - net of custodial fees	1,223,399	-	-	1,223,399
investment management fees	(39,000)	-	-	(39,000)
loss on sale of investments	(134,868)	-	-	(134,868)
unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(914,567)	-	-	(914,567)
rental income	5,430	-	-	5,430
excess management fees from agency endowments	29,698	-	-	29,698
net assets released from restrictions:				
satisfaction of donor restrictions	2,178	(2,178)	-	-
<i>total revenues and gains</i>	172,270	(2,178)	-	170,092
<i>total public support, revenue and gains</i>	1,976,958	(2,178)	-	1,974,780
<b>expenses</b>				
community activities:				
total grants and distributions	1,096,198	-	-	1,096,198
less: grants made from agency endowments	(41,981)	-	-	(41,981)
<i>total grants and distributions</i>	1,054,217	-	-	1,054,217
fundraising expenses	38,498	-	-	38,498
<i>total community activities expenses</i>	1,092,715	-	-	1,092,715
supporting activities:				
personnel expenses	331,733	-	-	331,733
administrative expenses	120,952	-	-	120,952
occupancy expenses	32,194	-	-	32,194
development expenses	47,077	-	-	47,077
<i>total supporting activities expenses</i>	531,956	-	-	531,956
<i>total expenses</i>	1,624,671	-	-	1,624,671
<b>change in net assets</b>	352,287	(2,178)	-	350,109
<b>net assets at beginning of year</b>	26,663,931	14,956	2,612,491	29,291,378
<b>net assets at end of year</b>	\$ 27,016,218	\$ 12,778	\$ 2,612,491	\$ 29,641,487

# 16 affiliates join us

In 1997, the Wabash Valley Community Foundation magnified its impact by expanding to include adjoining counties interested in forming their own affiliate foundations. Before long, both Clay and Sullivan counties took full advantage of this opportunity. Thanks to the efforts of their hardworking local volunteers, each of our affiliates has:

- built a sizable endowment focusing on the needs within their counties;
- participated in Lilly Endowment's GIFT and other initiatives;
- awarded scholarships and grants within their counties;
- enhanced education within their counties through \$5 million CAPE grants from Lilly Endowment;
- functioned with autonomy, supported by the structure, staffing and counsel of the Foundation;
- distributed funds annually for community improvements; and
- continually sought out new endowments to strengthen their own counties forever.

## **Clay County**

The Clay Civic Memorial Foundation established the Clay County Community Foundation in 1997, taking advantage of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s GIFT Phase III to build a permanent charitable endowment for the county. In 2006, the Civic Foundation combined its resources with those of the Community Foundation, placing \$150,000 in unrestricted funds and \$150,000 in an advised fund. Board member Mike Lawson explained, "I think it's important for previous benefactors to know (the Civic Foundation's work) will continue through the Advised Fund."

## **Sullivan County**

In 1998, community leaders in Sullivan County came together to take advantage of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s GIFT Phase III matching funds opportunity and established the Sullivan County Community Foundation. In that first year, most of the funds went toward building the Foundation's endowment for the long term. Founding board member Malinda Medsker said, "The Sullivan County Community Foundation has given the people of Sullivan County a way to help and to be helped. Donors can make an impact on their community forever by giving small donations to various funds or by establishing an endowment fund to help their favorite charity or provide scholarships to benefit Sullivan County students. The money that has been given in grants and scholarships would never have been available without the Community Foundation."

# 17 foundation guidance

From its beginning, the growth and development of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation has been guided by a dedicated board of directors and a knowledgeable staff. Along the way, staff and board members have undergone training, attended seminars, conducted self-assessments, revised policies and refined the vision and mission to increase the organization's efficiency and effectiveness. In 2006 and again in 2011, the Foundation achieved compliance with the National Standards for Community Foundations from the Council on Foundations, which evidences its commitment to excellence for its communities and donors. Other accomplishments include:

- Implementing the Sustaining Resource Development initiative in 2005 with a \$384,000 grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to increase awareness of the Foundation in the community, educate and utilize its volunteers in development efforts, and develop and maintain sufficient operating resources.
- Establishing the Wabash Valley Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund in 1994, and with assistance in 2005 from the SRD initiative, adding more than \$767,000.
- Instituting a new investment policy, a new scholarship application and review process, and a combined grant application so all three counties follow the same grant guidelines, all in 2006.
- Engaging Fund Evaluation Group (FEG) as an investment consultant in 2007 to take advantage of its extensive experience in advising community foundations to improve the investment return for the benefit of the community.
- Being one of seven Indiana community foundations to be selected by the Indiana Grantmakers Alliance to take part in a pilot program, the "Community of Effective Practices" in 2009.
- Being one of 11 foundations in Indiana and Ohio chosen to participate in the Community Leadership Cluster peer-learning program sponsored by CFLeads and the Council on Foundations in 2010.

# 18 community collaborations

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation has evolved from a grantmaking "charitable bank" to an involved community partner taking a leadership role in positive change. The Foundation has:

- Partnered with area school corporations and higher education institutions to bring more than \$12 million into the area through grants from private foundations outside the Wabash Valley.
- Sponsored skill-building seminars for nonprofit organizations, underwriting a significant portion of the cost to help staffs and volunteers to do their jobs more effectively and efficiently.
- Formed collaborative efforts to assist the community, such as in 2008 when it partnered with area agencies to form the Wabash Valley Long Term Disaster Recovery Coalition, the group that assessed unmet flood-related needs and helped 405 families get back on their feet.
- Encouraged community collaborations with its "Better Together" initiative, which encourages nonprofit agencies to tackle common challenges. The first two \$25,000 were awarded grants in 2011.

The Wabash Valley Community Foundation not only seeks to be the primary steward of charitable endowments, but also encourages broad-based charitable activity and the positive impact of philanthropy in its communities.



Wabash Valley Community Foundation Board

# 2011 board of directors & committees



Clay County Community Foundation Board

## 19 incredible volunteers

Over the Community Foundation's 20-year history, 258 community members have volunteered to serve on our board and committees. Our board members develop in-depth expertise to assess their counties' challenges, identify opportunities and recognize successful organizations. Our committee members are charged with development, distribution and stewardship of the Foundation's funds and with governing and planning for the organization itself. These are challenging tasks, but over the years, our volunteers have performed them with professionalism and dedication. We're grateful for their service.



Sullivan County Community Foundation Board

## wabash valley community foundation board 2011

Jackie Lower, *President*  
Fred Nation, *Vice President*  
Lant Davis, *Secretary*  
Bill Olah, *Treasurer*  
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Joyce Emmert  
Brandi Floyd  
Mike Lawson  
Jean McMahan  
Alane Meis  
Jeff Perry  
Dave Piker  
Lakshmi Reddy  
Don Ritter  
Randall Stevens  
Dick Vining  
David Wulf (*retired March 2011*)

## clay county community foundation 2011

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Kandice Brown  
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Joyce Emmert  
Scott Hill  
Vanita Moore  
Jim Romas  
Lucy Strauch

## sullivan county community foundation 2011

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Malinda Medsker  
John Peffley  
Travis Rusch  
Jeff Salyers  
Nancy Tomey  
Howard Unger  
Ruth Ann Wood  
Kay Lynn Weitekamp  
Darrell Wesner

## distribution committee

Julie Baesler  
Jackie Lower  
Laney Meis  
Jeff Perry  
David Piker  
Sharon Nicoson  
Fred Rubey  
David Wulf  
Dick Vining

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Bill Olah, *Chair*  
Patrick Cahill  
David Doti  
Ward Hubbard  
Jackie Lower  
Fred Nation  
Jeff Perry  
Earl Elliott, *Sackrider and Company, Consultant*  
Timothy P. O'Donnell, *Fund Evaluation Group, Consultant*

## governance and planning committee

Fred Nation, *Chair*  
Curt Brighton  
Lant Davis  
Mike Lawson  
Jackie Lower  
Jean McMahan  
Lakshmi Reddy

## scholarship committees

**Vigo**  
Randy Stevens, *Chair*  
Sally Zuel  
Kathy Politz  
Nancy Brentlinger  
Greg Ulm

**Clay**  
Jim Romas, *Chair*  
Barb Wiram  
Mike Lawson  
Mary Jo Alumbaugh

**Sullivan**  
Ruth Ann Wood, *Chair*  
Rick Walters  
Nancy Hunt  
LeAnne Daniels  
Clay Arnett

## spring outing committee

Dick Vining, *Chair*  
Julie Baesler  
Brandi Floyd  
Jackie Lower  
Carolyn Monaghan  
Bill Olah  
Sandy Reece  
Don Ritter  
Rick Shagley  
Richard J. Shagley II  
Ryan Klopfenstein, *Golf Pro at Hulman Links, Consultant*

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Buddy Berry  
Jan Cutter  
Connie Fowler  
Emily Gedrick  
Dorothy B. Goodwin  
Jackie Lower  
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Joan Zaub

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Rachel Helt  
Jacob Baugh  
Jodie Bledsoe  
Mark Botros  
Carrie Chase  
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Collin Egan  
Landon Ellis  
Mary Ann Eting  
Thomas Foulkes  
Sidney Haer  
Kayla Lindsay  
Erin McDaniel  
Erin Sabla  
David Schmitz  
Abby Shanks  
Brooklynn Sibley  
Erin Sluyter  
Sara Umphries  
Rachel Welker

## staff

Beth Tevlin, *Executive Director*  
Kelli Miller, *Program Officer*  
Kate Kollinger, *Financial Administrator*  
Elizabeth Scamihorn, *Program Associate*  
Kathy Davis, *Administrative Assistant*



Seated, Kate Kollinger, Beth Tevlin and Kelli Miller. Standing, Elizabeth Scamihorn and Kathy Davis.

## 20 dedicated staff

The Community Foundation operates with a small but bright and dedicated staff. Although the Foundation has existed for 20 years, its staff has 44 years of cumulative experience. Led by Beth Tevlin, Executive Director, who has been with the Foundation for 20 years, the staff does an enormous amount of work with care, efficiency and pride. Kelli Miller, Program Director, has been with the Foundation for 15 years; Kate Kollinger, Financial Administrator, five years; Kathy Davis, Administrative Assistant, four years; and Elizabeth Scamihorn, Program Associate, one year.







Wabash Valley Community Foundation Meets National Standards



The Wabash Valley Community Foundation meets national standards for community foundations. Community foundations that achieve these standards demonstrate excellence in important areas, including client service, fiscal accountability, grantmaking and community leadership.

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