

Rush County Community Foundation 2014 Annual Report



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Life.
Local.**

**THE FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE
OF RUSH COUNTY.**



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President's Message



Dear Foundation Friends,

Live. Life. Local.

After you review the Foundation's growth and giving during the past year, I believe you will agree with me we have indeed been growing and the donor listing in subsequent pages proves we are in truly in this together – thank you so much! Moving forward, the Lilly Foundation has given us the opportunity to grow even faster with the Lilly Gift VI initiative. This program will match contributions to existing or new community grants funds dollar/dollar. Please call the Foundation office to learn more about this opportunity. I also encourage you to visit our website often and "Like" us on Facebook. This will keep you connected to the latest Foundation news.

Without the vision for the startup and the hard work during the Foundation's infancy none of what has been accomplished would have become reality. Thank you Paul Barada, Danny Earnest, and Rick Levi for laying the foundation for the Foundation!

Thank you Alisa and Terry for your passion, commitment, and knowledge, and daily service at the office, you are the face of the Foundation! Board and committee members, thank you for answering the call to serve, your dedication, your guidance, and your ideas!

Thank you donors, you are our greatest asset and not just from a financial perspective. You have the opportunity to be our "grassroots ambassadors" by telling those that you interact with about the Foundation from your own perspective and how it has already made our community better. We too would like to hear from you, share your thoughts and ideas with us on new ways to share our message and vision throughout Rush County.

Thank you for what you have already done and will continue to do in the future.

Together in the Spirit of Cooperation and Giving,

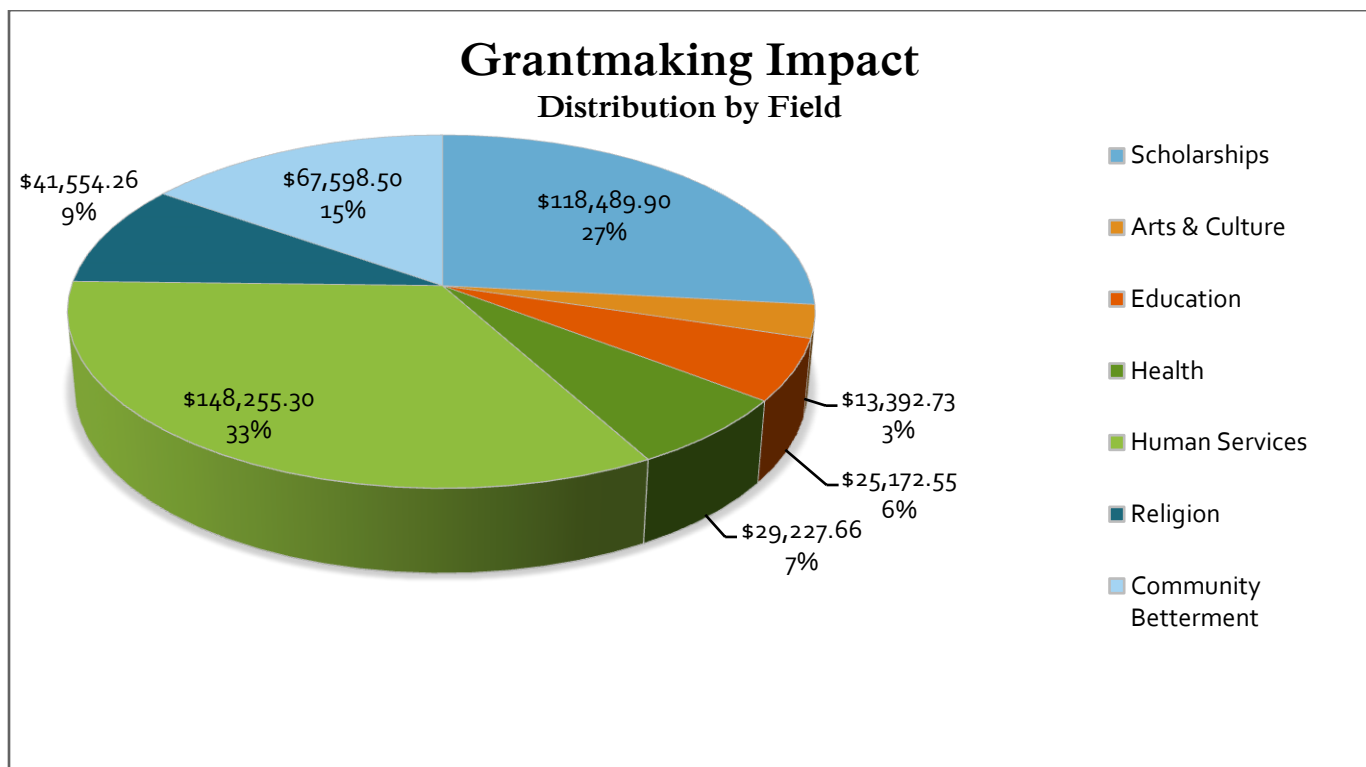
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Rush County Community Foundation Board President 2014

2014 Giving and Grantmaking

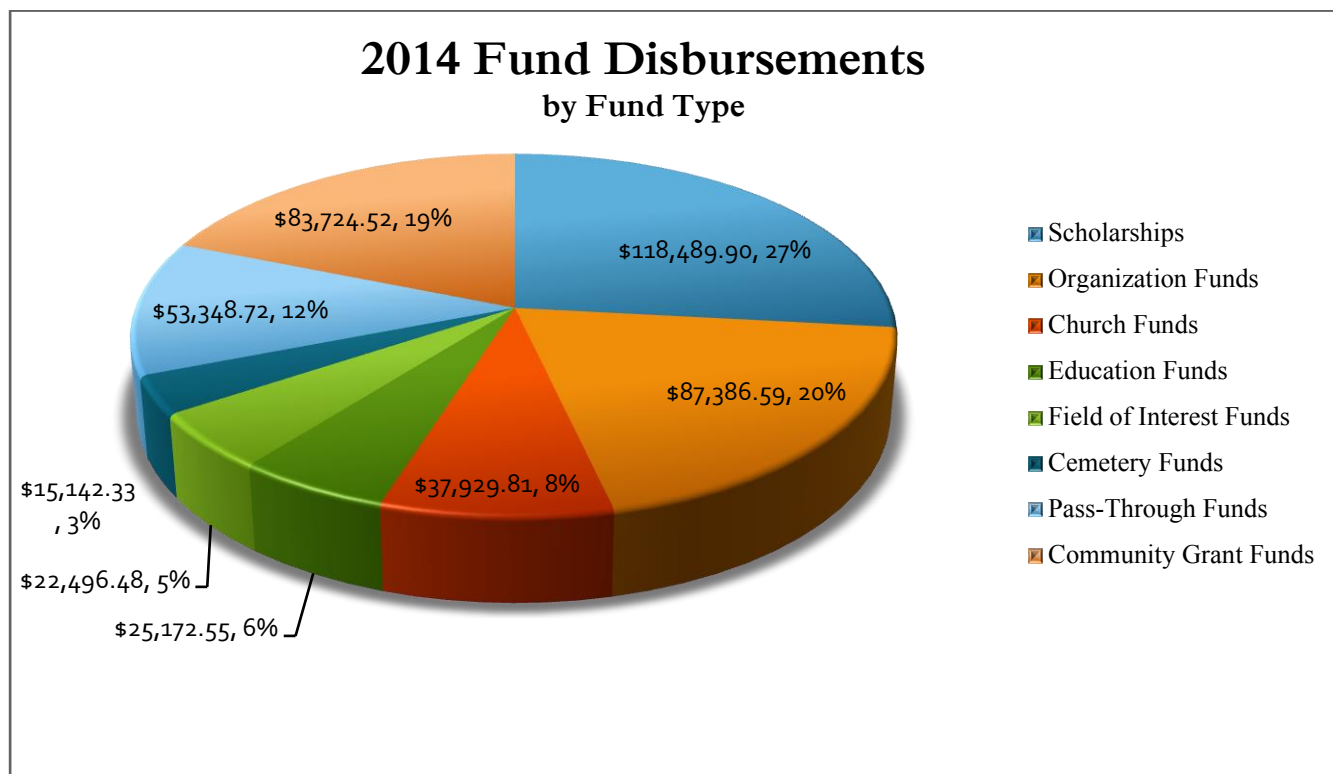
2014 was an opportunity for growth and change at the Rush County Community Foundation. The year began under the leadership of a new Executive Director, twelve new funds were opened, and Lilly Endowment, Inc. announced a \$500,000 matching opportunity (GIFT VI): needless to say, 2014 was an eventful year!

Investment growth and new endowment funds provided a \$1,000,000 increase in net assets. Our assets increased from \$11.95 million on December 31, 2013 to \$12.98 million on December 31, 2014. The generosity of our donors and increase in investment returns allowed us to distribute \$30,000 more back in to Rush County from 2013-2014. We were able to help our community by distributing over \$443,000 in grants, scholarships and individual fund payouts from funds established with the Foundation. Since our inception, and with the help of Lilly Endowment, this brings the total to over \$8 million that we have distributed since our first grants in 1994. These funds have been awarded to Rush County organizations and students to assist in making our community a better place.



In 2014, the majority of our disbursed fund dollars benefited causes we categorized as "human services": including programs for the underprivileged, food pantries, and disbursements to Rush County nonprofits serving those in need. Scholarship dollars accounted for more 27%, or more than \$118,000, worth of distributions for 2014. Though we see all of our grants as providing improvement to our community, 15% of our expenditures were allocated to "community betterment": improvements that made Rush County a better place to live, work, and play that didn't quite fall into any of the other categories.

The Rush County Community Foundation manages 185 different funds, supporting churches, cemeteries, nonprofit organizations, causes, Rush County needs, and post-secondary education for students. Contributions are permanently invested, giving a gift back to the selected designation, forever. In 2014, the category accounting for the largest payout was our scholarship funds, closely followed by organization funds and community grant funds.



New Funds in 2014

We continue to grow our fund base and are grateful to the Founding Contributors who established funds during 2014. New funds include: Carthage Schools Scholarship Fund, Ken Brashaber FFA Scholarship Fund, Kenneth and Kathleen Dean Fund, Helen and Jim Ewing Fund: To Help the Elderly and Feed the Hungry, First Presbyterian Church Pass-Through Fund, Rush County Historical Society Pass-Through Fund, Milroy Christian Church Scholarship Fund, Established by Kenneth E. and Mabel B. Smith, Jessica Miller "Leave Your Mark" Fund, Melvin D. Gray Art Scholarship Fund, Frances Duncan Murphy Scholarship Fund, Margaret E., M. Ralph and William R. Matney Scholarship Fund, and the Robert D. Wainwright Scholarship Fund. Details on these new funds may be found on pages 20-26 of this report.

Operations

Thanks to their dedication, our Board continues to average over 90% attendance at our meetings and events. The experience and dedication of our Board, committee members and staff will continue to allow the Foundation to grow and prosper to provide more resources for the Rush County community.

Fundraising for our operation is a continuous and necessary challenge. Our "Friends of the Foundation" funds and "Harvesting for the Future of Rush County" program continue to generate the funds necessary for our operation. Throughout the year we have fundraising events and we are thankful for the community support we receive. We are especially thankful to Staggs' Dairy Treats and Restaurant for the "Rush County Community Foundation Day" at their restaurant. They designate a portion of their sales for that day to assist in the operation of the Foundation. Additionally, they held fundraising days to specifically support six scholarship funds at the Foundation throughout the year.

Thank you for your support in 2014. As the Foundation of Rush County's future, we look forward to continuing to serve the philanthropic needs of our community, not only today, but for our future generations.

Giving Local: Community Grants



The City of Rushville Parks Department provides lively recreational outlets for the entire community. In June 2014, they applied for a grant to purchase an inflatable outdoor movie theater, and RCCF was eager to take part in funding the effort.

The Rush County Community Foundation strives to provide grant funding for special projects and equipment that will provide community benefit for years to come. The inflatable outdoor movie theater quickly proved itself to be a success, offering free, family-friendly Movies in the Park for the entire community to enjoy. "We believe that this is a chance for citizens of the community to come out and enjoy an evening watching a movie under the stars locally" said City of Rushville Parks Department Board President Aaron Gurley.

Creating life locally: the Rush County Community Foundation is proud to be a partner in such a fun, creative effort that will certainly benefit our community for years to come.

The Rush County Community Foundation granted \$67,522.52 to local nonprofit organizations in 2014. Our unrestricted grant dollars helped fund 11 organizations with project and equipment needs. The following agencies benefitted:

- The City of Rushville Fire Department
 - Grant funds enabled the purchase of swift water rescue equipment and swift water rescue training for three local firemen
- Town of Glenwood
 - Grant funding allowed for the purchase and installment of four new energy-efficient windows in the Town of Glenwood Community Center
- Rushville Parks Department
 - Grant funds assisted with the purchase of an outdoor movie theater
- Glenwood Volunteer Fire Department
 - Grant funding purchased new hose, a ground monitor, and nozzles for the local volunteer fire department
- Rush County Youth Group Workcamp, Inc.
 - Grant funds assisted with the purchase of lumber, paint, building materials and supplies to repair owner-occupied homes of the needy and elderly in Rush County
- Connect 2 Help (2-1-1)
 - Grant dollars purchased new computers for the office, better enabling 2-1-1 staff to assist callers in need
- Manilla Community Fire Department
 - RCCF Community Grant dollars aided the department's purchase of two SCBA outfits, eight air cylinders, four new apparatus, and four cylinders to replace outdated cylinders on older gear
- Rush County Players
 - RCCF Community Grant dollars purchased new lighting, sound equipment, a computer, and storage materials necessary for the local theater group
- Servants at Work, Inc. (SAWs)
 - Grant funds purchased materials and supplies necessary to build handicap-accessible ramps for Rush County residents
- Anderson Township Volunteer Fire Department
 - Grant funding assisted the department's purchase of a Zoll X series cardiac heart monitor for their ambulance
- Arlington East Hill Cemetery
 - Grant funding assisted with the purchase of a new entrance sign at the cemetery's newest addition



Giving Local: Scholarships



Pictured: 2014 Scholarship Recipients

Scholarship Funds are popular among both donors and recipients in Rush County. 70 funds have been established at the Rush County Community Foundation, honoring the memory and legacy of many, and providing disbursements to benefit Rush County students' post-secondary education goals for generations to come. \$118,489.90 was awarded from these funds to Rush County students in 2014, as shown below and on the following page.

Hubert & Grace Alexander Scholarship Fund

Fayella Horn

John Sam Anderson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Anna Smith

Lelande Anise Hunt Beher Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jonathon Blankman

Marcia and Les Blair Community Scholarship Fund

Samantha Sasher

Scott Brooks Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kelsey Ash

Grant Brower Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kylie Martindale

Jack & Cinda Brown Basketball Mental Attitude Scholarship Fund

Ricky Thompson, Casey Yager

Richard and Loretta Busald Family Nursing Scholarship Fund

Rosella Troyer

Hubert E. & Anna Louise Chance Scholarship Fund

Bree Huskins

Harold Clifton, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Brian Wagler

Mental Health Association Bobby Dean Scholarship Fund

Billy Guthrie

Richard S. Earnest Diabetes Scholarship Fund

Nicole Martin

Morris F. and Jane Marshall Fisher Scholarship Fund

Hope Noe

Danny E. and Barbara J. Gettinger Family Scholarship Fund

Briley Loggan

Elizabeth "Betty" Green and Barbara Blackledge Green Memorial Scholarship Fund

Annie Ephlin, Caysi Johnson

Dr. Frank H. and Jean C. Green Memorial Scholarship Fund

Casey Yager

David L. Green, M.D. Creativity Award

Austin Elwell, Casey Yager

Norma R. Harcourt School of Nursing Memorial Scholarship Fund

Rosella Troyer

Carol Niehoff Hardwick Memorial Scholarship Fund

Regan Laker

Lora Brook Hatfield Memorial Scholarship Fund

Casey Back, Alicia Cole, Madison Holder, Caysi Johnson

Kyle Henderson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Sarah Harpring, Caroline Kuhn, Raegan Smith

Frank L. and Frances L. Hilburt Scholarship Fund

Jessica Cole, Kyle Hoeing, Samantha Sasher, Bobbi Ann Amos, Katelyn Ash, Hannah Augsburger, Jessica Bostic Joshua Bostic, Kari Carter, Billy Guthrie, Robbie Hadley, Evan Hallgarth, Emily Hammill, Brittany Harcourt, Allison Harpring, Brandon Herbert, Mackenzie Herbert, Baylie Hochstedler, Brooke Kirchoff, Taylor Martindale, Audrey Neuman, Bryant Niehoff, Matthew Niehoff, Michaela Orme, Anne Riggs, Shelby Sherwood, Emily Sickbert, William Sickbert, Kayla Springmire, Morgan VanNatta, Morgan Williams, Justin Yager, Kaylee Yager

Ruth and Bill Houk Scholarship Fund

Katherine Schroeder

Jeff Hufford Memorial Scholarship Fund

Caysi Johnson

Courtney Anne Huskins Memorial Scholarship Fund

Matthew Fogg, Brian Wagler, David Wood

Rush County Junior Leaders 4-H Scholarship Fund

Jessica Miller

Michael J. Keith Memorial Scholarship Fund

Matthew Fogg, Brian Wagler

Kiwanis Scholarship Fund

Kylie Martindale

Madeline Guillon Knight Memorial Scholarship Fund

Katherine Schroeder

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Fund

Jill Yager

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Nominee Fund

Sarah Harpring

Grayson J. Mahin Scholarship Fund

Bree Huskins, Kristina Spaeth

Donald and Mary Gray Marshall Scholarship Fund

Emily Sickbert

Jessy L. McClure Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kylie Martindale

Joan L. McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jessica Bostic, Abby Clark

Robert Meyer and Family 4-H Scholarship Fund

Loys Rees

Phillip E. Mitchell Scholarship Fund

Audrey Neuman

Stephen M. Petry Memorial Scholars Fund

Logan Hensley

Bob and Avie Pike Family Memorial R. N. Scholarship Fund

Rosella Troyer

R.N. Club Scholarship Fund

Taylor Martindale, Casey Yager

Rex A. and Lucille G. Readle Educational Fund

Nicole Martin, Jessica Miller

Duward G. Reddick Kiwanis Scholarship Fund

Nate Hoeing

Robert H. Schondelmayer Bible College Scholarship Fund

Anna Smith

Charlotte Frame Sleeth Fund

Andrew Asbury, Alicia Cole, Fayella Horn

Mildreth I. (Jackson) and Byron P. Smith Fund

Megan Adams, Andrew Asbury

Holli Spaeth Memorial Scholarship Fund

Alicia Cole, Nate Hoeing, Jessica Miller, Garrett Sammons

Ashley Spurlin Memorial Scholarship Fund

Katelyn Ash, Leah Connolly, Alise Walker

Wilma B. Wainwright Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kyle Hoeing, Samantha Sasher

Rush County Friends of Purdue University Scholarship

Fund, Mary Katherine Waits, Principal Donor

Andrew Asbury, Fayella Horn

Jean H. Walker and Ivan G. Alexander Fund

Carrington Houser

Ward, Richardson and Corn Families Scholarship Fund

Alicia Cole

Marian G. White Purdue Scholarship Fund

Cory Back

Ryan Fogg

Emily Wright

Alice R. Wiley Scholarship Fund

Kristina Spaeth

John and Susan Wilson Unsung Hero Award

Frank Sammons

Robert L. Winters Scholarship Fund

Jessica Miller

ACE/Rita Yager Scholarship Fund

Raegan Smith

2014 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar



Pictured (L –R): RCCF Assistant Executive Director and CFO Terry VanNatta, RCCF Executive Director Alisa Winters, 2014 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar Jill Yager, parents David and Jeannine Yager, RCCF Scholarship Committee Chair Keith Perin,

One Rush County student was named the recipient of a four year, full tuition scholarship as the Rush County Community Foundation's 2014 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar. This year's recipient is the 33rd Rush County student to receive a Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.

Jill Yager received receive full tuition to the Indiana college of her choice and a \$900 yearly stipend for required books and equipment.

Jill is a resident of Richland Township and a senior at Rushville Consolidated High School. She is the daughter of David and Jeanine Yager. She plans to attend Butler University to pursue a Physician Assistant degree. Her inspiration to pursue a degree in the medical field came at a young age. "When I was seven, my little sister was hospitalized. It was during those ten days that I realized what I wanted to do when I got older. I was amazed at how efficient and effective the nurses were at their jobs. However, more than that, I was impressed at how comforting and caring the nurses were. I want to be just like those nurses and hope to work at Rush Memorial, then Riley Hospital for Children, upon graduation" stated Jill.

Upon being presented his scholarship she said, "I am still in shock! Receiving the Lilly Endowment Scholarship is such a huge honor, and I am so thankful to have been chosen. This scholarship will help me greatly in pursuing my future career plans."

Beyond working hard to attain good grades and a "Top 10" ranking, Jill has been an active leader throughout her high school career in school and community activities. She was chosen from 21 applicants from Rush County. Academic standing, school involvement, and community involvement all play a key in the decision of the Nominating Committee. The Rush County Community Foundation Lilly Selection Committee uses a blind application review process and does not know the names of the students. Each application is reviewed and judged separately by three members of the committee and is judged in ten separate categories. The committee narrows the field to three nominees and forwards their recommendation to the Board of Directors of the Rush County Community Foundation for final recommendation and submission to Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc. (ICI) for the selection of the recipients.

ICI is a nonprofit corporation that represents 31 regionally accredited degree granting, nonprofit, private colleges and universities in the state.

The scholarships are the result of a statewide Lilly Endowment initiative to help Hoosier students reach higher levels of education. Indiana ranks among the lowest states in the percentage of residents over the age of 25 with a bachelor's degree. There were 143 scholarships awarded statewide.

Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets

RUSH COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC.
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS
CASH BASIS
December 31, 2014

A S S E T S

CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 1)	\$ 726,685	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		\$ 726,685
INVESTMENTS (Note 1)		
Marketable Securities	11,892,685	
Savings Bonds	<u>91,624</u>	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		11,984,309
LAND, BUILDING, AND EQUIPMENT (Note 1)		
Building and Improvements	272,603	
Furniture and Equipment	<u>112,770</u>	
	385,373	
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>209,429</u>	
	175,944	
Land	<u>100,293</u>	
TOTAL LAND, BUILDING, AND EQUIPMENT		<u>276,237</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$12,987,231</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Agency Funds Payable	\$1,095,364	
Payroll Taxes Payable	<u>2,140</u>	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		\$ 1,097,504
NET ASSETS (Note 1)		
Unrestricted	3,911,158	
Temporarily Restricted	210,609	
Permanently Restricted	<u>7,767,960</u>	
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>11,889,727</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		<u>\$12,987,231</u>

Rammelsberg & Rumsey
Certified Public Accountants

Notes to Financial Statements and Accountant's Compilation Report available to view at the RCCF office

RCCF provides many ways to give...

Every gift to the Community Foundation, whether large or small, is an expression of the donor's giving nature. Ways to give 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 needs.

Cash is the easiest way to donate, whether it is actual cash or a check. The Foundation's online giving platform is a convenient way to give.

Real estate or personal property may be given to the Foundation. Of course, all gifts qualify for a charitable tax deduction in the year the gift was made.

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.

A **testamentary gift**, such as a bequest in your will, is one way you can create your charitable legacy.

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 charitable deduction, the amount of which is determined by the age of the income recipient and the payout rate. 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.

A **deferred fund** can be created, which will not receive any gift from you until sometime in the future, perhaps as a part of your estate plan. The Foundation will work cooperatively with you and your financial planner, attorney, or accountant to create an endowment that will ensure that your wishes are properly followed when the deferred gift is received.

...and many funds to support

On the following pages are a list of the 183 funds that have been created by our donors – people like you who's giving nature has motivated them to help others. As a donor to the Community Foundation, you can customize a fund that will support the charitable purposes or organizations that are most important to you.

Unrestricted “Community Grant”

Funds. If you wish to provide resources for your community to meet future needs, assist an existing program, or even start a new one, the unrestricted fund will be your choice. Your resources will be granted by local volunteers in your county for purposes that are meaningful and timely. **Until March 31, 2016 (or until matching funds extinguish) donations made to new or existing unrestricted funds are matched \$1 for \$1!**

Field of Interest Funds. Perhaps you have a particular interest in a specific area or need. It might be the arts, education, or improved services such as health, recreation or fire protection. The Foundation board will award grants from your fund within the area you have set forth in your fund agreement.

Advised Funds. You may wish to have more involvement in the annual distributions from your fund. By choosing an advised fund, you may serve on or specify who will serve on your fund's selection committee. Each year you can recommend a different charitable grantee.

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

Agency Endowment Funds. An agency may establish an agency endowment fund for its benefit. The agency's supporters may contribute funds to ensure an uninterrupted and dependable source of revenue to carry out its 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 scholarship through the Community Foundation 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.

Pass-Through Funds. Immediacy is an element in the Foundation's pass-through, or often called “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 create a non-permanent fund intended to support these “special” short-term goals now. Principal and interest are accessible to the fund recipient per subcommittee recommendations.

Creating a Fund. To create a unique fund bearing the name and purpose you select, a gift of cash or assets valued at \$5,000 or more needs to be placed with the Foundation. The fund must reach \$10,000 within 5 years of establishment to disburse.

Funds to Benefit Rush County

Friends of the Foundation Funds

RCCF Operating Fund (Friends of the Foundation)

A designated endowment fund to provide financial support for RCCF

R.H. Deer Fund

A designated endowment fund to support RCCF operating costs

Suzanne Northam Hazelett Fund

Suzie was the first Executive Director of the Rush County Community Foundation. The fund created in her memory provides support for the ongoing work and development of the RCCF.

RCCF Operating Endowment

A designated endowment fund to support the work of RCCF

Cemetery Funds

Arlington East Hill Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Arlington East Hill Cemetery of Arlington, IN

Blue River Wesleyan Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the maintenance of the Blue River Wesleyan Cemetery

Center Church Cemetery Fund, Established by J. Wendell and Jean F. Kirkpatrick

A designated endowment fund to assist funding the maintenance of the Center Church Cemetery, located in Center Township, Rush County

East Hill Shrine Mausoleum Fund

A designated endowment fund to support East Hill Shrine Mausoleum

Joseph Hinchman Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide support for maintenance of the Joseph Hinchman Cemetery, located in Union Township, Rush County, IN

Donald and Mary Gray Marshall, Hopewell Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund established to provide annual support for the Rushville, IN Lodge #1307, Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks, the Rushville, IN Veterans of Foreign Wars Jackson and Cox Post 1541 and the Hopewell Cemetery Association

Hurst Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Hurst Cemetery of Homer, IN

Little Blue River Cemetery Fund, Established by J. Wendell and Jean F. Kirkpatrick

A designated endowment fund to provide for the maintenance of the Little Blue River Cemetery in Center Township, Rush County, IN

Little Flatrock Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment that supports maintenance of the Little Flatrock Cemetery in Noble Township, Rush County, IN

McCarter Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the McCarter Cemetery

Moscow Cemetery Company Flossie P. Denton Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Moscow Cemetery

Moscow Cemetery Company Clarence M. Gosney Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Moscow Cemetery

Bert and Harriet Mullin and Roy and Edith Waggener Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the East Hill Cemetery of Rushville

Rushville East Hill Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund supporting the East Hill Cemetery Company of Rushville

Rushville St. Mary Calvary Cemetery Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the St. Mary Calvary Cemetery

Church Funds

Arlington Christian Church Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide support to the Arlington Christian Church of Arlington, IN

Ben Davis Creek Christian Church Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide assistance to the Ben Davis Creek Christian Church, supporting first and foremost the Ladies Aid Society

Center Christian Church, Gray Family Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide annual support to benefit the Music Department of the Center Christian Church

East Street Christian Church of Carthage Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide annual support to benefit the East Street Christian Church of Carthage, IN

Fairview Christian Church Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund to support Fairview Christian Church

First Baptist Church of Rushville (American) Ruth and Donald Banks Fund

A designated endowment fund to support to the everyday expenses of the American First Baptist Church of Rushville

First Presbyterian Church of Rushville Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide financial support for the First Presbyterian Church of Rushville, IN

First Presbyterian Church of Rushville Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund to provide support for First Presbyterian Church

Carl and Ellen Foust-Fletcher United Methodist Church Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Fletcher United Methodist Church of Carthage, IN

Main Street Christian Church Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Main Street Christian Church located in Rushville, IN

Milroy United Methodist Church Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the efforts to maintain the Milroy United Methodist Church

New Salem United Methodist Church Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide support for the operating budget for New Salem United Methodist Church of New Salem, IN

Rush County Beech Church Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund that supports the Rush County Beech Church

St. Paul's United Methodist Church Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides ongoing support for the St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Rushville, IN

St. Paul's United Methodist Church Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund to provide support to St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Rushville, IN

J.D. Taff Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides financial support to the First Presbyterian Church of Rushville, IN

Trinity United Presbyterian Church Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides financial support to Trinity United Presbyterian Church of Rushville, IN

Community Grant Funds

Laura May and Howard H. Brown Memorial Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants.

Kenneth and Kathleen Dean Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

H. N. (Doc) and Thelma Jagers Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

Gerald W. And Anita J. Mohr Community Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

Charles E. And Jane Power Niccum Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

Pioneer Hi-Bred Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

Rush County Community Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

Named Funds Within the Rush County Community Fund

Beginning in 2002, in response to Gift V, the following donors contributed gifts of \$2,000 or more to be used for Community Grants:

Paul Cox Fund

Estate of Joseph P. Delon Fund

Selma Earnest Fund

Jim and Ruth Ann Foster Fund

Mary C. Horstman, in Memory of Arthur J. Horstman

Phyllis Kingery Fund

Richard and Christina Levi Fund

Hugh and Anna Mauzy Fund

Heather Herdrich Meckes Fund

William and Lois Moster Fund

Rushville Pharmacy Fund

Philip and Mary Lib White Fund

Robert and Barbara White Fund

George Patrick "Pat" Todd Memorial Fund

An unrestricted endowment fund to benefit the community via community grants

Education Funds

Jessica Miller "Leave Your Mark" Grant Fund

A grant fund that is to be awarded to a RCHS junior student with the intent of bringing a program, event or service to Rush County Schools and/or the Rush County Community.

Phillip Kent Mull/Beth Swaim Kabalka Education Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports individual students who need books or other necessities

Nature Center Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide money to sustain the Nature Center of the Rush County Schools. Monies shall be used for the maintenance of the Nature Center, private and public school field trips for Rush County students, and other needs of the Nature Center.

Rush County Education Fund

Funds support special projects created by teachers, students, parents or administrators of Rush County Schools not otherwise budgeted for annually. Donations from "Thank-a-Teacher" and "Memories" benefit the Rush County Education Fund.

Rush County Federation of Teachers Pass-Through Fund

A temporary pass-through fund that provides financial support to the Rush County Federation of Teachers

Rush County Swimming Fund

A designated endowment fund supporting the Rush County Swim Team

Rush County Schools Legacy Fund

A temporary pass-through fund that provides financial support for the Rush County Schools

Rushville Elementary Parent-Teacher Group Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the efforts of the RES Parent-Teacher Group

Dr. Robert Stewart Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund to support Rushville Elementary School

Varsity Scholar Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides support to the Varsity Scholar Awards program (Donations to "Class of '64" benefit this fund)

Robert N. And Mary Lou Veatch and Family Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the music and athletic programs at Arlington Elementary School, Arlington, IN

Roy Waggener Family Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports the Rushville Consolidated High School Music Program

Wall Family Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports the Agri-Science Department of Rushville Consolidated High School

Field of Interest Funds
Dolletta Marie Callahan Rush County 4-H Awards Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the annual purchase of 4-H plaques for 4-H awards

CIRCLE Fund, Chicks Impacting Rush County Life

A designated endowment fund offering female donors an opportunity to promote and support programs that make a meaningful impact on Rush County

Judy Colangelo Cancer Treatment Fund

A designated endowment fund to assist patients not able to pay and not covered by Medicare or Medicaid with the cost of cancer treatments and/or experimental procedures. The fund is distributed through Sheehan Cancer Center.

Helen and Jim Ewing Fund: To Help the Elderly and Feed the Hungry

A designated endowment fund created by Jim Ewing in memory of his wife, Helen. The fund provides grants to agencies that provide food for the needy and/or non-profit agencies serving the elderly with essential needs and services.

Dave Kehl Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide financial support for the training of volunteer firefighters who serve Rush County, Indiana volunteer fire departments

Dessie H. Lower Trust Rush County 4-H Fund

A designated endowment fund established to support the Rush County 4-H Program and 4-H Council

James, Easter and Joseph Moster Family 4-H Fund

A designated endowment fund intended to promote and foster 4-H work in Rush County

Music for Rush County Fund

An endowment fund to provide grants to organizations bringing programs that encourage music participation and enjoyment by and for Rush County residents

Rush County Cancer Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports the needs of Rush County residents who are afflicted with cancer. Funds are distributed through Rush County Family Health Services

Rush County Parks Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides support to Rush County Parks

Rush County Youth Athletic Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports amateur athletes and coaches from Rush County, IN

Mildreth I. (Jackson) and Byron P. Smith Fund

Annual distributions from this fund equally (50%) supports conservation and wildlife projects in Rush County, IN and (50%) scholarships for Rushville Consolidated High School graduates

Alex Workman Memorial Fund

Grants support the needs of Rush County families who have children with Autism or Rush County teachers who work with children with Autism that are seeking ongoing education and/or supplies

Shane Young Memorial Soccer Fund

Grants awarded from this fund promote soccer in Rush County

Youth In Philanthropy Fund

This fund promotes youth philanthropy in Rush County by awarding grants for youth public service projects

Organization Funds
ARC of Rush County Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide support for ARC of Rush County, an organization that supports the needs of individuals who are mentally/physically challenged and their families

ARC of Rush County Pass-Through Fund

A temporary pass-through fund to provide support for ARC of Rush County, an organization that supports the needs of individuals who are mentally/physically challenged and their families

Harvey M. Arnold, Jr. And R. Genevieve McGhee Arnold Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides scholarships for campers to attend the Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp

Ercell Bever, Jr. Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the charitable needs of the Carthage Community

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rush County Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide financial support for the Rush County Big Brothers Big Sisters organization

Boy Scouts of America Fund

Established to provide financial assistance to Rush County Boy Scouts, with preference given to support needy Boy Scouts with the cost of Boy Scout camps

Boys & Girls Club of Rush County Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Rush County Boys & Girls Club

Boys & Girls Club of Rush County Pass-Through Fund

A temporary pass-through fund to provide support for the Boys and Girls Club of Rush County

Tobi L. Coon, T.L.C. to Earth Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund to support the construction and maintenance of Tobi Land, a children's playground located at the Caldwell Pioneer Acres.

Curtis "Curtie" Craven Elks Pass-Through Fund

A pass-through fund to provide the funds to the Elks Lodge #1307 for scholarships to graduating seniors.

Gilbert E. and Phyllis C. Joyce Fund

A designated endowment fund to support charitable activities of Rush County Senior Citizens, INC., Phoenix Lodge #62 F&AM of Rushville, IN., American Legion Rush Post #150, and the Benevolent Protection of the Order of the Elks, Rushville Lodge #1307

Kappa Kappa Kappa, Phi Chapter Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide support to the charitable activities of Kappa Kappa Kappa, Inc. Phi Chapter of Rushville, IN

Laughlin Family Trust Fund

A designated endowment fund established to award money yearly to a new school teacher of Rush County Schools and support the Rushville Public Library with new books or summer programs

Donald and Mary Gray Marshall Fund

A designated endowment fund established to provide annual support for the Rushville, IN Lodge #1307, Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks, the Rushville, IN Veterans of Foreign Wars Jackson and Cox Post 1541 and the Hopewell Cemetery Association

Mays Community Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the charitable needs of the Mays, Indiana Community

Milroy Psi Iota Xi Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the charitable activities of the Psi Iota Xi Sorority of Milroy, IN

Milroy Street Light Association Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Milroy Street Light Project

Nelson Farms Endowment Fund

A designated endowment fund that annually supports the Rush County Mental Health Association, Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department, R.N. Club Scholarship, Arlington East Hill Cemetery Association, Rush County Heritage, and Rush County Historical Society

Cornelius B. and Nancy Waggener Oster Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports the Rush County Historical Society

People Helping People Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides annual support to the Rush County United Fund

Pitman-Worthington Family Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides financial support to the Rush County Historical Society

Eva Leatrice Robinson Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides funds for toys, games, and/or play articles for hospitalized children at Rush Memorial Hospital

Rotary Club of Rushville Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the charitable activities of the Rotary Club of Rushville

Rush County Chamber of Commerce Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the charitable activities of the Rush County Chamber of Commerce

Rush County Fairgrounds Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the work of the Rush County Agricultural Association

Rush County Health, Inc. Physician Presence Fund

A designated endowment fund intending to improve general health care services in Rush County by providing funds to Rush Memorial Hospital to enable the purchase of equipment

Rush County Historical Society Fund

A designated endowment fund to support the Rush County Historical Society

Rush County Historical Society Pass-Through Fund

A temporary pass-through fund that provides financial support to Rush County Historical Society

Rush County Humane Society Fund

A designated endowment fund to provide support to the Rush County Humane Society

Rush County Senior Citizens Center, Inc. Fund

A designated endowment fund supporting the Rush County Senior Citizens Center

Rush County Veterans Memorial Foundation Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent fund that provides financial support for the activities of the Rush County Veterans Memorial Foundation, Inc.

Rush Masonic Lodge #580, F & AM Fund

A designated endowment fund that benefits Rush Masonic Lodge #580, F & AM of Carthage, IN

Rush Memorial Hospital Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports Rush Memorial Hospital

Rushville Lodge #1307 of BPOE of Elks Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides an annual distribution to support the Rushville Lodge #1307 of BPOE of Elks with funds for a scholarship to a graduating RCHS senior attending a two-or four-year vocational school or college

Rushville Psi Iota Xi Fund

A designated endowment fund that supports the charitable activities of Rushville Psi Iota Xi

Rushville Public Library Facilities Improvement Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund in which distributions support facility improvements to Rushville Public Library, include, but not limited to, remodels, renovations, repairs and expansion.

Rushville Public Library Fund, Established by the Pattison-Schrichte Family

A designated endowment fund in which distributions are utilized to enhance the library's current or future needs

Rushville/Rush County Community Center Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund to provide support for the construction and operation of the Rushville/Rush County Community Center

Nick Singleton Memorial Fund

A designated endowment fund that provides annual support for the activities of the City of Rushville Parks Department

Crysten Butler Williams and Jett Williams Memorial Pass-Through Fund

A non-permanent pass-through fund to support the purchase, construction and maintenance of the playground equipment located at McNabb Park in Carthage, IN

Scholarship Funds

Hubert and Grace Alexander Scholarship Fund

Established by Marilyn Forsythe in memory of her parents, who were long time Rush County residents. The scholarship recognizes a student that is a sophomore or above at Purdue University who maintains at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

John Sam Anderson Scholarship Fund

Established by Sandra Gordon & Nancy Mitchell to honor John Sam, a music teacher at New Salem for many years. The scholarship award is to support students from Anderson, Noble and Richland Townships who were active in music at RCHS.

William F. and Lelande Anise Hunt Beher Memorial Scholarship Fund

The endowed scholarship fund was established in 1996 by William F. Beher and Linda Beher Richards. The annual scholarship award will be given to a graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School with preference given to a graduate student in the field of elementary education. If there are no graduate students in the field of elementary education, the scholarship may be awarded to an undergraduate student in the field of elementary education who is above a sophomore level in college.

Marcia and Les Blair Community Scholarship Fund

Established in 2009 by friends and family of Marcia and Les, the scholarship fund supports a person who is striving to improve themselves by working toward a degree, an advanced degree, or toward additional certification in their chosen occupation. The scholarship does not support a graduating high school student.

BPW Working Woman's Scholarship Fund

Established in 1994 by the Rushville Business and Professional Woman's Organization to assist a female Rush County student 25 years of age or older with continuing education. The scholarship should be awarded to a student with at least two years' work experience enrolled in an undergraduate degree or diploma program at an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school.

Ken Brashaber FFA Scholarship Fund

Established in 2014 by Ken Brashaber, a former Rushville Consolidated High School agriculture teacher and FFA advisor. This scholarship is to benefit a graduating senior from Rushville Consolidated High School that has been active in the Rush County chapter of the FFA organization. The recipient must have been enrolled in at least 3 years of high school agriculture courses, maintained a 2.5 or better GPA, must have attained a Chapter Degree for FFA, and must be planning to attend a four year college or university pursuing a baccalaureate degree.

Scott Brooks Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 2012 by friends and family of Scott Brooks represented by Carl, Marcia and Tina Brooks. The scholarship award is given to a graduating senior or a graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School. The recipient must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or above on a 4.0 scale and must be planning to participate in or continue participation in intercollegiate athletics at a two or four year college or university.

Grant Brower Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 2013 by Jason and Becky Brower. The scholarship fund is awarded annually to a graduating senior of Rushville Consolidated High School and/or an accredited home school in Rush County. The scholarship recipient must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and be planning to attend a two or four year college, university or trade school.

Jack and Cinda Brown Basketball Mental Attitude Scholarship Fund

Established in 2010 by Jack and Cinda Brown, the scholarship fund recognizes a male and female Rushville Consolidated High School graduating senior who played basketball for four years. Preference for this award is given to a non-starter who exemplifies a great mental attitude.

Richard and Loretta Busald Family Nursing Scholarship Fund

Established in 2005 by Richard Busald, Janice Robbins, Janet Pike, Jacquelyn Angle, Jane Carter and John Busald. This scholarship provides funds to a second, third or fourth year college student in good standing in a Registered Nurse program in pursuit of an education which will result in the licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Carthage Schools Scholarship Fund

Established at the Carthage Elementary School time of closure in 2014, the Carthage Elementary Parent Teacher Organization donated remaining PTO funds to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior who is active in their community. The student must have attended Carthage Elementary School or reside in the former Carthage Elementary School district, Ripley Township.

Hubert E. and Anna Louise Chance Scholarship Fund

Established by Beverly Kirkpatrick, Avonelle Leissring Dare, and Monte Chance in honor of their parents, teachers for many years in Rush County Schools. The scholarship fund is awarded to a student pursuing an undergraduate degree in education.

Harold Clifton, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in memory of Harold Clifton, a high school agriculture teacher for many years. The scholarship award supports a graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School pursuing a degree in agriculture at Purdue University

Richard S. Earnest Diabetes Scholarship Fund

Established by Ethan, Hunter and Megan Earnest in memory of their dad. Also sharing in creating this fund is Richard's parents Fred and Janet Earnest. This scholarship goes to a RCHS graduating senior with Type I insulin dependent diabetes to continue their education. In the event a student with Type I insulin dependent diabetes does not apply, consideration will be given to an RCHS student entering pre-medical classes.

East Central Opportunities Scholarship Fund

A permanently endowed scholarship fund to support a permanent resident of Rush County who has lost their job from a Rush County employer due to downsizing or the business closing. The student must be planning to attend Ivy Tech Community college and show proof of acceptance.

Morris F. and Jane Marshall Fisher Fund

A scholarship fund that gives preference to supporting a Rush County student attending or planning to attend Miami of Ohio University. If no completed applications are submitted for Miami of Ohio then this scholarship is awarded to a student attending or planning to attend an accredited four-year college or university in Indiana.

Danny E. and Barbara J. Gettinger Family Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund that is awarded to a student who attended Rushville Consolidated High School for four years and is planning to study in the field of agriculture at a two or four-year college, university or vocational school or enrolled in an accredited agricultural short course

Melvin D. Gray Art Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund that awards a second-year college student majoring in Art. If no qualified applications are received, this scholarship may be awarded to a graduating high school senior

pursuing an art degree or a high school graduate who is returning to school to pursue an art degree.

David L. Green, M.D. Creativity Award

This scholarship fund recognizes two students annually, one academically and one vocationally, who best exemplify clearly creative efforts in their chosen field

Elizabeth "Betty" Green and Barbara Blackledge Green Memorial Scholarship Fund

This scholarship fund provides financial assistance for furthering education to a graduating senior of RCHS

Dr. Frank H. And Jean C. Green Memorial Fund

Established by John C., William L., and David L. Green in memory of their parents Dr. Frank and Jean Green. Funds enable two different programs: the Jean C. Green Creative Writing program and scholarships for academically successful students in financial need exemplifying outstanding talent in the areas of Math, Science, English and History.

Norma R. Harcourt School of Nursing Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Susan Harcourt Gray to honor her mother's service as a Public Health Nurse for 53 years, this scholarship fund provides financial assistance to a Rush County resident that is pursuing an education resulting in licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Carol Niehoff Hardwick Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Ralph and Jan Niehoff in memory of their daughter, Carol. This scholarship fund supports RCHS graduates who attend Ball State University

Lora Brook Hatfield Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 2011 in memory of their daughter by Nancy Newton and Brad Hatfield, this scholarship award will be assist a graduating senior from either Knightstown Community High School or Rushville Consolidated High School with continuing education expenses. The recipient must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.

Kyle Henderson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Rodney, Loretta, Alisa and Joshua Henderson in memory of their son and brother, this scholarship assists a student attending an accredited trade or vocation school. Preference for the award(s) is given to students that have been active in FFA and 4-H pursuing a degree in agriculture, construction management, heating and cooling, electrical or plumbing.

Frank L. Hilburt and Frances L. Hilburt Fund

Rush County Community Foundation's first scholarship fund. This scholarship fund is awarded annually to students who have completed one year of college

Ruth and Bill Houk Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to award a graduating senior from RCHS pursuing ongoing education in the field of education with plans to become a school teacher.

Jeff Hufford Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund created in memory of an active Rush County Schools teacher and Briar Patch Player leader, funds are awarded to assist a graduating senior from RCHS attending a 2-or 4-year

college or university in the State of Indiana. Preference will be given to a student studying broadcasting or communications.

Courtney Anne Huskins Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Larry and Sarah Huskins in memory of their 3 year old daughter who loved learning, this scholarship is available to a RCHS graduate who attended Rush County schools for at least 6 years.

Michael J. Keith Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to help provide a male student with a degree from an accredited trade school.

George E. King D.V.M. Veterinary Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to assist Rush County resident attending the Purdue University Veterinary School

Kiwanis Scholarship Fund

Established by the Rushville Kiwanis Club to assist a Rush County student with postsecondary education

Madeline Gullion Knight Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Robert and Daphne Toby in memory of Madeline Gullion Knight, a teacher for many years. The scholarship is awarded to a graduate or undergraduate student pursuing a degree in education.

Victor and Dorothy Koontz Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 2008 by the Memorial Committee of Little Flatrock Christian Church, this fund provides a scholarship to a male student attending the Christian Theological Seminary with preference given to a Rush County student.

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Nominee Fund

A scholarship fund established in 2003 by Grant and Anna Reeves to support a Rush County student identified through the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship search other than the actual recipients. Grant was the first Lilly Endowment Community Scholar from Rush County.

Grayson J. Mahin Scholarship Fund

Mr. Mahin was a lifelong teacher for Rush County Schools. Feeling that teaching is a much-needed and beneficial profession, he established this scholarship fund to support a graduating senior from RCHS seeking a degree in Education.

Laurie Saunders Marlatt Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established to assist a student enrolled in a dental assistant, expanded dental assistant or dental hygiene program. The student may also be a current dental assistant or expanded dental assistant continuing their education.

Thomas F. Marshall Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to assist college students in their third year or above that are in good academic standing. Preference will be given to students studying in the fields of mental health, social work or law.

Margaret E., M. Ralph and William R. Matney Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to assist a graduate of RCHS with ongoing education expenses. Preference for this scholarship is given to students studying engineering, photography or nursing.

Jessy L. McClure Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to award a graduating senior from RCHS attending college as a full-or part-time student

Joan L. McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund created to award two scholarships each year, one to a graduating senior of RCHS and one to a RCHS graduate at a sophomore level or above in college.

Mental Health Association Bobby Dean Scholarship

A scholarship fund to assist a deserving student from Rush County who is a junior or senior undergraduate seeking a degree in a health care field.

Robert Meyer and Family 4-H Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to award a college student at a sophomore level or above who participated in the Rush County 4-H program the last five years in which they were eligible to participate

Milroy Christian Church Scholarship Fund Established by Kenneth E. and Mabel B. Smith

A scholarship fund established to assist a member of the Milroy Christian Church in pursuit of a ministerial-related degree at a four-year college or university.

Phillip E. Mitchell Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established by Sharon Creager and friends of Phil Mitchell to honor his many years in education. The award is to assist a student majoring in education with college expenses.

Frances Duncan Murphy Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established by William Murphy and David Murphy to recognize their mother's passion for education and business. This scholarship should be awarded to a female student attending Indiana University, with preference given to those studying journalism or communications.

Dick Neeb Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to provide support to a RCHS graduates attending a technical or vocational school.

Stephen M. Petry Memorial Scholarship Fund

Provides a scholarship to a Rushville Consolidated High School or Ripley Township Knightstown Community High School graduate who is a sophomore or above majoring in Special Education with plans to become a Special Education Teacher. If there are no applicants meeting this criteria, the scholarship may be awarded to a Rush County resident and/or Rush County Schools teacher working toward a Master's Degree or higher in Special Education.

Bob and Avie Pike Family Memorial R.N. Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to support a Rush County resident accepted into a nursing program pursuing an education resulting in licensure as a Registered Nurse.

R. N. Club Scholarship

A scholarship fund to support a Rush County resident accepted into a nursing program pursuing an education resulting in licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Rex A. and Lucille G. Readle Educational Fund

A scholarship fund created to support graduating Rush County students who reside in Posey Township, Rush County, IN with college expenses

Duward G. Reddick Kiwanis Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund to help a deserving young man from Rushville Consolidated High School obtain a college education

Rush County Friends of Purdue University Scholarship Fund: Mary Katherine Waits, Principal Donor

A scholarship fund established to support Rush County students attending Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN. Applicants must have at least a 2.5 GPA

Rush County Junior Leader 4-H Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund that supports an undergraduate student who was involved with the Rush County 4-H Junior Leader program for at least three years

Robert H. Schondelmayer Bible College Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established by Paul and Judy Schondelmayer to honor Paul's Father, Reverend Robert Schondelmayer. This fund supports college expenses for a person enrolled in a ministerial degree program at an accredited Bible College

Charlotte Frame Sleeth Fund

A scholarship fund that provides support to Rush County students willing to work to earn all or part of their expenses associated with receiving a higher education

Mildreth I. (Jackson) and Byron P. Smith Fund

Annual distributions from this fund equally (50%) supports conservation and wildlife projects in Rush County, IN and (50%) scholarships for Rushville Consolidated High School graduates

Holli Spaeth Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established by Mike and Karen Spaeth in memory of their daughter, Holli. Scholarship awards support a Rushville Consolidated High School graduating senior with at least a "C" average pursuing a degree at an accredited university, college or trade school. Preference for scholarship awards is given to students active in the Rush County Junior Leaders program.

Ashley Spurlin Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established in 2010 by Mark, Jana and Ryan Spurlin in memory of their daughter and sister. This fund provides support to a Rushville Consolidated High School senior or a graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School attending Indiana State University

Maurice "Porky" Wainwright Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established to support a Rushville Consolidated High School graduate attending technical or professional school studying a home building trade

Robert D. Wainwright Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund that awards supports a Rushville Consolidated High School graduating senior studying accounting at an accredited two- or four-year college or university

Wilma B. Wainwright Memorial Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund that supports a Rushville Consolidated High School graduate classified above a sophomore level in college pursuing a degree in Business Accounting.

Jean H. Walker and Ivan G. Alexander Fund

A scholarship fund that awards a deserving Rushville Consolidated High School graduating senior in need of financial assistance with funds for ongoing education

Ward, Richardson and Corn Families Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established to support a graduating senior of Rushville Consolidated High School attending a college in Indiana. Applicants must have maintained a "C" average.

Marian G. White Purdue Scholarship Fund

A scholarship fund established to support Rush County students pursuing a Bachelor's Degree at Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN. Applicants must have at least a 2.5 GPA

Alice R. Wiley Scholarship Fund

Established by the Glen Wiley family in memory of Mrs. Wiley, a teacher in Milroy and later director of the Title One Program for Rush County Schools. The scholarship is awarded to a Rush County student pursuing a degree in Education.

Gordon D. and Mary S. Wilson Fund

A scholarship fund established to assist a Rush County student who attends Miami University in Ohio. If no qualified applicants apply, the scholarship may be awarded to students planning or currently attending an accredited four-year college or university in Indiana.

John and Susan Wilson Unsung Hero Award

A scholarship fund established to provide an annual award to a deserving senior at Rushville Consolidated High School for their tireless dedication for the success and support of the team

Robert L. Winters Scholarship Fund

Established in memory of an entrepreneur and accountant, Robert L. Winters, this scholarship provides support to a Rush County student with a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher on a 4.0 scale planning to study accounting or business at an accredited two- or four-year college or university.

ACE/Rita Yager Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 1999 by the Agriculture Careers and Education Organization. The scholarship support Rush County high school students planning to continue their education in an agricultural field

New Funds in 2014

Carthage Schools Scholarship Fund

The Carthage Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization is excited to announce the establishment of the Carthage School Scholarship Fund. This designated scholarship endowment at the Rush County Community Foundation has been created upon the recent decision to close the Carthage Elementary School in an effort to continue the Carthage Schools legacy for generations to come.

The "Carthage School Scholarship Fund" was established to help a graduating high school senior who formerly attended Carthage Schools. Upon the last Carthage Schools graduating class, the recipient must be a Ripley Township resident. The selection will be based on the applicant attending a 2- or 4-year trade school, college or university, their financial need and community and high school involvement.

"On behalf of the Foundation and our Board of Directors I want to thank the Carthage PTO for establishing this scholarship," stated Alisa Winters, Foundation Executive Director. "I know that the closure of the Carthage Elementary School is difficult for many families in the Carthage community. I am honored that the Carthage PTO recognized the Rush County Community Foundation as a partner in ensuring the Carthage Schools legacy continues forever. In addition, this scholarship fund will forever assist Rush County students in achieving their educational goals."

Ken Brashaber FFA Scholarship Fund



Ken Brashaber recently established a new designated scholarship endowment at the Rush County Community Foundation. As a former Rushville Consolidated High School agriculture teacher and FFA advisor, he wanted to begin a scholarship to recognize and encourage students that share his passions. In honor of the Rushville FFA Chapter's 75th anniversary, the Ken Brashaber FFA Scholarship Fund will award its first scholarship at the end of the 2015 school year.

The "Ken Brashaber FFA Fund" was established to provide scholarship funds to graduating seniors from Rushville Consolidated High School. The scholarship recipient must be an active FFA member at the time of application, have earned a Chapter Degree for FFA membership, have been enrolled in at least three years of high school agriculture courses, have a 2.5 or better GPA, and be planning to attend an accredited four year college or university pursuing a baccalaureate degree.

Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director stated, "On behalf of our staff and Board of Directors, I would like to thank Ken for considering the Foundation as an opportunity to recognize Rush County students. This Fund will forever link his name to the RCHS agriculture and FFA programs and the Foundation, while benefitting students in achieving their educational goals."

Kenneth & Kathleen Dean Fund



The Kenneth and Kathleen Dean Fund was established by Kathy (Lienemann) Dean in loving memory of her late husband. The "Kenneth and Kathleen Dean Fund" is an unrestricted endowment fund at the Rush County Community Foundation that will support the community grants program.

Kenny was a longtime owner/operator of J.E. Dean Sales (International Harvester Implement Dealership) and Kathy is a past Executive Director of the Rush County Community Foundation. As a former Director and active volunteer with RCCF, Kathy knew that establishing a Fund in Kenny's memory was the way she wanted to commemorate Kenny's life. "This is our chance to give back to the community that has provided us many wonderful opportunities to raise our families", Kathy stated. "Hopefully this Fund will help provide services to improve the quality of life throughout the county."

Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director stated, "I'd like to thank Kathy for establishing this Fund. Kathy's time as Director of the Foundation helped pave the path to get us where we stand today. She continues to lead by example as an active RCCF volunteer, and now, by establishing the Kenneth and Kathleen Dean Fund. She recognizes the need within our community and developed a Fund that will benefit and impact each and every one of us in Rush County, forever."

Kathy's decision to establish the Fund came at a great time. Her donation has been matched \$1 for \$1 by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. GIFT VI program. Each dollar donated to an established or new unrestricted fund will be matched by the program until March 31, 2016. If you are interested in learning more about the match opportunities and the GIFT VI program, please contact us for more information.

Helen & Jim Ewing Fund: To Help the Elderly and Feed the Hungry



Jim Ewing established a new endowment fund at the Rush County Community Foundation in memory of his late wife, Helen.

The "Helen and Jim Ewing Fund" was established to provide grant funds to non-profit organizations that assist the elderly. Grant funds may be awarded to agencies that provide food for those in need, agencies that support those who serve the elderly population, and/or agencies that assist the elderly with essential needs and services. Priority is given to agencies in Rush County, but organizations from other counties who are active in serving Rush County residents are eligible to apply for this annual grant.

Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director stated, "When Jim came to the Foundation to set up this fund he knew exactly who he wanted to benefit and how he wanted this fund to be utilized. Helen and Jim have long been active volunteers for organizations that assist those in need. Years ago, they recognized a need in our community and strived to make an impact with their service. By creating this fund, they will assist organizations and individuals in the Rush County community forever. On behalf of the Foundation and our Board of Directors I want to thank Jim for establishing this fund."

First Presbyterian Church Pass-Through Fund

The First Presbyterian Church of Rushville established the "First Presbyterian Church Pass-Through Fund" on May 27, 2014.

The fund was established to provide ministry of First Presbyterian Church. The pass-through fund is a non-permanent fund, providing an opportunity for the church to receive community support via donations to the Fund and investment returns, with the benefit of being able to be utilized as need for ministry purposes.

Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director announced the Fund, stating, "I would like to sincerely thank the congregation and leaders of the First Presbyterian Church for considering the Rush County Community Foundation for their investments. The Foundation is so grateful to be a partner to the church and our community, and we hope this Fund will assist the church in attaining their ministry outreach."

Melvin D. Gray Art Scholarship Fund

Marlesa Gray, Judith Gray and Ellen Charlene Gray have established the Melvin D. Gray Art Scholarship Fund at the Rush County Community Foundation. This designated scholarship endowment has been created in memory of Melvin D. Gray, a well-known and regarded former art teacher at Rushville Consolidated High School.

The "Melvin D. Gray Art Scholarship Fund" was established to help a Rush County college student pursuing a degree in the fields of art education, fine arts, art history, or visual communications.

"On behalf of the Foundation and our Board of Directors I want to thank the Gray family for establishing this scholarship," stated Alisa Winters, Foundation Executive Director. "Mr. Gray's talent in the field of art has left a tremendous legend of its own within our community, and I feel honored that the family selected the Foundation to carry out his legacy. As a teacher, Mr. Gray inspired so many to pursue their creative talents; this Fund will further enable Rush County students to pursue these talents by offsetting some of their college expense. Melvin Gray's legacy in the field of art will now continue in our community forever because of this Fund."

Frances Duncan Murphy Scholarship Fund



The Frances Duncan Murphy Scholarship Fund has been established at the Rush County Community Foundation by William F. Murphy and David P. Murphy.

This designated scholarship endowment has been created to assist a graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School pursuing a degree in the field of journalism or communications at Indiana University. The selection will be based upon the student's financial need, cumulative GPA and letter of request.

Alisa Winters, Executive Director of the Foundation stated, "Frances Murphy's family history is deeply rooted in Rush County. As we worked on the details of the Fund, I enjoyed learning the Duncan and Murphy families, and in turn, more about our community's history and how Mrs. Murphy played a role. As a progressive woman in business and education for her time, it seems natural that her sons would choose to honor her by creating this Fund. This Fund will be a great benefit to our Rush County students, while also carrying on Mrs. Murphy's legacy within our community forever."

Jessica Miller “Leave Your Mark” Fund



It's not every day that a student leaves a mark as notable as Jessica Miller. As an active RCHS student and community member, Jessica brought individuals of all ages together with hopes of spreading kindness.

Cheryl Miller, a counselor at RCHS, had the opportunity to work with Jessica and observe her rare capacity for uniting students and our community throughout her four years in high school. Inspired, she decided to initiate the Jessica Miller “Leave Your Mark” grant fund at the Rush County Community Foundation to continue Jessica's legacy.

Together with Jessica's parents, David and Rachel Miller, the initial funds were raised to create the fund. Once the minimum amount required has been obtained, the “Leave Your Mark” fund will provide grant funds to a nominated junior at RCHS and will be awarded at the school award ceremony. During the recipient's senior year they will have the opportunity to “leave their mark” by bringing a program of their choice to benefit the school and/or community.

“I have truly enjoyed getting to know Cheryl and the Miller family as we've worked together to create this fund. I am excited Rush County Community Foundation was selected to be a part of what will become a great community asset. I am looking forward to working with the school staff, students, and Jessica and I am eager to see what programs will come from this fund in the future.”

Robert D. Wainwright Scholarship Fund

The “Robert D. Wainwright Scholarship Fund” was established on September 23, 2014 by Sonya Wainwright and Cathy Stott in memory of their beloved husband and father.

The designated scholarship endowment has been created to assist a graduate of Rushville Consolidated High School planning to study accounting at an accredited two or four year college or university. The selection will be based upon the students GPA and financial need.

“Though Robert's wife and daughter no longer live in Rush County or Indiana, they still considered the Rush County Community Foundation as the place to honor Robert's memory. The Foundation is honored to recognize Robert's legacy and we look forward to benefitting Rush County students via this scholarship fund for generations to come,” stated Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director.

Milroy Christian Church Scholarship Fund, Established by Kenneth E. and Mabel B. Smith

Victoria L. Smith and Terry L. Smith recently established the Milroy Christian Church Scholarship Fund in memory of their parents, Kenneth E. and Mabel B. Smith.

The "Milroy Christian Church Scholarship Fund, Established by Kenneth E. and Mabel B. Smith" was endowed by Victoria and Terry to keep their parents' names a part of our community forever. The intent of the scholarship fund is to encourage local individuals into a ministerial career, additionally honoring the church in which the Smiths were active.

To be eligible for this scholarship, the recipient must be a member of Milroy Christian Church and be pursuing a ministerial-related degree at a four year college or university.

"The Foundation is very pleased and honored to assist the Smith family in establishing this Fund in Kenneth and Mabel's memory." stated Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director. "We are very pleased that the Milroy Christian Church and Smith family names will be connected to the Rush County community through this Fund to help Rush County students forever."

Rush County Historical Society Pass-Through Fund



The Board of Directors of the Rush County Historical Society established the "Rush County Historical Society Pass-Through Fund" on July 22, 2014.

The fund was established to provide financial support for the Rush County Historical Society. The pass-through fund is a non-permanent fund, providing an opportunity for the Rush County Historical Society to receive community support via donations to the Fund and investment returns, with the benefit of being able to be utilized as need for capital projects and otherwise charitable purposes.

Alisa Winters, RCCF Executive Director announced the Fund, stating, "I would like to sincerely thank the Rush County Historical Society for considering the Rush County Community Foundation for their investments. The Historical Society has been a recipient of nearly \$90,000 worth of grant dollars from RCCF and has had a positive experience with their endowed fund, and we are grateful that they see value in partnering with the Rush County Community Foundation for their pass-through fund. We look forward to partnering with the Historical for future projects."

Margaret E., M. Ralph and William R. Matney Scholarship Fund

The Rush County Community Foundation is pleased to announce the Margaret E., M. Ralph and William R. Matney Scholarship Fund as a new scholarship fund for 2014. William "Bill" Matney officially established this fund in 2008 by recognizing the Rush County Community Foundation as a benefactor of his estate in his will.

The Fund benefits a Rush County student that has attended Rushville Consolidated High School for four years. The student must have a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale. Preference is given to a student that is/is planning to study engineering, photography, or nursing.

"Mr. Matney utilized estate planning as a tool for his charitable contributions: his desire to recognize his family's legacy via this scholarship fund was planned prior to his passing and executed afterwards. We are incredibly grateful that he entrusted such a responsibility with the Rush County Community Foundation, and we look forward to honoring his philanthropic spirit by awarding generous scholarships to generations of Rush County students," stated Alisa Winters, Executive Director.

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New Board Members for 2014



Phillip Morgan and Diana White

The Board of Directors of the Rush County Community Foundation recently elected two new board members. Diana White and Phillip Morgan graciously accepted the opportunity to serve on the Foundation board. Their terms began on January 1, 2014. Diana will be replacing retiring board member Dahl Petry, who completed his term in December 2013, and Phillip will fill an open position on the board from December 2012.

Diana is a lifelong resident of Rush County and currently resides in Carthage with her husband Mark. She works at JM Manufacturing in Rushville and is an active member of the Fletcher United Methodist Church in Carthage. In her spare time she enjoys horseback riding and farming with her husband on the family farm.

Diana decided to accept a position on the Foundation board because "It's a wonderful opportunity to support the communities and residents of Rush County."

Phillip currently serves as the Chief Deputy Prosecutor for Rush County. He is a lifelong Rush County resident, and he and his wife Jamie have two sons, Jack and Gus. Phillip is the President of the Rush County Bar Association and a member of the First Baptist Church. He enjoys flying airplanes and traveling.

When asked why he agreed to serve as a Foundation board member he said, "Growing up in Rush County, I witnessed firsthand the tremendous impact the Foundation has on our community. I was honored to be asked to serve as a board member."

J.B. Gardner, President of the Board stated, "We are excited to welcome Phillip and Diana as our new board members. Their varied backgrounds will allow them to bring fresh ideas and leadership to our board to help guide the Foundation as we continually look to the future of our organization. On behalf of the Board, I want to thank Dahl for his commitment and service. The Foundation has been fortunate to have Dahl serve on the board for two terms and we look forward to his continued service as a member of various committees."

Board of Directors and Staff



Alisa Winters
Executive Director



Terry VanNatta
CFO & Assistant
Executive Director

A fourteen member Board of Directors govern the Rush County Community Foundation. The Board of Directors determines the Foundation's policies and provides oversight to its operation.



2014 Board of Directors

Front Row: Diana White, Anna Jo Richards, J.B. Gardner, Keith Perin, Greg Krodel, Michele King

Back Row: Amy Meyer-Ploeger, Tony Laird, David Burkhardt, Charlie Smith, Phillip Morgan, Bob Bridges, Mary Hill, Cindy Taff

Donor Wall and Wall of Honor



Wall of Honor

Top Row: Kyle Henderson, Joan L. McLaughlin,
Holli Spaeth

Right Center: Dr. and Mrs. Frank Green

Bottom Row: Ashley Spurlin, Courtney Anne Huskins,
and Michael J. Keith

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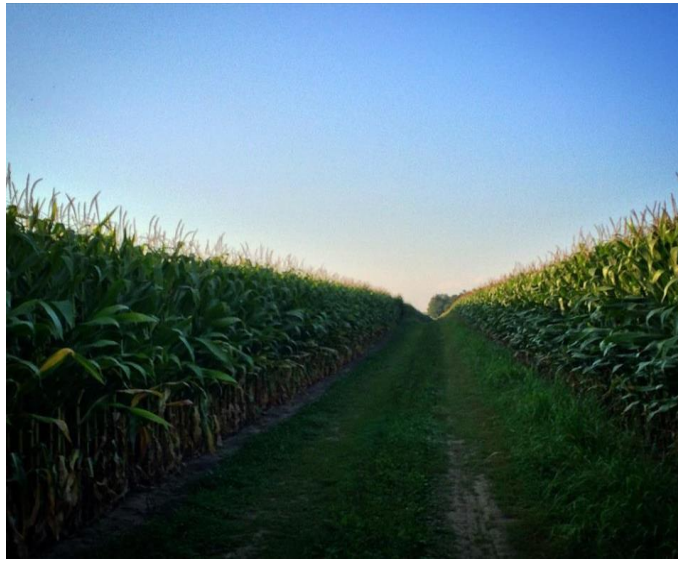


Top Row: Jim and Ruth Ann Foster

Second Row: Ercell Bever, Jr., Helen Schulz, Frances L. Hilburt, Margaret Wilker, Betty and Verlin English

Third Row: Dick and Sue Moster, Ruth Jinks Herdrich, Gilbert E. and Phyllis C. Joyce, Patricia H. Heady

Harvesting For the Future of Rush County



"Harvesting for the Future of Rush County" is a campaign of the Rush County Community Foundation to specifically raise money for our operating fund from our local agricultural community. These funds will support our mission: To enrich and enhance the quality of life in Rush County, Indiana.

This campaign is a way that our local farm community can easily donate to the Foundation without writing a check and while maximizing tax benefits.

Agriculture is the largest business and largest employer in Rush County: it has provided work, not only for our farming families, but also for many other residents in our county.

Upon the announcement of the Lilly GIFT VI matching opportunity, until April 1, 2016, grain contributions will benefit our "Unrestricted Funds" for community grants. Donations made to these funds will be matched \$1 for \$1.

Participation forms are available at Rush County elevators or at the Foundation office.

If you would like more information on the Harvesting for the Future of Rush County campaign, please stop by the Foundation office or contact us at 765-938-1177 or via email at info@rushcountyfoundation.org.

Thank you to our 2014 Donors toward Harvesting for the Future of Rush County

David and Jean Angle

John "JB" and Shelly Gardner

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Support Your Favorite Fund

The Rush County Community Foundation manages numerous Funds to benefit Rush County.

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