Connecting People Who Care with Causes that Matter

Ripley County Community Foundation

2014 Annual Report
You can double your charitable impact by donating to the Ripley County Community Foundation. Now until March 31, 2016 all qualified donations to a Community Granting Fund will receive a $1 for $1 Match!

The Ripley County Community Foundation has $11 million in assets and if we successfully meet Lilly Endowment’s GIFT matching challenge $1.25 million will be added to our endowments.

With these added assets up to an additional $60,000 in grants will be paid back into Ripley County, each year!

Join the effort to support Ripley County and make your donation today! Donations can be made online at www.rccfonline.org, or by mail, 4 South Park Avenue, Suite 210, Batesville, IN 47006. Contact the Foundation at 812-933-1098 or 1-877-234-5220.

WAYS TO GIVE

There are many ways to give. The key is to find the best option for you. The community foundation offers different options to suit your particular needs and wishes, and to accomplish your giving goals and dreams.

- Cash
- Checks
- Grain
- Marketable Securities or Stocks
- Retirement Funds (name the community foundation as a beneficiary and create a “future named fund”)
- Bequests (create a charitable fund through your will)
- Trusts
  - Charitable Remainder Trusts
  - Charitable Lead Trusts
- Life Insurance (designate the community foundation as a beneficiary and/or as the owner of a policy you no longer need)

A LIFETIME OF GIVING —

Watch your charitable dollars make a difference and connect with your community. Start a fund or contribute to an existing one. Make a tribute in honor of or in memory of a loved one or special event in your life. There are many types of giving you can do through the community foundation and gifts of any size are welcome and appreciated at any time.
Dear Friends,

Our community foundation continues to thrive and grow thanks to your kind support and generosity. All that this great organization stands for is exemplified in the work that each of you do to further our cause of connecting people who care with causes that matter. Along with your help, we continue to build the Ripley County Community Foundation’s presence in our community and increase our ability to have a positive impact on the lives of others.

We are driven by the kindness and thoughtfulness displayed every day by the citizens of our community who come together seeking to help others. The many dedicated funds, scholarships, and community granting funds noted in this report are an indication of this strong sense of community and we are thrilled to be a part of it.

Granting throughout our community continues to evolve and we are excited about the recent addition of our large community impact granting cycle. The inaugural community impact granting process started in 2014 and each school district in our county was awarded a grant for necessary safety improvements. We are pleased to continue these efforts in 2015 to have an even larger impact on community wide initiatives bolstered by the GIFT VI program through Lilly Endowment.

The various scholarships that are awarded through the Ripley County Community Foundation also give us the opportunity to aid in the cost of post-secondary education and to support the talented youth of our community. We are fortunate to be able to offer such a diverse array of scholarships to fund continuing education and we are honored to have been entrusted by the many originators who have established scholarships through our foundation.

We are grateful to each of our donors and fund originators for their generous support and the trust that they have placed in us. We also are very thankful for our wonderful volunteers and staff who so graciously give their time to make everything come together. Thank you to everyone for all that you do for this great organization!

Sincerely,

Amy Streator  Eric Benz
Executive Director  Board President 2015
2014 Board Members

Stephanie Baker - Milan
Baker Auto Sales
Grants Committee

Debbie Miles - Batesville
Retired
Scholarship Committee, Grants Committee
Office Volunteer

Eric Benz - Sunman
Engineer - Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc.
Board Vice President, Small Grants Committee, Lilly Scholarship Committee, Executive Committee, GIFT VI Committee

Alesha Neal - Osgood
Sales - Spartan Staffing
Women’s Luncheon Committee, EcO15 Action Team

Linda Chandler - Cross Plains
Publisher, Ripley Publishing Co., Inc.
Board Secretary, Scholarship Committee, Marketing Committee, Executive Committee

Chris Nichols - Batesville
Lilly Scholarship Committee

Mark Collier - Versailles
Principal - South Ripley Elementary School
Board President, Executive Committee

Ashlee Theising - Sunman
Trust Operations Manager - ClearPoint Federal Bank and Trust
Board Treasurer, Executive Committee, Finance Committee - Chair, GIFT VI Committee

Marie Dausch - Batesville
Executive Director - New Horizons Rehabilitation, Inc.
Women’s Luncheon Committee

John Kellerman - Batesville
Legal Representative

Tim Dietz - Batesville
Director of Administrative Services - Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc.
GIFT VI Committee
Mission

To assist donors in building an enduring source of charitable assets to benefit the citizens and qualified organizations of Ripley County.

Vision

To partner with and serve our communities as the trusted resource for charitable giving today and forever.
2014 Staff and Standing Committees

**Executive Committee**
Mark Collier – President
Eric Benz – Vice President
Linda Chandler – Secretary
Ashlee Theising – Treasurer

**Finance Committee**
Ashlee Theising – Chair
Mark Comer
Ron Kneuven
Jerry Smith
Steve Todd
Kellerman Law Office
Jan Bedel
John Grossman

**EcO15 Action Team**
Carla Enzinger
Rick Fledderman
Michael Hood
Vicki Kellerman
Sarah Lamping
Sally L. Morris
Bill Narwold
Leanna Philippe
Jason Riley
Allynn Swensen
Rhonda Savage

**Grants Committee**
Eric Benz – Chair
Stephanie Baker
Jeff Hartz
Steve Huff
Debbie Miles
Jenny Miles
Ham Streuwing
Brenda Wetzel

**Small Grants Committee**
Eric Benz
Jane Deiwert
Sally Morris

**Marketing Committee**
Anita Fledderman – Chair
Linda Chandler
Ron Green
Cathy May
Bonnie Motz
Sue Siefert
Amy Wonnell

**Annual Report**
Amy Wonnell

**GIFT VI Committee**
Anita Fledderman – Chair
Eric Benz
Tim Dietz
Cheryl Obendorf
Amy Streator
Ashlee Theising
Vicky Wilson

**Scholarship Committee**
Linda Chandler
Jane Deiwert
Debbie Miles
Sally Morris

**Women’s Luncheon Committee**
Lin Phaneuf – Chair
Carrie Redel
Marie Daugh
Chris Fairchild
Deanna Hookway
Alesha Neal
Jamie Schantz
Amy Wonnell

• Jane Deiwert – Program Director • Amy Streator – Executive Director
• Anita Narwold – Administrative Assistant • Sally Morris – Executive Director
• Cheryl Obendorf – EcO15 Coordinator • Vicky Wilson – Bookkeeper
### Statement of Financial Position

**December 31, 2014**

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### Statement of Activities

**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

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An independent audit was performed by Blue & Co., LLC. The complete audit report including the independent auditor’s unqualified opinion is available upon request from the Foundation’s office.
Thank you Sally Morris for dedicating 17 years of your life as Executive Director to the Ripley County Community Foundation. We wish you the best of luck in your retirement & all of your future adventures!
Community Granting Fund –

If you wish to provide resources for your community to meet future needs, assist an existing program or even start a new program, the Community Granting fund will be your choice. Your resources will be granted at the discretion of the Foundation for purposes which are meaningful and timely and meet the guidelines and policies of the Foundation.

All donations to a Community Granting Fund before 3-31-16 will be matched 100% by Lilly Endowment Initiative GIFT VI.

Community Granting (Unrestricted) Funds

- Batesville (City of) Fund
- Bonfer (Duwane & Doris) Fund
- Bruns-Gutzwiller Fund
- Collier Family Fund
- Dunbar (Ralph & Ethel) Fund
- Hartman (Al & Norma) Family Fund
- Hillenbrand Foundation Fund

Ollier (Jeff & Mary) Family Fund
- Reynolds (Gilmore & Golda) Fund
- Ripley County Unrestricted Community Granting Fund
- Rust (Greg & Judy) Fund
- Schantz (Dan & Jamie) Fund

2014 GRANTING FROM COMMUNITY GRANTING FUNDS

- American Cancer Society - Relay for Life $125
- Batesville Area Chamber of Commerce - 2014 Easter Egg Hunt $35
- Batesville Area Chamber of Commerce - 2014 Golf Outing $200
- Batesville Area Historical Society - Install Security System $2,300
- Batesville Area Historical Society - Framing of old pictures for the museum $500
- Batesville Area Ministerial Association - Food Pantry $500
- Batesville Community Church - Coffee Shop $2,145
- Batesville Community Ed. Foundation - Team Batesville Mini Marathon $100
- Batesville HS - Expanding the Steel Band $500
- Batesville Kiwanis - 2014 App fest $75
- Batesville Methodist Church - Summer Food Program $500
- Batesville Quiltmakers - Comfort Quilts for sheriff, police, fire stations, hospital, nursing homes $500
- Batesville Quiltmakers - Batesville Youth Football - Equip. Refresh Project $2,300
- Batesville Quiltmakers - Batesville Youth Football - BYFL Equipment Refresh Project $300
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**Tyson Community Center**

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Operating Endowment Fund –

An Operating Endowment Fund is established by a donor to help defray the operating expenses of the Ripley County Community Foundation. If you believe in what the Foundation is doing in our communities and understand the importance of providing the means to offset the necessary costs of administering its programs, this type of fund would be a logical choice.

Operating Endowment Funds Benefitting Ripley County Community Foundation

- Baker (Daren) Fund
- Hartman (Al and Norma) Family Children’s Fund
- Horstman (Mary) Memorial Fund
- Lagle (Rev. Donald and Virginia) and Morris (J.C. and Mary) Fund
- McGowan (Jane T. and Clarence J. “Bud”) Fund
- McKittrick (Roselyn) Family Fund
- Miles Enterprises Fund
- Other Masonry Fund
- Ripley County Community Foundation (RCCF) Fund
- Rockwood (Fred and Jolene) Fund
- Van Hook (Marilyn M. and William T.) Fund
- Volz (Nellie) Memorial Fund

2014 Operating Endowment Funds Generated Income

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Agency Endowment Fund –

A non-profit organization may establish an endowment fund to benefit its purpose. This type of endowment allows supporters to contribute funds that will ensure a dependable source of funding that allows the organization to carry out its work on a perpetual basis.

Agency Endowment Funds

- Alzheimer’s Support Group of Southeastern Indiana
- Batesville Area Historical Society Fund
- Camp Woodsmoke Fund
- Historic Hoosier Hills Agency Fund
- Lifetime Resources (Senior Citizens Development) Fund
- Milan Community Scholarship Fund
- Milan Extracurricular Fund
- New Horizons Rehabilitation, Inc. Fund
- Oak Heritage Conservancy Fund
- Ripley County 4-H Corporation Fund
- Ripley County Convention, Visitor and Tourism Commission Fund
- Ripley County Family Service, Inc. dba Family Connections Fund
- Ripley County Quality of Life Improvement Fund
- Rural Alliance for the Arts Fund
- Southeastern Indiana YMCA Fund
- Sunman Rural Fire Department Fund
- Town of Sunman Fund
- Town of Versailles Quality of Life Improvement Fund
- Versailles Lions Club Fund
# 2014 GRANTING FROM AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

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<td>Town of Sunman - Aid local Youth Group</td>
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## Designated Endowment Fund

If you are devoted to one (or more) charitable organizations, you may wish to establish this type of fund thereby assuring that your favorite charity will receive annual grants from your endowed fund without future advice or recommendations from you.

### Designated Endowment Funds

- **Ammerman (E. George Jr. and Gertrude) Fund**
  - For Sunman American Legion

- **Area 12 Special Education Fund**
  - For New Horizons Rehabilitation

- **Becker (Joe and Ann) Memorial Fund**
  - For Margaret Mary Community Hospital

- **Bradt (Hale and Elizabeth) Family Memorial Fund**
  - For South Ripley School Corp. Media Center

- **Brinkmoeller (George and Patricia) Family Fund**
  - For The Batesville Food Pantry

- **Bruns Gutzwiller Fund**
  - For the Southeast Indiana YMCA martial arts program

- **Camp Woodsmoke Fund**
  - Provide funds for Camp Woodsmoke

- **Comer (Arthur) Memorial Fund**
  - For Hopewell Baptist Church Youth Program

- **Cox (B.J.) Memorial Fund for St. John’s United Church of Christ (Huntersville)**

- **Cross Plains Fund**
  - For the Citizens of Cross Plains

- **Delta Rho Chapter of Tri-Kappa Fund**
  - To fund their charitable initiatives
Family First Fund
For Cincinnati Children’s Hospital and Riley Children’s Hospital for cancer patient & families

Fischer (Wayne Q.) Fund
For Southeast Indiana YMCA

Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry Fund
Gardner (James T.) Memorial Fund
For Margaret Mary Hospital

Gillman (Charles) Fund
For Safe Passage

Hillenbrand (Dan) Memorial YMCA Fund
Hillenbrand Technology Fund
For CREATE – Batesville Schools, Oldenburg Academy and St. Louis School

Horstman (Arthur J.) Memorial Fund
For 4-H Groups of Franklin and Ripley Counties

Jac-Cen-Del Community Scholarship Foundation Fund

Kruse (James and Janet) Scholarship
For Jac-Cen-Del Community Scholarship Foundation

Lindenmeyer (Paul) Memorial Fund
For St. Louis Church

Margaret Mary Community Hospital Fund
For Ivy Tech Foundation Nursing Scholarship

Margaret Mary Community Hospital Hospice Fund

Milan ’54 Museum Fund

Milan St. Paul Lutheran Church Sunday School Fund

Milan United Methodist Church Memorial Fund

Narwold (Wade) Memorial Fund
For Ripley County 4-H Shooting Sports and Rabbit Program

National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association Fund

Obendorf (Matthew Paul) Memorial Soccer Fund
For South Ripley High School Soccer Program

Ollier Military Service Fund
For Military Service Persons through the Ripley County Veterans’ Affairs Office

The Osgood Lions Club

Osgood United Methodist Church Fund

Reynolds (Gilmore and Golda) Scholarship Fund
For Jac-Cen-Del Community Scholarship Foundation

Rohlfing (Charles C.) Memorial Campership
To students at Milan School Corporation who attend sport camps approved by the Athletic Department at Milan School Corporation.

Schneider (Frank and Frances) Memorial Fund
For St. Nicholas Church General Operating Fund

Simmermeyer (Carl and Shari) Fund
For Margaret Mary Health Hospice, Alzheimer’s Support Groups of Southeast Indiana, Morris, Oldenburg, & Batesville Fire Departments. Safe Passage, Lifetime Resources and Ripley County Humane Society.

Sunman Life Squad Fund

Van Hook (Marilyn M.) Memorial Fund
For the Southeast Indiana YMCA

Versailles Baptist Church Fund

Vogel (Jacob) Memorial Fund
For a student attending Southeastern Indiana Career Center Fire & Rescue Class

Volz Sr. (Chris) Memorial Fund
For St. Charles Catholic Church

Winegard (Milton) Memorial Scholarship Fund
For Milan Community Scholarship Foundation

Nora Wonning Scholarship Fund
For Batesville High School Scholarships

Young Life of Southeastern Indiana Fund
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Batesville Food Pantry

Bruns-Gutzwiller Fund - Southeastern Indiana YMCA, Inc. - for Tae Kwon Do Program $396.67

Comer (Arthur) Memorial Fund - Hopewell Baptist ABY - Retreats and events for Edu. In Christ for young people $339.87

Cox (B.J.) Fund for St. John’s United Church of Christ [Huntersville] - for Support of the Church $638.60

Family First Fund - Financial help w/expenses - Riley Children’s Foundation $2,500

Fischer (Wayne Q.) Southeastern IN YMCA Fund - Southeastern Indiana YMCA, Inc. - for Operating Expenses $267.20

Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry Fund - for Operating Expenses $2,522.25
Donor Advised Funds

You may wish to have more “say” in the annual distribution from your fund. By choosing a donor advised fund, you or your appointed representative can recommend different charitable grants from your fund to qualifying organizations, depending on needs of your community.

**Donor Advised Funds**

- **Black (Roy and Hilda) Memorial Trust Fund** – To promote the economic development of and the quality of life in the Town of Osgood, Indiana and its surrounding rural community.
- **Crum (Ray and Louise B. Herman) Fund** – For Town of Osgood
- **Dalton (Dan R. and Catherine M.) Fund** – To provide support to non-profit organizations, programs or activities serving food insecure children and their families and/or no-kill animal shelters in Ripley, Franklin and Dearborn counties.
- **Kellerman (Jack) Community Enhancement Fund** – To benefit the municipalities of Sunman, Oldenburg and Batesville for public recreation, beautification and cultural programs and/or projects.
- **Morris (Judge Jim and Sally) Family Donor Advised Fund** – To provide support to a non-profit organization in Ripley County as selected by the Advisors.
- **Reynolds (Gilmore and Golda) Fund** – To promote the economic development of and the quality of life in the Town of Osgood, Indiana and its surrounding rural community.
- **Six Shepherds Fund (The)** – To provide support as directed by the donors family for programs or activities that fulfill charitable or other exempt purposes.

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**Obendorf (Matthew Paul) Memorial Soccer Fund** - South Ripley Jr-SR High School
- to assist with Soccer fees, supplies: $337.03

**Osgood United Methodist Church Fund** - for operation of the church: $5,195.85

**Rohlfing (Charles C.) Memorial Campership Fund** - for Milan High School: $469.64

**Van Hook (Marilyn) Memorial Southeastern IN YMCA Fund** - Operating Expenses: $364.66

**Vogel (Jacob) Memorial Fund** - Southeastern Career Center - to defray cost for SR students attending SCC fire program: $300

**Winegard (Milton) Memorial Fund** - for Milan Community scholarships: $3,424.94

**Wonning (Nora) Scholarship Fund** - Batesville Community School Corp - for Scholarships: $14,513.84

**Versailles Rescue 69 Truck**

**Young Life of Southeastern Indiana Fund** - used for operating budget: $305.54

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**Reward Riding**

- **Versailles Baptist Church Sr. ABY Fund** - Youth ret. or various other youth operations: $276.10
- **Vogel (Jacob) Memorial Fund** - Southeastern Career Center - to defray cost for SR students attending SCC fire program: $300
- **Winegard (Milton) Memorial Fund** - for Milan Community scholarships: $3,424.94
- **Wonning (Nora) Scholarship Fund** - Batesville Community School Corp - for Scholarships: $14,513.84
- **Young Life of Southeastern Indiana Fund** - used for operating budget: $305.54
Frank Tarter Community Trust Fund – To improve the quality and enjoyment of life for the residents of Osgood and the rural community surrounding Osgood.

Thanksgiving Fund (The) – To provide support as directed by the donors for programs or activities that fulfill charitable or other exempt purposes.

2014 GRANTING FROM DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Black Memorial Trust
- Town of Osgood - Bilby Tower & Osgood Trails $2,500
- Ripley Co. Dept. of Parks & Recreation - for Security Cameras for Park $2,500
- Town of Osgood - Laptop for town police dept. $529.99

- Osgood Volunteer Fire Department - For Jaws of Life $4,000
- For 8 Radios and 8 Leads for Air Packs $6,685.84

Crum (Ray E. Herman and Louise) Memorial Fund
- Osgood Public Library - Computer Upgrade $500
- Osgood Lions Club - Corndog Fryer $710
- Ripley Co. Dept. of Parks & Recreation - (6) Security Cameras $1,668.84
  - Tables $1,042.62

Reynolds (Gilmore and Golda) Endowment Fund - Jac-Cen-Del Scholarship Foundation
- for scholarships $20,470
- to award scholarships to JCD students $530.48
- Osgood Damm Theatre - Operating $4,694.11
- Osgood Historical Museum - Operating $4,694.10

Tarter (Frank) Community Trust Fund
- Church of the Nazarene - Daycare Playground Equipment $1,000
- Osgood Beautification Committee - Trees and Flags $811
- Osgood Kiwanis - School Speaker $500
- Osgood Lions Club - Tent Rental, mulch, flags and flowers $983
- Osgood Public Library - Computer Upgrade $500
- Ripley Co. Dept. of Parks & Recreation - Purchase (6) Security Cameras $2,323.16
- Ripley County Food Pantry - for food for needy families $1,000
- Southeastern Indiana YMCA, Inc. - Learn to Swim Class $545
- Town of Osgood - Bilby Tower & Osgood Trails $2,500
- Street Signs $10,734.50

Osgood Police Laptop

JCD Learn to Swim
**Non-Permanent Pass-Through Fund**

Immediacy is an element in the Foundation’s Pass-Through funds. You may be a donor that wishes to “spend down” the fund rather than endow the fund for the future. Perhaps a need arises or a new project emerges and a charitable organization requests assistance from the Foundation. Resources from non-permanent funds are given to support these special needs now. All types of funds may be designated in this way i.e. Designated, Community Granting, Field of Interest, Operating and Scholarships.

**Non-Permanent Pass-Through Funds**

**Bergman (Jennifer) Memorial Fund** – To provide medical assistance to Franklin and Ripley County families through MMCH or another not-for-profit healthcare institution who are in need of medical assistance.

**Camp Woodsmoke Fund** – To provide support for Camp Woodsmoke on a non-permanent basis.

**Citizens’ Aquatic Project Fund** – To accept and provide funds for the purpose of the construction and/or improvement of a public, city-owned aquatic center for the citizens of Batesville.

**Green (Lawrence) Memorial Scholarship Fund** – Education scholarships for students who are accepted and attend two- or four-year public or private institutions.

**Milan ’54 Museum Fund** – To provide immediate support to the Milan ’54 Museum.

**Moving Milan Elementary School Forward Designated Fund** – To provide support to projects for Milan Elementary School.

**Severinghaus-Beck (George and Emily) Fund** – To benefit Lutheran churches in Ripley County.

**Southeast Indiana Health Center Fund** – To benefit Southeast Indiana Health Center.

**United Way Fund** – To support Ripley County Food pantries or non-profits at direction of donor.

### 2014 GRANTING FROM Non-Permanent Pass-Through FUNDS

**Bergman Memorial Pass-through Fund**

- Holy Family Church
  - $1,000
- Holy Family Church
  - $1,460.71
- Cincinnati Children's Hospital
  - $162.35
- Cincinnati Children's Hospital
  - $1,417.50

**Camp Woodsmoke Non-Permanent**

- Sinks and upgrades in kitchen 654
  - $10,000

**Moving Milan Elementary School Forward Fund**

- Harlem Wizards
  - $3,150
- Tutoring Scholarships for MES Students & Dinner for new officers
  - $1,100
- Shirt order for Fundraiser
  - $5,683.20

**Severinghaus (George & Emily) Beck Fund**

- Adams Lutheran Church - Stained glass window Project
  - $1,000
- St. Paul’s Lutheran Church - Crossroads
  - $1,000
- St. Paul’s Lutheran Church - mat'l needed for railings
  - $2,500
- St. Mark’s Evangelical Lutheran Church
  - $1200
- St. Paul Lutheran Church - Upgrade
  - $1,700
- St. Paul Lutheran Church - Sound System
  - $3,000
- St. John’s Ev. Lutheran Church - 3 day camp; organist/Sat.; choir director
  - $2,500
- St. Paul Lutheran Church - pew cushion project
  - $2,100
- St. Paul Lutheran Church - mat'l needed for railings
  - $2,500

**St. Mark’s**
Field of Interest Fund

If you have an interest in a particular field such as the arts, education, youth or a specific geographic area (park, wetlands, etc.) this may be the type of fund for you. Once you define your particular interest, the Foundation will award grants from your fund within the area you have identified.

Phaneuf (Linda S.), Women in Philanthropy Fund – To benefit women and children in Ripley County.

2014 GRANTING FROM FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS


- New Horizons Rehabilitation, Inc. $208.24
- Southeastern Indiana YMCA, Inc. $353.50
- Safe Passage, Inc. $2,566.50
- South Ripley Comm. School Corp. $1,450
- Sunman Food Pantry $1,450

United Way Food Pantry Grant

- Fishes & Loaves Food Pantry $1,450
- Ripley County Food Pantry $1,450
- Milan Community Relief Distribution $1,450
- Batesville Area Ministerial Association $1,450
- Holton Food Pantry $1,450
- Bridge of Hope Worship Center $1,450

United Way Proactive

Southeast Indiana Health Center - to defray medical costs $15,000
United Way Gifts
- Ripley Co. Humane Society $35
- New Horizons Rehabilitation, Inc. $208.24
- Southeastern Indiana YMCA, Inc. $353.50
- Safe Passage, Inc. $2,566.50
- South Ripley Comm. School Corp. $1,450
- Sunman Food Pantry $1,450

New Horizons Rehabilitation Ladies receiving a day of pampering

United Way Food Pantry Grant

New Horizons Rehabilitation Ladies receiving a day of pampering
Seedling Funds –

A Seedling Fund may be established when a donor plans to meet the minimum balance for a new fund of $5,000 within five years. Any type of fund may be started in this manner. Until the $5,000 is reached, no distribution is given nor fees incurred.

Miles Grandchildren Community Granting Seedling Fund

Scholarship Endowment Funds –

A Ripley County Community Foundation scholarship can be customized to incorporate the donor’s preferences for a particular field of study or a particular institution of higher learning. Eligibility of applicants, application procedures and the amount and duration of scholarship support are incorporated to reflect the wishes of the donor. All scholarships must be awarded pursuant to objective and nondiscriminatory procedures and there are two types of scholarships within the Foundation:

- **Discretionary Scholarships** - Provide educational scholarships to qualified individuals with no advice or recommendations from the scholarship originator. The scholarship recipient is selected by the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee.

- **Advised Scholarships** - Provide educational scholarships to qualified individuals and the donor (or person(s) designated by the donor) are involved in the selection of the recipient. The donor may only participate in such selection as a member of a larger committee (members of which are selected by the Community Foundation rather than the donor.)

SCHOLARSHIPS

**Arney (Melody G.) Memorial Scholarship** – For students majoring in Agriculture related fields.

**Bartling (Sylvester “Bess”) Memorial Scholarship** – For Batesville High School graduates going into the field of Music Education (1st choice) or Education (2nd choice).

**Brelage (Doris A.) Memorial Nursing Scholarship** – To a Batesville High School graduate or practicing nurse at Margaret Mary Community Hospital who has been admitted to an accredited nursing school or an LPN going on to an RN program who is preparing to begin his or her clinicals.

**Brinkmoeller (George and Patricia) Scholarship** – To a Batesville High School or Oldenburg Academy graduate desiring to further his or her education.

**Cain (Karen and Heather) Memorial Scholarship** – To Jac-Cen-Del High School graduates.

**Corrine’s Believers’ Scholarship** – To students studying cosmetology at Aveda Fredric Institute.

**Ebingher (Jeremy) Memorial Scholarship** – To a South Ripley High School graduating senior who plans to further his/her education in the field of diesel mechanics.

**Friends of Milan Wrestling Scholarship** – To eligible wrestlers and mat maids from Milan High School who plan to pursue higher education.

**Graham (Gerald and Johanne) Volunteer Scholarship** – To support the Milan Scholarship Foundation through the Ripley County Community Foundation, Inc.
Grateful Family Scholarship – To Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship finalists for their 2nd year of college.

Gutzwiller (Matt) Memorial Scholarship – To children, grandchildren or active members of the Fire or EMS departments of the City of Batesville.

Hansen (J. Michael) Memorial Scholarship – To students from a Ripley County high school or Oldenburg Academy who plan to study nursing.

Hansen (Samantha) Memorial Scholarship – To South Ripley High School graduates.

Hillenbrand (George M.) Scholarship – To graduates of the high school(s) in the City of Batesville.

Hofmockel (Aurella) Memorial Scholarship – To a Sunman resident (East Central HS graduate) who plans to attend a 4-year College or University.

Kocling (Nixie B.) Memorial STEM Scholarship – To Batesville and/or East Central graduates who are majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math in college.

Litzinger (Zachary A.) Memorial Scholarship – A Batesville High School graduate who has been active in high school, middle school or youth sports (special consideration to those involved in golf) and who is active in FFA or attending agricultural classes or programs, and who plans to attend a 2-year or 4-year college or university.

Mathes (Emily) Memorial Scholarship – For South Ripley graduating students.

Moorhead (William “Gus” and Mary Margaret) Print Media Scholarship – To a graduating member of the Raiders Riot staff at South Ripley H.S. who has excelled in writing, editing, layout and design.

Moorhead (William “Gus” and Mary Margaret) Student Athlete Scholarship – To a South Ripley graduate who has exhibited excellence in athletics, scholarship, leadership and attendance.

Moorman (John) Memorial Scholarship – To Batesville High School or Oldenburg Academy graduates majoring in any field related to golf.

Raver (Bob) Memorial Scholarship – To one graduating Batesville High School football player (not necessarily the best player, but the “one who makes the most of his Godgiven abilities”) planning to seek higher education. The scholarship recipient is chosen by the teammates not the coaches.

Riggle (Sandra Michelle) Memorial Scholarship – To female graduates of South Ripley Jr./Sr. High School planning to major in the field of education and/or a science-related field at a 4-year college or university.

Rural Alliance for the Arts/Elsa and Peter Soderberg Scholarship – For Batesville HS or Oldenburg Academy graduating students who wish to pursue a degree in any area of the arts at any 2 or 4 year public or private institution of higher learning.

Shotwell (Joe) Memorial Scholarship – To Ripley or Franklin County residents studying aviation technology/mechanics at Purdue University.

South Eastern Indiana Natural Gas Co., Inc. Scholarship – To college students who have completed the first year or term of post-secondary education whose parents, grandparents or legal guardians live within the service area and have been customers of South Eastern Indiana Natural Gas Co., Inc. for a minimum of 36 consecutive months.

Thompson (Harry W.) Memorial Scholarship – Journalism scholarships to Jac-Cen-Del, Milan, and South Ripley High School graduates.

Tucker (Tanner) Memorial Scholarship – To a graduating senior from South Ripley High School involved in sports and community activities.

Unsung Hero Award – To a Post-graduate resident of Versailles.

Van Hook (Daryl Lca) Memorial Scholarship – To any Ripley County high school graduate pursuing a career in Special Education at Ball State University.
Versailles Masonic Lodge #7 F&AM Scholarship – To 1 boy and 1 girl graduating from South Ripley High School who have a connection to the Masonic Lodge.

Wagner (James E. and Ruth M.) Memorial Scholarship – To a Jac-Cen-Del High School graduate who plans to attend any accredited college or university and works toward either an associate or bachelor’s degree and plans to major in nursing or business.

Wehr (Greg and Candy) Memorial Scholarship – To a graduating senior of Ripley County pursuing a career in agriculture or education and is renewable for three additional years.

Werner (Matt and Cleo) Scholarship – To a graduating senior from any high school within Decatur, Franklin or Ripley County, Indiana who plans to pursue a 2 or 4 year degree at a fully accredited institution of higher education.

Westmeyer Family Memorial Scholarship – To South Ripley High School graduates pursuing a career in building trades, law enforcement or pursuing an undergraduate degree from any accredited college or university.

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Amanda Richter
East Central High School

Austin Wagner
Jac-Cen-Del High School
One Ripley County student has been named recipient of a full tuition, four-year scholarship as the Ripley County Community Foundation 2014 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar.

Isaiah Frey will receive full tuition to the Indiana college of his choice and a $900 yearly stipend for required books and equipment.

Isaiah is the son of James and Elizabeth Frey of Batesville and is a senior at Oldenburg Academy planning to major in engineering. He is undecided on his college choice.

Isaiah stated at the announcement held at his high school, “I’d just like to express my gratitude to Lilly Endowment and the Ripley County Community Foundation for opening so many doors for me. Also, I would like to give a special thank-you to my family and friends for giving me support through the whole process. One thing I can say for sure is it’s the best April Fool’s surprise I’ve ever received!”

The RCCF scholarship committee is composed of Ripley County residents representing all areas of the county. The committee is not aware of whose application they are viewing as names and schools of students applying for the scholarship are removed from the applications. At the interviews of the finalists, the students are only introduced by their first names, allowing for as much objectivity as possible.

There were 54 applicants for this award in Ripley County this year drawing from seven high schools. Five outstanding students were chosen as finalists for this prestigious award. After the Ripley County Community Foundation scholarship committee narrowed the field to five nominees, the finalists’ applications were submitted to the Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc. (ICI) for the selection of the recipients.

ICI is a non-profit corporation that represents 31 regionally accredited degree granting, non-profit, 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.

Each Ripley County finalist not receiving the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship will be awarded one of the Ripley County Community Scholarships of $1,500. Those receiving the 2014 Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarships are Cassandra Dickey of Batesville; Hayley Fossett, South Ripley High School, daughter of James and Sandy Dickey of Batesville; Hayley Fossett, South Ripley High School, granddaughter of Barbara Bowling of Versailles; Amanda Richter, East Central High School, daughter of Gregory and Melissa Richter; and Austin Wagner, Jac-Cen-Del High School, son of Dennis and Flora Wagner of Osgood.
The Versailles-Osgood Delta Rho Chapter of Tri Kappa has been serving their communities for the past 75 years with an emphasis on broadening educational, charitable and cultural opportunities to the residents of Ripley County. We have accomplished our endeavor by providing scholarships, hosting art shows, sponsoring children with special needs to attend Camp Riley for life changing experiences, and making monetary contributions to philanthropic organizations, just to name a few. All benefactors are local residents of Ripley County.

Our leadership followed the endeavors of the Foundation over the past several years and was impressed with the expansion of the Foundation, the organizations it serves and the monetary contributions awarded to our communities. Delta Rho found this past Fall to be the perfect timing opportunity for our group to align itself with the Ripley County Community Foundation. We look forward to a bright and productive future together.

The Collier Family wanted to find a way to give back to the County/Communities that we have been a part of for the past 55 plus years. We want to be able to have an impact on a county that has been our home. Mark and his dad, Robert, have been principals in Ripley County for a combined 57 years. It is the desire of the family to live the RCCF Motto...... Connecting people who care with causes that matter.
Versailles Masonic Lodge #7, F&AM Scholarship Fund

Versailles Masonic Lodge #7, F&AM is pleased to establish a scholarship fund with the Ripley County Community Foundation. As one of the world’s oldest and largest fraternal organizations, Freemasonry seeks to improve the community by improving and strengthening the character of the individual man. It stands for citizenship of the highest order, for enlightenment and orderly liberty; civil, religious and intellectual. It wages war only against the powers of darkness – ignorance, superstition and tyranny. Its grand aim is to teach, encourage, and inspire those who join its ranks to take their places in society as responsible citizens, each with a genuine concern for his fellow men, to the end that God may be glorified and His children may live together on this earth as brothers.

The Freemasons of Versailles Masonic Lodge #7, F&AM recognize that the future of our community rests solely on the shoulders of our youth of today. We are pleased to have this opportunity to invest in our community by supporting our students and future leaders.

Dan R. and Catherine M. Dalton Fund

There are few gifts greater than the opportunity to share our many blessings through philanthropy. We have a long and abiding commitment to supporting causes close to our hearts. As we considered where we might next direct our philanthropic efforts, we could think of no better vehicle for marshaling these resources than the Ripley County Community Foundation. As residents of Ripley County, we felt compelled to support those in need in our home community who are unable to effectively advocate for themselves, children and animals. Through direct volunteer involvement and support of outreach organizations we have come to appreciate the importance of assisting food insecure children. No child deserves to be hungry. For such children, we must provide healthy, life-sustaining meals. This is the least we can do. As animal lovers, we also appreciate those who are committed to no-kill animal shelters. Animals are too often victims of circumstance and deserve to live in safe, healthy environments. What better use of our funds and what better legacy than to know that we made some small difference in the lives of our local children and homeless animals.
Frank and Frances Schneider Memorial Fund

Frank “Buck” Schneider was a lifelong member of St. Nicholas Church. His parents and grandparents were charter members of the parish. Frances (Kraus) Schneider joined St. Nicholas when they married on June 22, 1946. Frank and Frances were dedicated to their family and to St. Nicholas Church. They raised nine children whom all graduated from St. Nicholas School. They supported St. Nicholas and their family wanted to continue that support in their name. It is for this reason that the children of Frank and Frances started the Frank and Frances Schneider Designated Endowment Fund to provide support to the general fund of St. Nicholas Church. It is their hope that other members of the church, would add to the fund in the memory of their friends and family members.

Historic Hoosier Hills Fund

Historic Hoosier Hills is the local Resource Conservation and Development (RC & D) Council serving Ripley County. As a RC & D organization, Historic Hoosier Hills plays a vital role in the conservation, development and utilization of southeastern Indiana’s natural resources. Historic Hoosier Hills helps forge partnerships in both the private and public sectors with the goal of improving economic activity and the quality of life for Hoosiers while conserving Indiana’s natural resources. The four focus areas for an RC & D are Land Conservation, Water Management, Community Development and Land Management. Currently, Historic Hoosier Hills is engaged in community conservation and education projects spanning nine counties. A sampling of those projects are: South Laughery Creek Watershed, Versailles Historical Society, John Hunt Morgan Heritage Trail, Jefferson Proving Ground Heritage Partnership, Regional No-Till Committee, Plant a Tree for You and Me, Food Growers Association of Laughery Valley, Batesville Wastewater Project, Woodland Committee, Laughery Valley Fish & Game Club, Horse Feathers Therapeutic Farm and Versailles State Park Inn.

In an effort to ensure that southeast Indiana’s natural resources would be managed in a responsible manner, Historic Hoosier Hills RC & D set up this endowment fund to be the vehicle through which local citizens could “Leave a Legacy” promoting wise stewardship of our natural and economic resources.
Tanner Tucker Memorial Scholarship
Endowment Fund

Tanner Tucker was an amazing young man, who was taken from this world too soon. He was involved in a fatal, single-car accident on August 7, 2010, the weekend before his senior year at South Ripley was to begin. Tanner was the president of his class, as well as a leader in the other various activities in which he was involved. Tanner participated on the Raider varsity basketball and baseball teams, was voted Homecoming prince, was a member of Student Council, and an anchor with the CNNSR media staff. He was an active member of the Versailles Baptist youth group, as well as a volunteer coach for Special Olympics. Tanner loved life, and was known for his continually optimistic outlook. “Don’t Worry...Be Happy,” was his mantra. He was an “A” student, who possessed an affinity for both mathematics, and for making innumerable friends. His plans were to study engineering at Purdue University.

In honor of Tanner, and with the generous outpouring of friends and family members, the Tucker family established a memorial scholarship fund. Tanner is sorely missed by his family and others who loved him, but through this scholarship, his legacy will live on.

Osgood Lions Club Fund

The Osgood Lions Club was started on June 10, 1965 with 31 members. Their 50th anniversary was celebrated on June 10, 2015 with one original active member, Sherman Lemen, in attendance. The motto of all Lions Clubs is “We Serve” and Osgood Lions Club lives up to their motto by serving the Osgood area community. Their first project was to build a sidewalk from the north end of Osgood to their new school. They have continued to donate to the town throughout the last 50 years. They have helped to finance a doctor’s office building, helped the youth of the community and projects at the Jac-Cen-Del schools and landscaped and maintained the mini-park downtown. They have also helped support the local fire department, Christmas lights for the town, trees at the Fairgrounds, and have helped numerous charitable organizations in town.

The Lions Club holds many fundraising activities during the year to fund these gifts. You will see Lions Club members at the County Fair and other community events selling their famous pork burgers.

The Osgood Lions Club wanted to start this endowment fund to celebrate their 50 years of service to the community and also to support the good work of the Ripley County Community Foundation.
The National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association Fund

The National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association (NMLRA) started an endowment fund with the Ripley County Community Foundation (RCCF). The NMLRA board of directors recognized this as the opportune time to secure and grow the mission of the NMLRA because of the matching opportunity the RCCF is offering. The NMLRA received the sum of $100,000 in matching funds in their endowment fund thanks to the GIFT VI matching program. The NMLRA has been the recipient of RCCF small grants in the past, which gave them first-hand knowledge of the benefits RCCF offers to Ripley County. This endowment fund will allow the NMLRA to continue to promote, support and preserve the sport of muzzle loading and to build an enduring source of charitable assets which will benefit the NMLRA and the citizens of Ripley County for generations to come.

Carl and Shari Simmermeyer Fund

We have reached the stage in our lives when we begin to realize that we are not invincible and therefore need to plan for that future time when we may not be able to care for ourselves and for that time when we pass on. Even though we spent most of our lives in California we found that retirement and family brought us back home to Indiana. Upon our return, we have come to appreciate the values and morals present in small town America and have obtained an appreciation for the people and organizations dedicating their time and talent to make life in Ripley County the best that it can be. We dedicate a portion of our time and treasure to those organizations which champion the charitable causes we support. In order to allow our charitable inclinations to continue to make an impact long after we leave this earth, we have established a fund at the Ripley County Community Foundation which will become active at the time of our deaths.

We chose to use the Ripley County Community Foundation to receive our planned gift because of the flexibility and reliability offered by the Foundation. With one fund we are able to provide support to Margaret Mary Health Hospice, Alzheimer’s Support Groups of Southeast Indiana, Morris Fire Department, Oldenburg Fire Department, Batesville Fire Department, Safe Passage, Lifetime Resources and the Ripley County Humane Society. Additionally, the Ripley County Community Foundation has proven to be a reputable charitable organization which takes donor intentions to heart. We are confident that the Ripley County Community Foundation will manage our fund in a manner which will maximize the effect our gift can have on its named beneficiaries.
Judge Jim and Sally Morris Family Advised Fund

Sally Morris served as the Executive Director of the Ripley County Community Foundation from 1998 until her retirement in 2014. During her tenure as Executive Director, the Foundation grew from its initial gift from Lilly Endowment, Inc. to managing $11 million in assets. At the time of her retirement, the Foundation was administering 137 permanently endowed funds and 7 temporarily endowed funds. Sally developed many partnerships throughout the State of Indiana which brought the Indiana Virtual Academy (formerly known as the Ripley County Learning Network) and EcO13 to Ripley County. Under Sally’s tenure, the Foundation played a vital role in meeting the immediate needs of Ripley County; the foundation manages the Holton Disaster Relief Funds and the United Way funds designated for Ripley County.

Sally Morris became the face of the Ripley County Community Foundation. Local governments, schools, charities, churches and non-profits have come to recognize and appreciate the integral role the Ripley County Community Foundation has in promoting the general welfare of all Ripley County citizens. It was thanks to Sally’s leadership that the Ripley County Community Foundation was able to “connect people who care with causes that matter.”

As a token of appreciation for her years of dedicated service and more importantly to say thank you, the Board of Directors created this fund as a way to allow Sally and her family to continue to improve the quality of life in Ripley County.

Unsung Hero Award

The Unsung Hero Award was established in 2014 to honor the selfless, lifelong service of Betty Ricker English, mother of Nancy Durham.

Betty Ricker English was a WWII Army nurse prior to her career as a community health nurse, hospital nurse, and school nurse. She grew up in the Depression and worked her way through Ball Memorial Hospital school of nursing. After her service in North Africa and Italy during WWII, Betty earned her bachelor’s degree at the University of Minnesota. Later she obtained her teacher’s license and finished her master’s degree the same year her oldest daughter graduated from college. Betty always espoused the importance of supporting others in need and willingly gave of her time and talents to community organizations such as the RN Club in Rush County, the Ball State Alumni Association, the Rush County Retired Teachers, the Main Street Christian Church in Rushville, and the 105th Station Hospital reunion organization. She was a devoted friend who, without reservation, nursed loved ones with debilitating illnesses or who were recovering from surgical procedures.
Memorials

Kathy Allison
Audrey Anna Bennett
Mary Dickman
Billie Drew
Ron Effing
Betty Ricker English
MarilynEinhaus
A. J. Glaser
Lawrence Green
Matt Gutzwiller
J. Michael Hansen
Samantha Hansen
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Jim & Jan Kruse
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Virginia Lagle Birthday
Zachary Litzinger
Larry Lyons
Emily Mathes
Jane T. McGowan
JC Morris Birthday
Mary Morris Birthday
Saundra Nobbe
Matthew Obendorf
Will Phaneuf
David Ridenourd
Sandra Michelle Riggle
Betty Ann Roepke
Jackie Rohlfing
Frank & Frances Schneider
Carl Schwier
Kenny Sharp
Henrietta Stein
Les Stratton, Jr.
Christina Sutton
Patrick Tobin
Tanner Tucker
Kay Varner
Daryl Lea Van Hook
Marilyn Van Hook
Jacob Vogel
Greg & Candy Wehr
Elvin “Bud” White
Claire L. Wise
Francis “Xavier” Wonnell

In Honor Of:

Jack Hofmockel
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Sally Morris’s Retirement
Marianne Wiggers Retirement from board
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Economic Opportunities through Education

Purpose
We are a coalition of education, business and community leaders focused on aligning and integrating Ripley County’s learning system with economic growth and a high quality of life. Our work is important in that it will support economic vitality and enhance quality of life in Ripley County and the surrounding region.

Education Coalition (aka Action Team)
The Ripley County Education Coalition (also known as the EcO15 Action Team) continues to provide guidance and support for EcO15. The Team has developed an executive summary which identifies the work of EcO15 and why it is important. Our strategy is to create a framework for multiple seamless STEM education pathways to allow students to move into and through the educational system based on the individual student’s abilities and interests, coupled with industry engagement and leading to careers in an advanced manufacturing or STEM-related field. We are focused on breaking down systematic barriers to learning by creating this framework. We are gathering data from the Indiana Department of Education, Indiana Commission for Higher Education, and National Student Clearinghouse Tracker to ascertain the high school and college success of our students.

EcO15 Initiatives

The Engineering Academy
Students from Jac-Cen-Del, South Ripley, South Dearborn, Lawrenceburg, and Milan high schools attended The Engineering Academy at Southeastern Career Center in 2014. The advisory group for The Engineering Academy includes industry partners who meet with the Engineering Academy instructor, Paul Thole, at the classroom twice each school year. After much discussion and consideration, the advisory group recommended that Digital Electronics be added to the Engineering Academy curriculum. In the 2014-2015 academic year the courses offered at the Engineering Academy included Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM), Aerospace Engineering (AE), Engineering Design and Development (EDD) and Digital Electronics (DE). Students earn dual credits from Ivy Tech in CIM and DE. Building partnerships with higher education and industry partners is important for this program and strengthening those relationships continues to be a major focus of the Advisory Team. Success in the relationship-building process has created internship opportunities at Elgin Fastener Group (Ohio Rod Products) in Versailles and created job opportunities at Cummins in Columbus Indiana where two Engineering Academy students work while attending college (IUPUI and Purdue College of Technology). The Engineering Academy has also opened up the doors to higher education.

Dr. James Conwell, President, Rose Hulman Institute of Technology, paid a visit to The Engineering Academy this year. Dr. Conwell invited students to apply to Rose Hulman’s summer enrichment program, Operation Catapult, and he offered a scholarship to any student accepted into Operation Catapult.
The Diesel Technology Program

The Diesel Technology Program at Southeastern Career Center is a career technical education program which provides a clear seamless pathway from school to work. Students earn dual credits from Vincennes University, which articulate to an Associate of Science Degree in Diesel Technology from VU or which may be applied toward an Associate’s Degree at Ivy Tech. Students in the program are encouraged to apply for cooperative education experiences, and many times students are offered employment at the end of their cooperative education experience. Several of these employment offers include a well-paying wage and full benefits including tuition reimbursement. In 2014, four students were hired in Cummins’ School-to-Work program and four students are currently under consideration for full time employment. Other students were offered full time employment by Lischke Motors, Shirk’s International, Stone’s Farm Service, Crum Trucking, Done Right Diesel. Several students opted to pursue a college degree.

Supporters of this program are: Ripley County EcO15, Rising Sun Regional Foundation, Madison Jefferson County Community Foundation, Dearborn County Community Foundation, Crum Trucking, Rotary Lift, Grote, Cummins, and Lischke Motors. This support enabled the installation of equipment, a renovation of the existing infrastructure, provided much-needed equipment, supplies and resources.

Early College

As part of the strategic plan to recruit, educate and place secondary students into a seamless educational process, EcO15 is actively engaged with Southeastern Career Center (SCC) and the twelve high schools in the SCC district to develop an Early College High School model at SCC. EcO15 assists in the development of EC at SCC by meeting with school superintendents, attending EC workshops offered by CELL, writing grants, making presentations to SCC’s Board of Directors, and convening and facilitating meetings with key players. Vincennes University (VU) and SCC have entered into a Memo of Understanding to develop that model, and SCC is now listed by the University of Indianapolis’ Center for Excellence of Leadership in Learning (CELL) as an “Exploring” school. As an Exploring school, SCC has assembled and registered a team (including Ripley County’s EcO15 Project Manager), made contact with CELL, attended Early College Network meetings, and is now creating an implementation plan to include three pilot areas - Diesel Technology, Welding Technology, and Precision Machine Technology.

Rube Goldberg Machine Contest

Ripley County EcO15 and Jac-Cen-Del School Corporation hosted the only fully sanctioned High School Rube Goldberg Machine Contest in Indiana in March 2014. This year’s event saw nine teams from across Indiana competing. Teams were assigned the task of creating a machine that would “Zip a Zipper” in a minimum of 20 steps! Ripley County’s Engineering Academy dominated the competition with its two teams winning First and Second place. The First Place winners advanced to the National High School Rube Goldberg Machine Contest held in Pewaukee, Wisconsin. Corporate sponsors for the event were: Batesville Tool & Die, EcO15, Duke Energy, River Valley Financial Bank, Friendship State Bank, Ripley County Community Foundation, Honda, Hill-Rom, Margaret Mary Health, and Purdue College of Technology.
School Accountability Grades

For the 2013-2014 academic year, 87% of Ripley County’s schools achieved a grade of A from the Department of Education. Ripley County’s school accountability grades were the highest in the EcO15 region. We believe this achievement is a direct result of the collaborative spirit that exists in Ripley County between the schools, parents, business partners, government and nonprofit organizations who work together and are committed to helping students succeed.

Project Based Learning Academy

A total of 30 educators from Ripley County attended the PBL Academy in June. The educators enjoyed the opportunity to learn while networking with their peers. It was exciting to see the educators’ children learning and having fun at the Rocketry Camp that was taking place at the same time!

Dream It Do It

Dream It. Do It. is an initiative which provides students with the information about the advanced manufacturing and logistics jobs available in Indiana and the training and education needed to obtain employment within those sectors. Ripley County’s Dream It. Do It. Champions and Ambassadors are Craig Hughes, Batesville; Paul Thole, Jac-Cen-Del; Anita Boggs, Milan; Kelly Sparks, South Ripley; and, Nancy Narwold, Southeastern Career Center. These individuals are liaisons to EcO15 and Dream It. Do It. and provide marketing materials, and information about the significance of STEM careers in various employment sectors to key players, brainstorm about how to engage students in career awareness activities, and speak with industry representatives about partnering with schools.

Local programs supported by Dream It. Do It. are: (1) Ripley County Career Fair at South Ripley High School - nearly 300 Ripley County sophomores and 23 business partners participated; (2) The annual College Connection event at Southeastern Career Center (SCC) - over 700 students interested in Career Technical Education toured SCC and interacted with college and business representatives from Honda, Cummins, Batesville Tool & Die, Elgin Fastener, Duke Energy, and many others; Post-secondary institutions included Vincennes University, IUPUC, Ivy Tech, Sullivan College, and many others; (3) Manufacturing Month (National Association of Manufacturers) was October and approximately 90 students from Decatur County and Ripley County toured WoodMizer; (4) “Fearless Females” at SCC introduced young ladies to nontraditional careers - welding, diesel technology, precision machine technology, building trades, CAD, etc. 18 presenters representing 12 careers attended and spoke to 160 sophomore girls from Batesville, Jac-Cen-Del, Jennings County, Lawrenceburg, Madison, Milan, South Dearborn, South Ripley, and Switzerland County; (5) A Brunch & Learn was held at SCC for middle school counselors from the six counties that send students to SCC. Counselors learned about Career Technical Education, Work-Based Learning, the Indiana Virtual Academy, the support provided by EcO15, and toured SCC.
Maverick Challenge
Ripley County EcO15, Ripley County Community Foundation, Batesville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Franklin County Community Foundation sponsored the Maverick Challenge at Oldenburg Academy. This program challenges students to create a product and a business plan which they present to a panel of judges composed of business professionals. Eleven students participated and the winners were: First place ($500) - “Two Peas in a Pod”, a cooking class in Batesville targeting locally grown foods, which was started by Sarah Wilder and Kirsten Ricke, Second place ($300) - “Razain,” a unique wristwatch with features such as a vibrating alarm, invented by Ryne Domingo and Matthew Hurm and Third place ($200) - “FuseBox” a customizable backpack invented by Christopher Nurrenberg and Luke Wukusick.

Math Science Partnership Grant
Educators from Bartholomew, Decatur and Ripley counties are involved in STEM Works!, a three-year professional development grant aimed at supporting teachers (grades 4-6) in developing STEM modules that connect to real life problem solving; attracting underserved populations to STEM-related high school coursework and ultimately careers. Partnering with IUPUC, Purdue College of Technology, and the Indiana Afterschool Network, industry leaders and specific program experts are delivering the professional development on a monthly basis and for two weeks during the summer. A participating South Ripley teacher noted:
“Our experience with the STEM program has been valuable for providing us with support in developing STEM modules. For example, we were able to put the 4th grade Earth science into a STEM module and used it for the first quarter. We were able to incorporate technology lessons, hands on activities, other teachers and a community partner into a module while covering all of the Earth science CCR standards for 4th grade. During our lesson we had a representative come speak from and show demonstrations from the SISWD and we also partnered with The Versailles State Park to learn about landforms, regions in Indiana as well as weathering and erosion. Through STEM we have had the opportunity to experience NASA explorations to use in our classrooms. A true highlight was the training to use the Discovery Dome and we were able to check it out and bring to South Ripley Elementary to enhance our buoyancy lessons in which we created lifeboats - we were able to watch a documentary about the Titanic. We also were given the opportunity to attend the National Math Conference NCTM in October in which we were given useful hands on math activities to bring to our classrooms. We feel these experiences will greatly increase the excitement for students relating to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math opportunities in the future.”
The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the Ripley County Community Foundation will offer several granting opportunities in 2015.

These granting opportunities assist the Board of Directors in its quest to carry out the Foundation’s Vision of being a “...resource for charitable giving today and forever.” The distributions generated by the assets held in our Community Granting Funds (see pages 9-12) are the heart of these granting opportunities. It is these distributions which are the sole source of funding for all of our Impact, Large and Small Grants.

Thanks to Lilly Endowment, Inc.’s GIFT VI initiative, the foundation offered 5 Sally Morris Community Impact Grants at $20,000 each to be paid in 2015. The Board has also proactively issued 4 large grants ($5,000 each) to local non-profits to assist those organizations with one-time projects.

Consistent with tradition, one cycle of large grants and four cycles of small grants are being offered in 2015. Large grants serve projects which are valued between $501-$5,000 whereas small grants are for projects valued at $500 and less. Applications for a large grant are due August 7, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. and the applications for the remaining small grant cycles are due September 4th and November 6th at 4:00 p.m. Grant Guidelines, Grant Policies and applications are available online at www.rccfonline.org, or at the Foundation office located at 4 South Park Ave, Suite 210, Batesville. Any non-profit organization with questions regarding available grants or the application process should contact the Foundation via telephone (812) 933-1098 or email at office@rccfonline.org.
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