We Met Our Match

Great news! In record time, our community rose to the challenge and raised a total of $750,000 in gifts to unrestricted endowments to receive $1.5 million in matching dollars from Lilly Endowment Phase VII! The matching campaign was announced in December at the Holiday Grants Reception and was set to run until the funds were depleted. We are excited to announce its successful completion.

Lilly Endowment Inc. established this extraordinary campaign to raise awareness and raise funds for unrestricted endowments to meet the ever-changing and varied capital needs of individual communities in Indiana. Distributions from unrestricted funds are made at The Community Foundation Board’s discretion as needs arise. Thanks to all of the generous donors who participated in this great campaign. Your enthusiastic generosity is positively affecting Greater Lafayette and its citizens.

Richard C. Nelson’s testimony speaks volumes. “Born in 1929, I grew up the sixth of eight children during The Great Depression. The factory closed that employed our dad. He got work through the WPA, but the family needed additional help from charity from time to time — including lots of corn flakes and old turnips. With that background, it gives me great pleasure to be able to contribute funds to the Community Foundation that may be used largely for the benefit of children in this area — and with the two-for-one match from the Lilly Endowment, those funds will surpass a half million dollars, an amount that once would have exceeded my wildest dreams.”

Inside Look

Seeing the inside workings of a nonprofit helps the Donor Advisory Council better understand the organization’s mission and needs, thus helping them make better-informed grant recommendations. The Donor Advisory Council meets the directors of the organization, takes onsite tours, and gets operational insights. The council includes donor-advisors, founding contributors of endowments, and members of The Foundation board and committees.

The Community Foundation hosts lunch meetings for the Donor Advisory Council at various nonprofits throughout the year, held on Wednesdays at noon. In March, the Council met at the new Lafayette Family YMCA and Junior Achievement on Creasy Lane to get an overview of the services and programs they offer, as well as a tour.

Director Paul Cramer said, “We’re very appreciative that The Community Foundation took the time to tour our new facility and learn about our programs.”
The Gift of Education

Helping local youth go to college through scholarships is a way donors can make an impact on the community, and a bigger impact on the well-deserving recipient. The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette acts as a bridge between donors who value education and students seeking additional funding. The Scholarship Committee thoughtfully reviews applications for each of the scholarships available through The Foundation and matches students according to the scholarship’s criteria.

Thirty-three students are heading to college thanks to twenty-one scholarships from donor endowments; three students received full-tuition Lilly Endowment scholarships.

The Community Foundation hosted a Scholarship Reception in April at the Lafayette Country Club to recognize scholarship recipients and allow them an opportunity to meet the generous donors behind the scholarships. Giving local scholars a chance to pursue an education is a gift where everyone benefits.

President Leadership Scholarship in Honor of Tarrus Richardson
Jojo Spio | Purdue University

Price Family Scholarship in Memory of Thomas M. Price
Kim Cahoon | Central Catholic High School

David Smyser Scholarship
Sydney Gregory | Jefferson High School

Betty M. Suddarth Scholarship
Connor Murphy | Harrison High School

Katie Traynor, RN Scholarship
Sarah Clarke | Purdue University
Ludia Hong | Purdue University

Truitt Family West Lafayette High School Athletic Leadership Scholarship
Catherine Penquett | West Lafayette High School

Robert and Marilyn Whitsel Scholarship
Sarah Greenwell | West Lafayette High School
Nate Nauman | West Lafayette High School

Jacob E. and Mary Ann Wiebers Scholarship
Mary Ellen Gutwein | Faith Christian High School

West Lafayette High School Golden Scholarship
Thomas Day | West Lafayette High School

2019 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship
Adam Beaver | Harrison High School
Jayden Foshee | McCutcheon High School
Megan Walker | McCutcheon High School

George Balfe Scholarship
Kaylee Brogan | Jefferson High School

Roger Blalock Scholarship
Jayla Langford | Purdue University

Samuel J. Cole and Pearl Mae Fritts Cole Scholarship
Natalie Schimp | Eldorado High School
Alex Peebels | Carrier Mills-Stonefort
North High School

Samuel C. Curtis Scholarship
Brandon Harris | Jefferson High School

Max and Elsie Goken Scholarship
Luke Cooley | Central Catholic High School
Lauren Gustafson | Jefferson High School
Nate Nauman | West Lafayette High School
Grace Woodard | Indiana Wesleyan University

Robert and Dorothy Hughes Scholarship
Hannah Carithers | IUPUI
Abigail Vinarki | Central Catholic High School

Jefferson High School Alumni Association Scholarship
Madison Jones | Jefferson High School
Shelby Lewellen | Jefferson High School

Kathy Mayer Writing Scholarship
Margaret Fornes | Harrison High School

Elizabeth Mackay Scholarship
Sarah Greenwell | West Lafayette High School
Catherine Wright | Jefferson High School

Shirley and Mick McCague Scholarship
Juan Carrillo | Purdue University

Harlan W. and Dorothy W. Parr Scholarship
Bryanna Nelson | Purdue University

Roland G. Parrish Black Cultural Center Scholarship
Jayla Langford | Purdue University

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Holder Price Local Impact Felt

Sue Holder Price feels blessed to live and practice law in Lafayette.

She grew up on a farm in Benton County where her family raised corn, soybeans, and a herd of registered Angus cattle. All of the five children showed cattle in 4-H and open class competition. Her studies took her to Purdue University as a liberal arts major. Upon graduation, she went to law school at Indiana University and embarked upon a rewarding law career. She continues to practice law in Lafayette.

Sue and her late husband, Tom, lived on Tom’s family farm in Tippecanoe County and raised their son Bill. They were married over 25 years. Tom was one of the founders of Boilermaker Aquatics when Bill was a high school swimmer. After Tom’s death, Sue decided to endow an “unsung hero” scholarship in his memory for high school swimmers involved with Boilermaker Aquatics. Since then, Sue and Bill established the Price Family Endowment during a Lilly matching campaign.

Sue served two one-year terms as chair of the Board of The Community Foundation and is currently a Gold Key Society member. Serving on the Grants, Governance, and Development Committees helped her understand how The Community Foundation carries out its mission. “It was gratifying to learn from other board members, our staff, agency board members, and agency staff who do vital work in our community every day. I participated in Read to Succeed while I was on the Board and it was great getting an insider’s view into the dedication and hard work of our teachers and administrators in the public schools,” she said. She was “wowed” by Donor Advisory Council visits seeing various local agencies and getting firsthand knowledge about the excellent work they do.

A big Boiler fan, Sue serves as a member of the Strategic Planning and Athletic Affairs Committees at Purdue. She loves attending Purdue sporting events, traveling, cooking, and spending time with her family which now includes 3-year old grandson, Eli. Her involvement in the community has been gratifying to Sue and her family.
Hanna Center Is on the Move

Hanna Center has a rich legacy of serving youth, families, and seniors in our community for over 75 years. Whether through its after-school care, tutoring, summer camp, or health outreach and wellness center, Hanna Center’s mission is to advance the well-being and quality of life for the diverse cultures of Greater Lafayette while preserving Lafayette’s African American culture, heritage, and history. A $7,500 grant from The Community Foundation helped purchase a much needed vehicle.

“We are so excited about our new 14-passenger accessible mini-bus,” said Mike Smith, board president of Hanna Community Center. “This bus will allow us to serve more children and seniors in our after-school and senior program by providing Hanna a second vehicle, but even more importantly will allow us to transport children with mobility issues to our after-school program where they may take part in the tutoring and fun activities we offer.” This grant was one of several awarded this quarter to address the capital needs of nonprofit organizations.

Spring Grants

Art Museum of Greater Lafayette
$20,725 | Roof repairs
Bauer Family Resources
$29,000 | Community Center remodel
Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club
$25,000 | Roof repairs
LTHC Homeless Services
$28,000 | Computers for new Engagement Center
Right Steps Child Development Centers
$8,268 | Security system for new classroom space
Wabash Center
$28,000 | HVAC system
Willowstone Family Services
$8,656 | Phone system
YWCA
$26,847 | HVAC system

100+ Women Who Care
$11,000 | NICHES Land Trust
Men Who Give
$7,300 | Special Olympics
Indiana Tippecanoe County

Now Grants

January 1 – April 9, 2019

Civic Theatre
$1,692 | Lobby upgrades
Hanna Community Center
$7,500 | 14-passenger van
NAMI-WCI
$1,315 | Technology equipment
NICHES Land Trust
$5,954 | 20-foot utility trailer
Tippecanoe Arts Federation
$6,189 | Security system
YWCA
$6,495 | Exterior upgrades to 6th street location

2019 APPLICATION DEADLINES

FALL COMMUNITY GRANTS
August 5, 2019, noon, $7,500 and above

NOW GRANTS
Available January 1 – December 2 less than $7,500

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