Grant Helps Community Cancer Network Clients

For patients fighting cancer and their families, the process can be long, costly, and stressful. Since 2007, Community Cancer Network, Inc., which serves 11 area counties, has been easing their burdens with nonmedical assistance.

Needs can vary, from groceries, durable medical equipment, assistance with rent, transportation to and from treatment, and others. A recent $15,591 Community Foundation field-of-interest grant is helping sustain these services.

“This grant matters because it will go a long way in providing services and resources,” says Telisa Clevenger-Smith, administrative director. “We like to say, ‘This is neighbors helping neighbors,’ because all donations and food pantry contributions help local clients.”

The nonprofit also benefits from two annual fundraisers—the Hope on the Horizon Gala and the Carry the Torch Walk.

Field-of-interest Endowments Support Key Areas

Would you like to promote literacy? Help children? Provide resources for those in cancer treatment? Or are you passionate about something else?

With Community Foundation field-of-interest endowments, donors may select general areas for funding, with allocations going to current needs.

Two that provide ongoing funds are the Louisa Lee France Endowment Fund for Music Education for Disadvantaged Children and the Virginia B. Huth Endowment Fund for Community Beautification. They are among a dozen field-of-interest funds administered by The Foundation.

“Each of these donors wants to help in different areas,” says Candy Silver, director of philanthropy. “They realize that programs and opportunities may change over time, so they are leaving the door open for where allocations would go.”

Recent field-of-interest grants, for example, were awarded to the YWCA Cancer Wellness Program, West Lafayette Public Library for books, and Bach Chorale for student music scholarships.

FOR MORE INFORMATION on setting up a field-of-interest fund, contact Candy Silver, 765/742-9078 • candy@cfglaf.org.
The story is all about community in the 2015 Community Foundation annual report, now available online.

From donors who invest in the future to nonprofits and scholars who use funding wisely, the report weaves impressive numbers—14 new endowments, gifts topping $1.4 million, and grants of $1.1 million—with heartwarming anecdotes of success.

See the full report at: www.cfglaf.org

Recent Gifts
Received from April 1 through June 30, 2016:

IN MEMORY
Patrick Barber
Ball Eggleston PC

Douglas W. Eberle
Jeffrey and Mary Nagy

Robert and
Dorothy Hughes
Joan Hughes

Charles E. Kerber
Anonymous

Robert and Julia Bergman
Wanda Martin and
Christie Martin

Frances Meeks
James and Ruthie Shook

Robert Smith, Jr.
James and JoAnn Vorst

Sharon Stavnheim
Mark and Cynthia Adams
Doris Anderson
Dean and Suzanne Baker
John and Connie Basham
Stephen and Nancy Bates
Rob and Kelley Baumgartner
Robert and Phyllis Bell
Richard and Judith Benedict
Sam and Rita Biederstedt
Gwen Clark
Arnold Colvet
John Crawford and
Christina Rood
Richard and Susan Crawford
Michael and Beth Dana
Elite Equipment
Company, LLC
James Erdman
Marie Evans
John and Dixie Frye
Robert and Carol Galbraith
Thomas and Jana
Gangestad
Floyd and Pat Garrott
Bernard and Jacqueline
Graser
Vince and Sherri Guido
Janice Harris
Jean Hartig
Russell and Beverly Herren
Dave and Lynn Hinkston
Claudia Horick
Douglas and Sally Hull
Immanuel Extension
Homemakers Club
Gerry and Lois Isvik
Del and Marcia Johnson
Gary and Lana Keast
Jeffrey and Andrea Keast
Roger and Eloise Keast
Kaye Kleine-Ahlbrandt
Stephen Koltvet
Evaro Krause
John and Nellie
Kretzschmar, Jr.
John and Suzanne Larson

Jim and Laurie Legvold
Lloyd and Dorothy Lempke
Lance and Jennifer Leslie
Mark and Traci Leslie
Steve and Mary Lund
Gerald and Mary Lynn
McArtor
Marty and Elanore Mlynarik
Richard Mueller
Bob and Suzanne Nielsen
Walter and Elina
Niezabitowski
Herbert and Judy Ohm
Steven Olson
Donald and Betty Patterson
Rob and Kathy Pahl
Darlene Peterson
Reuben and Jean Peterson
Pinnacle Wealth Partners
Edward and Carol Purdy
Jon and Joan Rasmussen
James and Eileen Richardson
Don and Linda Ringenberg
Kathleen Risa and Kristen
Risa
Larry and Marianne Rose
Jim Ross and Marylin
Howland
Mike and Julie Roush
John and Phyllis Scanlon
Jim and Lisa Schrader
Kathy Senft
Dale and Suzanne Simpson
James and Delores Simpson
Robert and Helen Slager
John and Janet Slaven
Jim and Carolyn Smyth
Russell and Jannel Stark
Karen Stavnheim
Leonard and Carolyn Sweet
Mike Thompson
Thomas and Susan Ulrickson
Mary Veracco
J. Edward and Nancy
Wagoner
Mary Waltmann
Marilyn Weber
Deborah Wiegand
Kathie Wiley
Daloris Williamson
David and Sharon Wilson
Richard and Isobel Wilson
Women of the Evangelical
Lutheran Church in
America, Holy Trinity
Lutheran Church
Christopher Wott and
Chamaiporn Satongyot

Lisa Struech
John and Nancy Demerly

Betty Traynor
David and Debra Johnson
Margaret Schreiber
Daniel and Debbie Sullivan

Katie Traynor RN
Richard Anderson
Joseph Bailey
Carol Du Clos and
Megan Brown

Community Foundation on First Floor of Life Building

Renovation is complete. Furnishings are in place. And office décor is now enhanced by artwork on loan from the Haan Mansion Museum of Indiana Art.

The artwork—all by Indiana artists, some of them local—includes pieces by Kathryn Clark, Stephanie Come-Ryker, Beth Forst, Jeff Klinker, Joel Knapp, Arne Kvaalen, Chris Newlund, Al Pounders, Todd Reifers, Donna Shortt, Jerry Smith, and LaDonna Vohar.

After temporarily operating in second floor offices of the Life Building, The Community Foundation has moved to the first floor. A ribbon cutting on Tuesday, August 16, celebrated the move.

The space includes executive and administrative offices, a board room, conference room, and workroom.
For Rick Olson and his daughter, Katy, doing things together might mean making pizza at home, going for an occasional bike ride, or enjoying a Purdue Convo. Most often these days, though, their lives center on dance: Katy, a Harrison High School freshman, on stage with two troupes, and Rick, recently retired from Kettelhut Construction, in her audience.

PHILANTHROPY PART OF THEIR LIVES

Another activity they share involves learning about local nonprofits so they can recommend funding from Foundation endowments established by Rick, his sister, Kris Olson Potter, and their parents, Edgar and Hedy Olson.

Recently, they chatted, then recommended funding the demonstration kitchen at Food Finders Food Bank. Other allocations have gone to Habitat for Humanity for new workshop flooring, the YWCA to refurbish its dance studio, a snow machine for Murdock Park, and a utility vehicle for Greenbush Cemetery, among others.

“I want to help people, and The Community Foundation seems the best way to do that,” she says.

A jazz, ballet and fusion dancer, she also helps beginners in the YWCA program, where she has taken lessons since 4th grade. “Teaching is a lot of fun,” she says. Academically, she is interested in fashion and textiles, and also likes social studies and English.

Saying he was “born with an engineer’s mind, later formalized at Purdue,” Rick earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees in engineering as a Boilermaker. He also enjoys history, reading, and bicycling. One day he would like to bike across Europe.

TRAVELING TOGETHER

The father/daughter duo travels frequently. “Katy is the most fun person to explore the world with,” Dad says. They laugh that they have been in a bus on a ferry on a fjord and in a bus on a train in a tunnel. This summer, they visited Norway; next summer they are headed to Australia.

COMMUNITY MEANS FAMILY

Being involved in the community where they were born feels right. “I have had a good home. This is a comfortable, safe place,” Rick says. “People help each other, like a large family.”

He appreciates The Community Foundation, and has served on the board and currently volunteers for the grants and finance committees. “I have a close connection with the people who are running it. I like to ask, ‘Who needs help?’ and ‘How we can help?’”
Grants Make a Difference in Community

**TIER 3 GRANTS**

- **Legal Aid**  New copier | $2,810
- **Bauer Family Resources**  Replace family support center roof | $6,226

**FIELD-OF-INTEREST GRANTS**

Annually, The Community Foundation awards grants from its field-of-interest funds. This year, $82,192 went to 12 organizations:

- **CANCER CARE**
  - Community Cancer Network, Inc.
    - Funds to support client services | $15,591
  - Franciscan Alliance Foundation
    - Oncology Certified Nurse review course | $12,425

- **CHILDHOOD LITERACY**
  - Bauer Family Resources
    - Head Start family literacy project | $10,000
  - Tippecanoe County Public Library
    - Interactive learning spaces for Klondike and Wyandotte branches | $10,000

- **CHILDREN’S NEEDS**
  - Lafayette Transitional Housing Center
    - Children’s clothing, school supplies | $750
  - Wabash Center
    - iPads, summer and after-school programs | $2,100

- **YWCA Cancer Care**
  - Funds to support cancer wellness program | $4,607

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**

| TIER 3 GRANTS | September 1, noon |
| TIER 2 GRANTS | Through December 1, 2016, noon |
| TIER 3 GRANTS | For more info | www.cfglaf.org. |

**COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION**

- **Tree Lafayette**
  - Purchase, plant trees in Lafayette | $6,000

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

- **National Alliance on Mental Illness**
  - Brochures, banners, community and health fair displays | $1,559

**LITERACY**

- **Right Steps Child Development Centers**
  - Classroom tablets, Imagination Library books | $10,000
- **West Lafayette Public Library**
  - Books | $6,160

**MUSIC EDUCATION FOR DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN**

- **Bach Chorale**
  - Student scholarships | $3,000

**GROUP GIVING**

- **100+ Women Who Care Purdue Athletes Life Success Program** | $15,300
- **Men Who Give Matrix LifeCare Center** | $7,800

Since its founding in 1993, Tree Lafayette has planted more than 7,500 trees. The 2015 Arbor Day planting at Jefferson High School is pictured; this year the group added trees to Columbian Park.