Helping Habitat for Humanity

House by house, Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette is part of solving homelessness locally.

Founded in 1984, the nonprofit completed its first house in 1986, and usually builds about 10 to 15 each year. To date, it has constructed 278 homes for local families, who also provide sweat equity by working for the program, reports Doug Taylor, executive director.

The Community Foundation recently helped Habitat with its own “home,” providing $14,999 in funding for a new, specially designed roof for its office facility at 420 S. First St., Lafayette.

Lilly Endowment Dangles $1.5 Million Carrot

Lilly Endowment Inc.—a generous donor to and supporter of local community foundations—is once again stepping up to give Indiana’s community foundations a significant financial boost.

MATCHING GRANT OFFERED

What this means for The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette is eligibility for a $1.5 million grant, the amount determined based on our community’s population.

“Young Endowment believes in local-level giving, because communities best know their own needs, so the endowment usually ties its gifts to local participation,” says Marianne Rose, Community Foundation president and chief executive officer.

This grant, the sixth phase of Lilly Endowment’s Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT) initiative, is focusing on strengthening community foundations themselves by raising matching funds.

Of the funds raised, Lilly Endowment requires that at least half the matching contributions go to unrestricted endowments. These will be matched 100 percent by Lilly. The other half may go to designated endowments, which will be matched 50 percent by Lilly.

UNRESTRICTED GIVING VITAL

“This Lilly funding announcement comes at the perfect time for...
Unrestricted giving is vital for The Community Foundation, says Candy Silver, director of executive director. "The Foundation also provides guidance to Lafayette Transitional Housing Center in those in need." "Unrestricted giving is vital for The Community Foundation to respond to our Tier 1, 2 and 3 grant requests," Rose says. "We always have more requests than we have dollars, so increased giving in this area means we would better meet our community’s needs.”

The GIFT initiative was begun by Lilly Endowment in 1990. Since then it has disbursed $258 million plus $66 million for the current phase.

For more information about giving, please contact The Community Foundation.

Recent Gifts received from July through September 30, 2014:

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Betty Rowe
Joan Ransing
John Rower

IN MEMORY
John Beale
Lafayette Hearing Center
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Howard Bierdstedt
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Wesley and Ann Shook
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Bob and Patti Truitt
William and Dorothy Brechtel
Barbara Brechtel
William Brechtel
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Helen Catavolos
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Frank Clikeman
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Robert Leavitt
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Francis Lindell
Orrin Lindell
Corinne MacDonald
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Meg Marvel
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Bill and Bev Gettings
Sandy Pearlman
George and Nerlene Ramsey
Jack Pearlman
Sandy Pearlman
Phil Randolph
Mary Caccavo and Thomas Kent
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Roger and Cathy Bauer Family Endowment

Generosity Always on the Bauers’ Menu
Six-inch or foot-long. Your choice of bread, meat, cheese and veggies. Maybe a little spicy mustard. It’s your pick at Subway.

What diners might not realize is that every sandwich is served with gratitude and a side of giving-to-the-community. The latest serving comes via the Cathy and Roger Bauer Family Endowment, established with The Community Foundation to benefit local children.

25 YEARS OF CHILDREN’S PARTIES
They would like the endowment to continue the Lafayette Area Subway Annual Holiday Party for 100 youths, usually held on the first Monday of December. This year, they will host the event for the 26th time, providing food and presents funded from customers’, friends’, and their own donations.

Black Friday is shopping day. Armed with a list of children chosen by social service groups and schools—and the kids’ sizes, likes and dislikes—the Bauers and their volunteers head out at 7 a.m.

A wrapping party follows on another day. “All the volunteers come to our house for food, football games on TV and wrapping,” Roger says. “Everything is wrapped, labeled, and tied in separate bags for each child.”

If the party tradition isn’t continued, the endowment will be used in other ways to help kids. “That’s really the whole purpose,” Cathy says.

MOVED TO LAFAYETTE IN 1983
Hailing from Connecticut, the couple met in a hospital, where Cathy was a medical technologist after graduating from the University of Connecticut, and Roger worked in x-ray while in school.

They ultimately racked up five degrees between them. Roger earned a bachelor’s at the University of New Haven, both got master’s at Southern Connecticut State University, and Roger an administration and supervision degree from the University of Bridgeport.

They both went into teaching, but once they had two children, Roger began a career in radio sales and management. They moved to Lafayette in 1983, when he was transferred to be general manager of WAZY.

SOFT SPOT FOR KIDS
Cathy brought with her a heart that had been touched by early volunteer work with children and teaching special education. She recalls a time in Connecticut when two youngsters showed up for a swimming event with tattered red dishtowels for their swim towels. That memory fueled a lifelong passion for helping under-resourced children.

When she signed on for a Subway franchise in Lafayette in 1984, she knew she’d share her success helping young ones. By 1989, Cathy had four Subway stores, and Roger came to work in the business full-time, too. Nine years ago, their son Michael joined them, managing day-to-day operations. Their other son, Steve, works in social media for a St. Louis public relations firm.

Today, the Bauers employ about 250 at 17 restaurants in Tippecanoe County, two in Monticello and one each in Delphi and Rensselaer.

Besides their children’s party, they contribute to community and causes throughout the year—their serving of gratitude.

“I’m very keen on giving back,” Cathy says.
Ten Nonprofits Awarded $94,857 in Grants

The Community Foundation recently awarded $94,857 in grants to 10 nonprofits. Of that, $81,557 was in Tier 2 grants, which cover requests from $7,500 to $14,999, and $13,300 was from field-of-interest funds.

**TIER 2 GRANTS**

**Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette**
Facility roof replacement • $14,999

**Lafayette Family YMCA**
Climbing wall, Straight Arrow Day Camp • $13,800

**Lafayette Transitional Housing Center, Inc.**
Six air conditioning units, family apartments • $14,999

**Matrix Pregnancy Resource Center**
Furniture for conference and education room • $9,866

**NICHEs Land Trust**
Accessible parking area; house redesign for office and public meeting space • $14,999

**YWCA Greater Lafayette**
Acoustical wall panels for gymnasium • $12,894

**FIELD OF INTEREST GRANTS**

**Community Beautification Lafayette Tree Fund**
Tree replacements • $3,500

**Music Education for Disadvantaged Youth**

**Bach Chorale**
Music education • $3,000

**Children’s Music Foundation**
Music education • $2,500

**Wabash Valley Youth Symphony**
Music education • $2,500

**Children’s Needs**

**Matrix Pregnancy Resource Center**
Ultrasound assistance • $1,000
Diaper program • $800

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Clegg Memorial Garden, a 17-acre property on Wildcat Creek off 400 East, was recently transferred by private owners to NICHEs Land Trust, a nonprofit founded in 1995. A Community Foundation grant is funding an accessible parking area and refurbishing the property’s house for the NICHEs office and community gatherings.