WINTER 2018

Leading Philanthropy Enriching Lives

Lilly Endowment Inc. announced a $1.5 million 2-for-1 matching campaign to support unrestricted endowments! Call Candy Silver at The Community Foundation for more information: 765-742-9078 or candy@cfglaf.org.

A Grant for Grant’s House

It is just natural to want to help big dreamers reach their goals. Grant House was an inspirational young man who loved setting goals, making friends, and working at Wabash Center. His big dream to help others with special needs is turning into a legacy that will live on by providing more after-school and summer programming for the children and young adults at Wabash Center.

The Community Foundation gave the organization a fall grant of $16,429 to purchase vital items for the facility. “The best part of the grant is that it’s specific to the unique needs of the individuals we serve. It will buy at least one Hoyer lift as well as changing tables that are large enough for school-age children who have mobility challenges, like being wheelchair bound,” said Jason McManus, president and CEO of Wabash Center. “We work really hard to preserve their dignity by providing one-on-one personal care to them.”

Wabash Center received a grant for changing tables to help individuals with mobility challenges.

Rolling Over IRAs for Good

Investing in an IRA is a smart way to supplement retirement income. At age 70 ½ you must start taking a required minimum distribution (RMD) from your IRA, which is considered taxable income.

If you don’t need the distribution this year for income, consider rolling it over directly from your IRA’s financial institution into your favorite qualified nonprofit organization. You will incur no tax penalties on the rollover and you will positively impact your chosen charity.

Everyone wins. Betty Suddarth has been taking advantage of this program since it started. “The Community Foundation accepts IRA Charitable Rollovers. We can take care of the details for you. It is a simple process of maximizing your charitable dollars to your chosen charities,” said Candy Silver, director of philanthropy. “It is a great way to support the community.”

To make your contribution to The Community Foundation, contact Candy Silver, director of philanthropy at 765-742-9078 or candy@cfglaf.org.
Like icing on the cake, the 30 local nonprofit agencies who participated in the LaNelle Geddes Matching Campaign were awarded an additional 30% on the funds they raised for their endowments at the Campaign Finale Celebration, held October 2 at the Lafayette Country Club. The campaign brought the community together to achieve more than they imagined possible.

“We are so fortunate we have great support from our NAMI family,” said Sheri Moore, executive director of NAMI-WCI. “When the LaNelle Geddes Campaign was announced, our current board members hosted an event for our previous board members. Our donors busted through the goal of $3,000 by raising $45,807. The match combined with the surprise 30% raised a total of $82,452 for NAMI-WCI. We are very thankful to our donors and to The Community Foundation. The funds will enable NAMI-WCI to continue to provide free education and support to individuals with a mental health condition, as well as educate businesses and the community about mental health at no cost.”

The Community Foundations’ LaNelle Geddes Matching Campaign helped Tree Lafayette tremendously,” said Bill Arthur, executive director of Tree Lafayette. “Many of our faithful donors contributed during the campaign, some even twice! Such generosity, along with the campaign match, totaled nearly $35,000, representing a 30% increase to the Tree Lafayette Endowment in Honor of Larry L. Rose. Tree Lafayette uses the annual distribution from our endowment to fund the maintenance of the trees we plant. We are sincerely grateful for our donors, The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette, and the philanthropic, generous legacy of LaNelle Geddes.”

NONPROFIT EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATION OPPORTUNITY

North Central Health Services in partnership with The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette is offering scholarship opportunities to area nonprofit Executive Directors, Supervisors and emerging leaders interested in receiving their certification in Nonprofit Executive Leadership. Deadline to apply is Friday, Dec. 14. Criteria and application instructions are available at cflaf.org.

Recent Gifts

Received from July 1 through September 30, 2018

IN MEMORY

Helen and Louis Catavolos
Olga Jeffares

John Corey
Jim and JoAnn Vorst

Evaro Krause
Jack and Leta Kelley

Kathy Mayer
Sue Atkinson and Adrienne Taylor
Celine Benoit
William and Joanne Evers

Jack and Leta Kelley
Sai Kee and Victoria Yeung
Dana and Maggie Smith

James Murray
Jim and JoAnn Vorst

Dick Nagel
Pamela Rowland

Joseph Rudolph
Wes Shook

Diana Schmiedicke
John and Lynn Van Etten

Donna Segrist
Kathy Trout

Kathy Shoemaker
Jim and JoAnn Vorst

Christy Smith
Henry Poor Lumber Company,
Flooring Express, and the
Andrew Family
Anonymous
Sarah Baker
Emily Baumert
Jim and Sandy Bodenmiller
Tom and Kathy Busch
Kitty Campbell
Nancy Chase
James and Mary Jo Clark
Randy and Kathy Clark
Katherine Crook
John and Kathryn Dale
Kathy Davis
Dan and Jacquie Dexter

Cynthia Edson
John and Kathy Gams
Mike and Carolyn Gery
Laura Haniford
Ted and Lynn Hazledine
Brooke Herndon
Banks Jesser
Bruce and Mary Ann Junius
Andrew Korty
The Marquis Foundation
Sandra Matis
John and Prella McBride
Thomas and Susan McCully
David and Anita McGaughey
Valerie McMullen
Jaime Mineart
Betty M. Nelson
Retired oncologist George Ramsey had a unique opportunity to make a lasting impact on cancer care, outside of his personal contributions to the field, by being the right person in the right place.

Shortly after he joined The Community Foundation as a board member, Dr. Ramsey was appointed to be the chairman of a substantial trust of one of his former patients, Esther L. McConnaughay, who wished for it to benefit cancer research, care, and treatment of cancer patients. He and two other trustees initially managed the trust, conducting cancer seminars for Purdue School of Nursing.

Once Dr. Ramsey became familiar with how field-of-interest endowments could honor her wishes as well as minimize the stress of trust money management, they decided that The Community Foundation was best-suited to manage the trust. “We were happy to pass it to The Foundation. It was perfect. I was happy to be the connector,” said Ramsey. As Esther wished, the monies go to nursing, health, and cancer-related agencies and foundations, now under the direction of The Community Foundation Board of Directors.

Dr. Ramsey served six years on the Board and still helps guide the McConnaughay endowment. His experience on the Board was an ongoing education. “I learned a lot and met a lot of great people who are dedicated to the good of this community.”

He and his wife, Nerlene, have also established the George and Nerlene Ramsey Endowment to be used at the Board’s discretion to help meet the ever-changing needs of the community they love.

George and Nerlene Ramsey have made a lasting impact on cancer care in our community through The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette.
Grants to Local Nonprofits

FALL GRANTS
Bauer Family Resources
$30,000 | Replace front porch at Family Support Center
Big Brothers Big Sisters
$6,246 | Furniture and office equipment
Haan Museum of Indiana Art
$14,927 | Fire Alarm System
Lafayette Urban Ministry
$34,900 | Roof replacement – Solar energy project
Tippecanoe County Child Care
$11,968 | Strollers, food carts, book carts

Wabash Center – Grant’s House
$16,429 | Chair lifts, changing tables
Willowstone Family Services
$10,530 | Desktop and laptop computers for increased program services

NOW GRANTS
Haan Museum of Indiana Art
$2,247 | Digital piano for the Theatre Garden
Civic Theatre
$7,400 | Remodel of main office

Tippecanoe County Historical Association
$7,500 | Rooftop air conditioner for Arganbright Library
Museums of Prophetstown
$3,075 | Restore the Gibson player piano at the recreated 1920s-era farmhouse
Heartford House
$1,129 | Office furniture

GIVING GROUPS
100+ Women Who Care
Girl Scouts of Central Indiana
Men Who Give
Caregiver Companion

2019 APPLICATION DEADLINES

SPRING COMMUNITY GRANTS
April 1, 2019, noon | $7,500 and above

FIELD-OF-INTEREST GRANTS
June 3, 2019, noon | Various amounts

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

NOW GRANTS
Available any time from January 1 through December 2 | Less than $7,500

Details at cfglaf.org

Photo: Restore the Gibson Farmhouse player piano at the recreated 1920s-era Henry Wynstra, age 93 and a WWII veteran, volunteers every Saturday at The Farm, teaching and entertaining visitors at the Museums of Prophetstown on the “new” 1927 Gibson player piano. The original piano played its final note in May, necessitating a replacement. Thanks to Museum donors and a grant from The Community Foundation, the Farmhouse once again is filled with the sounds of music.