



We offer opportunities for leadership development through special programs, officer and chairperson positions, and events.



We award grants for youth-related projects, like the archery teams to purchase equipment.



We make Christmas special for children in foster care each year when we buy presents for the Gingerbread Man program through the Dept. of Child Services.

## Previous Grants from the YGC include:

- Purchasing Legos and robotics Kits to start new clubs at Austin Elementary School
- Sponsoring Kids at Junior Achievement BizCamp, a program of the Greater Scott County Chamber of Commerce
- Providing support to Austin Middle/High Schools so students with special needs can go on community outings to learn socialization skills
- Providing snacks and transportation for Kids at Lexington Good Faith Preschool
- Providing music equipment and costumes for Austin and Scottsburg High Schools' band and choir programs
- Sponsoring children to receive free books in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program
- Purchasing equipment and materials for Special Olympics
- Providing materials for Scottsburg Kiwanis Club's BUGS (Bringing Up Grades) Program

Our grants have totaled almost \$44,000!!!

If you are interested in joining the YGC's Community Service Committee, please submit an application, which are accepted year-round, but approved twice a year, March and September. Students who are active participants in the Community Service Committee may be asked to join the YGC as open slots become available. Applications are available from the website or by email. Students must commit to at least 10 hours a year.



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# Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council



## Where Youth Are Making a Difference In Our Community!

"Don't believe all of the negative perceptions that are out there about youth. You, along with your families and communities can change things. You need to be part of a network of peers and adults who can work together to achieve a vision you may have... Young people are not in a 'waiting period'... waiting to be leaders, waiting to make a difference...young people matter now!"

~ Barbara Taveras, Philanthropist

## Are you interested in:

- ✓ Learning leadership skills?
- ✓ Volunteering your time and talents?
- ✓ Meeting new people?
- ✓ Serving your community?
- ✓ Giving money to causes?
- ✓ Addressing youth issues?

The Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council (YGC) is looking for motivated students who care about our community and want to give back! The Council is made up of youth from any public, private or home-schools who are residents or attend school in Scott County. You must be in fifth grade or higher to be a member. We now have 23 youth serving on the full YGC, and 42 youth from the community serving on the Community Service Committee.



We hold fundraisers each year like the Austin vs. Scottsburg alumni basketball game, to help pay for our conferences and other fun activities.



We do all kinds of community service projects, like stocking shelves at the Clearinghouse.

## What are we about??

The mission of the Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council is to improve the lives of the children of Scott County by providing them a voice through philanthropy.

We have several goals:

1. Provide opportunities for leadership development
2. Provide positive peer support
3. Learn about philanthropy and serving the community
4. Form a partnership with other youth and adults
5. Grow the endowment for the future
6. Educate the public about the YGC, its mission, and its activities both past and present.

## What do we do??

The YGC meets monthly to brainstorm creative ideas to raise money. Each year we accept applications for youth-related projects and then award grants to the community at a dinner. The YGC is very active in community service, and our Community Service Committee completes at least one project each month. Members receive leadership training and have the opportunity to attend conferences and conduct team-building exercises. We learn that anyone can be a philanthropist - giving your time, talent or treasure for the good of society!



We offer fun activities to develop decision-making and team-building skills. This year we visited Country Lake Christian Retreat's low ropes course.