

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



We award grants for youth-related projects, such as social outings for students with disabilities.



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:

- Providing support to the middle and high schools in both districts so students with special needs can go on community outings to learn socialization skills
- Sponsoring children in need to participate in programs such as football, 4-H, and Young Marines
- Purchasing equipment for the Scott County Robotics Team
- Providing equipment for school clubs such as Fellowship of Christian Athletes and eSports
- Purchasing microphones for a high school theater program
- Supporting Scott County EMPOWER's mission
- Sponsoring children to receive free books in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program

Our grants have totaled over \$72,000!!!

If you are interested in joining the YGC's Community Service Committee, please submit an application by August 1 of each year. Students who are active participants in the Community Service Committee may be asked to join the YGC's voting board as open slots become available. Applications are available from the website or by email. Students must commit to at least 10 hours a year. All applicants must go through an interview.

Scott County YGC



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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 YGC is made up of up youth from any public, private or home-schools who are residents or attend school in Scott County. You must be in sixth grade or higher to be a member. We now have 25 youth serving as voting board members, and 73 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 award more grants and support our operating.



We do all kinds of community service projects, like working 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 voting members meet monthly to conduct business such as fundraising and committee reports. Each year we accept applications for youth-related projects and then award grants to the community. The YGC is very active in community service, and we have at least one project each month. Members receive leadership training and experience teambuilding 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. In years past we visited Country Lake Christian Retreat to go through a low ropes course, play paintball, and enjoy a day on their lake.

