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# Scott County Community Foundation

# Community Connection

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May 15 was a beautiful day to celebrate Opening Day for the Scott County Farmers' Market! The community was very supportive and many people came to shop and support local farmers and artisans. The Scott County Heritage Center and Museum hosted a barn sale, a food truck served breakfast, and local musician Kayla Griffen performed.

We want to thank everyone who attended our ribbon-cutting ceremony. Construction was completed by J-A Broady Construction, and they did a beautiful job! The details on this structure make it very special and something our community can enjoy for many years to come. We are honored to provide this permanent structure as our gift to Scott County to celebrate its Bicentennial. Our county's agricultural roots and community heritage are important, and this structure will allow our community to showcase the great things we have to offer!

The Scott County Farmers' Market is open on Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. until noon at 1050 S. Main St., Scottsburg.



# Over \$142,000 Awarded During Community Grants Program

We awarded over \$142,000 in grants to several local agencies during our 2021 Community Grants Program. The agencies were formally honored at a grants breakfast.

The organizations, the purpose of the request and amount awarded are:

- Align Southern Indiana: operations for the 5-county initiative which works to align resources, address needs and produce sustainable solutions, \$2,500;
- CASA of Scott County: provide mileage reimbursement for advocates to support abused and neglected children, \$15,000;
- Child and Family Advocates: provide a counseling center for children and families, \$6,500;
- Cradle Pregnancy Resource Center: provide facility maintenance and upgrades, \$5,000;
- Gleaners Food Bank: provide schoolbased pantry program at Scottsburg High School, \$5,000;
- LifeSmart Youth: provide human growth and development curriculum to Austin elementary and middle school students, \$2,500;
- Preservation Alliance, Inc.: operational support for Scott County Heritage Center and Museum, \$1,500;
- Scott County Family YMCA: Champions Academy summer learning loss program, \$5,500;
- Scott County Partnership: AmeriCorps match for Clearinghouse, and Conquer the CHAOS high school poverty initiative, \$8,925;
- Scott County Partnership: program match for Covering Kids and Families health insurance navigator, \$7,000;
- Scottsburg Volunteer Fire Department: purchase repeater system piece and new radios, \$4,514.90;
- Still Water Individual and Family Therapy Services: therapy sessions for clients with financial need, \$3,000;
- The Refuge for Children: part-time case manager, \$20,000;
- THRIVE Recovery Community Organization: train recovery coaches, provide office

equipment and supplies, \$4,400;

• United Way of Scott County: provide free books for children from birth through age five through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, \$5,000.



The Donald R. Collins Sr. Family Fund provided funding for the grants to Preservation Alliance Inc. and CASA. The L.L. and Juanita Lowry Unrestricted Fund, and Laurence and Myrtle Bridge Memorial Fund, and Dale and Rosemarie Hobbs Fund provided funding for the grant to Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Through these families' memberships in the Forever Tree Society, earnings from their family funds are able to support specific charitable projects in the community.

The grants were also made possible from the Borden Family Community Granting Fund, Terry Fewell Memorial Unrestricted Fund, the Garten Foundation, Addie Mae Graham Memorial Fund, Lauren Graham Memorial Fund, Dustin and Derek Jones Memorial Fund, Hazel and Lowell Lowry Sr. Memorial Fund, John and Janice Martin Unrestricted Fund, Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund, Dr. William and Diann Scott Unrestricted Fund, Dan and Mary Lou Slattery Fund, Wesbanco Fund, Scott County Immediate Response Fund, Scott County Memorial Fund and Community Enrichment Fund.

The Board of Directors also awarded \$46,007 from the Scott County CAPE Educational Endowment Fund to the Scott County Partnership to continue educational initiatives through a Youth Resources Coordinator. These include LifeSkills and guidance activities at Austin and Scottsburg elementary and middle schools, coordinate youth summer feeding program, coordinate other educational programs including Reality Stores, Career Clusters and fairs, and Conquer the CHAOS poverty programs at both

Austin and Scottsburg high schools.

"As a lifelong resident of Scott County, I am very thankful to be a small part of what the Community Foundation does for our county," said Grants Committee Chairperson Ryan Payne. "This is my third year being on the grants committee and my first year being the chair and I continue to be amazed at all the great things that are going on in our community."

"The unfortunate part is the money that we have for grants only goes so far so if you have ever wanted to help out our community and didn't know what to do, please contact our Foundation office and learn how to be a donor today," added Payne.

To donate to any of our unrestricted funds and allow us to award more dollars to the community, you may mail your tax-deductible contribution to PO Box 25; Scottsburg, IN 47170.







# Over \$275,000 in Educational Assistance Awarded to Students

We were all thankful to have the scholarship award ceremonies back in-person this year! Over \$275,000 in educational assistance was awarded this year, including \$199,520 to our 2021 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship recipient, Logan Weilbaker. Congratulations to the following students:

- Alice and Gerald Miner Memorial Scholarship, \$4,500: Jordyn Johnson of Scottsburg High School;
- Arthur Gene Mayer Memorial Scholarship, \$800: Jameson Hale of Scottsburg High School;
- Charles G. and Lois D. Nolan Memorial Scholarship, \$750:
   Jackson Campbell of Scottsburg High School;
- Christie Crafton Memorial Scholarship, \$500: Treyton Owens of Scottsburg High School;
- Dale McNeely Memorial Scholarship: Isaac Johanningsmeier, \$11,000; Avery Kendall, \$9,750; Lyla Waskom, \$8,750—all of Scottsburg High School;
- Epply-Shields Memorial Scholarship, \$5,000: Jillian Smith of Scottsburg High School;
- Mary Elizabeth and Virgil S. Miller Memorial Scholarship, \$2,300 each: Misti Kimberlin of Austin High School,
   Friederich Ostertag of Scottsburg High School;
- Pilot Club Lifeline/Mary Allen and Jan Thompson Healthcare Scholarship (non-traditional adult students), \$1,500: Karrie Gricius;
- Robert G. Comer Memorial Scholarship, \$500: Nicholas Murphy of Scottsburg High School;
- Scott Memorial Hospital Guild Brunton-Mumford Memorial Scholarship, \$5,000 each: Caitlyn Royalty of Austin High School, Kristen Skelton of Scottsburg High School;
- Scott Memorial Hospital Ivy Tech Scholarship: Laynie Col-

- lins, \$1,000; Kierra Dennis, \$1,000; Melea Hardin, \$1,500; Hannah Martinson, \$1,500;
- Scott Memorial Hospital IUS Scholarship, \$3,615: Ashton Bowles
- Shelley Comer Akers Memorial Scholarship, \$500: Noah Smith of Scottsburg High School;
- Timothy Michael Wolf Memorial Scholarship, \$6,000: Eric Marcum; \$2,000 (non-traditional adult students): Madeline Crain;
- Walter S. and Clarice (White) Bridgewater Memorial Scholarship, \$500: Dale Morris of Scottsburg High School.





# **Save the Date: Homegrown Music Fest**

We are excited to announce a new fundraising event this year, the Homegrown Music Fest! Featuring local musicians Kayla Griffen, Lanny McIntosh, Curtis White and more, this evening will showcase local talent for a great cause!

The special event will take place Saturday, Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. at Ross Theater. Doors will open at 6 p.m. The cost is \$15 for ages 6 and older for those who pre-purchase tickets, and \$20 at the door. Ages 5 and under are free. Concessions will be available for purchase.

In an effort to promote our historic downtown, local restaurants and businesses will be open on Saturday so visitors can shop and eat before enjoying a night of music. Details of these partnering businesses will be announced later.

We would like to thank our sponsors Scott County Visitors Commission, Duke Energy, Ivy Tech Community College, Blue & Co., New Washington State Bank, Morgan Foods, Scott County School District 1, Scott County School District 2, The West Family, and Clark County REMC. For information on sponsorship, please contact our office.



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# YGC Awards \$7,750 in Grants for Youth Projects

The Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council ("YGC"), a program of the Scott County Community Foundation, awarded \$7,750 in grants to youth-related projects in the community. The YGC honored grant recipients at their annual celebration on June 3.

Austin Band Parents' Group was awarded \$550 to provide instruments for beginning band students in need.

Austin Middle and High School was awarded \$1,000 for "Life Skills in the Community." Teacher Lee Anne Hahn will take her students on restaurant outings to help teach life and social skills.

Bree's Blessings received \$1,000 for "Crafty Corner." They will provide pediatric cancer patients with digital workshops on art and music activities.

EMPOWER of Scott County received \$500 for their "Building Resiliency in Scott County Youth" project. They will host a town hall and an Amazing Race competition.

Englishton Park was awarded \$500 to provide clothes for campers at their summer camp remediation program.

Grace Christian Academy received \$200 for their "Turn Off the Technology - Turn On the Brain" project. They purchased games to engage their brains during indoor recess.

Historic Preservation Society of Scottsburg received \$500 for their summer children's movie series.

Johnson Elementary School was awarded \$500 to provide incentives

for their HERO positive behavior incentive program.

Ohio Valley Opportunities - Head Start Scottsburg was awarded \$1,000 for a preschool greenhouse project where children can engage in hands-on learning experiences growing and eating produce.



Gavin Borden and Ryan Howser present a grant to Austin Band Parents' Group.

Still Water Individual and Family Therapy Services was awarded \$1,000 for their youth mental health treatment scholarship fund.

The Refuge for Children was awarded \$500 to purchase items for their game room.

United Way of Scott County received \$500 for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library initiative, which provides free books for children from birth through age five.

"It is an honor to be able to grant money to so many wonderful organizations this year," said Grants Committee co-chair Lyla Waskom. "I cannot wait to see all of the wonderful things these organizations do for the youth of Scott County."