MARSHALL COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT
Twenty-five years ago, Jan Garrison organized a series of meetings with community leaders to discuss the concept of a Community Foundation for Marshall County.

A leadership team formed. A legacy was begun. Our Community Foundation became a catalyst to unite the county and established a vision never before experienced. We are forever indebted to the courage and vision of the Founding Members and Donors to the Foundation.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Page</th>
<th>Section</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>From the Executive Director</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Statement of Activities</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>How Did GIFT VI Impact the County?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Thank You for Meeting the GIFT VI Challenge</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>John Marshall Legacy Society</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>4-H: Empowering Young People to Lead for a Lifetime</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>A Legacy of Love</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>A Hometown Heroine Continues to Inspire</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td>Protecting the Diamond Waters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>Fearlessly Creating</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>Generating Safety</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25</td>
<td>Making a Difference</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26</td>
<td>The Future is Bright</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28</td>
<td>New Funds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30</td>
<td>Active Endowment and NonPermanent Funds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>34</td>
<td>Community Fund Grant Awards by Round</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>39</td>
<td>Come Celebrate our 25th Anniversary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>40</td>
<td>Financial Charts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>42</td>
<td>Staff and Contact Information</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
We are pleased to present to you the Marshall County Community Foundation’s Annual Report for the years 2013 - 2015. Twenty-five years ago, a group of visionaries came together with a dream for our community - giving rise to sacrificial service, breathtaking philanthropy and a strengthening of our community spirit. Today, the Marshall County Community Foundation has $32.6 million in assets, holds more than 335 funds, and has given more than $12.9 million in grants over our proud history.

However, the work of the Foundation is so much more. A hallmark of the American experience has been our enduring belief that a group of committed citizens can make a difference. Whether identifying problems and mobilizing people to solve them, tapping into our real-time knowledge of what communities need and deserve, or marshalling the resources required to improve quality of life, MCCF and the nonprofit community - unlike any other sector of society - embodies the highest ideals of the American people: our collective commitment to serving others and creating a better world for all.

MCCF’s true impact is told in the stories of lives touched - both by giving and receiving. You will notice in this annual report that some of the lists of donors and funds we have traditionally shared have transitioned into stories. This is intentional. We want you to see the Foundation’s work as more than facts and figures - our work is contained in the stories of individuals and families and fearless nonprofits - whether they create a new fund or benefit from a grant.

In these pages, you will read about GIFT VI and the tremendous boost of giving and future building this initiative created in Marshall County. You will learn about the promise of planned giving and how you can get involved. Hopefully, you will become as entranced as we are with the exciting stories of giving and hope-building that is behind the day-to-day work of the Marshall County Community Foundation.

Join us as we celebrate the first 25 years of the Marshall County Community Foundation. Join us as we dream what the next 25 years will bring. Together, the sky is the limit.

Linda Yoder, Executive Director
Marshall County Community Foundation
Marshall County Community Foundation, Inc.
Selected Financial Information Statements of Activities and Net Assets
for the Year Ended June 30

**REVENUE:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2013</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Contributions</td>
<td>$1,850,898</td>
<td>$203,056</td>
<td>$485,018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Donated Services and Gifts In-Kind</td>
<td>6,216</td>
<td>11,417</td>
<td>11,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Administrative Fee Income</td>
<td>233,231</td>
<td>222,097</td>
<td>219,591</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Investment Income</td>
<td>570,575</td>
<td>479,906</td>
<td>572,266</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Realized Gains (Losses) on Investments</td>
<td>690,916</td>
<td>1,344,281</td>
<td>1,965,069</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments</td>
<td>(1,189,643)</td>
<td>1,379,851</td>
<td>(114,918)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Loss on Disposal of Assets</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>(2,633)</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Income</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>242</td>
<td>4,115</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Change in Value of Split Interest Agreements</td>
<td>(17,255)</td>
<td>11,193</td>
<td>3,423</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>2,144,938</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,649,410</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,145,564</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**EXPENSES:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2013</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Program Services</td>
<td>1,083,888</td>
<td>973,345</td>
<td>720,275</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Management and General</td>
<td>198,676</td>
<td>211,286</td>
<td>104,822</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fund Raising</td>
<td>66,219</td>
<td>71,554</td>
<td>119,434</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>1,348,783</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,256,185</strong></td>
<td><strong>944,531</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Change in Net Assets</td>
<td><strong>796,155</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,393,225</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,201,033</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Net Assets at Beginning of Year
- As Previously Stated | 23,530,207 | 21,136,982 | 18,935,949 |
- Prior Period Adjustment | 2,744,981 |          |          |
- Net Assets at Beginning of Year, As Restated | 26,275,188 |          |          |

Net Assets at End of Year
- $27,071,343 | $23,530,207 | $21,136,982 |

**Statements Of Financial Position As Of June 30**

**ASSETS:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2013</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cash, Receivables and Other Assets</td>
<td>$689,982</td>
<td>$92,509</td>
<td>$474,818</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Investments and Charitable Remainder Trusts</td>
<td>30,915,667</td>
<td>30,823,787</td>
<td>28,146,489</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Property and Equipment - Net</td>
<td>4,353</td>
<td>6,253</td>
<td>11,368</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL ASSETS</strong></td>
<td><strong>31,610,002</strong></td>
<td><strong>30,922,549</strong></td>
<td><strong>28,632,675</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**LIABILITIES:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2013</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Agency Liabilities</td>
<td>4,016,236</td>
<td>7,023,385</td>
<td>7,228,148</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Liabilities</td>
<td>522,423</td>
<td>368,957</td>
<td>267,545</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL LIABILITIES</strong></td>
<td><strong>4,538,659</strong></td>
<td><strong>7,392,342</strong></td>
<td><strong>7,495,693</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NET ASSETS:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2013</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Unrestricted</td>
<td>26,553,959</td>
<td>22,887,196</td>
<td>20,416,610</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temporarily Restricted</td>
<td>517,384</td>
<td>643,011</td>
<td>720,372</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL NET ASSETS</strong></td>
<td><strong>27,071,343</strong></td>
<td><strong>23,530,207</strong></td>
<td><strong>21,136,982</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**
- $31,610,002 | $30,922,549 | $28,632,675

The selected information listed above has been derived from financial statements audited by Kruggel, Lawton & Company LLC (2013 and 2014) and Estep Burkey Simmons LLC (2015). Copies of the complete financial statements and related notes are available by contacting the Marshall County Community Foundation, Inc. office.
How Did GIFT VI Impact the County?

With more than $1 million in new funds, the Marshall County Community Foundation successfully met fundraising goals set for the Lilly Endowment Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT) Phase VI matching challenge. In 2014, the Lilly Endowment announced GIFT VI, an effort to promote sustainable and effective community foundations in Indiana. Based on population, Marshall County was eligible for $500,000 in matching dollars to grow funds for strategic grantmaking in our community.

Thanks to the generosity of donors who share a passion and vision for Marshall County, MCCF received the full $500,000 in match from Lilly Endowment. In total 116 individuals and businesses gave $674,400 in gifts. With the match provided by Lilly Endowment, the Foundation’s endowment has grown by $1,174,400.

Due to GIFT VI’s impact, MCCF will be able to make $47,000 in additional grants to the community each year forever. That translates to an additional $1,175,000 over the next 25 years to address the most pressing needs and compelling opportunities in our community.

As part of the Lilly Endowment challenge, a target of 50 percent in unrestricted funds was set. These funds are the most responsive and flexible in addressing current and emerging needs in the community through competitive grant rounds. Through the GIFT VI challenge, seven new named unrestricted funds were started. These funds will provide a legacy and continue to help great ideas take flight for generations to come.

The Lilly Endowment’s GIFT VI initiative was a resounding success. Upon her final report to the MCCF Board of Directors, GIFT VI Chair Louise Mason noted with emotion, “The energy and passion I felt from everyone I talked to about GIFT VI was incredible. Marshall County is full of so many giving people who want to do so much for our community!”
Lilly Endowment launched the GIFT (Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow) initiative in 1990 to encourage the establishment of community foundations as vehicles to improve the quality of life in Indiana communities. Lilly Endowment GIFT grants and other related programs have effectively been used to strengthen community foundations. Now, 94 community foundations and county affiliate funds throughout Indiana have an aggregate value of $2 billion and have paid grants totaling more than $915 million. The remarkable success of this program was achieved through the imagination, generosity, commitment and leadership of thousands of donors, volunteers and foundation staff members throughout the state.

The Phase VI fundraising challenge ended March 31, 2016. This phase was the sixth Lilly Endowment initiative to provide matching challenges to Indiana community foundations since 1990.

**New Unrestricted Named Funds**
- Barbara and Ralph Winters Community Fund
- Brian and Patricia Kitch Family Community Fund
- C & M Overmyer Unrestricted Endowment Fund
- iAB Financial Bank Community Fund
- John and Kay Finlay Community Fund
- Philip and Sylvia Bieghler Community Fund
- Paul and Carol Nye Community Fund
Thank You for Meeting the GIFT VI Challenge

**Angel Wings Donors $10,000 and above**
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rettinger
Dr. and Mrs. James Rimel
Isabel and Ignacio Sanchez
Marie J. Sanchez
Sam and Karen Schlosser
Charles Schramm
Don Thompson and Jill Long Thompson
Dick and Carol Troester

**Diamond Wings Donors $5,000 - $9,999**
Brian and Kelly Baker
Beacon Credit Union
Brian and Patty Dietz
Center Thrift Shop-FUCC-Bremen
CTE Solutions
James and Ann Davis
Brian and Carla McCormack
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rohr
John and Julie Small Jr.
Beth Styers
James and Susan Wagner
Dr. Jim White
The Wooden Peel
Linda K. Yoder

**Platinum Wings Donors $2,500 - $4,999**
Philip and Sylvia Bieghler
John and Kay Finlay
James and Toots Henderson
Michael and Connie Overmyer

**Gold Wings Donors $1,000 - $2,499**
Anonymous
Carol L. Bowen
Collins & Company Realtors
James Erwin
Donald Fites
Kathryn Hiatt
Joan Hunt
Scott A. Joyner
Robert and Carolyn Kline
Betty Lou Laramore
Dr. Craig Miller
Don and Nancy Newton
Ralph and Barbara Pedersen
In honor of Paul True Snyder

**Bronze Wings Donors $25 - $499**
Anonymous
Marcia P. Adams
David and Tara Bailey
Barton Haynes Household
Julie Bess
Frances and Dennis Beville
Mark and Dar Blubaugh
Jim and Donna Burroughs
John and Julie Chamberlin
Michael and Ann Chastain
Terry and Julie Clemens-VanGilder
and Deaton Clemens Funeral Homes
Tommy and Patricia Conrad
Culver’s Portside Marina
Darrel and Janice Curneal
  *In memory of Phyllis L. Lyons*
Draycen DeCator
Mr. and Mrs. Don F. Dick
Gabrielle Dilorenzo
Mark and Jill Engle
Fourway Computer Products, Inc.
Beth and Eric Freeman
Kurt and Chris Garner
Jerry and Bev Gates
Ms. Stephanie Hall
Noel and Phyllis Hawley
Kim and Carol Hochstetler
Rick and Alice Huff
Eric and Barb Johnson
Jim and Babs Johnson
Derek and Lisa Jones
Gerald and Dee Kiefer
Connie Kreps
  *In memory of Phyllis Lyons*
Amy Kruger
The Lakehouse Grille
LaPaz Lions Club Members
Mr. Michael Logan
  *In memory of Daniel J. Woolley*
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Logan
  *In memory of Daniel J. Woolley*
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Logan
  *In memory of Daniel J. Woolley*
Mr. and Mrs. John McCreary
  *In memory of Daniel J. Woolley*
Josh and Renee Miracle
Mystic Hills Golf Club
Jill Neidlinger
Janet Newberg
Judy Newberg
Thomas M. Pedavoli, DDS
Ed and Lora Pinder
Morris D. Riddle
Jayne Roahrig
Jud Rouch
Britni Salazar
  *In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jared Weidner*
Jan Salazar
  *In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jared Weidner*
Paul and Valori Schoberg
Alex Selamat
  *In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jared Weidner*
Homer and Jean Seltenright
Ren and Beverly VanGilder
Duane and Geneal Walters
Jared Weidner
Paul and Joyce Winn
Amanda Yap
  *In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jared Weidner*
Bonnie Yeazel
When you make a planned gift, you are choosing to leave a legacy. The Marshall County Community Foundation established the John Marshall Legacy Society to honor planned gift donors. Planned giving donors understand the power of endowment and know that the assets given to the MCCF will continue to grow and support good works for generations to come.

John Marshall served on the United States Supreme Court. His tenure as Chief Justice (1801–1835) produced decisions that became fundamentals of U.S. law. Chief Justice Marshall accomplished much during his life and, by his actions, left a positive legacy affecting generations far beyond his lifetime. Our own Marshall County was named in his honor.

If you would like to discuss making a planned gift and becoming a member of the John Marshall Legacy Society, or if you have questions about the best way for you to benefit through a planned gift, please call us at 574.935.5159. We would love to meet and talk.

Members of the John Marshall Legacy Society are invited to take advantage of the following opportunities

- Your planned gift could include an IRA, a charitable gift annuity, an insurance policy, securities, retirement assets, real estate or a gift bequest in your will or testamentary trust. Together, we can select the right fit for you and your family.
- Name your charitable fund to honor your loved ones. ($5,000 minimum required for a separate fund. Lesser amounts welcome for existing funds.)
- Share your personal history through stories and photographs for future generations who will receive grants from your fund.
- Attend special events designed for generous people who have provided for the Marshall County Community Foundation in their estate plans.
- Receive recognition in Marshall County Community Foundation publications so that others might follow your example of community stewardship and leadership. *(You may, of course, choose anonymity instead.)*
Members of the John Marshall Legacy Society

Marjorie Ann Baker
Dr. Donald Balka
David R. Barkmeier
Berniece Irene Burket*
Ruth and Lawrence Castaldi*
James R. Cook*
Kurt Garner
Inez Humbert*
Scott Joyner
Geraldine M. Keller*
Dorothy E. Kinney*
Wilma Leman*
Larry R. Linhart
Elizabeth Marshall*
Floyd R. Mattix*
Herman and Florence Mattix*
Mary C. and Samuel E. Perkins*
Dorothy L. Peterson*
Ernie and Bernie Rightley*
Jayne Roahrig
Sam and Karen Schlosser
Ralph C. Vonnegut, Jr.*
John R. and Beverly J. Wien
Linda K. Yoder

*Deceased
James and Debra Read
Marshall County 4-H Endowment Fund
Established: 2013
Funds disbursed to end of FY 2015: $1000
Fund creator: Anonymous
Total number of grants awarded: 1

Marshall County 4-H Council
Memorial Scholarship Fund
Established 1998; Funds dispersed to end of FY 2015: $3,169
Fund creator: Marshall County 4-H Council
Total number of grants awarded: 7

Marshall County 4-H Horse and Pony Scholarship Fund
Established 1998; Funds dispersed to end of FY 2015: $2,640
Fund creator: Marshall County 4-H Horse and Pony Scholarship Committee
Total number of grants awarded: 9
4-H is the largest youth development organization in America, and it is difficult to overstate the impact 4-H has on the Marshall County community. 4-H empowers young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime and is delivered by Cooperative Extension - a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people learn by doing.

Started in the late 1800’s as a way to introduce new agriculture technology to communities, today 4-H serves youth in rural, urban, and suburban communities in every state. 4-H’ers are tackling the nation’s top issues, from global food security, climate change and sustainable energy to childhood obesity and food safety. 4-H out-of-school programming, in-school enrichment programs, clubs and camps also offer a wide variety of STEM opportunities – from agricultural and animal sciences to rocketry, robotics, environmental protection and computer science – to improve the nation’s ability to compete in key scientific fields and take on the leading challenges of the 21st century.

4-H is, above all else, about learning and growing. Many adults in our community had a special project or two in 4-H. Perhaps some fondly remember the special bond they formed with their livestock while preparing for fair. From cows and chickens, to rabbits and horses - the lessons learned are never forgotten. Yet 4-H is not merely about memories of the past - it is a foundation for our children’s futures.

“In rural Marshall County, 4-H is an institution. An institution the Marshall County Community Foundation is proud to support.”
Neva enjoyed a loving marriage of 53 years to her husband, Lewis, whom she met at the First State Bank of Bourbon. Starting as a bank teller, Neva was a true trailblazer for her time, working outside the home when that was not the norm and making a 50 year career at the bank. Together, Neva and Lewis had three children, Ralph, Brad and Charlotte. An avid photographer, her children treasure the boxes upon boxes of photos she collected over her long life.

Neva was born, lived and died within a two square mile radius outside of Bourbon. Marshall County was in her blood and she dearly loved to serve and take part in the community. Neva’s daughter, Charlotte noted, “Mom’s joy was Marshall County. If someone was homebound, she would always visit. Mom loved being part of people’s lives.”

Neva set up scholarships with the Marshall County Community Foundation during her life, in the firm belief that education was central and key for young people’s futures. When presented with the idea, the evolution of Neva’s generous planned gift to the MCCF was natural to her children; to see the money their mother made and saved over a lifetime through her hard work going back to the community she loved so dearly was the perfect fit.

“This gift is Mom’s gift. Her pride in being able to help others is one of my fondest memories,” said her son, Brad. “Marshall County was her beloved community. We want to honor that. For Mom, for her grandchildren and the generations to come.”

Neva had delicate, small cursive handwriting and had a habit of leaving “thank you” notes everywhere she went. Today, her thank you notes are seen in all the good works and projects her legacy funds.

Thank you!
Neva Mason established three donor-advised funds by naming MCCF as the beneficiary of an IRA; one for each of her children. Each year they will decide what charitable causes will be supported from the respective funds.
Karen Neeley is a hero. Karen’s love for God and His faithfulness gave her strength through her diagnosis with lung cancer. Karen, an avid runner, displayed extraordinary courage and her positive outlook inspired and gave hope to many. She is not remembered as a cancer patient, but rather as a brave and faithful follower of Jesus Christ.

Karen deeply loved children, and had a passion for teaching and mentoring students. The mission of the Randy Neeley b STRONG 31:6 Fund, created in her honor, is to continue her legacy by helping children and families in the Bremen community to thrive in faith, education, and fitness.

Walk into Bremen Elementary and you see Karen’s legacy in every student proudly passing by in a bright green b STRONG t-shirt. b STRONG stones, sold as fundraisers, are around every corner - a constant reminder of community pride and a belief in excellence.

“Karen always had time for her students. It is amazing how many kids who are not natural runners take part in the b STRONG run. In fact, they wouldn’t miss it,” said Larry Yelaska, principal of Bremen Elementary-Middle School.

“The children really want to honor her legacy. She believed in her kids. And now, they believe in themselves too.”
The children really want to honor her legacy. She believed in her kids. And now, they believe in themselves too.

Randy Neeley b STRONG 31:6
Donor Advised Fund

Year created: 2015
Fund creator: Randy Neeley, in memory of his wife Karen Neeley. Friends of Karen Neeley, Jennifer Ecenbarger and Michele Hartsough, organize an annual one mile walk/run and 10k as a family event to celebrate life, fitness and community. Net proceeds support the b STRONG 31:6 Fund.
How Ralph Made His Planned Gift

A Charitable Remainder Trust provides the most flexibility and potentially the greatest tax savings of all the Foundation’s planned giving options. A Charitable Remainder Trust is a lump-sum gift to the MCCF, from which donors or their designated beneficiaries receive annual payments. These payments may be either fixed or based on a specified percentage of the trust’s changing value, as specified by the donor. Once the beneficiary(ies) are deceased, the remainder of the trust is added to an endowed fund at the Community Foundation, created or selected by the fundholder.

Ask us about this and other planned giving options such as IRA’s, insurance policies, securities and more.
Ralph Vonnegut, Jr. grew up in Indianapolis and attended Shortridge High School. As a young man he earned the rank of Eagle Scout and spent his summers at Lake Maxinkuckee in Culver. Ralph was a graduate of Wabash College and went on to a career as a farmer and stockbroker. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoyed nature, sailing, kayaking and was a voracious reader.

With a love of Lake Maxinkuckee in his heart, Ralph eventually returned to the Lake as a full time resident and named Marshall County Community Foundation in his planned giving as the beneficiary of a Charitable Remainder Unitrust. After he passed, his family expressed their wish to see these assets reflect his love of the area by providing benefit to Lake Maxinkuckee. The Ralph C. Vonnegut, Jr. Fund was established with an endowment fund of $400,000. Every year, grants are awarded to environmental, educational, or recreational projects directly related to Lake Maxinkuckee.

The Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council is one of those beneficiaries. Working toward the preservation of an ecologically sound Lake Maxinkuckee and its surrounding watershed, you can see their work and dedication in every ripple of the gorgeous lake and nearby wetlands.

“We’ve worked so hard these past years,” said Kathy Clark, Executive Director of the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council. “The Vonnegut Fund has been such a blessing, to have someone support our mission.”

“Ralph would be proud. His planned giving is giving fruit. The future of Lake Max is bright indeed.”
MoonTree Studios Endowment Fund

Endowment fund established in 2013 under a Building Toward Endowment agreement which provides five years for the fund to reach the $5000 minimum balance required for new endowment funds. Within three years, a generous donor helped reach the minimum goal. First distribution will be available in 2016-17.
Fearlessly Creating

The Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ are a contemplative order. Full of mindfulness, the Poor Handmaids believe artistic creativity is a God-given quality and one to celebrate. In short, when they founded MoonTree Studios, they had a unique vision for Marshall County.

“For us, life is about art, ecology and spirituality. All three are as connected as we are to the Earth,” said Evelyn Schwenk, MoonTree Studios Coordinator. “We offer experiences here. We do not just take from the Earth. We give back and teach as well.”

The sisters have created a space that offers plein air painting in the restored prairie surrounding MoonTree Studios, or opportunity to explore nearby wetlands to identify plants and learn together. Through it all, whether a paint brush, yoga mat or rubber boots may be necessary, the drive to create permeates the entire complex and endeavor.

Imagination is key. Opening one’s heart to artistic self-expression in the midst of Marshall County - and creating unique experiences both inside and outside of the studio.

“People are afraid to try. We teach, practice and live fearlessly creative lives here.”
Generating Safety

When there is a power outage in Lapaz, the fire department’s generator is a life-line for the community. The fire station is a Red Cross site and has sheltered families through snow storms, tornados and crisis. The Lapaz North Township Fire Department includes 23 volunteer members who respond to over 300 runs each year. Acting as a rendezvous point for the community, the firefighters need power in their station, even when the lights go out in homes in the area.

“You don’t know how much you need something until it is gone,” noted Fire Chief Chris Oginsky, of when the fire department’s generator broke. “We don’t have a lot of ‘wants.’ We go to what we need.”

The Lapaz North Township Fire Department applied for an MCCF grant to help pay for a new generator. Working together, MCCF, the fire department and the combined might of many generous donors replaced the generator. The new generator may not be much to look at, but running off natural gas ensures that the Lapaz North Township Fire Department will continue to be there to serve the community. No matter the crisis.

“This new generator makes us self-sufficient and allows us to expand,” Fire Chief Oginsky continued.

“I want to say ‘thank you’ to the Marshall County Community Foundation for helping us replace this. You were there when we needed you.”
The Lapaz North Township Fire Department received a $10,000 grant from the Marshall County Community Foundation. Nonprofits and service organizations across Marshall County are eligible to apply for these grants on a semi-annual basis. Over the history of the Foundation, more than $3.4 million has been awarded in this manner.
Marshall County Neighborhood Center Endowment Fund

Established in 2013 when the Making a Difference campaign provided a special 10 percent match for nonprofit organizations. Within a year, the Marshall County Neighborhood Endowment Fund had grown from a modest $1500 to nearly $75,000.
Making a Difference

The Marshall County Neighborhood Center has over 30 years of history and provides basic needs through their community food and clothing pantry. The MCNC serves more than 400 families a month in the food pantry alone. During the holidays they distribute Thanksgiving baskets and Christmas gifts throughout Marshall County. They are a friendly face and open arms when life throws a curveball.

In the past few years, the Neighborhood Center has experienced a staggering increase in demand for their services. “We see hundreds of people from working-class backgrounds, suddenly facing unemployment, mounting debt, foreclosures… so much uncertainty,” said Sara Hill, Executive Director of the MCNC. The Neighborhood Center takes a one-on-one approach, working side-by-side with households committed to improving their own self-sufficiency.

The new Marshall County Neighborhood Center Endowment Fund, established through the support of generous donors, is helping to create a financial bedrock for MCNC operations. Together with their annual fundraising and support from the United Way of Marshall County, the Neighborhood Center is emblematic of the wide community support needed to improve the quality of life for people who need it most.

“All combined, we are proud to know that we are a strong advocate and source of quality assistance to our most vulnerable neighbors in need.”

“Together we can make a difference. We are the heart of the neighborhood.”
You can see the future of Marshall County in the eyes of Mark and Sarah (Klink) Roberts. Promising students at Plymouth High School - Sarah was the valedictorian of their class - they both applied for and received the Samuel Elliot Perkins IV Memorial Scholarships in 2008. The Foundation-administered Perkins Scholarship immediately ushered the high school sweethearts into a tight-knit fellowship of Purdue alumni and an invaluable support system.

“Marshall County is far and ahead of other counties when it comes to supporting their students,” Mark said. “Having the financial burden lightened by the scholarship meant we could focus on our studies. The Foundation and Purdue Alumni Club of Marshall County went above and beyond for us.”

Mark and Sarah completed their studies at Purdue, married and returned to Marshall County to begin their lives as newlyweds. Mark now works at Zimmer Biomet and Sarah is a pharmacist at Kroger. Building their lives in the community that invested in their education was important to the Roberts as they begin the next chapter - parenthood and welcoming their son, Drew. On a personal level, Sarah said that settling down to raise a family in Marshall County made the most sense for the couple.

The Perkins Scholarship is open to all high school students in Marshall County. Empowering young people to build their lives in Marshall County - and encouraging others to re-locate here or perhaps even return - is one of the many goals of the Foundation.

“The Future is Bright

Now that we are living in Marshall County, I can’t imagine anywhere else we would want to raise our little boy!”

Samuel Elliot Perkins IV Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 2002, by Mary C. Perkins in memory of her husband.
Scholarship Selection Committee: Purdue Alumni Club of Marshall County.
Total scholarships awarded: 203
Total dollars awarded: $398,800
New Funds  Calendar Years 2013-2015 and new GIFT VI Funds  
(italics = nonpermanent funds)

ARTS AND CULTURE
Bowen Family Veterans Therapeutic Art Center Fund (2013)
Heartland Artists Endowment Fund (2013)
MoonTree Studios Endowment Fund (2013)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Barbara and Ralph Winters Community Fund (2014)
Bourbon Fire Department Fire Truck Fund (2013)
Brian and Patricia Kitch Family Community Fund (2015)
iAB Financial Bank Community Fund (2016)
John and Kay Finlay Community Fund (2016)
Marshall County REMC Operation Roundup Fund (2013)
Paul and Carol Nye Community Fund (2016)
Philip and Sylvia Bieghler Community Fund (2016)

DONOR ADVISED
5 M’s Endowment Fund (2015)
Brad and Angela Mason Family Donor Advise Fund (2015)
Ralph and Louise Mason Family Donor Advised Fund (2015)

EDUCATION
Argos Community Schools Endowment Fund (2013)
PHS 3 L’s Fund (2014)
Triton FFA Alumni NonPermanent Fund (2013)
Triton FFA Endowment Fund (2013)
Triton School Corporation Endowment Fund (2013)

FAITH BASED
St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church Endowment Fund (2014)
Will and Danielle Holland Crossroads Church Endowment Fund (2013)
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

*Argos Lions Club “We Roar” NonPermanent Fund (2013)*
*Culver Lions Club NonPermanent Fund (2013)*
Disabled Veterans Medical Transportation Endowment Fund (2015)
*Disabled Veterans Medical Transportation NonPermanent Fund (2015)*
*Marshall County Council on Aging NonPermanent Fund (2013)*
Marshall County Neighborhood Center Endowment Fund (2013)
*Marshall County Neighborhood Center NonPermanent Fund (2013)*
Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center Emergency Department Fund (2014)

SCHOLARSHIPS

*Argos Dollars For Scholars Flexible NonPermanent Fund (2013)*
Bruce and Vivian VanDerWeele Scholarship Fund (2014)
*Caroline (Doll) Mikel Memorial Scholarship Fund (2014)*
Charles King Memorial Scholarship Fund (2015)
*Compton Engineering Scholarship Fund (2013)*
Culver Lions Club Scholarship Fund (2013)
*Desi Jones Memorial Scholarship Fund (2015)*
Dr. David R. Barkmeier Top Research Universities Scholarship Fund (2014)
G. Ernest and Bernadine Rightley Scholarship Fund (2014)
Larry Dumph Memorial Scholarship Fund (2015)
*Mavis Shank Memorial Scholarship Fund (2015)*
Ralph and Louise Mason Scholarship Fund (2014)
*Tri Kappa Beta Delta Chapter - Plymouth Tri Kappa Scholarship Fund (2013)*

YOUTH AND FAMILY

*Culver Boys and Girls Club Flexible NonPermanent Fund (2013)*
James and Debra Read Marshall County 4-H Endowment Fund (2013)
Additional Active Endowment and NonPermanent Funds

(italics = nonpermanent funds)

ARTS AND CULTURE
Antiquarian & Historical Society Endowment Fund
*Antiquarian & Historical Society NonPermanent Fund*
Charles and Gretchen Kimble Fund
Culver-Union Township Public Library
Dustin Lee Ronk Memorial Fund
Marcia Price Art Fund
Marshall County Historical Society Fund
Mary A. and William S. Young Arts Fund
Plymouth Arts Commission Fund
Plymouth Public Library Fund
William S. & Mary A. Young Arts Fund
Wythougan Valley Preservation Council Fund

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
B.E.A.M. Youth Philanthropy Fund
Bourbon Public Library Endowment Fund
*BOW-WOW Friends Fund*
Bremen Insulated Wire Fund
CAPE Endowment Fund
City of Plymouth Fund
*Culver Chamber of Commerce Fund*
Habitat for Humanity
Ines M. Humbert Memorial Fund
Jennifer S. Maddox Operating Endowment Fund
*Kappa Kappa Kappa, Inc., Beta Delta Chapter Fund*
Katherine E. Garn Cemetery Fund
Kiwanis Club of Triton Endowment Fund
Leman Gift Fund
Margaret Ellen Widmar Fund
Marion McCormack Memorial
Marshall County Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund
Marshall County Humane Society, Inc. Fund
MCCF Community Fund
*Nelson and Wilma Leman Family Lead Trust 2*
*Nelson and Wilma Leman Family/MCCF Fund*
Newman Family Zion Cemetery Fund
Plymouth Masonic Building Fund
Plymouth Rotary Club Fund
*Plymouth Tennis Facility NonPermanent Fund*
Samuelson Family Swedish Cemetery Fund
*Sharks Build-a-Pool Fund/PAC*
*Tusing Family Community Fund*
United Way of Marshall County Endowment Fund
*United Way of Marshall County NonPermanent Fund*
Youth Leadership Marshall County

DONOR ADVISED
Beyond The Boundaries Fund
Don S. and Sharon J. Balka Donor Advised Fund
Embarq Community Fund
G G McMillen Fund
Gibson Family Fund
Glenn & Janellyn Borden Family Fund
Gooch Family Fund
James A. and Mary E. Henderson Donor Advised Fund
Jane Bidwell Fund
Jay F. & SueAnn Bates Family Fund
John and Kay Finlay Fund
Laramore Family Fund
Leman Gift Fund
LIFT Fund
Lopp Family Fund
Nelson and Wilma Leman Family NonPermanent Fund
Olivine Shaw Fund
Otis R. and Carol L. Bowen Trust Fund
Robert & Leona Gottschalk Fund
Tom and Joan Gunterman Fund
Trone Family Fund
Vance F. and Deborah A. Lopp Fund

EDUCATION
Ancilla College Fund
Ancilla College Lewis Erwin Memorial Fund
Bremen Public Schools Education Endowment Fund
Culver Building Trades
Elwood H. & Carol H. Hillis Charitable Fund
Holy Family Foundation Fund
International Harvester Collector’s Club Northern Indiana Chapter 33 Fund
John J. Oliver Speech and Debate Fund
Leadership Marshall County Fund
Leadership Marshall County NonPermanent
M Seven (M7) Global Fund
Marshall County Friends of Culver
Marshall Farmers Mutual Scholarship Fund
Palbykin Award
Plymouth Building Trades Corp Fund
Plymouth Community Orchestra Group
Plymouth Education Foundation Endowment Fund
St. Michael Catholic Church Tuition Assistance Fund
Triton Jr/Sr. High School Fund
Wilma S. Leman Franklin College Fund

ENVIRONMENT
DeVota Schramm Memorial Fund
Frank VanGilder Fund for Magnetic Park
Herschell J. and Gladys M. Umbaugh Fund for Plymouth Park & Recreation
Jane’s Park Endowment
Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Fund/Curtiss Ditch Escrow
Potawatomi Park Fund
Ralph C. Vonnegut, Jr. Fund

FAITH BASED
Cecil and Berniece Burket Mission Fund
First United Church of Christ Bremen Indiana Fund
First United Methodist Church Endowment Fund
First United Methodist Church of Bourbon Endowment Fund
Guild Family Fund
Melba L. Reese Memorial Fund
Trinity United Methodist Mission Scholarship
Umbaugh-Garro Fund
Wanda J. Falconbury Memorial Fund

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Argos Lions “We Serve” Fund
Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. Endowment Fund
Community Hospital of Bremen Foundation Endowment Fund
Craig Woolfington Cancer Research Fund
Ernestine Kelley Fund
*Lifeplex Community Wellness Foundation Fund*
Marshall-Starke Development Center, Inc.
Michiana Benevolent Society, Inc.
*Ounce of Prevention Fund*
Plymouth Kiwanis Disabled Children’s Fund
Richard and Ernestine Edel Endowment Fund
Saint Joseph Community Health Fund
Thornburg/Donnelly Fund
*United Way Agency NonPermanent Fund*
United Way of Marshall County Endowment Fund

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

3 C’s Scholarship Fund
Alberta Middaugh Memorial Scholarship
Ancilla College-Ruth and Lawrence Castaldi Scholarship Fund
Argos Dollars for Scholars
*Argos Dollars for Scholars NonPermanent Fund*
Argos High School Class of 1957 Scholarship Fund
Argos Lions Club Scholarship
Audrey Grossman Memorial Scholarship Fund
Bill and Barbara Snyder Memorial Scholarship
Bourbon High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund
Bowen Family Medical Scholarship Fund
Bowen Medical Education Fund
*Bremen Dollars for Scholars NonPermanent Fund*
Bremen Dollars for Scholars, Inc.
Bremen High School Alumni Scholarship Fund
Bremen Kiwanis Scholarship Fund
Bremen Masonic Lodge/Eastern Star Endowment Fund
Bremen School Board Scholarship Fund
Chad Edward Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund Benefiting the Knute Rockne Kiwanis Club
Chad Edward Pearson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Christina Gibbs Memorial Fund
Clarence and Bonnie Shaffer Scholarship Fund
Community Academic Rewards for Excellence Endowment Fund
Craig Woolfington Memorial Scholarship Fund
Crystal M. Metsker Scholarship Fund
Culver Alumni and Community Scholarship Fund
Culver Community Schools Staff Scholarship Fund
Culver Tri Kappa Scholarship Fund
Culver Young Farmers Agricultural Scholarship Fund
D. Neil Rettinger Memorial Scholarship
Dan Koontz Memorial Fund
David (Davy) G. Dunkin Memorial Fund
Dean & Gretchen Kimble Music Scholarship Fund
Dieckmann Jac Cen Del High School Dollars for Scholars
Dorothy Irene Mitchell Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund
Dorothy L. Peterson and Dudley A. Peterson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Dr. C. James Callahan Veterinary Student Scholarship Fund
Dr. J. Kent Guild Memorial Scholarship Fund
Ella M. Leeper Scholarship Fund
Eunice Schrimsher Memorial Scholarship Fund
Fred Nierste Scholarship Fund
GLO Scholarship Fund
Golden Girls Scholarship Fund
Greg LaFree Endowment Fund
Harold D. Miller Memorial Scholarship
Helen G. and Gerald M. Hess Scholarship Fund
Herman and Florence Mattix Scholarship Fund
Herschell and Gladys Umbaugh Scholarship Fund
Indiana University Alumni and Friends of Marshall County Fund
Ivan Kelley Family Scholarship Fund
J. O. Thompson Memorial Scholarship
J. Ward and Margaret M. Leeper Scholarship
Jack Kochert Memorial Scholarship Fund
Jake Spaid Memorial Fund
James H. Wysong Scholarship Fund
James R. Cook PHS Class of 1961 Scholarship Fund
Jan and Ted Chittum Scholarship Fund
Jane Sieg Stillson Memorial Fund
Jean Pfieffer Memorial Fund
Jill Carpenter Memorial Fund
Jim Blount Memorial Scholarship Fund
Jo Ellen Castleman/Hull Scholarship Fund
John and Ruby Leman Scholarship Fund
John E. Thomas Visual Arts Scholarship Fund
John R. Manring Memorial Scholarship Fund
John Ruff Scholarship Fund
Jordan Family Scholarship Fund
Julia P. Trowbridge Fund
Julia Yockey Shakes Memorial Scholarship Fund
Katherine E. Garn Scholarship Fund
Kenny & Nancy Chapman Scholarship Fund
Kitty Lockridge and the Class of 1967 Scholarship Fund
Lapaz Lions Club Scholarship
Lapaz Lions Club Scholarship NonPermanent
Larry R. Linhart Scholarship Fund
Leon R. Verhaeghe Vocational Agriculture Memorial Scholarship
Lewis and Neva Mason Scholarship Fund
Linda Parker Science and Mathematics Scholarship Fund
Linda Weaver Memorial Fund
Madison and Elizabeth Stephenson Scholarship Fund
Margot and Merlin Jones Scholarship Fund
Marian and Stephen Wayne Munn Agriculture Scholarship Fund
Marianne Ransdell Memorial Scholarship Fund
Marohn Family Fund
Marshall County 4-H Council Memorial Scholarship Fund
Marshall County 4-H Horse and Pony Scholarship Fund
Mary Winquist Franklin and Joe Franklin Scholarship Fund
Matthew J. Morris Scholarship Fund
Mattix Scholarship Fund
Max and Lois Edmonds Scholarship Fund
Michael Charles Albert Scholarship Fund
Community Fund Grant Awards
Spring 2013 - Total $73,375

Ancilla Domini Sisters, Inc: $5,000 for performance of Handel’s Messiah with local choir directed by Dr. David Lamb and accompanied by members of South Bend Symphony.

Argos High School Business Professionals of America: $4,000 for costs associated with State and National competitions for this new program.

Bourbon Community Awareness Inc. of Triton DI (Destination ImagiNation): $2,500 for the creation of a patriotic mural in downtown Bourbon, Indiana.

Bremen Girls Softball League: $1,200 to purchase softball gear.

Culver Boys and Girls Club: $2,500 to support Triple Play, a wellness program for youth focused on the mind, body, and soul.

Culver High School: $5,000 to purchase a sound system in the high school/middle school auditorium which serves the student body and broader community.

Encore Performing Arts: $1,000 for a Latino performance in the “Music in the Park” series.

Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Fund, Inc: $1,325 for office equipment.

Leadership Marshall County: $1,500 for costs associated with leadership classes.

Marshall County Melody Makers: $1,100 for performance apparel and sound equipment.

Marshall-Starke Development Center: $8,800 for the purchase of new carpet in the conference room, classroom, and break room.

Plymouth Aquatic Club: $5,000 to conduct feasibility study for a public indoor aquatic facility.

Plymouth Chamber of Commerce: $1,000 to help underwrite 2nd Friday Christmas Events.

Plymouth High School: $15,000 to purchase equipment for new Robotics Club.

Plymouth High School: $5,000 for year 2 funding of project based learning through New Tech Network at the Weidner School of Inquiry.

Plymouth Tennis Club: $1,950 to support capital improvement campaign for new tennis courts.

Triton Summer League: $10,000 to complete site work around new concession stand.

Youth Leadership Marshall County: $1,500 for costs associated with leadership classes.

Fall 2013 - Total $68,800

Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver/Visitors Center for Culver: $15,000 to establish visitors center through renovations of museum, and purchasing equipment and furniture.
Community Fund Grant Awards
Spring 2013 - Total $73,375

Ancilla Domini Sisters, Inc: $5,000 for performance of Handel's Messiah with local choir directed by Dr. David Lamb and accompanied by members of South Bend Symphony.

Argos High School Business Professionals of America: $4,000 for costs associated with State and National competitions for this new program.

Bourbon Community Awareness Inc. of Triton DI (Destination ImagiNation): $2,500 for the creation of a patriotic mural in downtown Bourbon, Indiana.

Bremen Girls Softball League: $1,200 to purchase softball gear.

Culver Boys and Girls Club: $2,500 to support Triple Play, a wellness program for youth focused on the mind, body, and soul.

Culver High School: $5,000 to purchase a sound system in the high school/middle school auditorium which serves the student body and broader community.

Encore Performing Arts: $1,000 for a Latino performance in the “Music in the Park” series.

Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Fund, Inc: $1,325 for office equipment.

Leadership Marshall County: $1,500 for costs associated with leadership classes.

Marshall County Melody Makers: $1,100 for performance apparel and sound equipment.

Marshall-Starke Development Center: $8,800 for the purchase of new carpet in the conference room, classroom, and break room.

Plymouth Aquatic Club: $5,000 to conduct feasibility study for a public indoor aquatic facility.

Plymouth Chamber of Commerce: $1,000 to help underwrite 2nd Friday Christmas Events.

Plymouth High School: $15,000 to purchase equipment for new Robotics Club.

Plymouth High School: $5,000 for year 2 funding of project based learning through New Tech Network at the Weidner School of Inquiry.

Plymouth Tennis Club: $1,950 to support capital improvement campaign for new tennis courts.

Triton Summer League: $10,000 to complete site work around new concession stand.

Youth Leadership Marshall County: $1,500 for costs associated with leadership classes.

Fall 2013 - Total $68,800

Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver/Visitors Center for Culver: $15,000 to establish visitors center through renovations of museum, and purchasing equipment and furniture.

Beyond the Boundaries: $2,250 to train 10 teachers working with students with dyslexia.

Boy Scouts Troop #251: $4,000 for box cargo trailer for camping equipment.

Church of the Heartland-Bourbon/Blue and Gold After School Program: $1,800 for education and entertainment for after school program.

Junior Achievement: $4,500 to add 10 new JA classrooms in Marshall County.

Lincoln Jr. High School: $3,100 to purchase equipment to start Robotics Club.

Marshall County Neighborhood Center: $15,000 for cargo van to transport food donations and orders.

Muscular Dystrophy Association: $1,200 to help fund 2014 MDA Summer Camp for ages 6-17.

Trinity United Methodist Church Implement Kid’s; Hope USA Program: $2,500 to provide mentoring for at-risk youth.

Triton School Corporation: $10,500 for new e-books at Jr/Sr High School Media Center.

Triton School Corporation: $15,000 for 5 infant simulators with training packages and Real Care Health Trio package for Family and Consumer Science Class.

Women’s Care Center: $19,000 for building repairs and renovations.

Blessings in a Backpack: $5,000 to provide elementary school children with a backpack of food for the weekend.

Spring 2014 - Total $85,300

American Red Cross serving Marshall County: $3,000 for Project SAFE, Marshall County fire prevention program.

Boys and Girls Club of Bremen: $5,000 for startup costs for summer program.

Boys and Girls Club of Marshall County, Inc: $15,000 to conduct a feasibility study for building project.

Bread of Life Community Food Pantry, Inc: $1,425 to purchase a commercial freezer.

Bremen Little League Baseball, Inc: $400 to purchase catchers equipment and batting helmets.

Culver Youth Soccer: $800 to purchase soccer goal nets, corner flags, and practice vests.

Earthworks, Inc: $1,000 to support Seed to Salad Project; all-school garden at Washington Discovery Academy.

Encore Performing Arts: $5,000 for ArtSparks, Missoula Children’s Theatre, and Evening of Song-Original Works from Children of Farmers.

The Heartland Artists, Inc: $1,000 to support a variety of art classes for those new to the arts.

Heminger House: $2,075 for office upgrades to increase client confidentiality and improve administrative efficiency.
Historic Bremen: $1,500 for publication of walking tour guide highlighting historic buildings in Bremen.

Indiana Lincoln Highway Association, Inc: $500 to support Lincoln Corridor Plan across Northern Indiana to enhance education, preservation, beautification, signage, and tourism opportunities (match for federal grant).

Izaak Walton League of America Argos, IN Chapter: $4,500 for new clubhouse water well.

Marshall-Starke Development Center, Inc: $5,000 for greenhouse construction to grow and sell produce year round.

Pathfinder Services, Inc: $800 to purchase washer and dryer for a home in Transitional Housing Program.

Plymouth Community Schools: $5,000 for year 3 funding of project based learning through New Tech Network at the Weidner School of Inquiry.

Project Lead The Way: $10,000 for year 1 funding to provide high concentration of PLTW’s STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) curriculum in public and private schools in 5-county region ($30,000 total over 3 years).

Triton School Corporation: $300 for team building event to encourage collaboration, community, commitment and leadership by creating family groups among students of all grade levels.

Veterans Therapeutic Art Center, Inc: $20,000 to fund a multi-media program for veterans to learn how to publish short productions.

Wesley United Methodist Church: $1,000 to provide startup costs for new playgroup and family night programs in response to community survey.

Wythougan Valley Preservation Council, Inc: $2,000 for preparation of Bremen National Register nomination as next stage in completing nominations for all Marshall County communities by State of Indiana’s 2016 Bicentennial celebration (match from Indiana Landmarks grant).

Fall 2014 - Total $66,210

Crossing Educational Center: $9,500 for startup costs for alternative school for at-risk students.

Culver-Union Township Public Library: $5,000 for projection screens and teleconferencing equipment for meeting rooms.

LaPaz Lions Club: $1,310 for brochures to provide locations and history of cemeteries in Marshall County.

Marshall County Council on Aging: $7,400 for van for subsidized transportation.

Marshall County Historical Society, Inc.: $4,000 for website design.

Plymouth School Corporation: $5,000 for project based learning support through New Tech Network at the Weidner School of Inquiry at PHS ($25,000 over 5 years; distribution 4 of 5).

Plymouth Tennis Club: $25,000 for sponsorship for new tennis courts.

Project Lead the Way: $5,000 for second distribution for STEM curriculum in public and private schools in 5-county region.

REAL Services: $2,000 for health education workshops: Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions, Matter of Balance, Walk with Ease.
Youth Leadership Marshall County: $2,000 for support of 9-month program.

---

**Special Indiana Bicentennial Grant Awards in January 2015 - Total $9,018**

**Bremen OktoberFest, Inc:** $2,000 to fund a year of community activities to celebrate history, culture and environment.

**Marshall County Community Orchestra:** $400 to purchase music for the “Celebrations at Lincoln Center” concert, educating the audience about the history of Indiana, its writings and its music.

**Marshall County Historical Society, Inc:** $618 to create a colorful placemat to be printed and distributed county-wide to bring awareness of the bicentennial year.

**Plymouth Arts Commission Inc./Encore Performing Arts:** $2,000 to produce a musical review honoring Cole Porter.

**Potawatomi Wildlife Park:** $2,000 to design and purchase custom high pressure laminate signage to interpret various historic and natural features.

**Wythougan Valley Preservation Council, Inc:** $2,000 to complete a listing of all eligible districts in Marshall County to the National Register of Historic Places.

---

**Spring 2015 - Total $87,660**

**Ancilla College-Nursing Program:** $15,000 for a Pyxis Medstation Training Unit.

**Argos Lions Club:** $2,160 for a fire suppression system at a Marshall County 4-H Fair food booth.

**Argos Park Board/Town of Argos:** $25,000 for installation of a splash pad in the Argos Town Park.

**Blessings in a Back Pack:** $2,000 for new programs at John Glenn School Corporation and Union-North School Corporation.

**Bourbon Public Library:** $6,000 for building improvements.

**Crossroads Church:** $2,500 to initiate a Kids Hope program with Jefferson Elementary.

**Marshall County Economic Development:** $10,000 to provide Marshall County funding support for the four-county region (Elkhart, Kosciusko, Marshall and St. Joseph Counties) to develop a Regional Cities of Northern Indiana five-year plan and funding proposal.

**Marshall County Running Club:** $2,000 to start a youth health program centered on walking and running.

**Plymouth Youth Softball:** $5,000 for improvements to the girls fastpitch softball diamond at Centennial Park.

**Potawatomi Park, Inc.:** $5,000 to assist with a new park entrance sign.

**Heminger House:** $8,000 for repairs to windows, doors and floors.

**Project Lead The Way:** $5,000 for third distribution for STEM curriculum in public and private schools in Marshall County.
Fall 2015 - Total $73,327

Bremen Bicentennial Committee 2016: $5,500 to prepare a Bicentennial Tree Planting Plan, commemorating Indiana’s 2016 Bicentennial Celebration, to plant 200 native trees along Plymouth St., Bremen, and provide first 20 trees.

Bremen Public Library: $4,302 to expand early literacy preschool activity areas with the addition of a Lego brick collection to support STEM learning.

Care and Share of Marshall County: $500 to purchase a scanner and backup hard drive.

City of Plymouth/Freedom Park: $6,500 to increase safety for the all-inclusive park by purchasing and installing fencing by parking spaces along 8th street.

Culver Boys and Girls Club: $5,000 to Launch SPARK (Sports, Play and Active Recreation for Kids), a nationally renowned, proven program designed to increase physical activity of youth and combat the ills of childhood obesity.

Culver Park Board: $18,000 to renovate the historic pavilion on the west end of the Culver Town Park.

Culver Union Township Heritage: $2,760 to provide software and equipment for innovative projects to preserve historical documents in Union Township.

Friends of Culver Library: $1,000 in match funding to purchase an automated external defibrillator.

Historic Bremen, Inc.: $1,400 to update and expand Historic Bremen computer system at the Bremen History Center.

Junior Achievement: $1,000 to support Park Capstone Experience for 8th grade students at Argos Community Jr-Sr High School, Triton Jr-Sr High School and Saint Michael Catholic School.

Lincoln Junior High School: $2,000 to expand Five Star program to increase participation and student impact.

Marshall County Council on Aging: $15,365 to provide match funds for two wheelchair vehicles.

Plymouth Arts Commission/Encore Performing Arts: $5,000 to help fund Arts Midwest World Fest program to present international musical ensemble in intensive week-long residency to foster an understanding and appreciation for global uniqueness and differences.

Project Lead The Way: $5,000 for fourth distribution for STEM curriculum in public and private schools in Marshall County.
Come Celebrate Our 25th Anniversary with Us

The Marshall County Community Foundation is launching a 25th Anniversary Fund to elevate our ability to be responsive and active leaders on community issues. The fund will honor those whose vision and dedication have built the Foundation into the strong organization it is today - and be an investment in our community’s collective future.

For this special fund, we are focusing on unrestricted funds. These are the most flexible and responsive in addressing current and emerging needs. At the Foundation, we plan and invest for the future. Unrestricted funds support the semi-annual competitive grant rounds and will be available to help future generations address the issues they face in our community. Since the first grants of $10,000 were awarded in 1995, over $3.4 million has been distributed to communities throughout Marshall County.

How Can You Support the 25th Anniversary Fund?

For 25 years now, MCCF donors have been changing lives with gifts - big and small. Every donation to the Foundation adds up. In fact, we have donors who choose to make recurring contributions - sometimes monthly, sometimes annually - to help a fund grow.

Your gift - of $25 or $250 or $2,500 or $25,000 - will create lasting change!

Your gift to the 25th Anniversary Fund, whether it’s a one-time contribution or recurring gift, combined with others and invested over time, will make a difference. The generous support of neighbors like you ensures the future of the Foundation and that our work as a community catalyst - inspiring ideas and igniting action - continues to improve the quality of life in Marshall County far into the future.

You do not have to break the bank to feel like a million bucks.
Community Fund grants are distributed twice each year through an application process. These funds are some of the most flexible and responsive of the Foundation’s funds in addressing new and emerging community needs.

Designated funds include payments from all scholarship funds, donor advised funds, agency endowment funds, field of interest funds and nonpermanent funds. *Distributions from designated funds are actual dollar amounts paid in a given year. **Grants are amounts pledged to specific nonprofit agencies in specific years. Some pledged grants may have distributions that are paid over several years. As a result, distributions paid and grants pledged are reported as separate data because they are not identical for any given year.

Specific information is available upon request at the MCCF offices about distributions in each category for each year.
1995-2015 Community Fund Grants throughout Marshall County

- Human Services: 23.2%
- Educational: 22.8%
- Health: 11.6%
- Recreation: 11.7%
- Arts and Culture: 8.8%
- Youth Development: 5.1%
- Housing and Shelter: 3.4%
- Environmental: 4.0%
- Public Safety: 1.8%
- Community Development: 5.2%
- Animal Management: 0.8%
- Religion: 0.9%
- Food and Nutrition: 0.8%
Staff and Contact Information

Linda Yoder, Executive Director
lyoder@marshallcountycf.org

Angela Rupchock-Schafer, Chief Development and Communications Officer
arschafer@marshallcountycf.org

Jayne Roahrig, Program Officer and Executive Assistant
jayne@marshallcountycf.org

Connie Kreps, Director of Accounting and Finance
ckreps@marshallcountycf.org

Naomi Enamorado, Accounting Assistant
nenamorado@marshallcountycf.org

Chris Johnson, Director of Organizational Development for United Way
cjohnson@marshallcountyuw.org

Marshall County Community Foundation
COMMUNITY-MINDED PARTNERS | TRUSTED INVESTORS
VISIONARY THINKERS | OPPORTUNITY CONNECTORS

PO Box 716, 2701 N. Michigan Street, Plymouth, Indiana 46563

Phone: 574 935-5159 Fax: 574 936-8040 • Email: info@marshallcountycf.org
Helping Great Ideas Take Flight
The Marshall County Community Foundation is working to change our community to make it more vibrant, healthier and stronger for all of its residents.

We believe in people helping one another and in providing opportunities that have real impact.

Founded in 1991, we’ve granted more than $13 million to meet the needs of Marshall County.

We couldn’t do it without our donors, people like you, who have seen a need and turned it into an opportunity.

Learn about us.
Then get in touch.
Together, the sky is the limit.