

**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
BLOOMINGTON • MONROE COUNTY



IMPACT REPORT



POWERED BY GIVING

Letter from President and CEO Tina Peterson

For three decades, the Community Foundation has worked to bring together people and resources to make a difference in Monroe County. At the heart of everything we do is a vision to create a vibrant, equitable, and inclusive community where every individual has the opportunity to thrive — now and in the future.

We believe that the greatest change happens when people come together in partnership, collaboration, and generosity. Whether it's through stimulating community dialogue, grantmaking to address pressing needs, transformative solutions, or helping donors achieve their philanthropic goals, we are eager to work to make great things happen in Bloomington and Monroe County.

We are honored to share how your support over the last 30 years has made a difference in our community. In the following pages, you will see some incredible stories of impact. Thank you for helping to celebrate our 30th anniversary and working with us to build a better today and tomorrow for Bloomington and Monroe County. Here's to the next 30 years of impact!

With gratitude,

Tina Peterson
President and CEO



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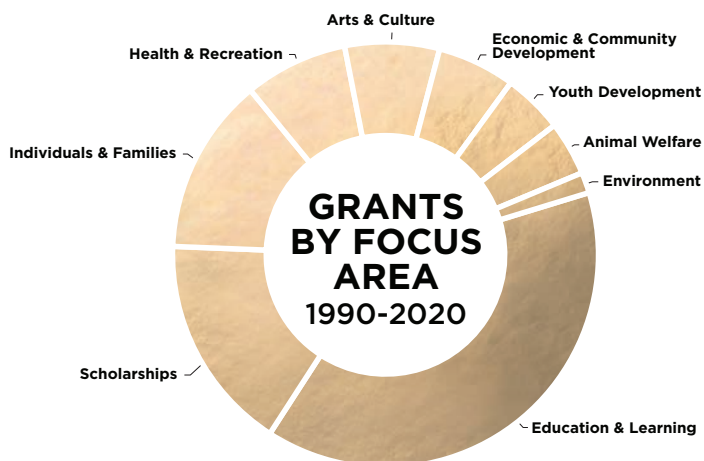
30 YEARS OF IMPACT



5,573
Donors

\$27 Million
Granted

255
Funds



EDUCATION & LEARNING

The Community Foundation has supported 999 education & learning grants. Examples include:

- Monroe Smart Start to expand high-quality pre-K & early education
- Monroe County Community School Corporation FIRST Robotics program
- South Central Community Action Program Growing Opportunities job training
- WonderLab's Science Sprouts Place
- Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce Graduation Coach Initiative
- Monroe County Community School Corporation Preschool Parent Liaison
- Richland-Bean Blossom Community School Corporation Parent Engagement program



Recognizing that early childhood development efforts can significantly affect success in school, graduation rates, and workforce readiness, the Community Foundation has invested more than \$1.6 million in early education. These grants and initiatives have made it possible for 250 more children each year to experience high-quality early education in Monroe County.

INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

The Community Foundation has supported 1,143 grants benefitting individuals & families. Examples include:

- Hoosier Hills Food Bank freezer and refrigerated truck
- Habitat for Humanity shipping container home
- Monroe County Crisis Diversion Center
- New Hope for Families Homeless Shelter
- Monroe County United Ministries Path to Self-Sufficiency Program
- Wheeler Mission Ministries fire suppression system to serve more individuals experiencing homelessness
- Beacon Inc. to support Crawford Homes and supportive services for those experiencing long-term homelessness due to a disability



In 2019, the Community Foundation helped fund construction costs for Habitat for Humanity's recycled shipping container pilot project. With lower construction costs than typical homes, we're proud to support this pilot project to explore homeownership for lower-income households in Monroe County.

HEALTH & RECREATION

The Community Foundation has supported 500 health and recreation grants. Examples include:

- Ellettsville Main Street for parking at Heritage Trail to provide safe access to recreation for people of all abilities
- Catholic Charities to expand mental health and counseling services for children, families, and individuals experiencing trauma
- Be Loved Transportation for a lift van to provide wheelchair-assisted transportation to medical appointments
- Volunteers in Medicine to merge with Healthnet to serve more uninsured and low-income insured individuals



The Community Foundation has made a multi-year commitment to sponsor the Switchyard Park Spray Plaza. We're proud to support this opportunity for more children and families to have free access to outdoor recreation activities in Monroe County.

ARTS & CULTURE

The Community Foundation has supported 544 grants benefitting the arts. Examples include:

- Indiana Limestone Symposium Lecture Series
- Bloomington Academy of Film and Theatre to launch its programs
- Bloomington Playwrights Project Summer Youth Programs
- Lotus Education and Arts Foundation technology enhancements & renovations to the Firebay at its new headquarters
- Women Writing for (a) Change creative writing collaboration with local nonprofits
- Buskirk Chumley Theater stage extension project
- Bloomington Creative Glass Center Youth Summer Camp



In 2018, the Foundation awarded a grant to help launch the new Bloomington Academy of Film and Theatre (BAFT), Indiana's first comprehensive film and theater training institute. This unique collaboration of Bloomington Playwrights Project, Pigasus Pictures, and Cardinal Stage is providing immersive learning in acting, voice, dance, musical theater, film, and other performing arts.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Community Foundation has supported 200 grants for economic and community development.

Examples include:

- Ellettsville Main Street to engage the community in a visioning process to create a long-term development plan for the town of Ellettsville
- Startup costs for CDFI Friendly Bloomington, a new nonprofit working to increase flexible and affordable financing to businesses, housing developers, nonprofits, and others in Bloomington and the surrounding area



In 2019, CDFI Friendly Bloomington, a new organization incubated by the Community Foundation, helped facilitate funding from Chicago-based Cinnaire, a community development finance institution, for Kinser Flats, an apartment complex with on-site services for individuals in recovery for substance abuse and those coping with mental health disorders.

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The Community Foundation has supported 423 youth development grants. Examples include:

- Boys and Girls Clubs Career Exploration Program
- Richland Bean Blossom Community Schools Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI) training
- Banneker Community Center for a 15-passenger vehicle to expand participation in summer and school break programs
- Middle Way House to expand violence prevention programming into elementary schools to reduce the likelihood of future sexual and dating violence



For 40 years, Girls Inc. of Monroe County has empowered girls to grow into strong, smart, and bold women, but lack of transportation prevented some children from attending after-school and summer programs. With the help of the Community Foundation, Girls Inc. purchased two buses in 2015 and expanded enrollment to include more girls.

ANIMAL WELFARE

The Community Foundation has provided 94 grants to support animal welfare and animal programs. Examples include:

- People & Animal Learning Services fencing & expansion of equine therapeutic programs
- Monroe County Court Appointed Special Advocates courthouse therapy dog
- Monroe County Humane Association (MCHA) to support adoption, spay/neuter fees, or veterinary services
- Monroe County Humane Association (MCHA) for grooming equipment and supplies



Meet Deacon. Thanks to a Community Foundation grant to expand grooming services, MCHA removed 15 lbs of painfully matted fur from this adorable pup to give him a brighter future. MCHA's full-service, low-cost grooming helps ensure people of all income levels are able to ensure the health and well-being of their pets.

THE ENVIRONMENT

The Community Foundation has supported 140 grants to sustain our environment. Examples include:

- Sycamore Land Trust to expand the Beanblossom Creek Bicentennial Conservation Area & parking lot construction at the Amy Weingartner Branigin Peninsula Preserve
- Ohio River Foundation Youth Conservation Teams to support internships for high school students to restore habitats in Hoosier National Forest



In 2015, Sycamore Land Trust collaborated with the Community Foundation to create a new endowment fund for its environmental education programs. The Monarch Environmental Education Endowment is one of three designated funds supporting the organization and ensuring that Sycamore's programs can continue forever.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Community Foundation has supported 367 scholarships, including:

- The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, the Stinesville High School Alumni Scholarship, the Monroe County Ag Day Scholarship, the Carl Deal, Jr. Memorial Scholarship, the Tom Moeller Memorial Scholarship, the Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club Betty Burnett Welke Scholarship, and others
- The Foundation has also provided grants from the Ellettsville Dollars for Scholars fund to support scholarships for Edgewood High School seniors



While the most-known scholarship administered in partnership with the Community Foundation is the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, we are proud to award scholarships to more than 20 individuals each year to pursue continuing education, develop their unique potential, and enhance their ability to contribute to community and society as citizens.

The Community Foundation also distributes grants from over 80 designated and 50 donor-advised funds every year. Nonprofits may use grants from these funds to support their charitable operations in any way they feel appropriate.

This year, the Community Foundation will distribute more than \$400,000 in agency, designated, and donor-advised funds!



BECAUSE YOU GAVE ...



Because you gave, the Foundation has supported nonprofits doing incredible things in Monroe County.

Check out the Community Foundation on YouTube to see more ways your support has made their work possible.

youtube.com/CFBloomMonroeCounty

LEADERSHIP INITIATIVES

While designated and competitive granting often serves to address areas of urgency or need, the Community Foundation Board may also elect to provide proactive funding to address compelling opportunities of particular significance to our community. These initiatives often offer transformative solutions and generally begin with investment and leadership from the Community Foundation.

- Through Monroe Smart Start, the Community Foundation seeks to ensure that every child is prepared for success in school and in life.
- Regional Opportunity Initiatives was established with support from the Lilly Endowment to advance economic and community prosperity across an 11-county region, including Monroe County, now called the Indiana Uplands.
- As a member of the STRIDE Coalition, the Foundation made a multi-year commitment to bring a crisis diversion center to our community, addressing a gap in the local continuum of care.
- CDFI Friendly Bloomington is an innovative approach to bringing financial resources to our community to address needs that include affordable housing, small business growth, and community facilities.
- In 2021, the Foundation will introduce an impact investing model that will allow for more creativity in supporting local needs and priorities.

We're thankful to our partners for helping to launch and sustain these leadership initiatives.



REGIONAL
OPPORTUNITY
INITIATIVES



2020 COVID INITIATIVES

While no one could have predicted the unprecedented changes and challenges that COVID brought this year, we are grateful for our community partners and collaborations that enabled us to rapidly assess need. In response, the Community Foundation deployed more than \$550,000 this year to support emergency COVID-19 relief and nonprofit sustainability in Monroe County.



Rapid Response Grants

\$118,822 in new grants to 48 nonprofits for immediate supplies, equipment, remote-work technology, and staffing



Child Care & Virtual Learning

\$153,060 from the Learning Equity and Resource Needs for Children and Families (LEARN) Fund for resources children may need to learn effectively while in-person schooling is limited or not possible



Mental Health

\$149,874 to enhance or expand the capacity of health programs and services to provide mental, emotional, and behavioral health supports in Monroe County



Repurposed Grants

\$68,132 in unused grant funds repurposed to support emerging COVID-19 needs



Donor Advised Fund Distributions

\$49,930 in grant distributions from DAFs to support nonprofits during this challenging time



Support for Basic Needs

\$25,000 to the United Way COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund for shelter, food, & medical care



PPE for Child Care Workers

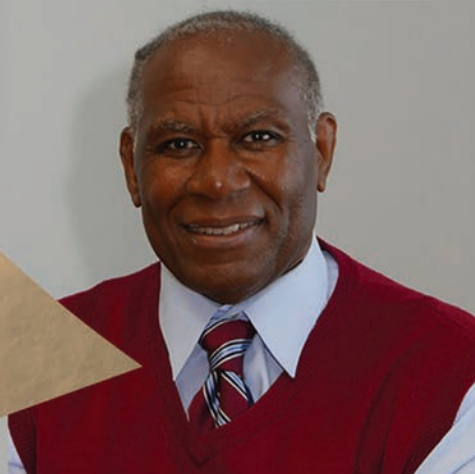
\$1,662.57 for masks, thermometers, & hand sanitizer for child care facilities serving essential workers

These grants would not have been possible without the generations of donors, including those who responded as needs emerged this year, that have trusted us for 30 years to address pressing needs and compelling opportunities in Monroe County. Thank you for your support.

30 YEARS OF GIVING


The Community Foundation is here for you—and because of you.

In our first 30 years, generous individuals, families, and businesses who share a passion for Monroe County have generously donated **\$44 million to make a difference today and a lasting impact in our community forever!**

A portrait of Lindsay A. Smith, a Black man with short grey hair, wearing a red sweater vest over a white shirt and a striped tie. He is smiling and looking towards the camera.

"There were many life lessons for me growing up. As early as age six or seven, my parents taught me not to be selfish but instead be willing to help others. When I reflect on the values I was taught, I believe it is our purpose to serve and give how we are able, by giving of our time, talents, or financial means."

Lindsay A. Smith
Community Foundation Board Member

A portrait of Leigh Richey, a woman with short blonde hair, wearing a white jacket over a dark top. She is smiling and looking towards the camera.

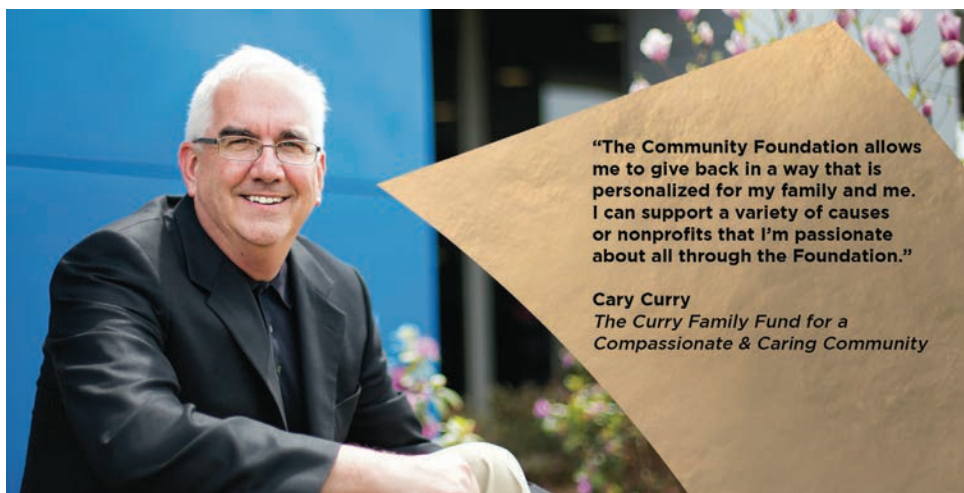
"Through the Community Foundation you can support any dream you have for Monroe County. Here you can take your unique vision for our community and make an impact in many worthy areas both today and in perpetuity."

Leigh Richey
*Richey Family Fund
Legacy Society Member*



Bryan and Jessika Hane with future philanthropists Artemis, Eleanor, Alexander, and Grace

"Through the Hane Family Fund, our children will be able to learn the value of giving back to our community every year. We are proud to be able to partner with the Community Foundation to help foster a spirit of giving in future generations."



"The Community Foundation allows me to give back in a way that is personalized for my family and me. I can support a variety of causes or nonprofits that I'm passionate about all through the Foundation."

Cary Curry
The Curry Family Fund for a Compassionate & Caring Community



"Indiana University is our world, but Bloomington is our home. Through our involvement with the Community Foundation, we can help strengthen both town and gown. Bloomington's health and vibrancy are central to IU's future as it enters its third century, and we love being part of both."

Laurie Burns McRobbie
Michael A. McRobbie
Burns McRobbie Unrestricted Fund

THE POWER OF GIVING

Powerful giving is not about great wealth; it is about great passion for our community.

Gifts of every size create impact. By giving to one of the Community Foundation's 255 existing funds or creating a new one, our donors address our community's most pressing needs and compelling opportunities for today and our future. That's why we are grateful for every one of the 5,573 donors that have generously donated gifts big and small to make a difference in Bloomington and Monroe County. We're proud to recognize every donor who has made our first 30 years a success. **Thank You for helping us make a lasting difference in Bloomington & Monroe County.**

To see a complete list of donors, visit: www.cfbmc.org/30-years/



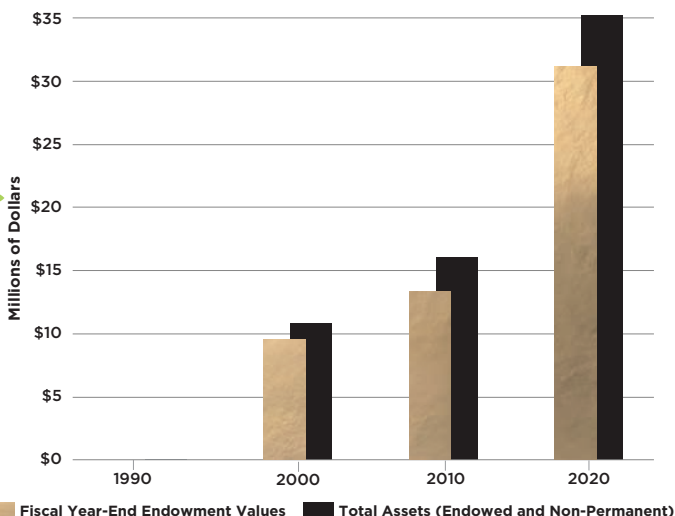
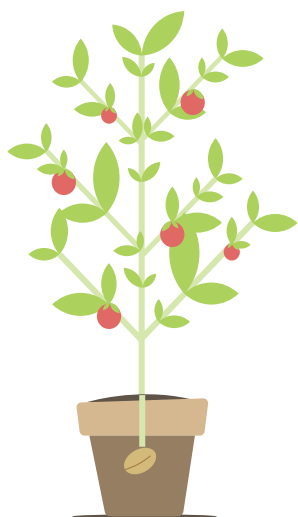
To celebrate our 30th anniversary, we asked some of our friends to share what drives their generosity in our community. You can see their stories and take a virtual walk down memory lane with us on the Community Foundation's YouTube channel.





Special thanks to Charlotte Zietlow, Kevin and Beth Theile, Sara Laughlin, Ron Remak, Mayer and Carol Maloney, and Winston Shindell for sharing their stories.


THE POWER OF ENDOWMENT

The majority of funds at the Community Foundation are endowed. **Through the power of endowment, grants can be made now to address causes you care about most while your gifts grow over time to do good for many years to come.**



 Gifts to the fund represent the principal, or seed of the endowment.

 The endowment fund grows over time through investment interest and earnings.

 Fund earnings are used by the organization to make a difference in the community.

Create your dream for Monroe County! Whether it's an endowment to address the community's most pressing needs or supporting a cause you care about most, the Community Foundation can help you make a positive impact that endures forever in our community.



To learn how, check out www.CFBMC.org, or contact Meagan Niese, Development Director, at meaganniese@cfbmc.org or (812) 333-9016.

LEGACY SOCIETY

We're grateful for our Legacy Society members!

Membership in the Legacy Society is open to anyone who names the Foundation in their estate planning documents, often done through a will bequest or a trust distribution. You can also name the Community Foundation as a beneficiary of your IRA, retirement account, or life insurance policy. We sincerely thank all those who have left a legacy to benefit Bloomington and Monroe County in perpetuity.



Current Legacy Society Members

James and Tomilea Allison
Lorne Aubin and Julie Comunale Aubin
James F. Bohrer and Dr. C. Denise Howard
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BOARD MEMBERS

The Community Foundation is governed by our Board of Directors. Made up of local leaders from diverse backgrounds, the board provides stewardship by establishing policies, setting priorities, and guiding decisions in grantmaking and community endeavors. This dynamic group of volunteers provides expertise, management, guidance and financial support that drives the success of the Foundation. Thanks to all who have served on our board and committees. Our success as an organization would not be possible if it weren't for your leadership and commitment to creating a strong community.

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Incorporating Board Member Ilknur P. Ralston with the Community Foundation's first Executive Director Jack Mulholland.



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