

POWERED BY GIVING

For more than 30 years, 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.

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Community Foundations

are nonprofits dedicated to improving people's lives in defined geographic areas.

Today, there are 700 community foundations in the United States, 94 are in the state of Indiana.

The Community Foundation exists to improve the quality of life for all who call Monroe County home.

We create powerful impact through grantmaking, community leadership, and strategically leveraged resources.

We partner with donors to support the causes they care about most and help them realize their philanthropic goals for Monroe County through permanently endowment funds and nonpermanent funds to create both long-term and immediate impact.

Utilizing earnings from invested fund, we distribute grants, offer expertise, and play leadership roles in convening partners to catalyze solutions to our community's most pressing challenges and seize compelling opportunities.

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252 Funds

unrestricted, donor advised, agency and designated, field of interest, scholarship, operating and non-permanent funds.

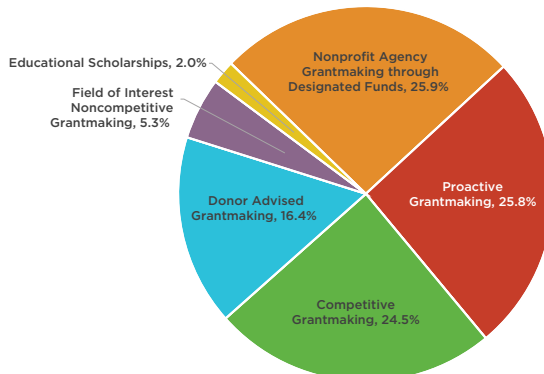
\$30 Million

in awarded grants to 400+ organizations since 1990

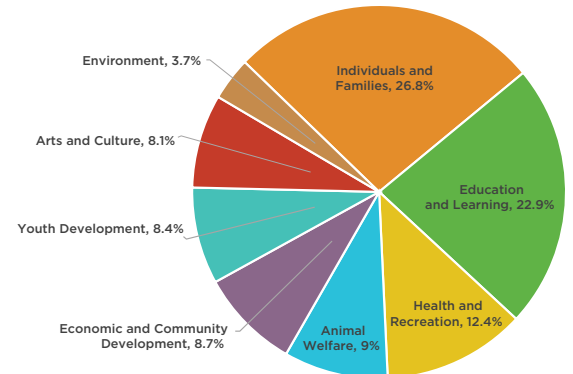
\$44 Million

in total assets

Grant Distributions Fiscal Year 2021



Areas of Impact Fiscal Year 2021



In Fiscal Year 2021, the Community Foundation awarded \$1.58 million in grants.

How does the Community Foundation work with you?

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1. We help **DONORS** achieve their charitable goals.

We start by understanding your passions, interests, and the causes that matter to you most. We also work tirelessly to understand our community to know where the greatest opportunities and needs exist.

We then work with you, your family, business, or professional advisors, to identify flexible and effective ways your gifts can make a difference, both now and forever.



2. We work with you to establish and grow **FUNDS** that benefit the community.

The flexibility of the Community Foundation provides many options to create charitable impact. You can create a new fund or give to one of the Community Foundation's 250 existing funds.

Once you have decided where you want to make a difference, we will work with you to identify a flexible and convenient giving method. From creating a philanthropic legacy with a future planned gift through a will or retirement plan designation, or making a difference today through a cash gift, appreciated stock, or recurring donations, we make it easy for your charitable dreams to become reality.



3. We **INVEST** the funds so your contributions can create the most impact.

The Foundation's investment strategy is designed to ensure that maximum possible funding is available to address community needs while protecting endowment dollars that are designed to give back in perpetuity.

The Foundation balances the need for relatively consistent distributions today while growing funds for the long term. Whether it's a permanent endowment or a short-term fund to address an immediate community need, the Foundation will help structure and steward your gifts to maximize their impact.



4. We create impact through **GRANTS** into the community.

Each year, the Community Foundation distributes grants from its funds back into the community.

The Community Foundation combines its deep understanding of the community and its pressing needs to award competitive grants, innovative proactive grants, education scholarships, and funding to support leadership initiatives.

Some funds focus on specific nonprofit organizations, while others, such as our unrestricted and field of interest funds, are flexible and deliver powerful support that allow us to respond to our community, year after year, in the most relevant and beneficial ways.



5. We provide **LEADERSHIP** to create a better Bloomington & Monroe County.

For three decades, the Community Foundation has worked to bring together people and resources to make a difference in Monroe County. As a community convener, we leverage our powerful partnerships with nonprofits, civic leaders, and community stakeholders to catalyze momentum around important causes and advance innovative solutions.

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