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The Community Foundation of Randolph County, Inc. has established the Randolph County Fund for Education to help address the needs of educators and education throughout the county and have challenged the community to help start this new fund. We know educational systems have struggled with meeting the needs of students during the pandemic. Finances may be even further stretched due to dwindling tax dollars. The Community Foundation supports education and we are challenging our community to give to a new endowed education fund to allow for support of educational endeavors now and for years to come. Education grants will be made from this fund to assist the needs of education in Randolph County. We are very excited about this new fund and hope the community will share our enthusiasm. With this matching gift campaign, your gift today can go twice as far and make twice the impact.

Please join us in support of Education.

Let's Talk

A Note from the Executive Director

How has this year looked different to you? You may have spent more time at home. You likely have greeted friends with masks. We hope you have remained healthy, but know that many of you may have experienced sickness and even the loss of family and friends.

This year has looked different for the Community Foundation and nonprofit organizations that we support. There was a sudden demand for personal

protective equipment, PPE - an acronym many didn't know before March. Programs, activities, and events were canceled. The need for human services, like food and shelter, increased across the county. Financial stress has been incurred within already tight budgets, and the added expenses from all the things needed to keep volunteers safe, such as masks and sanitizer, to the cost of having to transition to online operations. No one could have predicted this future.

However, especially in 2020, we are grateful for our founders' foresight and the power of endowment that allows the Community Foundation to make a difference in Randolph County. Our Unrestricted Fund was available to help us quickly respond to the immediate needs of the community around the COVID-19 pandemic by creating the COVID-19 Relief Fund. Through the pandemic closures, the Foundation has remained open to serve our community with grants, scholarships, and a pathway for donors that want to do good during these challenging times.

As we move forward together, we ask you to consider a year-end gift to **the Unrestricted**Enrichment Fund of the Community Foundation. Your contribution to The Enrichment Fund helps the Foundation meet the community's ever-changing and sometimes unpredictable needs. Making your gift online today is easy. Thank you, for making a lasting impact on Randolph County.

Lisa

THE CARES ACT

The philanthropy sector has long been pushing for a permanent universal tax deduction so Americans who don't itemize their taxes can get tax benefits from their charitable donations.

As part of the CARES Act, there is now such a universal deduction. A provision in that act allows any taxpayer to deduct up to the first \$300 they donate to nonprofits in 2020. The National Council of Nonprofits is currently advocating that Congress raise that dollar amount and extend it to at least 2021, since the COVID-19 recovery won't be done by December 31.

Did you know? A new report from the Johns Hopkins Center for Civil Society Studies finds that U.S. nonprofits maintained their position as the third largest employer in the U.S. economy, overtaking manufacturing by nearly 100,000 workers nation-wide in 2017, and exceeding that industry in 28 states and territories across the U.S. Indeed, the only industries employing more workers than the nonprofit sector in 2017 were retail, trade and restaurants and hotels.





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nonprofits in 2020!







Brenda Brumfield

We are pleased to introduce our Program Officer, Brenda Brumfield, who joined the staff in July 2020. Brenda was raised in Terre Haute, IN and holds a Bachelor or Science degree from Indiana State University.

Prior to joining the staff, Brenda worked for the Muncie-Delaware County Chamber of Commerce as their Director of Community & Government Relations for a combined 20 years.

Brenda has also served on the Board of Directors of The Dunkirk Foundation for many years, holding a variety of offices multiple times. This background, as well as her many talents as an individual, have made Brenda a valued addition to the Foundation.

Brenda is married to Carlton Brumfield, and they have two adult children, Alice and Simon. She is an award-winning Jam & Jelly maker and enjoys canning and food preservation. Brenda manages the Foundation's scholarship and granting programs.



Euliss. Braydee is an arts practitioner whose work in the field as an independent arts programmer, curator, and arts administrator is primarily informed by her formal visual arts training and experiences as a practicing artist. Born and raised in Muncie, her first professional foray into the visual arts was during a decade spent as a Framing Specialist and Gallery Manager for Gordy Fine Art and Framing Company. Committed to building opportunities for other local creatives and to the transformative potential of the arts to strengthen cities, she has championed her hometown through arts and culture work, including a large-scale mural project with the Mark III Taproom (the state's oldest LGBTQ+ nightclub), Final Friday programming at the David Owsley Museum of Art to broaden engagement, and directing the Muncie Arts and Culture Council. Most recently, she led the



Braydee Euliss

team behind Indianapolis Contemporary, formerly the Indianapolis Museum of Contemporary Art, as its Executive Director. Braydee holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Sculpture from Ball State University. Braydee serves as the primary regional contact and administrator for Indiana Arts Commission Region 5.



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Promise Indiana of Randolph County

Promise is thankful to be able to announce that during the month of December families who enroll their third grade child into a College Choice 529 Direct account through Promise or contribute to their third grade child's Promise account will be eligible for a chance to win one of two \$250 deposits into their account.

This opportunity is generously funded by Indiana Youth Institute.



To Enroll go to:

randolphcountypromise.org

or contact

Carol Mills, Promise Coordinator

765.584.9077 Ext.204 cmills@randolphcountyfoundation.org

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NEW Online Scholarship Platform

Application period <u>Opened December 1, 2020</u> and <u>Closes January 15, 2021</u> (Seniors graduating in 2021)

The Community Foundation of Randolph County is pleased to announce a new online scholarship

application! The vendor partner is International Scholarship and Tuition Services (ISTS). ISTS customized an online scholarship application tailored to our specifications. The Community Foundation offers more than 70 scholarships and now students can complete one form that would allow them to qualify for multiple scholarships.

The Community Foundation awards scholarships to students who are high school graduates of a Randolph County school corporation: Monroe Central High School, Randolph Southern Junior/Senior High School, Union High School, Union City Junior/Senior High School, and Winchester



Community High School. Scholarships are also available for students from New Castle and Mississinewa High Schools, non-traditional students who worked in the glass or mold industries, are a displaced worker from Randolph County or non-traditional students who attended Monroe Central High School.

Qualified candidates may apply by visiting randolphcountyfoundation.org



$oldsymbol{Q}$ Grant Award

The Community Foundation of Randolph County has received a Community Leadership Grant of \$100,000 as part of the seventh phase of Lilly Endowment Inc.'s Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT VII) initiative. With the grant, we will embark on an innovative partnership designed to empower nonprofits to focus on their mission work in order to turn the curve and collectively measure community-wide quality of life goals.

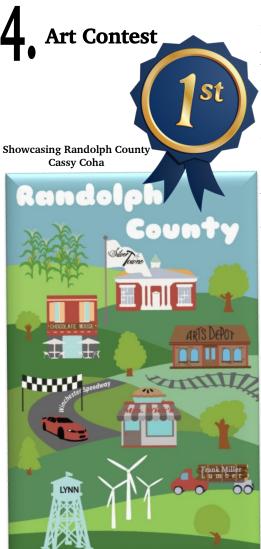
Utilizing this Community Leadership Grant, the Foundation will work with community partners

to develop a holistic approach to support and strengthen nonprofit organizations, as well as support the development and measurement of community-level goals utilizing Results-Based Accountability framework.

The Community Foundation of Randolph County, Inc. encourages philanthropy, assists donors in building an enduring source of charitable assets, and exercises leadership in directing resources to enhance the quality of life for residents of Randolph County.







In July, the Community Foundation partnered with the Art Association of Randolph County to hold an art contest. Artists were encouraged to submit a work that expressed what Randolph County means to them. Several impressive works were submitted, each highlighting the landmarks, scenery, and staples of our county. The Executive Directors of both organizations met to determine the winner of a \$500 grand prize. The winner was Cassie Coha with a depiction of some of Randolph County's greatest businesses and organizations. Honorable mentions, who received \$100 for their works, are Tom Butters, Jaylei Osting, and Kelsey Rubright. The winning artwork will be used by CFRC in promotional publications.

Capsule of Randolph County Jaylei Osting





Ice Cream Float Tom Butters





Tranquility Kelsey Rubright

5. The Newest Randolph County Heroes!

The News-Gazette and the Community Foundation of Randolph County continue their celebration of local heroes who have made an impact on the community or have gone above and beyond expectations to serve others. This effort is the result of a community foundation program that helps recognize such people while also raising money to help others.



Allen and Betsy Jefferis

"We thought a really neat thing would be to create a list of Randolph County Heroes," said Community Foundation board member Cathy Stephen Miller of the ongoing program which started in 2015. "For \$1,000, anyone can nominate a person (living or deceased), organization, business, or community organization for the designation as a Randolph County Hero. The money goes into our unrestricted fund, which the board uses to do great things for Randolph County. It all has to do with making Randolph County a great place to live."

People who are designated as Randolph County Heroes will have a plaque in their honor at the foundation office, and will be featured in the News-Gazette.

The newest Randolph County Heroes are Allen and Betsy Jefferis. They were nominated by a generous donor who wishes to remain anonymous.

Betsy and Allen Jefferis have been valiant members of the Union City community more than half a century. Allen was a businessman from the time he and his bride returned from college. Betsy championed the arts as a member of the Art Association of Randolph County and, along with Allen, took an active role in the restoration of the old railroad depot which became the home of the Art Association of Randolph County in 1983. Along with others of that group of "restorers" they formed what is now the Preservation Society of Union City, IN/OH. That group then restored and repurposed the old Kirschbaum Building (now the Antiques Mall) and the old hotel and commercial buildings which became the City Museum, Community Room and the City's City Hall and Council Chamber. Always thinking of the betterment of Union City and Randolph County both Betsy and Allen have left an indelible mark on the city and the county. It was through the efforts of Allen and other businessmen that the Union City Community Fund was established from the proceeds from the sale of the old Union City Hospital. That fund, in turn, became the initial building block of the Community Foundation of Randolph County. Allen Jefferis holds the title of Director Emeritus at the Foundation which is reserved for those retiring directors who have had distinguished service and whose extraordinary contributions set them apart from their peers. Achieving the status of Director Emeritus is to be viewed as the highest honor that the Foundation may bestow upon a Foundation Board member. Betsy and Allen Jefferis are truly Randolph County Heroes!



Women's Fund

2020 Online Charity Auction and Art Contest

The pandemic may have forced changes, but the Women's Fund Committee pushed forward with a fundraising auction to help bring needed resources to the fund. In spite of rescheduling the brunch event the committee pushed forward with the many donations that were made in anticipation to the event in April. An on-line auction was held over the course of 10 days and was hosted by BidTarter.com A Facebook live event was held with co-chairpersons Stephanie Ward and Shelly Symmes explaining the Women's Fund history and mission as well as announcing the grant recipients and the art contest awards listed below. They also shared how people could register as a bidder to shop the over 100 items in the auction. Items included artwork by local artists, donations from area businesses and donations from supporters of the Women's Fund. Matt Tarter was very helpful in getting the auction set up and processing all payments for the foundation. The purpose of the annual brunch and auction is to raise funds to be used as grants to local organizations. Applications for the 2021 grant cycle are yet to be determined.

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2020 Women's Fund Art Contest Winner and Honorable Mentions



"Dusty Miller" by Carol Sexton



"A Frosty Morning" by MaryEllen Bertram



"Pink Peonies" by Patrick Kluesner



THANK YOU to Old National Bank for their continuous support of the Women's Fund, and this event, and to Shalbey Workman for serving as our





"Summer Day" by Carol Strockwasson

2020 FALL GRANT CYCLE RECIPIENTS

The Community Foundation's Board of Directors approved and awarded \$37,435 to Randolph County non-profit organizations in the fall of 2020.

General

Winchester Alumni Association Scholarship Endowment Fund

Awarded: \$1,760

Purpose: Promotional Materials for Association Efforts (\$1,760 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund)

Historic Preservation

Fountain Park Cemetery Association

Awarded: \$6,500

Purpose: Cemetery Main Entrance Improvements and Reconstruction

(\$6,500 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund)

Friends of Ward Township School No. 5

Awarded: \$2,000

Purpose: New Water Well and Pumping Station for the Restored Schoolhouse

(\$2,000 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund)

Historic Farmland USA

Awarded: \$4,000

Purpose: Flooring and Restoration of Storage Area of the Farmland Community Center

(\$2,000 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund)

Randolph County Historical Society, Inc.

Awarded: \$3,000

Purpose: Facility Office Printer for Education and Supplies

(\$3,000 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund)

Human Services

Jay-Randolph Developmental Services

Awarded: \$7,000

Purpose: Quiet Room Mats, Floor Panels, Lockers for Personal Belongings

and Assistance with Kitchen Appliances

(\$5,000 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund, and \$2,000 from Union City Community Fund)

Second Harvest Food Bank

Awarded: \$4,640

Purpose: Big Idea School Initiative for Food Insecurity

(\$2,640 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund, and \$2,000 from the Union City Community Fund)

Youth/Human Services

Sweet Dreams for Randolph County Kids

Awarded: \$5,625

Purpose: Materials for Building Bed Frames, Mattresses and Bedding for Youth Randolph County

(\$3,625 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund and \$2,000 from the Union City Community Fund)

Youth Services Bureau of Jay County

Awarded: \$2,910

Purpose: B.A.S.E. Program Providing Clothing and Hygiene Items

(\$1,410 from the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund and \$1,500 from the Union City Community Fund)



The Community Foundation of Randolph County is one of 12 regional partners with the Indiana Arts Commission (IAC), dedicated to advancing arts and culture throughout Indiana. As the Region 5, partner, The Community Foundation serves the eleven-county area including Blackford, Delaware, Fayette, Grant, Henry, Jay, Madison, Randolph, Rush, Union and Wayne counties. The Regional Partnership initiative is made possible in part by the Indiana Arts Commission, a state agency, with funds from the Indiana General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Indiana Arts Commission Grant Recipients FY2020

Arts Organization Support II (Budgets of \$250,000 or more)

Anderson Fine Arts Foundation, Inc. (DBA Anderson Museum of Art)	\$9,391.68
Anderson Symphony Orchestra Association, Inc.	\$9,391.68
Arts Place, Inc.	\$12,192.00
Cornerstone Center for the Arts	\$14,992.32
Muncie Civic and College Symphony Association, Inc.	\$9,391.68
Muncie Civic Theatre Association	\$9,391.68
Richmond Art Museum	\$9,391.68
Richmond Symphony Orchestra	\$9,391.68

Arts Organization Support I (Budgets of \$250,000 or less)

Anderson Young Ballet Theatre, Inc.	\$5, 6 57.28
Art Association of Henry County	\$6,591.36
Art Association of Randolph County, Inc.	§5, 6 57.28
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Marion Community School of the Arts	\$7,524.48
Marion Philharmonic Association	\$6,591.36
Muncie Arts and Culture Council	\$5,657.28
Richmond Civic Theatre	\$9,391.68
The Quilters Hall of Fame	\$5, 6 57.28
Youth Symphony Orchestras of East Central Indiana	\$5 ,6 57.28

Arts Project Support

Muncie Children's Museum, Inc.	\$4,000.00
Masterworks Chorale Inc.	\$5,000.00
East Central Indiana Chamber Orchestra	\$4,500.00
National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture	\$5,000.00
Central Indiana Powwow Inc.	\$5,000.00
Duck Creek Center for the Arts Inc.	\$2,400.00
Earlham College for the Chanticleer String Quartet	\$5,000.00
Main Street Richmond-Wayne County, Inc. (DBA: Center City Development Corporation)	\$5,000.00
Richmond Community Schools / Civic Hall Performing Arts Center	\$5,000.00
Hagerstown Nettle Creek Players Inc.	\$5,000.00





529 Promise Community Fund

Ascension St. Vincent Hospital Fdn. Delta Theta Tau Sorority Iota Mu Chapter **Indiana Youth Institute**

529 Promise Endowment Fund

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529 Promise Student Fund

David & Jessica Baldwin Katie & Allen Kerns Richard Lacv **Danielle Reichard** Tiffany and Justin Ridgway

Abernathy Family Scholarship Fund

Todd and Tamara Abernathy

Amber Morrow Scholarship Fund

Leigh Anne Baughey

Ann and Wayne Hinchman Scholarship Fund

William & Candace Wilson

Art Association of Randolph County Fund

Beverly Vardaman John Teaford

Butch Mullen Scholarship Fund

William & Candace Wilson

Chip and Ruth Loney Fund

Chip and Ruth Loney **Dennis & Sheryl Thurston**

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Union City Community High School SADD Chapter Fund

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Union City High School Class of 1970 Scholarship Fund

Jody Adelsperger

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Jon Teaford

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Ella Baldwin 2021 Lilly Recipient



Ella Baldwin is the recipient of the 2021 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. Ella is the daughter of Justin and Kari Baldwin. Ella is planning to study biochemistry at Indiana Wesleyan University. Following her undergraduate degree, Ella plans to further her education to become dentist. The Lilly Scholarship pays for tuition, books, and other required fees for four years of undergraduate study at any Indiana public or private, non -profit university. 27 Randolph County students applied for the Lilly Scholarship this year. Applicants must attend an accredited



Randolph County High School, and are scored on academic ability, extracurricular activities, honors, awards, community involvement, and goals and aspirations. Applicants are also required to write an essay. Five finalists participate in an interview process. The four finalists not selected to receive the Lilly Scholarship will receive a \$1,250 scholarship from the Community Foundation of Randolph County. They are (in alphabetical order) Kyle Buckingham, Madison Hargarten, Lauren Harris, and Hunter Reagan.

Congratulations



Kevaline



Madison







Hunter

Reagan







Buckingham **Davis**

Hargarten

Lauren Harris

Caleb Hines

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