

# Charitable Gifts 2023

## Grants

# Arts United Center Allen County, IN \$250,000

Support for the renovation of the Arts United Center. Updating this historic building will make its classes, job opportunities, and productions more inclusive and accessible. This is the second installment of a \$1,000,000 pledge.

## Blue Jacket Allen County, IN \$250,000

Blue Jacket trains people with barriers to employment to succeed in the workforce. This grant is towards the cost of designing, implementing, and perpetuating a cutting-edge leadership program for Blue Jacket's clients that are in management roles within the organization.

# Bridge of Grace Allen County, IN \$200,000

The first installment of a \$600,000 pledge towards the cost of an Early Childhood Development Center in Southeast Fort Wayne. This is a key part of Bridge of Grace's HOPE Unleashed capital campaign that will help give residents access to affordable home ownership, employment opportunities, quality childcare, and healthcare.

# Daisy Lodge County Mayo, Ireland \$10,495

A matching grant to double the contribution made by Fort Wayne Metals Ireland. Daisy Lodge is a center that provides a safe and supportive environment for families across Ireland affected by cancer.

# CORE Vocational Training Program Allen County, IN \$5,000

A grant towards general operating expenses. CORE partners with educators and community businesses to provide individuals with disabilities training in a real-world environment and fosters the fundamental social skills needed to achieve independence.

#### Fort Wayne Museum of Art Allen County, IN \$65,000

Supporting the Fort Wayne Museum of Art's programming to continue their mission to "collect, preserve and present American and related art to engage and educate broad and diverse audiences throughout the region to add value to their lives."

#### FW Railroad Historical Society Allen County, IN \$50,000

For the purchase and refurbishing of a historic excursion rail car. This is part of an expansion to the Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society's fleet that will allow them to host more visitors. This will have a large positive economic impact in rural parts of Northeast Indiana.

#### FW Swim and Wellness Alliance Allen County, IN \$50,000

Towards a matching campaign to help raise funds to bring the 2024 USA Swimming Olympic Team Trials Pool to Fort Wayne. Bringing an Olympic pool to Fort Wayne would positively impact the community and economy for decades to come. It would improve water safety, wellness, and accessibility.

#### Habitat for Humanity Huntington County, IN \$150,000

Funding for two new house builds in the downtown Huntington area. This gives two families access to home ownership and increases their stability and independence.

#### LC Nature Park Huntington County, IN \$100,000

To support programming and operations related to education programs, summer camp, grassland management, restoration, and their bison and elk herds. This grant also helps fund the development of a Master Plan Initiative for the park property.

# Science Central Allen County, IN \$11,000

Funding to replace the original Giant Slide Exhibit at Science Central with an updated design, create a maintenance fund for its operation for years to come, and add interpretive signage to showcase the science concepts visitors will learn about and experience when interacting with the exhibit.

# Specialty Tutoring Allen County, IN \$75,000

Specialty Tutoring has been helping students overcome learning disabilities for over 20 years. This grant provides support for their operational expenses in their new facility including instructional expansion, financial assistance expansion, increased program supplies, and leadership team expansion.

# St. Vincent De Paul Allen County, IN \$150,000

Funding for St. Vincent De Paul's Legacy of Hope Campaign. The goals of the campaign are to promote self-sufficiency by expanding facilities to teach career-readiness skills while building furniture for those in need, serve more people with financial assistance through proceeds from a new e- commerce sales center, and create equity among volunteers and clients of all abilities by renovating the facilities to provide access to all areas.

## Sheets Family Park Steuben County, IN \$50,000

A grant towards the cost of an inclusive community park in Steuben County. This park will fill a demonstrated need in the community and will promote the physical and mental health of children and youth, promote diversity, community engagement, family engagement, healthy living and regional workforce development.

## TROY School Whitley County, IN \$20,000

TROY School's mission is to see all youth receive an education and a high school diploma and become productive adults in the community. TROY provides an alternative education pathway for students who are not finding success in a traditional classroom setting, often due to personal traumas or adverse living situations. This funding supports programming to help students overcome these barriers as well as the career exploration program.

# Turnstone Allen County, IN \$150,000

Turnstone provides comprehensive services to empower people with intellectual, visual, developmental, and physical disabilities no matter their ability to pay. This grant helps fund re-purposing their building space to expand their Therapy Program and Adult Day Services. The additional revenue from expanding these programs will also help subsidize Turnstone's other offerings.

#### YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne Allen County, IN \$25,000

A grant to help fund a new tutoring program at four elementary after school program sites in the 2023-24 school year. This project is projected to impact 100-125 students and will align YMCA after school care initiatives with the schools' needs and academic goals to best serve the students.

# Matches

# City Church \$6,132.14

Funding for City Church to care for and preserve a historic Fort Wayne cornucopia sign.

## Creative Women of the World \$8,760

Support for CWOW's mission to equip women around the globe with entrepreneurial resources to develop sustainable businesses through the power of their own creativity.

# Discipleship & Stewardship Network \$10,000

Funding to support the launch of Discipleship & Stewardship Network's leadership development program for key leaders in underserved communities.

# Embassy Theatre \$16,000

In support of the Embassy Theatre's mission to "enrich the cultural life of the region by providing a wide range of arts and entertainment experiences in a historic venue."

# Huntington University \$5,000

Funding for Huntington University's Digital Media Art's Live Action Film project.

## Indiana Landmarks \$5,000

To benefit Indiana Landmarks' Endangered Places Program that helps save communally-cherished historic structures throughout Indiana

# Oak Farm Montessori School \$5,091.95

Funding in support of Oak Farm's mission to "inspire students to reach their potential through meaningful work in a Montessori environment".

## Southwest Montessori Academy \$3,247

Funding in support of Southwest Montessori Academy's mission of "creating an environment of belonging and contribution, cultivating socially and environmentally mindful citizens, encouraging confidence, compassion, curiosity, and respect, and providing a personalized education driven by Montessori principles".

## University of St. Francis \$12,103.74

Funding to support the University of St. Francis' nursing program and further the university's mission to "engage a diverse community in learning, leadership, and service".