



2021 ANNUAL REPORT



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MISSION

To enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Owen County, now and for generations to come.

VISION

To be the trustworthy resource for philanthropy by building permanent endowment, addressing needs through grantmaking, and providing leadership resources to serve our community.

VALUES

PHILANTHROPY: We will promote community involvement and charitable spirit.

STEWARDSHIP: We will support and preserve donor intent across generations.

LEADERSHIP: We will act as a catalyst and collaborate with others to build a better tomorrow.

INTEGRITY: We will act ethically in every relationship.

EXCELLENCE: We will meet or exceed expectations in all we do.

RESPECT: We will honor the dignity and worth of all.

WHO

Your Owen County Community Foundation (OCCF) has been serving our Owen County communities since our establishment in 1994. Our Foundation is committed to providing local philanthropists with the tools that they need to help Owen County become a better place to live, grow, and work.

WHAT

We GATHER gifts from people who care about Owen County. People can make gifts in any amount - from a dollar to much larger. We keep these gifts in permanent funds that will give back to Owen County forever.

We GROW our pool of permanent assets, provided to us from our generous donors, through investing funds for the purpose of multiplying an investment beyond its original value.

We GIVE back to our communities through grants & scholarships that are funded by our investment returns. We maintain over 150 unique funds established by donors that each carry out a specific charitable goal.

WHERE

Our impact and reach stretches across every curve, creek and hill of our Sweet Owen County but our home base is at our office located on the southside of the courthouse square in Spencer at 60 East Market Street.

WHY

All for the greater good of Owen County! *Forever Good*

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

I am pleased to share this report of another successful year in the life of the Owen County Community Foundation. Despite some continuing uncertainties regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, the work of OCCF continued to flourish. This was possible because of you, our fundholders, donors, and supporters, who are loyal, caring partners in community-wide philanthropy. Your continuing confidence inspires us every day.

It was gratifying to see the assets of the Foundation reach and exceed \$11 million after many years of stewardship and prudent investment by the Board. Strong financial markets coupled with the generosity of hundreds of donors have brought total assets to \$11.9 million as of December 31, 2021.

A year of gratitude!

It is a great privilege to be part of the Owen County Community Foundation. We are grateful for the leadership David Friedel provided over the past three years as Board Chair, and we welcome Myrna Fields as she steps into that role in 2022. David and Myrna's time and commitment to our community continues to make a tremendous impact, and we are forever grateful. OCCF's board is comprised of 15 community members who volunteer their time and talent and who care deeply for those living and working in our community. We are grateful for the service of retiring board member and past chair, Nancy Lorenz, and we thank her for her leadership.

Our county faces an incredible opportunity, one that requires us to think beyond simply returning to the way things were before the pandemic. But it will take all of us working together to realize our shared vision for an Owen County where everyone can thrive.

That's why the Owen County Community Foundation exists. For nearly three decades, the Community Foundation has worked to bring people and resources together, channel ideas into action, and invest in solutions. And the work to protect and support our community is more important now than ever.

This report features the impact that OCCF, our donors, and partners have had on this county in 2021 and beyond. These stories highlight the importance of your support and how it enables us to be responsive to all kinds of situations.

Thank you to those who have supported and partnered with OCCF on our mission to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Owen County, now and for generations to come. Our work continues, and we are glad you have joined us.

Sincerely,

Janet Rummel
President & CEO

Charting a New Strategic Direction: The Challenge and the Opportunity

The Owen County Community Foundation has worked for decades alongside organizations, leaders, and donors alike to step up to local challenges and improve the quality of life throughout Owen County. We have a long legacy of local impact through grants and local scholarships. During 2021, we embarked on a robust strategic planning process to determine how we can most effectively use our resources - human as well as financial - to serve our community in the coming years.

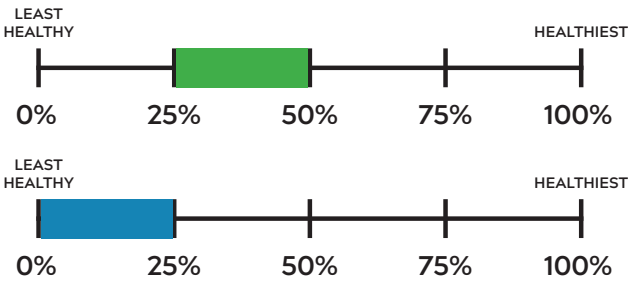
To keep pace with changes in our community and to meet the most pressing current needs, we knew that we needed to adapt and grow as an organization. We needed a strategic direction that would recommit us to serving Owen County, while recognizing that, in order to have the greatest impact, we could not be all things to all people, or in all places at all times. To be effective, we needed to establish clear priorities and to ground them in data about community need and a clear understanding of the Foundation’s values.

What We Explored

Over the course of the planning process, we conducted focus groups and interviews with nonprofits, donors, volunteers, local leaders, and other community members to understand how people perceive the Foundation’s work and to get feedback on the biggest challenges the community and the nonprofits that serve it are facing. Finally, we looked inward, engaging board and staff in multiple conversations about who we are, what we stand for, and how we can make the greatest difference.

What We Learned

The community’s responses aligned with what we saw in the data, some of which is shown below. Asked to prioritize, our focus group and interview participants identified **health & wellness, education, and economic opportunity as top needs. Talent attraction, talent retention, and population growth, emerged as another priority, with a focus on increasing the percentage of high school and postsecondary students choosing to stay and work in Owen County.**



Health Outcomes

Owen County is ranked in the lower middle range of counties in Indiana (Lower 25% - 50%)

Health Factors

Owen County is ranked among the least healthy counties in Indiana (Lowest 0% - 25%)

Health Outcomes measures include length of life and quality of life; Health Factors measures include health behaviors, clinical care, social & economic factors, and physical environment.

Education and Childcare

Owen County Child Care Capacity for Children Under Age 5



Educational Attainment

Adults with High School Diploma or Higher		Adults with B.A. or Higher Degree	
Owen County	85.4% <i>County Rank 78/92</i>	Owen County	13.1% <i>County Rank 79/92</i>
Indiana	88.8%	Indiana	26.5%

Population

Median Age		Owen County Living Wage - 2020	
Owen County	45.0	1 Adult, 0 Children	\$27,616 \$13.28/hr
Indiana	38.0	1 Adult, 1 Child	\$53,732 \$25.83/hr
Per Capita Income - 2020		2 Adults, 0 Children (Both working)	\$44,509 (Household income) \$10.70/hr (Hourly wage for each adult)
Owen County	\$45,143	2 Adults, 2 Children (Both adults working)	\$72,937 (Household income) \$17.53/hr (Hourly wage for each adult)
Indiana	\$51,926		
Median Household Income - 2019			
Owen County	\$53,387		
Indiana	\$57,617		

Data Sources: 2022 Indiana Indicators: indianaindicators.org; Indiana Department of Education; Indiana Commission for Higher Education; Early Learning Indiana; and STATS Indiana: stats.indiana.edu

The Heart of Our Strategy

The strategic intent of the Owen County Community Foundation is to improve our county’s quality of life by supporting local donors and increasing the capacity of our nonprofit sector. To accomplish this, we plan to improve on what we do today and incorporated new elements into our work that will foster community, a culture of giving, and lasting change. Over the next five years, we will focus our efforts on the following overarching goals:

GOAL ONE



MARKETING & COMMUNICATION
Share Our Purpose

Nonprofits, donors, partners, and community are more aware of OCCF’s vision, mission, and impact.

GOAL TWO



DEVELOPMENT & DONOR SERVICES
Increase Assets to Increase Impact

Promote philanthropy by helping donors meet their charitable goals and meet the community’s greatest needs.

GOAL THREE



GRANTMAKING
Make Effective & Inspiring Distributions

Establish a more intentional grant process, linking funding priorities to focused outcomes.

GOAL FOUR



COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
Serve as a Strategic Community Leader

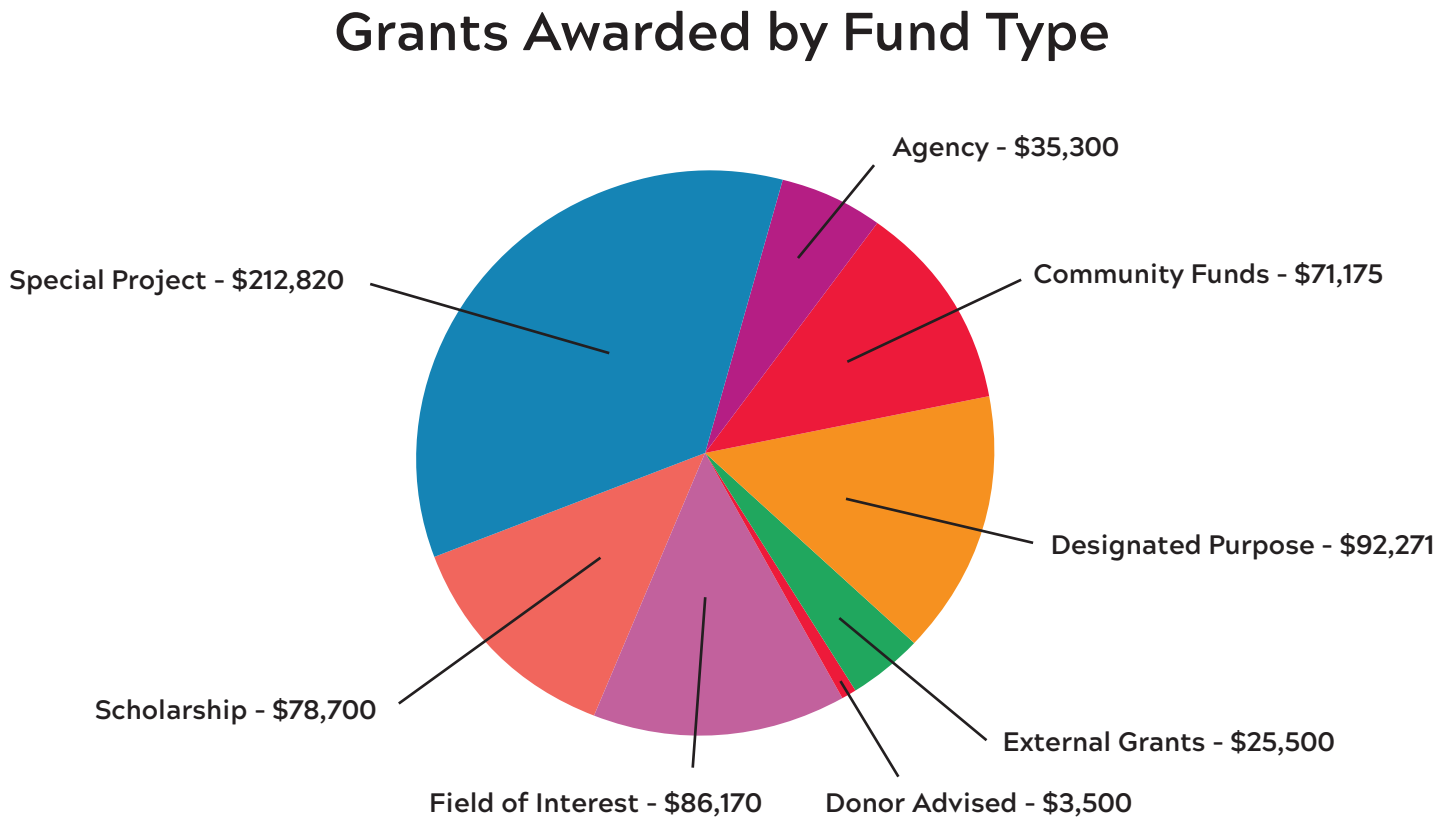
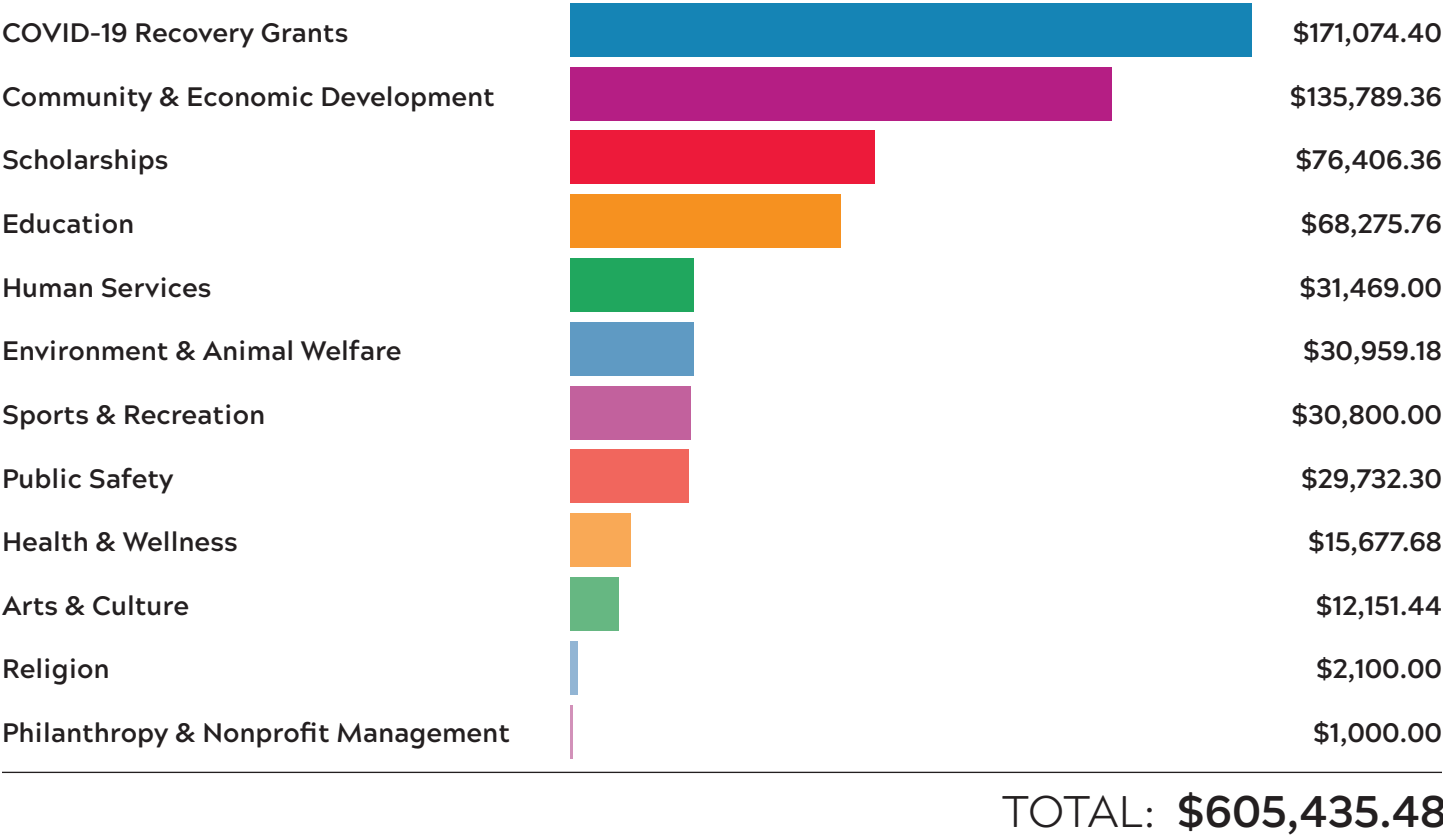
Activate and convene resources.

GOAL FIVE



SUSTAINABILITY
Ensure the Permanence of the Foundation

Build an energized and financially sustainable business model that aligns with our mission and meets our short and long-term goals.



2021 GRANT AWARDS



OCCF provided \$25,000 in financial support for the new outdoor pavilion at the Owen County Public Library.



The Jack Simmerman Community Fund and D M J Community Fund provided a \$2,500 grant to the Owen Valley Choir Boosters for the purchase of a portable sound system and to provide financial assistance for costume purchases.

Arts & Culture

- Gosport History Museum:
Designated grant from the Gosport History Museum Fund
- Owen County Art Guild: Interior building repair and restoration
- Owen County Heritage & Culture Center: Historic restoration of steps
- Owen County Heritage & Culture Center: Support of operations
- Owen County Heritage & Culture Center: Beautification and building repairs
- Owen County Preservations, Inc.:
Designated grant from the Owen County Preservations Fund
- Owen County Preservations, Inc.:
Butter machine replacement for the Historic Tivoli Theatre
- Owen Valley Band & Guard Boosters: Equipment purchase
- Owen Valley Choir Boosters:
Scholarships and purchase of equipment
- Historic Tivoli Theatre:
Designated grant from the Tivoli Theatre Endowment Fund
- Vandalia Community Preservation Association:
Designated grant from the Flona Everly Query Fund

Community & Economic Development

- Beech Cemetery Association:
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Designated grant from the Irene & Arthur Kelley Beech Cemetery Fund
- Carolina Church & Cemetery Association: Designated grant from the Carolina Cemetery Fund
- Fiscus Cemetery: Designated grant from the William Donald & Maxine Wells Fiscus Cemetery Fund
- Gosport Business Association:
Christmas decorations for Main Street

- Gosport Business Association:
Clock restoration
- New Union Carolina Church & Cemetery: Church remodel
- Owen County Chamber of Commerce: Designated grant from the Economic Development Fund
- Owen County Chamber of Commerce: Back to School Expo



Thanks to a generous donor, we were able to provide hundreds of students with backpacks and school supplies at the Back to School Expo

- Owen County Chamber of Commerce: Community fireworks display
- Owen County Chamber of Commerce: Overstreet Center for Entrepreneurship partnership
- Owen County Chamber of Commerce: Chamber membership for Lewis Worman HOA
- Owen County Public Library:
Outdoor pavilion
- Patrickburg Lutheran Cemetery:
Designated grant from Irene & Arthur Kelley Patrickburg Lutheran Cemetery Fund
- Riverside Cemetery Association:
Designated grant from Riverside Cemetery Fund
- Riverside Cemetery Association:
Development of new cemetery section
- Spencer VFW Auxiliary Post 1405: 9/11 and PFC Brett Wood remembrance event
- Town of Gosport: Cleanup and maintenance of Gosport Town Park

- Town of Spencer: MYPATH South Main Street Project
- Town of Spencer: Security for Public Restroom Project

COVID-19 Recovery Grants for Nonprofits

- Cunot Community Center Inc.
- Cunot Food Pantry
- Delta Theta Tau Sorority IOTA CHI Chapter
- First Church of the Nazarene
- Friends of McCormick's Creek State Park
- Girl Scout Troop 04698
- Gosport Community Building
- Gosport Lazy Days Festival
- Kappa Kappa Sigma
- Owen County 4-H Council
- Owen County Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development
- Owen County Farmers' Market
- Owen County Public Library
- Rev 20, Inc.
- Senior Friends of Owen County
- Spencer Lions Club
- Spencer Pride, Inc.
- Tivoli Theatre
- Upland PEAK Sanctuary
- VFW Auxiliary Post 1405

Indiana OCRA COVID-19 Recovery Grants for Small Businesses

- Administered by OCCF
- Abram Farm, LLC
- Bill Ranard Auto Repair
- Chambers Restaurant
- Civilian Brewing Corps
- Cliff's Edge Paintball
- Ed's Body Shop
- Elliott Construction
- Frye Towing
- Genuine Auto Service
- Gosport Dental Clinic
- Insurance Pros - Brinson Agency
- Interior Restorations
- Mader Mill
- Main Street Coffee

2021 GRANT AWARDS

McCormick’s Creek Stables
Nate’s Candy Jar
Simple Divine Suds
Reeves Farm Market
Rolling Meadows Golf Course
Show Barn Quality Equipment
World Arts, Inc.

Education

Patriot Manufacturing Summer Work: Payton Barger, Caleb Bixler, Jasmine Brewer, Ryan Cowden, Eric Crouch, Matthew Crum, Kaleb Dill, Kyndall Drake, Iain Duncan, Graciawna England, Camie Forston, Haley Frank, Tina Hayden, Andrew Heaton, Lola James, Elizabeth Johnson, Madison Kay, Cooper King, Presley McPhee, Aubrie Miller, Kristen Portteus, Kristen Richardson, Hannah Riggs, Rhonda Schafer, Robert Wheeler
Elizabeth Conway: Teacher Mini-Grant - Equipment purchase
Shonda Klinger: Teacher Mini-Grant - Equipment purchase
Neil Klodzen: Teacher Mini-Grant - Into the Wild books
Robin Lane: Teacher Mini-Grant - iPad for preschoolers
Amy Lanham: Teacher Mini-Grant - Book club
Korri Martin: Teacher Mini-Grant - Digital art tablets
Beth Nairn: Teacher Mini-Grant - Breakfast with Opie
On My Way Pre-K Support Program: Support from donor-advised grant
Owen County 4-H Council: Designated grant from the Lloyd H & Rosalie Lucas 4-H & FFA Fund
Owen County Adult Education: Job skills training with maker projects
Owen County Fair Association: Designated grant from Owen County 4-H Livestock Fund

Owen County Head Start: Scholarship for Chamber of Commerce membership
Owen County Public Library: Designated grant from Jack R. DeFord Library Fund
Owen County Public Library: Adult Education Program
Owen Valley FFA: Designated grant from the Lloyd H & Rosalie Lucas 4-H & FFA Fund
Owen Valley High School: Teacher Mini-Grant - Patriot Expo Teacher Appreciation
Owen Valley Jr. Air Force ROTC: Designated grant from the Owen Valley Jr ROTC Fund
Owen Valley Jr. Air Force ROTC: Year end programs & awards
Owen Valley Middle School: Curriculum building
Owen Valley Middle School: Maker space summer training
Owen Valley Middle School: Equipment purchase
Owen Valley Middle School: Maker Space Program: Equipment purchase
Owen Valley Middle School: Maker Space Program: Maker space start-up
Peggy Schrougham: Teacher Mini-Grant - Small group materials
Spencer - Owen Community Schools: 2020-21 Preschool scholarship program
Spencer Elementary School: Teacher Mini-Grant - Heggerty decodable book sets
Spencer Elementary School: Teacher Mini-Grant - Rocket launch
Judy Tucker: Teacher Mini-Grant - Science in action
Emily Vladoiu: Teacher Mini Grant - Sensory equipment



George Allison and his family provided a grant from the Allison Family Fund to the Owen County Humane Society to assist with their operating expenses.

Environment & Animal Welfare

Owen County Humane Society: Designated grant from Owen County Humane Society Fund
Owen County Humane Society: Support from donor-advised grants
Owen County Humane Society: Dog kennels
Owen County Soil & Water Conservation District: Operational support
Owen County Soil & Water Conservation District: New Meadow Project and Dixie Chopper
Owen County Soil & Water Conservation District: MYPATH Trail System development

Health & Wellness

Owen County Family YMCA: Designated grant from Jim Vance Owen County YMCA Fund
Summerfield Health Care Center: Designated grant from O’Connor Family Fund

Human Services

Area 10 Agency on Aging: Multi-year grant for Rural Transit bus
Area 10 Agency on Aging: Designated grant from Freeman Charitable Food Fund



Garrard Chapel Food Pantry. OCCF provides financial support to food pantries all across Owen County through the Freeman Charitable Food Fund.

Area 10 Agency on Aging: Designated grant from Area 10 Agency on Aging Fund
Area 10 Agency on Aging/Rural Transit: Rural Transit expansion
Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Central Indiana: Owen County programming
Garrard Chapel Food Pantry: Drive-through food distribution building
Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry: Meat processing
Life Designs Inc.: Accessible women’s restroom remodel
New Beginnings, Crisis Pregnancy Center: Curriculum update
Senior Friends of Owen County: Designated grant from Senior Friends of Owen County Fund
Servants at Work (SAWs): Wheelchair ramps and steps for financially challenged residents
Spencer Pride, Inc.: Western façade repair
Spencer Pride, Inc.: Building repairs
Susie’s Place Advocacy Center: Designated grant from Child Abuse Prevention Fund

Philanthropy & Non-Profit Management

Kappa Kappa Kappa, Inc. - Alpha Delta Chapter: Fundraising item purchase
Rev 20, Inc.: Scholarship for Chamber of Commerce membership
Spencer Exchange Club: 2021 Bikes for Tykes program
Spencer Lions Club: Equipment purchase
Spencer Main Street: Christmas at the Square capital goods purchase

Public Safety

Cataract Volunteer Fire Department: Upgrade to MFPA standard helmets
Cataract Volunteer Fire Department: Fire incident reports & record keeping update
Coal City Volunteer Fire Department: Generator purchase
Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 183: Bullet-proof vest equipment purchase
Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 183: Shop with a Cop
Owen County Sheriff: Christmas for the Kids

Owen County Sheriff: Officer training
Owen County Sheriff: Interview room recording system

Religion

Owen County Christian Programs, Inc.: Designated grant from Owen County Ministerial Fund
Spencer United Methodist Church: Designated grant from Bennie J & Joan R Woodruff Methodist Church Fund
St. Jude Catholic Church: Designated grant from St. Jude Catholic Church Fund

Sports & Recreation

Cub Scout Pack 285: Recharter registration fees
Friends of MYPATH: Friends of MYPATH start-up costs
Friends of MYPATH: Trail cameras and professional trail usage counter
Owen Valley High School Baseball: Support from donor-advised grant
Owen Valley Sports Complex: New playground



PFC Brett Wood Memorial Scholarship

In 2011, the PFC Brett Wood Memorial Scholarship was established as part of a community effort to celebrate the life of Brett Wood, whose life was lost in September of 2011 while serving his country. After graduating from Owen Valley High School in 2010, PFC Wood joined the Army, was stationed in Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and then deployed in April 2011 for a one-year tour in Afghanistan. Wood’s life was taken in Afghanistan on September 9, 2011, by an improvised explosive device (IED). When Wood was escorted home by his brother (Nikk Wood), the people of Owen and surrounding counties lined the entire length of Morgan Street with hats off and flags waving in hand. Wood’s life was mourned greatly throughout the Owen County community, and this fund was established in his name through generous donations.

In 2021, the OCCF focused on helping this fund reach the required \$25,000 endowment for a scholarship fund. As part of our fundraising efforts, your OCCF partnered with the Spencer VFW Auxiliary Post 1405 to put on a community-wide 9/11 and PFC Brett Wood remembrance event on September 11, 2021. Our efforts and your generosity raised nearly \$12,000 in 2021, and while the fund needs another \$3,000, we are confident that you will help get this scholarship endowed in 2022.



Dick (Mr. Dyar) & Sue Dyar Scholarship Fund

In late 2020, the Dick (Mr. Dyar) & Sue Dyar Scholarship Fund was established by John & Sylvia Dyar to honor Dick & Sue Dyar, a couple well-known in the Spencer and Bloomington communities for their many years of dedicated service to the fields of education and medicine. In 2021, this scholarship was presented for the first time to Julianna Hartman, a graduating Owen Valley High School senior who demonstrated proficiency in the sciences and who desired to continue studies in life sciences. Since this scholarship’s establishment, the celebrated Mr. Dyar passed away at the impressive age of 94. We are honored to have had the opportunity to work with Mr. Dyar and his family on establishing this scholarship to help his legacy live on in our Owen County communities, now and for forever.

Want to support these funds?

If you would like to honor PFC Brett Wood or Dick & Sue Dyar and help support a college-bound student, please utilize our secure, online donation portal on our website www.owencountycf.org or via mail at OCCF, P.O. Box 503, Spencer, IN 47460.

2021 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

**Babbs Supermarket
Scholarship Fund**

Julianna Hartman

**Bennie J. & Joan R. Woodruff
Scholarship Fund**

Ronald Martin
Thadeus Sylvester

**Braysville Homemakers
Scholarship Fund**

Kalynn Nanny

Burns Family Scholarship Fund

Emily Stierwald

**Charles T. Cooper
Scholarship Fund**

Alana Michalow

**Charles W. Edwards
Scholarship Fund**

Maleah Kristof

**Clinton & Louise Abrell
Scholarship Fund**

Presley McPhee

Coyne Family Scholarship Fund

Tina Hall

**David Campbell Gray
Scholarship Fund**

Emily Fryberger

**Dick (Mr. Dyar) & Sue Dyar
Scholarship Fund**

Julianna Hartman

Dyer Family Scholarship Fund

Kaleb Dill

**Elliott Hickam Scholarship
Fund**

Grace Pendleton

EPIC Scholarship Fund

Kenzington Brown

**Erika Wells Memorial
Scholarship**

Grace Pendleton

**Freedom Alumni Scholarship
Fund**

Marjorie Abrell

**Gary McCarter Scholarship
Fund**

Marjorie Abrell

**George & Nancy Thurston
Artistic Fund**

Thadeus Sylvester

**Gosport Alumni Scholarship
Fund**

Emily Fryberger

**Gosport Lions Club
Scholarship Fund**

Meilynn Dow

Ione W. Fulk Scholarship Fund

Abigail Herrington

**James P. Root Scholarship
Fund**

Blake Von Bokern

**Jim & Wilma Fulford
Scholarship Fund**

Rebecca Terry

John Moore Scholarship Fund

Alana Michalow

**Josephine Brown Owens
Scholarship Fund**

Thadeus Sylvester

**Judy Hamilton Education
Scholarship Fund**

Mackenzie Carver

**Lloyd H. & Rosalie E Lucas
Agri-Science Scholarship
Fund**

Kalynn Nanny
Kristen Richardson

**Loretta Heidrick Memorial
Scholarship Fund**

Tina Hall

**Lyle & Marion Brighton
Scholarship Fund**

Kayla Potts

**MacMorran Family
Scholarship**

Abigail Herrington
Maleah Kristof

**Margaret Marley Pinkston
Scholarship Fund**

Whitley O’Neal

**Mearl & LaVerne Brown
Scholarship Fund**

Hannah Amos
Hannah York

**Melvin R. & Margaret A. Hall
Nursing Scholarship Fund**

Kara Schafer

**Michael Job Vocational
Scholarship Fund**

Kalynn Nanny

**Mildred E. Harbison
Scholarship Fund**

Abigail Warthan

**Myrtle S. Marshall Business
Scholarship Fund**

Charley Truax

**Our Community Bank
Scholarship Fund**

Cody Morris

**Owen County Farm Bureau
Scholarship Fund**

Luke Strouse

**Owen County I.U. Varsity
Club Scholarship Fund**

Presley McPhee

**Owen County Works
Scholarship Fund**

Kalynn Nanny

**Owen Valley FFA Scholarship
Fund**

Luke Strouse

**Patrickburg Alumni
Scholarship Fund**

Julianna Hartman

**PFC Brett Wood Memorial
Scholarship**

Hannah Amos

**Quincy Alumni Scholarship
Fund**

Cody Morris

**Rebecca and William
Applegate Scholarship Fund**

Isabel Kay

**Robert & Barbara Stanley
Bonness Scholarship Fund**

Robert Martin
Kyle Swafford

Roma Wilson Scholarship Fund

Lynn Marie Osborne

**Ronald E. & Carol L. Patterson
Dillingham Scholarship Fund**

Alana Michalow
Rachel Wilkins
Thadeus Sylvester

**Sons of American Legion
Joe Carmichael Memorial
Scholarship**

Hannah Amos
Isabel Kay

**Spencer Alumni Scholarship
Fund**

Colby Beckwith
Nolyn Wyatt

Tri Kappa Scholarship Fund

Tina Hall
Julianna Hartman
Kalynn Nanny
Rebecca Terry

**West & Parrish & Pedigo
Scholarship Fund**

Presley McPhee

**Woody & Barry Franklin
Scholarship Fund**

Gavin Livingston



Kristine Arnold is the 2021 Owen County Lilly Endowment Community Scholar.

Kristine is the daughter of Clark and Melissa Arnold, of Freedom, and she graduated in May 2021. Some of her many extracurricular activities included: student body president of Owen Valley High School’s class of 2021, president of Willing Workers 4-H Club, and vice-president of Junior Leaders. She was also active in sports achieving All-Conference and All-Academic Conference in varsity golf. Kristine is currently attending IU-Bloomington where she is pursuing a degree in pre-med.

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship program was first offered by Lilly Endowment Inc., in 1998 to help raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana and to increase awareness of the beneficial roles Indiana community foundation can play in their communities. Lilly Endowment Community Scholars receive full tuition for four-years to an accredited public or private college or university within Indiana and an annual book stipend.

MYPATH TRAIL SYSTEM

In 2016, it seemed simple enough. Let's connect the Family YMCA to McCormick's Creek State Park with a walking/biking trail. That way, people can connect to two important landmarks, on opposite ends of town, without having to walk or bicycle in the roadway.

Through the continuing development of what is now known as the MYPATH Trail System, the route has become slightly more complicated and largely more exciting. Like communities all around the state, Spencer has recognized the opportunities and convenience that an attractive trail system provides. Housing and economic development near the trail ensure that customers and residents will have easy access to the trail and all the connections it will provide.



MYPATH Mural - Downtown Spencer

Currently, part of the MYPATH Trail System consists of a network of shared sidewalks through the town. You may have noticed the MYPATH banners hanging along Main Street or the mural on the former Spencer Coffee House. A MYPATH trail pavilion stands in Cooper Commons near the Veterans Memorial Bridge at the White River.

Cross the bridge and see a MYPATH interpretive trail sign, near the Owen County Soil and Water District office. Take time to learn some history about the Town of Spencer and the former Town of Southport, which is now partly under water.

Continue past the sign along a natural trail that leads to river vistas, a prime birdwatching area, wetlands restoration, and a lowland reforestation project. Notice and enjoy the library's StoryWalk project, with pages of a storybook installed along the path. In the future, the trail surface will be upgraded to make the path ADA accessible. Also, a bridge will cross Elliston Creek and allow visitors to cross into the MYPATH Meadow, a prairie restoration project. Next, the trail will continue to the DNR river access site and eventually to McCormick's Creek State Park.

The larger vision is one of continued connectivity enabling residents and visitors to travel between neighborhoods and downtown Spencer. MYPATH will continue to provide safe and convenient connections throughout Spencer as it continues to reach neighborhoods and eventually Cooper Commons and the Owen County Fairgrounds.

What seemed like a simple connection at the beginning has turned into a much larger project. A planned network of trails will connect the newly designated neighborhood districts with wellness and programming at the Family YMCA on one end and McCormick's Creek State Park at the other, while opening opportunities in between. Meanwhile, the network connects residents and visitors to activities and shopping in Downtown Spencer and unique natural features along the White River.

Experience the existing trail system during the weekly trail walk that starts next to the Owen County Soil and Water Conservation District office at 788 Pottersville Road, every Wednesday at 10 am. During spring and summer, join one of the First Friday trail walks, from different locations. Check MYPATHtrail.org for updates. The MYPATH Trail System Facebook page also has updates. Help complete the trail by joining the Friends of MYPATH organization.

The Owen County Community Foundation continues to provide leadership for the MYPATH Trail System with a MYPATH Advisory Board, composed of government and private sector leaders. Kyle Hannon serves as Project Manager for MYPATH, coordinating efforts and advancing the project's goals. Hannon has served in many community development positions in different communities in Indiana. He has been involved with multiple bicycle trail projects and was Chair of the Indiana Bicycle Trails Task Force.

His mother Joanne used to write about some of the wonders of Owen County for the *Spencer Evening World* in her popular newspaper column, "My Window to Owen County's Treasures."



A New Era Begins *Goodbye, Mark. Hello, Kyle!*



Mark Rogers Former MYPATH Director

After 20 years of serving our Owen County communities, Mark Rogers has officially retired as the Director of MYPATH and President & CEO of your OCCF. Since Mark's beginning with the Foundation back in 2002, his forward-thinking and dedication to helping Owen County has been instrumental in providing our organization with the tools necessary to take our community initiatives to the next level. Mark's legacy has and will continue to touch every corner and riverbed of Owen County as the MYPATH Trail System's progress forges ahead. We are incredibly grateful for the time and passion that Mark put into his work during his tenure, and your OCCF wishes him nothing but the best as he ventures into this new chapter of his life.



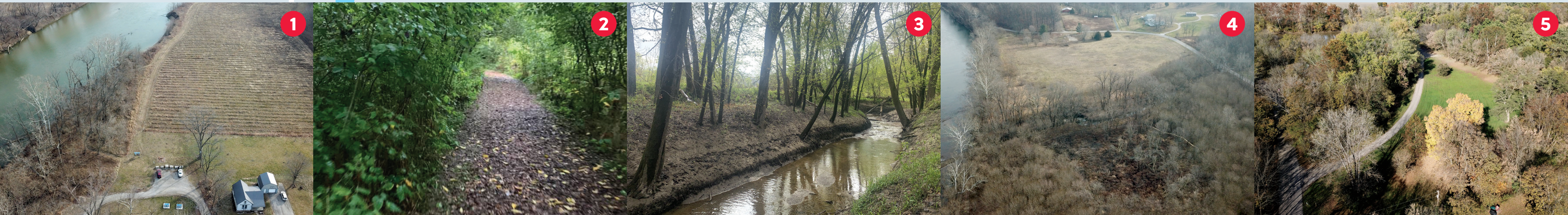
Kyle Hannon MYPATH Project Manager

 mypath@owencountycf.org  www.mypathtrail.org

Kyle began working with the MYPATH Trail System in October 2021. He has been involved in community development and trail projects for many years, including serving as Chair of the Indiana Bicycle Trails Task Force from 2017-2019. Kyle grew up on the southside of Indianapolis and lived many years in Elkhart, Indiana, where he led the Greater Elkhart Chamber of Commerce and served as Executive Director of the Ivy Tech campus. While Kyle and his family lived up north, his parents lived in Owen County, and his mother Joanne wrote a popular column for the *Evening World*. Many trips were made to Owen County, bringing the grandkids down to visit. He and his wife, Shawn, moved to Southern Indiana in 2020. Kyle is an avid hiker, cyclist, camper and fisherman, a few of the reasons he enjoys Owen County.

MyPath

TRAIL SYSTEM



2021 DONORS

Your OCCF thanks our 729 donors, and sends a special welcome to the 199 new donors who gave in 2021.

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The AME Group
Tom & Jennifer Abrell
Carole Alford
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2021
729
Donors

2021
199
New Donors

2021
1,262
Gifts

2021
652
Gifts Under \$100

Give Back to our Owen County Communities

Why choose a community foundation?

A community foundation is a philanthropic organization that collects financial gifts and uses the earnings off of investments to give out grants and scholarships throughout our Owen County communities. Gifts to a community foundation can be made in the form of direct monetary donations, stock, property, gift annuities, or left in a legal will. Donations can be placed in an already established endowment or can be used to create a new fund.

A foundation is a great way for individuals, businesses, and organizations to charitably give to their community for years to come.

Unlike one-time gifts to charitable organizations, a foundation is able to invest funds for the purpose of multiplying an investment beyond its original value. With the help of a foundation, a donor is able to use a gift to continually give back into the community.

Since 1994, your OCCF has led a local effort to build up a permanent pool of assets to support our mission of enhancing the quality of life for all citizens of Owen County, now and for generations to come.

We gather, grow, and give!

How to Give

- Cash
- Stocks, Bonds, and Mutual Funds
- Bequest by Will
- Real Estate
- Life Insurance
- Retirement Accounts
- Gift of Grain

Giving back to our Owen County communities is easy!

You can visit our secure online donation portal at:
www.owencountycf.org
Click on the “Donate” button where you can select one of our over 150 funds to give to.

You can also mail your donation to:
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SCAN TO GIVE!

Open your smartphone camera and aim it at the code like you’re taking a picture. Then click on the popup!

Giving a Gift of Grain

Giving (Grain) Today...Growing Tomorrow

Your OCCF is excited to announce a new Giving Option - Gifts of Grain.

How it Works

When you donate a gift of grain it will benefit your community forever. Here is an example of a \$10,000 gift of grain:

Taxable Income without the Charitable Gift		Taxable Income with the Charitable Gift
\$35,000	Other income from farming	\$35,000
\$10,000	Income from grain sales	\$0
\$45,000	Total taxable income	\$35,000

**You pay employment, federal income and state income tax based on adjusted gross income (less typical exemptions, deductions, etc.)*

Note: Crops produced for sale in a farming operation are considered “ordinary income property.” The deduction for a gift of ordinary income property to a charitable organization is limited to the lesser of fair market value or cost basis. Typically, the cost basis has already been deducted from income as the costs of producing the crops; thereby commonly the cost basis is zero (0), making the gift, in effect, non-tax deductible.

As each individual farmer’s situation is different, you should consult your professional advisor for legal and tax advice on how a gift of grain to the OCCF may apply to your circumstances. Nothing in this article should be construed as providing you with legal or tax advice. If you would like to donate a gift of grain your local elevator will provide the appropriate donation form.



Tips for Making Gifts of Grain to Benefit Your Community Through the Community Foundation:

- Timing - Gifts of grain to charity can be made from the current or previous year’s harvest.
- Unsold Commodity - The gift must be from unsold crop inventory with no prior sale commitment. A farmer will gift the grain to the Owen County Community Foundation (OCCF), or designate a specific charitable fund within the Foundation.
- Physical Delivery - Be sure the gift is farm commodities, not warehouse receipts, which could be considered a cash equivalent. The OCCF must be able to demonstrate “control and dominion” over the gifted property.
- Retention of Control - Farmers cannot offer guidance in the transfer agreement as to retention or sale of the gifted commodity.
- Documentation - The transaction must be well-documented to show the OCCF as owner of the grain. A Gift of Grain Notification Form and a properly executed warehouse receipt in the OCCF’s name must be completed. The original sales invoice for the gift of grain must list the OCCF as the seller.
- Storage & Transportation Costs - After the transfer of ownership of the grain. The OCCF assumes the risks of storage, marketing, and transportation costs, as well as price risk.
- Crop Share Landlords - Crop share landlords cannot gift grain. Shares of crop are rental income that must be reported as income on their tax return.
- Tax Outcomes - Costs associated with growing the crops may not be deductible if those costs are incurred in the same year as the year of the donation of the grain. Therefore, gifts made from the prior years’ unsold crop inventory may offer the best tax results. Tax outcomes are also impacted by whether a farmer does cash or accrual accounting. See you tax advisor to determine if this is the best course of action for your circumstances.
- Storing Grain on Farm - Grain can be stored on a farm rather than being delivered to an elevator and still be gifted to the OCCF. A notarized letter of grain transfer should be prepared and delivered to the OCCF. This will take the place of a warehouse receipt.
- Farm Corporations - The benefits described in article apply to the calendar year-cash basis sole proprietorships. Corporations are not treated the same way from a tax perspective. Ask your tax professional to see if your farm operation can benefit from a charitable gift.
- Government Payments Limitation Caps - The gift of grain will not count as income in government payments limitation cap.

Always consult your professional tax or legal advisor to determine the tax implications for your situation prior to making a gift. This article contains guidelines to assist in the mechanics of making a charitable gift of agricultural commodities and is not to be construed as specific tax advice.

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Kirby & Ronda Stogsdill
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Tom & Becky Wallace
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Alpha Delta Chapter of Tri Kappa
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Hair Designs by Kathy
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Low Bob's Discount Tobacco
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Mohr's Motors LLC
Cheryl Moke



Zach Tucker

In the wake of eight-year-old Zach Tucker's passing after a courageous battle with cancer, his family wanted to leave a positive impact on Owen County residents. In 2009, they established the **Cancer Support Fund** to assist Owen County families with some of the significant extra expenses associated with cancer treatment. The fund was established with a gift from Zachary's grandparents, Gib and Phyllis Tucker of Spencer, who were looking for a special way to celebrate Zachary's short but full life. Funds are currently available for Owen County families dealing with the extreme financial demands of cancer treatments. Please contact the OCCF for more information.



Linda Brooks York

After many years of living with a brain injury, Linda Brooks York passed away in February 2021. Not long after, her daughter Wendy contacted the Foundation in hopes of creating a memorial fund to help others who are living with the same disability that her mother experienced. The result was the **Linda York Memorial Fund**, which exists to provide necessary services and products to families dealing with brain injuries. This fund is still growing and has yet to reach endowment status where perpetual support can be provided. If you are interested in donating to this fund, please visit the donation page on our website.

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Our Community Bank
Owen County Democratic Party
Owen County Home Company
Owen County State Bank
Mary Rice
Janet Rummel
Sons of American Legion
Spencer Coffee House
Spencer Exchange Club
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Unraveled Quilt Store
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Mary Wright

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Linda Brooks York

Kathy Blackburn and Team
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Jeff & Carol York

Every effort is made to ensure your name and your Tribute and/or Memorial is written as you wish. If your name or recipient is incorrect or you wish to be listed differently, please contact us by phone, email, or regular mail.

LIST OF FUNDS

To contribute to any of these funds or to learn more about them, please visit our website at www.owencountycf.org and click the Donate button. If you are interested in starting your own fund, please call Karah Bobeck at 812.829.1725 or email to karah@owencountycf.org.

Community Funds

Community funds provide flexibility to address the every-changing needs of the community and to enhance the quality of community life. They are used to fund competitive grant applications submitted by nonprofit organizations in Owen County.

- Bob Babbs Community Fund
- Community Fund
- DeCoursey Family Fund
- D M J Community Fund
- Eugene S. Bowen and Robert D. Bowen Fund for Owen County
- Friedel - Mahrtdt Community Fund
- Glenn T. Burns Fund
- Hackworthy Family Community Fund
- Harold & Lois Patterson Fund
- Harry C. & D. Gladys Miller Fund
- Jack Simmerman Community Fund
- John T. Gillaspy Memorial Fund
- Misty Chapman Memorial Fund
- Morgan L. Drescher Family Fund
- Nancy McKay and Richard Wayne Lorenz Family Fund
- Ooley Family Fund
- Paul & Ione Fulk Community Fund
- Rogers - Pennington Fund
- SCI REMC RoundUp Fund
- Scully Family Fund
- Smithville Telephone Company Community Fund
- Tucker Family Fund
- Wells Family Fund

Field of Interest Funds

Field of Interest funds allow donors to specify a cause, geographic area, or population for which the funds are to be used. The Foundation awards grants to organizations within the specific field of interest designated by the donor. The following funds are fulfilling the charitable intentions of their founders by meeting our community's needs in the fields of their choice.

- Boston Scientific Childcare Fund
- Cancer Support Fund of Owen County
- Cataract / Jennings Township Fund
- Child Abuse Prevention Fund
- Coal City - Jefferson Township Fund
- Community Medical Fund
- Doug Dalton Memorial Fund
- Fire & Emergency Fund
- Freedom - Franklin Township Fund
- Freeman Charitable Food Fund
- Gosport Fund
- John King Fund for Owen County
- Law Enforcement Fund of Owen County
- OCCF Support Our Schools (SOS)
- SCI REMC Disability Fund
- Smithville Charitable Foundation Fund
- Veterans Project Fund (New)
- Winters & Shouse Cemeteries Fund

Donor Advised Funds

Many of our donors maintain an active interest in OCCF's activities by participating in a grantmaking partnership through Donor Advised Funds. These funds allow donors to make suggestions for distributions to specific charities. Many donors tap into the Foundation's expertise to assist then in identifying the needs of the community.

- Allison Family Fund
- David Friedel - Ann Mahrtdt Donor Advised Fund (new)
- Joani & Ed Staubach Donor Advised Fund (new)
- John Heckman Athletic Fund
- John R. & Elizabeth Rogers Fund
- REALTOR Fund
- Willie & Pat White Fund
- Wisley, Mead, Hume Donor Advised Fund (new)

Designated Funds

Each of the following Designated Funds represents the charitable passions of a person or agency in our community. Thank you for your commitment to improving Owen County.

- Bennie J. & Joan R. Woodruff Methodist Church Fund
- Bonness Family Fund
- Carolina Cemetery Fund
- Economic Development Fund
- Flona Every Query Fund
- Gosport History Museum Fund
- Irene & Arthur Kelley Beech Cemetery Fund
- Irene & Arthur Kelley Patricksburg Lutheran Cemetery Fund
- Jack R. DeFord Library Fund
- Jim Vance Owen County YMCA Fund

- J. Welch Wampler Fund
- Lloyd H. & Rosalie E. Lucas 4-H & FFA Fund
- McCormick's Creek State Park Fund
- MYPATH Fund
- O'Connor Family Fund
- Owen County 4-H Livestock Fund
- Owen County Education Fund
- Owen County Humane Society Fund
- Owen County Ministerial Fund
- Owen County Preservation Fund
- Owen Valley Band Boosters Fund (new)
- Owen Valley Jr ROTC Fund
- Riverside Cemetery Fund
- Senior Friends of Owen County Fund
- St. Jude Catholic Church Fund
- Tivoli Theatre Endowment
- William Donald & Maxine Wells - Fiscus Cemetery Fund

Agency Funds

Nonprofit organizations are vital to the success and growth of our community. The following Agency Funds work to ensure each organization's security, stability, and long-range financial planning, while helping them to fulfill their mission.

- Area 10 Agency on Aging Fund
- Spencer Pride Capital Fund

Scholarship Funds

Scholarship funds help students to realize their dreams of a college education. In addition to scholarships that benefit high school seniors, there is a growing need to support post-high school educational opportunities for individuals who didn't finish their college educations, need to be re-trained, or are in advanced fields of study.

- Bennie J. & Joan R. Woodruff Scholarship Fund
- Braysville Homemakers Scholarship Fund
- Burns Family Scholarship Fund
- Charles T. Cooper Scholarship Fund

- Charles W. Edwards Scholarship Fund
- Clinton & Louise Abrell Scholarship Fund (new)
- Coyne Family Scholarship Fund
- David Campbell Gray Scholarship Fund
- Dick (Mr. Dyar) & Sue Dyar Scholarship Fund
- Dyer Family Scholarship Fund
- Elliot Hickam Scholarship Fund
- EPIC Scholarship Fund
- Freedom Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Gary McCarter Scholarship Fund
- George & Nancy Thurston Artistic Fund
- Geraldine & Wilma Bucklew Educational Scholarship Fund
- Gosport Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Gosport Lions Club Scholarship Fund
- Ione W. Fulk Scholarship Fund
- James P. Root Scholarship Fund
- Jefferson Township / Coal City Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Jeffrey Wayne Johnson Scholarship Fund
- Jim & Wilma Fulford Scholarship Fund
- John Moore Scholarship Fund
- Josephine Brown Owens Scholarship Fund
- Judy Hamilton Education Scholarship Fund
- Lloyd H. & Rosalie E. Lucas Agri-Science Scholarship Fund
- Loretta Heidrick Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Lyle & Marion Brighton Scholarship Fund
- MacMorran Family Scholarship Fund (new)
- Margaret Marley Pinkston Scholarship Fund
- Mearl & LaVerne Brown Scholarship Fund
- Melvin R. & Margaret A. Hall Nursing Scholarship Fund
- Michael D. Magner Scholarship Fund

- Michael Job Scholarship Fund
- Mildred E. Harbison Scholarship Fund
- Monroe, Long, & Butts Vocational Scholarship Fund (new)
- Morgan L. Drescher Family Scholarship Fund
- Myrtle S. Marshall Business Scholarship Fund
- Our Community Bank Scholarship Fund
- Owen County Farm Bureau Scholarship Fund
- Owen County I.U. Varsity Club Scholarship Fund
- Owen Valley FFA Scholarship Fund
- Patricksburg Alumni Scholarship Fund
- PFC Brett Wood Memorial Scholarship
- Quincy Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Robert & Barbara Stanley Bonness Scholarship Fund
- Roma Wilson Scholarship Fund
- Ronald E. & Carol L. Patterson Dillingham Scholarship Fund
- Sons of American Legion Joe Carmichael Memorial Scholarship
- Spencer Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Tri Kappa Scholarship Fund
- Vada Baker Scholarship Fund
- West & Parrish & Pedigo Scholarship Fund
- William Truax Family Scholarship Fund (new)
- Wood & Barry Franklin Scholarship Fund

Operating Funds

These funds provide support for the administrative expenses of the Foundation in our ongoing work to foster philanthropy in our community.

- OCCF Operating Fund
- Visionary Fund Operating Endowment

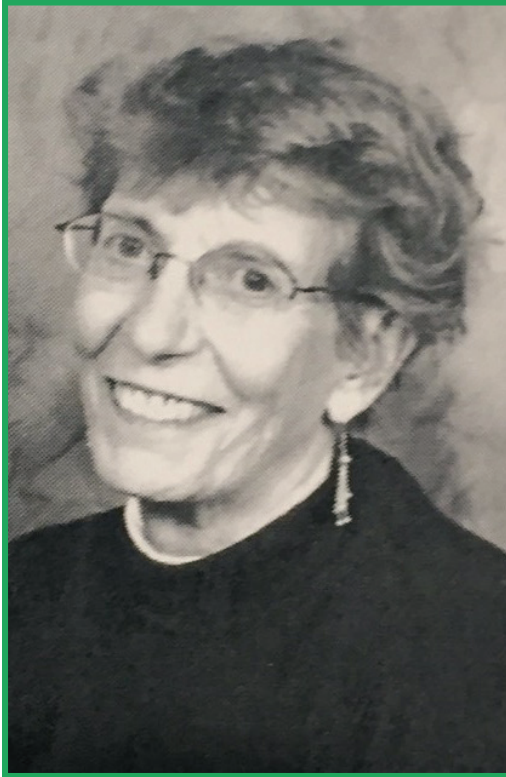
Growing Funds

- Garrard Chapel Church & Food Pantry Fund
- Janet Hunter Memorial Fund (new)
- Kirby Stogsdill Memorial Fund (new)
- Linda York Memorial Fund (new)
- Owen Valley Alumni Association Fund
- Owen Valley Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Spencer Pride Fund
- Veterans of Owen County Fund

- Fireworks Fund
- Gosport Playground Fund
- Gosport VFD Fund
- Gosport Waterfront Project Fund
- On My Way Pre-K Program Support Fund (new)
- Owen County CASA Fund
- Owen County Fair Association Fund
- Rebecca & William Applegate Scholarship Fund
- Soil & Water Conservation District Fund
- Spencer VFW Auxiliary Post 1405 Special Project Fund (new)

Pass-Through Funds

- Adult Guardianship Program Owen County Fund
- Babbs Supermarket Scholarship Fund
- Community Christmas Fund
- Community Detention Alternatives Initiative Fund
- Disaster Recovery Fund
- Erika Wells Memorial Scholarship Fund



Joanne Drescher Caudill

Knowing that she wanted to honor her father and their family while giving back to the community in which she was born and raised, Joanne Drescher Caudill contacted the Owen County Community Foundation in 2010 to establish two future funds through a bequest from her estate. Joanne passed away this year in Mesa, Arizona at the age of 96. Her bequest created the Morgan L. Drescher Family Fund, allowing OCCF to provide large impact grants, and the Morgan L. Drescher Family Scholarship Fund, providing OCCF’s largest scholarship award. Thank you, Joanne; your family’s legacy will live on and be fulfilled for generations to come.

Steps to Create Your Own Fund

The Owen County Community Foundation exists to help caring people like you give back to the causes and community you care about most. We make giving easy and effective and can establish your fund in five simple steps:

1. CHOOSE YOUR PASSION

Do you want to impact Owen County students’ education? Increase our community’s health? Nurture the arts? We will work with you to select the field of interest, community cause or non-profit organization you want to support forever with your endowed gift.

2. CHOOSE WHEN TO GIVE

Do you want to establish a fund today so you can witness its impact during your lifetime? Would you prefer to defer your gift through a will or other planned giving option? Our staff works with you and/or your professional advisor to determine how you can achieve your charitable goals.

3. CHOOSE WHAT TO GIVE

You can give cash, stocks, property, bequests and or a variety of other assets. Due to our years of combined experience, we are able to handle the most complex transactions and turn unusual gifts into community good.

4. CHOOSE A TYPE OF FUND

OCCF offers various types of funds to help you fulfill your goals: unrestricted, field of interest, designated, donor-advised and scholarship. Each provides different degrees of participation and flexibility, but all allow you to partner with OCCF to create greater good together.

5. ESTABLISH YOUR LEGACY

OCCF will walk you through the necessary paperwork to establish your fund and explain the investment and spending policies and other pertinent processes. You’ll finalize any initial gifts to your fund and confirm your investment in the future of the Sweet Owen community you love.

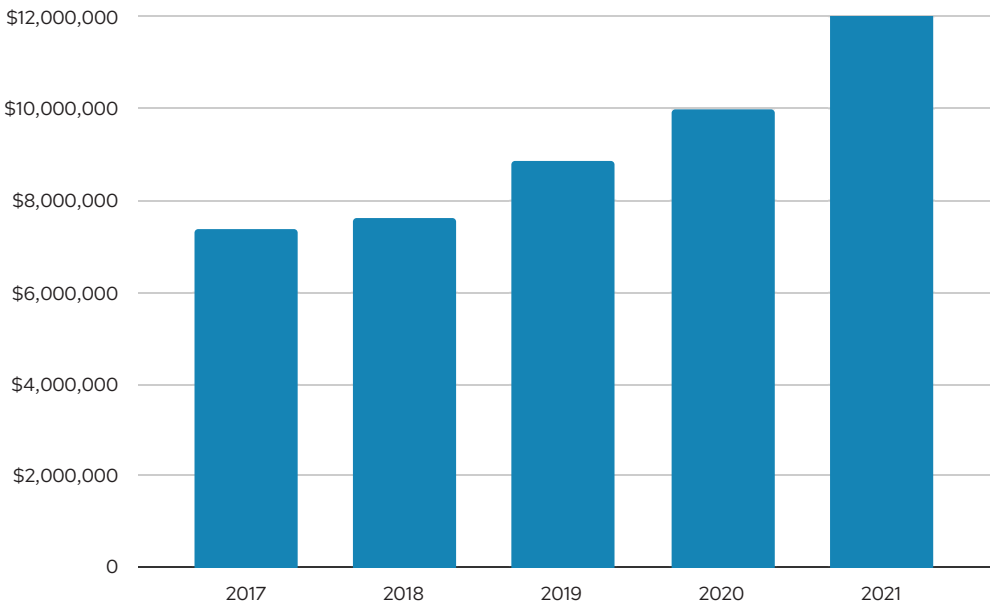
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Condensed Statement of Financial Position • December 31, 2021

	2021	2020
ASSETS		
Cash	\$389,114	\$933,948
Investments	11,678,340	8,927,229
Other Assets	88,353	133,255
TOTAL ASSETS	\$12,155,807	\$9,994,432
PUBLIC SUPPORT & REVENUES		
Total Contributions	\$1,656,056	\$1,009,944
Administrative Fees	200,321	144,432
Net Investment Income	1,475,118	884,546
Other Income	19,716	4,264
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUES	\$3,351,211	\$2,043,186
EXPENSES		
Grants & Scholarships	\$951,909	\$788,416
General Administrative	125,671	89,462
Fundraising & Development	169,336	113,882
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,246,916	\$991,760
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$2,104,295	\$1,051,426
NET ASSETS BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$9,793,736	\$8,742,310
NET ASSETS END OF YEAR	\$11,898,031	\$9,793,736

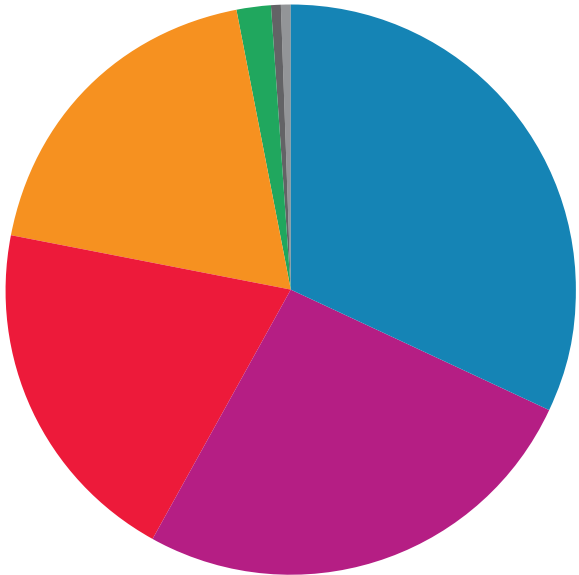
Note: the 2020 information is an excerpt of the audited financial statements. The 2021 information is currently under audit and is subject to change. Complete financial statements are available for inspection in our office at 60 E Market St, Spencer, Indiana. The Owen County Community Foundation is an independent tax-exempt 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

TOTAL ASSETS



ASSETS BY FUND TYPE

COMMUNITY GRANT	\$3,345,619
SCHOLARSHIPS	\$2,737,735
DESIGNATED	\$2,067,339
FIELD OF INTEREST	\$1,990,174
DONOR ADVISED	\$196,906
AGENCY	\$61,779
SPECIAL PROJECT	\$55,863



The community foundation board, finance committee, and staff ensure rigorous fiscal transparency. The community foundation, it its commitment to its missions, vision, and core values, holds itself to the highest standards of stewardship and philanthropy in its effort to improve the quality of life in Owen County.

27 Years Invested in Owen County Communities!

2,459

Number
of donors
since 1994

Honorarium &
Memorial Gifts

\$1,076,615

Donated in honor
of memory of loved
ones in 2021

FACTS OF GIVING

3 of 4

Donations received
in 2021 were \$100
or less

Granted in 2021

\$92,271

Designated
Grants

\$3,500

Donor-Advised
Funds

\$157,345

Community
Grants

\$171,074

COVID-19 Recovery Grants

Scholarships

\$2.4 million

Total scholarships since 1994

1,011

scholarships given to 594 high school,
college, & vocational students since 1994

**\$10.4 million total
gifts since 1994**

**\$11.9 million total
assets since 1994**

**\$44,703 total teacher
funding since 1999**

**100% dedication
to Owen County**

\$483,384 total grants to MYPath



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Janet Rummel

President & CEO

ceo@owencountycf.org

In mid-2020, Janet Rummel was selected by OCCF’s Board of Directors as the new President & CEO of our local charity. Janet is a ten-year resident of Owen County, and before joining our team, she served as Director of Community Initiatives at the Indiana University Center for Rural Engagement. Janet is the third executive to lead the OCCF in its 27-year history.



Maria O’Connor

Senior Director of Programs & Administration

maria@owencountycf.org

Maria has been with the OCCF since January 2015; she brings a decade of nonprofit experience and a lifetime of giving. The O’Connor Family moved to Owen County to raise their two children. Maria is responsible for managing Foundation operations in her role as Administrative Director and also directs the OCCF Grants and Scholarships programs.



Karah Bobeck

Director of Development & Communications

karah@owencountycf.org

Karah graduated from the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University - Bloomington in 2019 with a focus in marketing and professional sales. Karah is passionate about helping donors fulfill their philanthropic wishes, maintaining and improving the sustainability of the OCCF, and giving back to the community where she grew up.



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