



SPRING 2020



Leading Philanthropy *Enriching Lives*

Cheers to 50 Years

We are kicking off a year-long celebration of reaching our 50th anniversary! Fifty years is a long time. Back in 1970, Richard Nixon was president. *The Beatles* broke up, the voting age dropped to 18, and the U.S. was in the Vietnam War. In that climate of flux and change in the world, community leaders in Lafayette had the foresight to incorporate the Capital Funds Foundation (the precursor to The Community Foundation). Its purpose was to support the capital needs of local United Way agencies, helping ensure their success. The initial assets totaled \$65,000, with our first grant of \$5,100 awarded to the YWCA.

Over the years we have grown in size and scope, adapting to the ever-changing needs of Greater Lafayette and casting a wide net to cover more agencies. We currently manage \$65 million in assets and support 95 local nonprofits. Last year, The Community Foundation awarded \$1.8 million in grants and scholarships. This is only the beginning.

Celebrating 50 years

Thank you for being such a vital part of our success and longevity. Together we are building a lasting legacy that will impact our community for generations.

What has not changed is our commitment to inspire, nurture, and practice philanthropy, stewardship, and leadership in our community.

But the celebration is not about us. It is about our generous donors, our visionary board of directors, and the extraordinary nonprofit organizations that serve our community so well. The Community Foundation acts as a bridge between donors and recipients, helping individuals execute their philanthropic wishes and assist nonprofits and individuals through grants and scholarships to meet their needs. Throughout 2020, we will travel back through time and cast a spotlight on fifty different donor and agency success stories over the last fifty years. These full circle success stories are a small representation of the hundreds that have taken place over the last five decades. They demonstrate the powerful act of giving and how it changes lives for the better.



David Lasater

Meet David Lasater

After an extensive search, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the appointment of David Lasater to serve as the new President and CEO of The Community Foundation. “We

are excited to have David Lasater join our team and lead us into the next chapter as a philanthropic partner in Greater Lafayette,” said David McGaughey, chair of the Board.

Born and raised in Seymour, Indiana, Lasater has worked for Purdue University and the Purdue Research Foundation for the last 17 years. Most recently, serving as Senior Associate Vice President for Advancement with the primary role of overseeing major gift fundraising.

As we look toward charting the next 50 years of growth, David’s first order of business is to meet with community leaders and nonprofit agencies to understand how The Community Foundation can continue to collaborate to ensure success of the area philanthropic organizations. David stated, “I am humbled and honored

to be entrusted with guiding The Community Foundation as we look to continue to grow our impact through leadership and philanthropy.”

David’s family includes his wife Sue, sons Will and Zach, and daughter Anna. Over the years he has been involved in a number of activities ranging from serving on the Leadership Lafayette Board of Directors to coaching youth sports and serving his church. A frequent speaker on leadership and philanthropy, he is also a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

FULL CIRCLE STORIES

Read about some of the special people who established various types of endowments, and how grants from their gift went full circle to positively impact the community.



JACK AND LETA KELLEY

Donor Advised Endowment

Jack and Leta Kelley are passionate about helping people. “Why are you here if not to love and take care of people?” Leta asks. The Kelley’s serve the Greater Lafayette community through extensive volunteering at organizations including Habitat for Humanity, Legal Aid, CASA, and Lafayette Urban Ministry. To further their impact, they established two endowments at The Community Foundation.

Habitat for Humanity has benefitted from their donor advised endowment, helping the organization build over 300 affordable homes, revitalize neighborhoods, make home repairs, and mentor families in Greater Lafayette. According to Director of Development Mike Lang, “Since 2000, Jack and Leta have been directly involved in building 15 homes and through general fund gift and other Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) credits, and indirectly contributed to at least another 20 builds in our community.”



DR. WENDELL RIGGS

Legacy Gift – Designated Endowment

Wendell Riggs’ life was driven by the belief that every person deserves quality healthcare. His passion, coupled with the support of his wife, Eleanor, led him to establish what would become the Riggs Community Health Center. To ensure that the clinic could continue after his death, he designated a legacy bequest at The Community Foundation to benefit the nonprofit health center.

The Wendell Riggs, MD Endowment assists the Riggs Community Health Center in providing quality healthcare to over 12,000 underserved individuals year-round. Dr. Wendell Riggs’ fund has given Riggs \$49,224 from 2017-2020, helping an average of 66 patients per year. The money helps offset the cost of a sliding fee scale for patients as well as the cost of supplies, transportation, equipment, and interpreters.



ONLINE GIVING
Gifts to The Community Foundation may be made online at www.cfglaf.org.

Recent Gifts

October – December 2019

IN MEMORY

Janet Beutler

Jim and JoAnn Vorst

John (Jack) Coffin

Jim Buescher and
Kristin Weidenaar

Samuel C. Curtis

Dave Raymer

Douglas W. Eberle

Lane and Sarah Yahiro

Alice Marcile Eddy

Jim and JoAnn Vorst

Jerome and Shirley McTague

Maggy McDaniel
Molly McDaniel
Andy and Marty Pavlovich

Sonya and/or Dale Margerum

Eyal Barash and
Gabrielle Cramer
Robert and Mary Alice Bauman
Alan and Gail Beck
Jim and Sandy Bodenmiller
Donna Callahan
Robert and Christine Campbell
Bill and Hanni Cramer
Beth Dana
DeFouw Chevrolet
Frank Dooley and Pam Hermes
The Downey Family
Jackson and Mary Jane Gandour
Scott and Anne Gardner
Mike and Carolyn Gery
Stephen and Susan Henson
James and Patricia Kantner
Michael and Ellie Kaplan
Jack and Leta Kelley
David and Carol Luhman
Larry Margerum
Kent and Linda Moore
Richard C. and Betty M. Nelson
Reuben and Jean Peterson
James Poulos
George and Nerlene Ramsey
Reed & Co.
Reiling Teder & Schrier, LLC
Larry and Marianne Rose
John and Liz Schneider
Dana and Maggie Smith
Jim and Liz Solberg
Bob and Linda Sorensen
Arlan Stavnheim and
Patricia Rosebrock
Tom and Christine Turpin
Emil Venere and
Jennifer Streisand
Jim and JoAnn Vorst
Danny Weiss and Felicia Roberts
Mary Wirth
Shirley Morris
Morris Rentals
Gerry Neudeck
Mariellen Neudeck

Tom Price

Daniel and Donna Majewski
Sue Holder Price

Perry Shipman

Ball Eggleston PC

Jim Shook

Bill and Sharon Theobald

Katie Traynor RN

Beth Branum
Alan and Abbe Heller
Pam Hillerby
Kathy and Terry Iverson
Jerry Marra and Barb Schuster
Michael and Jodi Miller
Terry Printz
Sheila Smoot
Gary and Cindy Traynor

Jim Turley

Jim and Liz Solberg

Robert and Dorothea Vickers

James Vickers

Matt Zika

Chip Zika

Lafayette Hearing Center

Gift in memory of these individuals

Barbara Carte
Jim Elliott
Tom Fox
Sayed Gaafar
Rita Lewis
Ruth McCleary
Joyce Miller
Olive Pierce
Lillian Sanders
Perry Shipman
Dick Shoemaker
John Tse
Rosella Vaughan
Chris Wuetrich

IN HONOR

Roger and Cathy Bauer

Mark Bauer

Sam and Rita Biederstedt

Larry and Marianne Rose

Robbin Lamblin

Rachel Lamblin

Betty M. Nelson

Ronald and Jean Andres

Richard C. Nelson

Leon and Kay Dickson
Gordon and Elaine Rains
Meddie and Candy Silver

Marianne C. Rose

Bill and Sharon Theobald
Dan Arnholt
Bill and Eileen Arthur
Dan and Terri Johnson
David and Carol Luhman
Jim and JoAnn Vorst
Dale and Valerie White

Betty Rowe

John Rowe



JIM AND SANDY BODENMILLER

Discretionary Endowment

Since moving to Lafayette 50 years ago, Jim and Sandy Bodenmiller have become involved with dozens of community groups. “It’s been a great community to live in,” Jim says. He especially appreciates Greater Lafayette’s forward-looking spirit and is passionate about enriching local life through the arts. The Bodenmillers’ love of local arts and culture, combined with fond memories of raising their family, inspired them to establish the James H. and Sandra H. Bodenmiller Endowment.

One of the organizations most recently impacted by the Bodenmiller’s endowment is Caregiver Companion. Associate Director Lauren Frecker said that these funds allow them to provide much-needed support to widows and widowers, isolated seniors, weary caregivers, and those who often feel alone as they age. Caregiver Companion supports 95 volunteers that provide services to 141 seniors and 24 caregivers.



LINDA BOWMAN AND GLENN TOMPKINS

Field-of-Interest Endowment

Linda Bowman and Glenn Tompkins share a passion for helping children. “When I lost my wife to cancer, I was a single father, and that’s when I found out what kind of community this is,” Glenn says. “People came out of the woodwork to help me. I knew somehow, some way, I needed to give back.” The couple established the Linda Bowman and Glenn Tompkins Children’s Endowment. This fund supports organizations that serve children who have been abused, neglected, or are in foster care.

Heartford House has benefitted from this fund. Executive Director Jen Bushore-Barry said that these grant dollars allow them to protect and advocate for the hundreds of children that find themselves victims of crimes. They now have a more secure facility available for all who visit. In 2019 alone, Heartford House conducted 770 forensic interviews at the child advocacy facility, thanks in part to endowments and contributions.

NEW ENDOWMENTS

- Pris Gerde Endowment
- Gary and Shelly Henriott Endowment
- Les and Rita Huddle Endowment
- Ryan and Stephanie Long Family Endowment
- Montessori School of Greater Lafayette Endowment

Nonprofits Receive Funding

NOW GRANTS

January 2020

Civic Theatre

\$7,498 | Sound mixing equipment

Food Finders Food Bank

\$6,505 | Server hardware

HomesteadCS

\$4,903 | Server hardware

GIVING GROUPS

Men Who Give

\$8,400 | Community Cancer Network

100+ Women Who Care

\$15,000 | Honor Flight of Greater Lafayette



Throughout 50 years, The Community Foundation has been governed by a board of directors comprised of community leaders. Photo of 1992 Board.

Seated: Robert Whitsel, Varro Tyler, John Walling, Prella McBride, David Howarth, Joseph Bonner
Standing: Robert Griffiths, Richard Holtz, Mary Reece, John Corey, Sarah Schwarz, Stanley Setlak, Sarah Watlington, James Smyth (Executive Director), James Klusman (Director of Development), Richard Wood, James Kleck

Not Pictured: John Bodle, Winfield Hentschel, Dennis Weidenaar, Frank Wheeler



George Ramsey, a member of Men Who Give, made a winning presentation to benefit the Community Cancer Network.

Are you a Woman Who Cares or a Man Who Gives to the community? Join one of these wonderful organizations to collectively make a difference by practicing philanthropy together. The larger the group, the greater difference we make! See cflglaf.org or 765-742-9078 for more details on how to become involved.



2020 APPLICATION DEADLINES

SPRING COMMUNITY GRANTS

March 24, 2020, noon
 \$7,500 and above

FIELD-OF-INTEREST GRANTS

June 1, 2020, noon
 Various amounts

FALL COMMUNITY GRANTS

July 28, 2020, noon
 \$7,500 and above

NOW GRANTS

Available
 January 1 – November 30
 Less than \$7,500



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 Grants and Scholarship Coordinator
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 Director of Philanthropy
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