

Sweet Charity

Never underestimate the power of a cookie. Nor the Girl Scouts that sell them. After a year of virtual meetings, the leaders of West Lafayette Troop #04485 questioned whether to participate in the annual cookie fundraiser. The troop did not need the money since COVID-19 prevented them from planning big events and all sales had to adhere to social distancing guidelines. “Why don’t we still sell cookies and give the money to help people who need it?” said a seven-year-old scout who overheard her mother’s conversation. So, from the mouth of babes sprang a plan to sell cookies online where all the proceeds would be donated to charity.

The troop of second through fourth grade Girl Scouts partnered with Purdue sorority Kappa Delta to launch a virtual cookie booth. As a result, the troop’s modest goal of raising several hundred



Girl Scout cookies sweeten the community.

dollars skyrocketed to nearly \$1,700. The next step was to identify which charities to support. The leaders reached out to The Community Foundation.

Ultimately, after speaking with The Foundation about the needs in the community, the Girl Scouts chose to donate \$357 to Loving Heart Animal

Shelter; \$239.25 to Food Finders Food Bank; \$476 to Family Promise; and \$239 to Imagination Library. When Stan Mithoefer, a Community Foundation donor, heard about the scouts’ generosity, he was moved to match their contribution to the Imagination Library. This program, administered by Right Steps, helps prepare children for kindergarten and fosters early literacy by sending a free book to registered children each month through their fifth birthday. With his match, the scouts provided 228 books to 19 children in Tippecanoe County for one year.

These young girls prove that it is never too early to practice philanthropy; they serve as a shining example of the power of helping others. The impact of even little gifts and actions makes a world of difference because you never know who you may inspire or what positive effects may come about.



Jeanne and Dale Compton

A Living Legacy

Dale and Jeanne Compton’s lives were full. Jeanne, a social worker, counseled married couples and helped developmentally disabled adults with family budgeting and life skills training. When she and Dale moved to West Lafayette, Jeanne was active in many nonprofit organizations and co-owned a local dress shop. Dale was a distinguished physicist, professor, author, and with his team in Industrial Engineering at Purdue, registered 13 patents. His passion was promoting collaboration between engineers and health professionals to improve American healthcare quality and productivity. Dale and Jeanne raised one daughter and two sons in West Lafayette.

Though they are no longer with us, it was important for them to continue to support those who most needed help in our community. The Comptons’ legacy gift to The Community Foundation includes annual distributions to Lafayette Urban Ministry, Tippecanoe County Council on Aging for the Meals on Wheels of Tippecanoe County, and Food Finders Food Bank of Lafayette.

This year, Food Finders used their distribution to provide milk, eggs, fresh produce, and meat at the pantry’s Fresh Market. “These foods are often the most difficult for our pantry guests to come by since they are not always available at other pantries and are among the most expensive items in the grocery store. The Compton funds helped us keep up with the increased need due to COVID-19 and helped ensure there was no interruption in vital services to our pantry guests,” said Grants & Annual Fund Coordinator Rosie Mannin.

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Rosie Mannin
Grants & Annual Fund Coordinator
Food Finders Food Bank

2021 Scholarship Recipients

Forty students are going to college thanks to twenty-two scholarships from donor endowments; three students received full-tuition funding from Lilly Endowment scholarships.

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SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED IN 2021

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships

Claudia Albrecht | McCutcheon High School
Elley Adkins | McCutcheon High School
Spencer Phillips | McCutcheon High School

George Balfé Scholarship

Ashanti Bravo Flores | Jefferson High School

Roger Blalock Scholarship

Aryal Wilson | Purdue University

CHS Women Pursuing STEM

Madelyn Pequignot | Carroll High School
Alexandra Wright | Carroll High School

Samuel and Pearl Mae Fritts Cole Scholarship

Alexis Mitchell | Eldorado High School
Leia Bryant | Carrier Mills-Stonefort High School

Samuel C. Curtis Scholarship

Yvana Abig | Jefferson High School

Max and Elsie Goken Scholarship

Lauren Gustafson | Purdue University
Bay Ulery | Indiana University
Kinsey Williams | McCutcheon High School
Madeline Holder | Faith Christian High School

Robert and Dorothy Hughes Scholarship

Karissa Springer | Harrison High School
Faith Richards | McCutcheon High School

Jeff High School Alumni Association Scholarship

Diego Avalos | Jefferson High School
Jorje Gonzalez-Mejia | Jefferson High School
Mallory Johnson | Jefferson High School
Mallorie McGuire | Jefferson High School
Denisse Tavasci | Jefferson High School
Amy Walters | Jefferson High School
Hope Zickmund | Jefferson High School

Elizabeth Mackay Scholarship

Shelby Sliger | McCutcheon High School
Olivia Smith | McCutcheon High School

Shirley and Mick McTague Scholarship

Juan Carrillo | Purdue University

Harlan W. and Dorothy W. Parr Scholarship

Roberta Weiner | Purdue University

Roland G. Parrish Black Cultural Center Scholarship

Jasmine Pierce | Purdue University

Presidential Leadership Scholarship in Honor of Tarrus Richardson

Kameryn Davis | Purdue University

Price Family Scholarship in Memory of Thomas M. Price

Ethan Miller | Harrison High School

Purdue University Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Scholarship

Leann Carpenter Sharp | Purdue University
Jacinta Langley | Purdue University

David Smyser Scholarship

Alison Cahoon | Jefferson High School

Betty M. Suddarth Scholarship

Olivia Richter | Harrison High School

Katie Traynor, RN Scholarship

Dana Christiansen | Purdue University
Abigail Tonkery | Purdue University

Truitt Family West Lafayette High School Leadership Scholarship

Gretchen Bauman | West Lafayette High School
Carson Cooke | West Lafayette High School

Robert and Marilyn Whitsel Scholarship

Ethan Miller | Harrison High School
Rachel Labi | West Lafayette High School

Jacob E. and Mary Ann Wiebers Scholarship

Madeline Holder | Faith Christian High School

West Lafayette High School Golden Scholarship

Ross Brummet | West Lafayette High School
Ava Doty | West Lafayette High School

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE

SEPTEMBER 14, 2021, NOON
DETAILS AT CFG.LAF.ORG

Recent Gifts

January 1 – March 31

IN MEMORY

Bill Baugh

Larry and Marianne Rose

Russell E. Boardman

Joel and Mary Brooks

Nicole Ahl Durbin

Jane Denges
Joseph Dufficy
Laura Merkin
Nancy Roy
Harriet Salzberg

Marie Roth Henderson

James and Kitty Brooks
Esther Chosnek and
Gary Wolfelt
Nancy Kildsig
Ronald and Josette Rolley

Robert and Dorothy Hughes

Joan Ann Hughes

Leta Kelley

George Ramsey
Larry and Marianne Rose
Candy Silver
Dana and Maggie Smith

Cheryl Knodle

Nancy Kildsig

David Lux

Richard Boehning and
Penny Wilkinson

Nathaneal Miller

Ball Eggleston, PC

Jim Noonan

Larry and Marianne Rose

Tere Prien-Noonan

Larry and Marianne Rose

Margene Ortman

Ronald and Josette Rolley

David A. Poelstra

Ball Eggleston, PC

Katie Traynor RN

William Brechtel

Jackie Sharp

Sheila Smoot
Gary and Cindy Traynor

Mary Twiddy

Joseph and Clarinda Balagtas
Beth and Roger Bangs
Richard Boehning and
Penny Wilkinson
Roland and Janis Ditto
Barbara Drescher
James and Marcia Garland
Carla and William Hildreth
Owen Hildreth
John and Prella McBride
The Michael Girls
Beverly and Thomas Melichar



I am so grateful there are generous people like you in this world, you truly gift us with the opportunity to live a wonderful life.

Ethan Miller
Price Family Scholarship in Memory of Thomas M. Price and Robert and Marilyn Whitsel Scholarship



I have been so scared that my financial status would hold me back from achieving my goals ... so I give a big piece of my heart to all of the donors who help to fund this scholarship.

Leia Bryant
Samuel and Pearl Mae Fritts Cole Scholarship



I will be the first in the family to go to college and will do my best to graduate and make them proud.

Yvana Abig
Samuel C. Curtis Scholarship



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

EBERLE SERIES | 11:30 am – 2 pm
Lafayette Country Club

September 1
Building a Virtual Culture for Work

October 6
Recruiting and Orienting Board Members

November 3
Today's Cyber Threats, Non-Profit Impacts, and Practical Solutions

GIVING GROUPS

100+ WOMEN WHO CARE

September 7 | 5 pm
Lafayette Country Club

MEN WHO GIVE
September 14 | 5 pm
Lafayette Country Club

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER LAFAYETTE 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT
October 21 | Evening
Northend Community Center

Susan Mollenkopf
Sharon Schendel
David and Kathy Trout
Bob and Patti Truitt
Donald Twiddy
Dolph Edward (Ted) Ulrich
Susan Ulrich
Jake Wiebers
Annette Burket
Constance Farrell
Robert and Betty Peabody
Larry and Marianne Rose
Candy Silver
Barbara and Timothy Strueh
Herman A. and Marcia L. Wiebers, III

Matt Zika
John and Karen Zika
Lafayette Hearing Center
Gifts in memory of these individuals
Alice Bartholomew
Bobby Bell
Jeanne Blakemore
Cecil Blignaut
Bob "Bunny" Conn
Gordon Denton
Addison Ehrlinger
Mary Ezra
Gerald Gallinger
Dorothy Gillespie

Don Heman
Ada Jones
Glenda Kiger
David Lux
Fred Lux
Bob Peart
Pat Rains
Margaret Reed
Mary Sipple
Ellison Smith
Harriet Smith
Roger Smith
Lee Sullivan
Kenneth Wagner

IN HONOR
Dave Bathe
Stephen R. Schreckengast
Joyful Journey Employees
Windnagel Family Charitable Fund
JoAnn Vorst
Pauletta Smith

NEW ENDOWMENTS
Tara Balfe Clifford Scholarship
Nicole Ahl Durbin Endowment
Tom and Laurie Frey Family Endowment
Sycamore Audubon Society Endowment
Robert B. & Patricia Peyton Truitt Endowment
Donald and Mary Twiddy Endowment
West Lafayette Tree Friends Endowment



YMCA's Before and After School Care provides bus transportation for local students.

Wheels for the Bus

Fun and learning don't stop when the school bell rings. The Lafayette YMCA offers before and after school care for more than 750 school-age youth at 15 sites across Tippecanoe County. The Y's program consists of arts, physical fitness, nutrition, homework help, sports, and character building. Having a safe and enriching environment to learn and play is important to children and crucial to working parents. The program is open to all and provides scholarships to those who qualify. Several schools offer YMCA daycare at their schools. For others, the YMCA offers round-trip bus transportation to the YMCA from their schools.

The current buses were due for replacement in 2021, but COVID-19 diverted monies to support daycare for essential workers, virtual programming for families, and senior care.

Furthermore, the pandemic reduced revenue streams leaving a lack of funds for capital purchases. The Community Foundation stepped in and granted \$50,789 for one new mini-bus, which transports children back and forth from Straight Arrow Day Camp.

"We are so grateful to The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette for understanding and supporting the need to keep our kids and community safe," said Paul Cramer, YMCA CEO. "By helping us upgrade our fleet of transport vehicles, The Foundation has joined us in our commitment to foster youth development and build a healthy community for all. Thank you for your partnership; we are very excited to get the bus on the road and continue to change young lives for the better through quality programs and services!"

Spring 2021 Grants

Art Museum of Greater Lafayette

\$28,311 | LED Lighting and Digital Projection System

Friends of Downtown, Inc.

\$8,800 | Community Garden Equipment

Lafayette Family YMCA

\$50,789 | Bus

The Farm at Prophetstown

\$12,500 | Chicken Coop

NICHES Land Trust

\$10,000 | Land Trust Acquisition

Right Steps Child Development Centers

\$8,624 | Dramatic Play Kitchen Playsets

Wabash Center

\$11,515 | Integrating Adaptive Technologies

YWCA of Greater Lafayette

\$10,251 | Security, Safety, and Risk Mitigation

GIVING GROUPS

100+ Women Who Care

\$13,400 | YWCA - STRIVE program and Dress for Success

Men Who Give

\$7,500 | Mental Health America - Wabash Valley Region for the Crisis Center Program

2021 DEADLINES

FALL COMMUNITY GRANTS

July 29, 2021, noon | \$7,500 and above

NOW GRANTS

November 30, 2021 | Less than \$7,500

DETAILS AT CFGLAF.ORG



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