



**COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION**  
— *of* —  
**NOBLE COUNTY**

2018 Annual Report

**The Community Foundation of Noble County is proud to share the successes of 2018. Here's what you'll find in the Annual Report.**

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## Staff



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Executive Director



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Dear Friends,

For years, balloons have been used as a sign of friendship, fun and celebration. We couldn't think of a more perfect way to describe 2018...a year of friendships both new and old, lots of fun, and some celebration too! Some of the highlights include the establishment of five new funds, each uniquely designed to support an important project or organization in Noble County. Our staff was trained in the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, and we navigated our way through an extensive software upgrade.

This year, a young person joined our board of directors. We were excited to welcome Ms. Allison Baker, a student at West Noble High School, to our board. Allison brings an important, youthful perspective to our meetings and keeps us up to date on PULSE (our youth philanthropy group).

Through a new partnership with both United Way of Noble County and the Dekko Foundation, a series of training workshops was offered for our nonprofit leaders. Topics such as board engagement, donor development, and marketing were presented for our local nonprofit organizations. The series drew participants from around the region and as far as Indianapolis.

Looking back, this was a year of reconnection for your community foundation. We visited with nonprofit agencies, supported a variety of great projects through our grantmaking, and engaged with donors new and old.

Thank you for all of your support and encouragement. If we can answer any questions for you, or if you would like to know more about our work, please let us know. We're looking forward to another great year!

With Gratitude,

**Rebecca**

Rebecca Schroeder  
President, Board of Directors

**Jenna**

Jenna Ott  
Executive Director

## Community Foundation of Noble County Thrives Thanks to Volunteers



Pictured above (l to r) Khara Kimmel Ag Teacher, Carol Stults, G. Martin Kenney board member, and Mike Burke high school assistant principal.

### Audit and Finance Committee

Joseph Atz  
Scott Frick  
Carla Butler  
Robin McCormick  
Josh Munson\*  
Robert C. Probst\*

### Community Initiatives, Inc. Board

Joseph Atz—President  
Jane Doyle—Vice President  
Curtis Gierhan  
Debra Hockley  
Kenny Kill  
Robert Kirsch  
Chris Mershman\* - Sec/Treasurer

### Nominating Committee

Larry Doyle  
Jeanna Hagen  
Leigh Pranger\*  
Barbara Thomas\*  
Denise Lemmon

### Investment Committee

Jon Leman—Chairman  
Jana Miller—Vice Chairwoman  
Robert Allman  
Mark Demske\*  
Brad Graden  
Robert C. Probst\*  
Robert Wechter  
Erica Dekko

### Dow Corning Community Fund Committee

Bob Crosby  
Mike Bruce  
Dave Shideler  
Steve Mynhier  
Dan Hart  
Wayne Scott  
Anne Tipple

### G. Martin Kenney Memorial Fund Advisory Board

Craig Atz—President  
Greg Baker  
Daniel Blevins  
Connie LeCount  
Wayne Moore  
Carol Stults  
Karen Silva

### Grants Committee

Joel Copas  
Jane Doyle  
Bill Emmert  
Curtis Gierhan  
Debra Hockley  
Marge Kavanaugh  
Robert Kirsch  
Chris Mershman\*  
Dan Parker\*  
Deb Spidel\*  
Lura Stone  
Taylor Burke  
Jocelyn Winebrenner

\*Community Foundation  
of Noble County Board of  
Directors





## Grants made by Community Foundation of Noble County

### Community Foundation of Noble County Grants

Albion Lions Club, Inc.  
American Red Cross of NE Indiana  
Avilla Food Pantry (Calvary United Methodist Church)  
Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana  
Central Noble Community School Corp.  
Central Noble Food Pantry  
City of Kendallville  
Community Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Indiana, Inc.  
First Church of God  
Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra  
Fraternal Order Of Police Lodge #126  
Friendship Connection  
Healthier Moms and Babies  
Helping Hands of Orange Township, Inc.  
Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry, Inc.  
Junior Achievement of Northern Indiana  
Kate's Kart, Inc.  
Kimmell Baseball & Softball, Inc.  
Ligonier Volunteer Fire Department  
Lutheran Outdoor Ministries  
McMillen Health  
Noble County Community Fair Corporation  
Noble County Council On Aging  
Noble House Ministries, Inc.  
Noble Trails, Inc.  
RespectTeam  
Rome City Elementary School  
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Northeastern Indiana Inc  
St. Martin's Healthcare, Inc  
St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic School  
The Apple Tree Center  
The Arc Noble County Foundations  
The Crew Youth Center, Inc.  
The Rose Home Inc.  
West Noble Food Clothing Pantry Bank, Inc.  
West Noble School Corporation  
Youth for Christ Northern Indiana, Inc.

### G. Martin Kenney Grants

West Noble School Corporation

### P.U.L.S.E. of Noble County Grants

Central Noble Jr/Sr High School  
East Noble Middle School  
West Noble Middle School  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana  
St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic School  
Children First Center  
Erin's House for Grieving Children, Inc.  
Mad Anthony's Children's Hope House  
East Noble High School  
Life and Family Services

### Dow Corning Community Fund Grants

Black Pine Animal Sanctuary  
Science Central, Inc.

### Hagen Family Advised Grants

Noble County Saddle Club  
PULSE of Noble County



Pictured (l to r) is Jennifer Lytle Humane Society Director and Jenna Ott CFNC Executive Director.

The Community Foundation of Noble County recently awarded a grant totaling \$2,840 to the Humane Society of Noble County through the Robert and Darlene Black Charitable Fund to assist with needs. Robert and Darlene Black of Kendallville were so passionate about their community and chose to give back through the establishment of this fund.



Pictured holding check (l to r) is Cherish Smith NCCOA Director and Deb Hockley CFNC Community Initiatives Member. In back (l to r) are Bill Workman, Bob Kugler, June Wineland, Barb Wolf, Nancy Hashberger, Larry Wolf, Donna Gossett, Larry Miller, Barbara Thome and Barbara Miller.

The Community Foundation of Noble County and its supporting organization, Community Initiatives, Inc. recently awarded a grant to Noble County Council on Aging to assist with the Senior Center Project. The new facility will be a single-floor building which will be handicap accessible and have ample parking. It will have designated space for the foot and hearing clinics; privacy for discussions with SHIP (Medicare) counselor; technology center for searching, creating and printing documents; activity space, eating space, exercise space and meeting space.

Grant deadlines are March 2, May 2, July 2, and November 2

Visit us at [cfnoble.org](http://cfnoble.org) to learn more about grants.



## Youth Philanthropy at Community Foundation of Noble County

P.U.L.S.E. of Noble County hosted a food drive contest at East Noble Middle School, Central Noble Middle School, and West Noble Middle School. The food drive benefited Friendship Connection, Central Noble Food Pantry, and West Noble Food Pantry. The contest was held in January. The winning classroom/homeroom won a pizza party and the teacher was awarded a \$500 grant which will be used to benefit their classroom. The overall winning classroom from each of the three middle schools was awarded an additional \$1,000 grant which will also be used to benefit their classroom.



## New Funds



### **The Wood Family Fund**

The 80/20 Foundation was established by entrepreneur Don Wood, the founder of 80/20, one of Whitley County's most prominent companies. The multimillion-dollar company builds and sells aluminum framing components and is known as "The Industrial Erector Set." Starting with a drawing on a napkin and six employees, he grew the company to a world-wide corporation with 400 employees and a 135,000-square-foot plant in Columbia City, Indiana.

Mr. Wood created a culture of customer service and believed in hiring employees from the local area who furthered their education at local institutions. Mr. Wood has been instrumental in Whitley County and the surrounding counties with implementing his educational vision to hire local talent in the manufacturing fields. His partnerships with area community foundations has led to new funds being established. The vision of the Wood Family Fund held at the Community Foundation of Noble County continues to be determined.



## Kendallville Day Care Fund



The purpose of this fund is to support the Kendallville Day Care, a not-for profit child care center. The Kendallville Day Care Endowment Fund was established by the Daycare's Board of Directors to help the day care continue to grow in sustainability for the future. The Kendallville Day Care Center is a not-for-profit child care center that has proudly cared for children in our community since 1971. The Center operates two locations in Kendallville, both of which are Level 3 with Paths to Quality, a state-recognized, quality rating system.

## Ligonier Veterans' Memorial



The purpose of the Fund shall be to provide support for the construction of a veteran's memorial at Pettit Park in Ligonier, Indiana on behalf of the Community Group. In summary, five flags, representing each branch of military, will be strategically placed in the north part of Pettit Park in the shape of the Medal of Honor, with the American flag in the middle. The exhibit would be approximately 80 feet in diameter. The flag poles will be 30 feet high with the American flag higher than the rest at 40 feet. Low-voltage lighting will highlight the flags and will be installed for future phases.



## Dave Smith Memorial Scholarship

Despite being born in Hazard, Ken., (September 25, 1954) and passing in San Carlos, Calif. (June 27, 2018), Dave Smith always considered himself a Hoosier.

A 1972 East Noble High School graduate, Dave ran track and cross country and played basketball for the Knights. Many remember him for his ball-handling on the hardwood, or his persistence in his running, improving his skills year after year. Even more remember Dave for teaching them those skills.

Before college at Vincennes and IPFW, Dave was already coaching youth sports. He continued to coach after marrying Paula Baker Smith in 1976 and beginning a rewarding career at King-Seeley in Kendallville, continuing onto United Technologies in Huntington, Ind. Many of his favorite teams included those of his daughters, Tarrah (Pollaro) and Tricia and their friends. Dave coached basketball, softball and baseball and could often be found down at East

Noble High School track meets cheering on whichever runner was attempting to break his long-standing distance records.

Dave loved his community and spent time volunteering at Trinity Church United Methodist and with the Kendallville Jaycees and Junior Achievement. Dave also served on the boards of the YMCA and the Kendallville Parks Department and always helped the many teams and organizations his daughters were involved in, including the show choir and athletic programs.

To honor his life, the family established the scholarship to help an East Noble student who is not only an athlete, but also gives back to the community that gave so much to Dave.



## Funds

Acres Land Trust, 2003  
 Adoption Assistance, 2007  
 Albion Fire Department, 2008  
 Anthony Wayne Area Council Boy Scouts, 2000  
 Julia L. Atz Scholarship, 2004  
 Arthur A. and Hazel S. Auer Scholarship, 1998  
 Robert and Darlene Black Charitable, 2000  
 Black Pine Animal Park, 2006  
 Peter R. Bottomley Scholarship, 2011  
 Cory A. Brown Memorial, 2017  
 Harold and Martha Bushong, 1999  
 Ed Brown Educational P.U.L.S.E. Non-Permanent, 2013  
 Campbell and Fetter Bank Community, 1993  
 Kris Campbell "Any Dream Will Do" Scholarship, 2004  
 Celebrate Diversity, 2002  
 Cole Center Family YMCA Restricted, 1997  
 Cole Center Family YMCA Capital, 2013  
 Cole Foundation, 1992  
 Community Impact, 1993  
 Community Scholars Promotional, 1997  
 Community State Bank Neighborly, 2002  
 Cromwell High School Alumni Scholarship, 2016  
 Cromwell-Kimmell Lions Club, 2006  
 Fred and Rose Cunningham Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Dekko Community, 1992  
 Dekko Enhancement, 1991  
 Delta Theta Tau Sorority IOTA IOTA Chapter Memorial Scholarship in Memory of Tammi Riecke, 2004  
 Richard and Mary DeMotte Scholarship, 2006  
 Divorcing Families Project, 1992  
 Dow Corning Community Fund, 2013  
 Charles and Bernard Duesler Scholarship, 2000  
 Benjamin B. and Kathleen June Earley Memorial Scholarship, 2007  
 East Noble Band Endowment, 2001  
 East Noble Class of 1969 Scholarship, 2009  
 Edgell Scholarship, 1999  
 Oliver and Eleanor Ellenbecker Scholarship, 2000  
 Marilyn and William Emmert Fund, 2017  
 Doris Gene Alber Ferrari Scholarship, 2009  
 Ruth N. Fitzpatrick Memorial, 2008  
 Freedom Academy-Noble County, 2004  
 William Wesley "Wes" and Amelia Frehse Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Merrill B. Frick Family, 2007  
 Fordeck-Kemerly Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Scholarship, 2014  
 Jack R. and Maxine C. Frymier Scholars Award, 2006  
 Paul Glass Memorial Scholarship, 2011  
 Eugene B. and Marilyn Glick Foundation, 2007  
 Delbert and LaVon Graft Scholarship, 2004  
 Dr. Clarence & Marguerite Granger, 2015  
 Dr. Richard R. (MD) and Theresa M. Gutstein Memorial Scholarship, 2009  
 Hagen Family Advised, 1998  
 Hagen Family, 1997  
 Caitlyn Marie Halferty Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Gerald C. Hayes Memorial, 2000  
 Gerald and Cathleen Hayes Scholarship, 2011  
 Wilber L. Helmer, 2015  
 Richard "Rick" J. Hoffman Unrestricted, 2015  
 Lolita J. Hornett Memorial Nursing Scholarship, 1999  
 Art and Jeanne Howard 4-H Scholarship, 2004  
 Humane Society of Noble County, 1997  
 John Berhalter Hutchins Community, 2008  
 Alan Hutsell Scholarship, 1997  
 IGA Internship Grant, 2010  
 Junior Achievement of Noble County, 2003  
 Pat and Nancy L. Kelty Fund, 2015  
 Kendallville Day Care Fund, 2018  
 Kendallville Outdoor Recreation Complex, 1995  
 Kendallville Park and Recreation Department, 2006  
 Kendallville Public Library Flag, 1993  
 Kendallville Windmill Museum and Historical Society Museum Endowment, 1995  
 G. Martin Kenney, 1995  
 Tony and Gertrude Kichler Scholarship, 1996  
 David O. Kile and Marjorie B. Kile Scholarship, 2017  
 Knight of Science Award, 1996  
 Cathy S. Knopp Theatrical Scholarship, 2008  
 Norman and Alberta Koons Firefighting, 2002  
 Matthias "Matt" and Rosemarie "Rosie" Kretler Scholarship, 2004  
 LEAP Pre-K Program Non-Permanent (Little LEAPS), 2013  
 Life and Family Services Endowment, 2006  
 Life Estate, 2015  
 The Ligonier Crossing, 2011  
 Ligonier Elks Scholarship, 2008  
 Ligonier Public Library Restricted, 2011  
 Lilly Endowment, Inc., 1992  
 Ligonier Veteran's Memorial, 2018  
 Ligonier Visitor and Convention Bureau, Inc., 1999  
 Literacy Field of Interest, 2007  
 Timothy J. Martin Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Mayor's Youth Advisory Council Scholarship, 2008  
 Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center, 1991  
 Miss Limberlost Scholarship Pageant, 1995  
 Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church, 1999  
 Benjamin H. Murray Memorial Scholarship, 2015  
 Noble County 4-H Restricted, 1999  
 Noble County Community Organizations Active in Disasters, 2017  
 Noble County Historical Society, 1999

## Funds

Noble County Community Foundation Board Designated, 1998  
 Noble County Community Foundation Operating, 1991  
 Noble County Community Foundation Operating Endowment, 1993  
 Noble County Chess, 1996  
 Noble County Child Care, 1996  
 Noble County Economic Development Trust, 2006  
 Noble County Memorial Scholarship, 2007  
 Noble County Promise, 2015  
 Pauline (McClish) Leaman Scholarship, 1999  
 Lemmon-Rupert Endowment, 2002  
 Noble County Public Library Permanent, 2004  
 Noble County Retired Teachers' Association Scholarship Fund in Memory of Deceased Teachers, 2004  
 Noble County Technology, 2002  
 Noble House Homeless Shelter, 1996  
 Noble REMC Operation Round Up Trust, 2002  
 Northeast Indiana Youth for Christ/Noble County, 1997  
 Northeastern Center Community Mental Health, 1997  
 Operating Capital Improvement, 2005  
 P.U.L.S.E. in memory of Dave Knopp, 2003  
 P.U.L.S.E. of Noble County Non-Permanent, 1994  
 P.U.L.S.E. Senior Scholarship, 2018  
 Paul Pelikan Memorial Scholarship, 2005  
 Hal Prickett Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Hilda H. Rehwinkel Scholarship, 1999  
 Brandon A. Replogle "Celebrate the Arts" Memorial Scholarship, 2010  
 John and Barb Riemke Family, 2007  
 John E. and Joan E. Robinson Scholarship, 1997  
 Max and Elizabeth Roesler Memorial Scholarship, 1997  
 Sacred Heart Home, 1996  
 John and Mary Schermerhorn Memorial Scholarship, 2007  
 Fred and Mildred Seymoure (Young) Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Lauren Kay Shields Scholarship, 2004  
 Nathan Shumaker Memorial Scholarship, 2005  
 Jonah W. Slater Memorial Scholarship, 2004  
 Cecil I. and Bette C. Smith Scholarship, 2013  
 Dave Smith Memorial Scholarship, 2018  
 Russell Smith Music Scholarship, 1998  
 Talia Joy Smith Performing Arts Scholarship, 2011  
 Max Sneary, M.D. Memorial Scholarship, 1997  
 Sparta Township Trustee Indian Village Cemetery, 2009  
 Sparta Township Fire Department, 2002

St. John Lutheran Church, 2002  
 Josh Stahl Scholarship, 1999  
 Susan Marie Stone Scholarship, 1992  
 Dave and Barb Thomas, 2016  
 Jennie Thompson Foundation, 1994  
 Jennie Thompson Scholarship Non-Permanent, 2015  
 Chester A. & Bessie C. Throp Scholarship, 2017  
 Carol Ann Tieman Scholarship, 2001  
 Capitan James M. Treesh Scholarship, 2011  
 Hazel Brown Truelove Scholarship, 1997  
 Town of Albion Parks Department Restricted, 1999  
 Town of Albion Restricted Permanent, 1999  
 Town of Avilla Restricted, 1999  
 Kay and Hazel Truelove Family, 1997  
 Dr. David Jr. and Alvena VanMeter Scholarship, 1993  
 Wanna Open Worlds Non-Permanent, 2007  
 Wawaka Alumni Scholarship, 2004  
 Wood Family Fund, 2018  
 Woodward W. (Woody) and Lucy B. Weeks Memorial, 1997  
 West Noble After School Program, 2016  
 West Noble Ministerial Association Good Samaritan, 2000  
 George O. Witwer, 1991  
 Devan Christopher White Memorial Fund, 2011  
 Clarence and Marie Woolf Scholarship, 1992  
 Youth Opportunity, 1994  
 YWCA Noble County, 2008  
 Trent Zuehsow Memorial Scholarship, 2004



Alyson Robinson was the recipient of the of the Jack R. and Maxine C. Frymier Scholars Award. Pictured are CFNC Board President, Rebecca Schroeder and Alyson Robinson.



Noble County Community Foundation, Inc. and Affiliate

COMBINED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2018

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 3,046,362
Pledges receivable	200
Interest and dividends receivable	20,717
Prepaid expenses	10,433
Investments	26,046,783
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>664,910</u>
	<u>\$ 29,789,405</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 2,624
Grants payable	164,394
Accrued wages	10,644
Accrued payroll taxes and withholdings	1,385
Deferred revenue	417,250
Agency funds	<u>4,633,230</u>
Total liabilities	5,229,527

NET ASSETS

Without donor restrictions	1,276,953
With donor restrictions	<u>23,282,925</u>
	<u>24,559,878</u>
	<u>\$ 29,789,405</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Noble County Community Foundation, Inc. and Affiliate

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2018

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Operating revenue and support			
Contributions and pledges	\$ 206,500	\$ 428,679	\$ 635,179
Investment loss, net	(11,440)	(1,389,326)	(1,400,766)
Administrative fee income	402,564		402,564
Fundraising		1,150	1,150
Loss on disposal of equipment	(1,598)		(1,598)
Other income	10,270	520	10,790
Total operating revenue and support	606,296	(958,977)	(352,681)
Net assets released from restrictions:			
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions	1,179,311	(1,179,311)	
Operating expenses			
Program Services	988,604		988,604
Supporting Services			
Management and general	655,214		655,214
Fundraising	40,357		40,357
	1,684,175		1,684,175
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	101,432	(2,138,288)	(2,036,856)
Net assets at beginning of year	1,175,521	25,421,213	26,596,734
Net assets at end of year	\$ 1,276,953	\$ 23,282,925	\$ 24,559,878

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