2021 ANUAL REPORT



ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NOBLE COUNTY Celebrating

The Community Foundation is proud to share the successes of 2021. Here's what you'll find in this Annual Report.

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Your Community Foundation is successful thanks to excellent leadership.

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Mission Statement

To improve the quality of life in Noble County by serving as a catalyst for positive change, enabling donors to carry out charitable intent, and making grants.

Dear Friends,

30 years and counting!

The Community Foundation of Noble County is so excited to celebrate such a wonderful accomplishment. 30 years of promoting philanthropy and supporting the community and nonprofit organizations in Noble County. So much has been accomplished over the years because of YOU!

In 2020, with the help of a grant from Lilly Endowment, CFNC Board of Directors and staff worked with the Noble County community to identify key needs and issues in the community. It was determined that more affordable, high-quality child care and early learning opportunities were needed. CFNC partnered with the Noble County Economic Development Corporation and the United Way of Noble County to create Noble Thrive by 5, an early childhood coalition for Noble County. In October 2021, Jenna Anderson was hired to lead our coalition. Jenna has led multiple meetings of community stakeholders to flush out the assets and opportunities in Noble County to support the needs of our county's children, parents, employers, and service providers. We are excited to see this work continue in the years to come.

In honor of CFNC's 30th Anniversary, the foundation's Board of Directors approved \$30,000 in proactive grants to six community-focused organizations in Noble County with each organization receiving \$5,000. The foundation's grantmaking priorities include education, child care, and economic development. The following three organizations were recognized for their work in child care and early learning: Central Noble Preschool in Albion operated by the Cole Center Family YMCA, The Apple Tree Center in Kendallville, and Ruth Stultz Preschool in Ligonier. The following organizations were recognized for their work in youth entrepreneurship through student-led business: Deja Brew at Central Noble High School, Turning Point Coffee Company in Ligonier, and the Crew Youth Center's lawn care program in Kendallville.

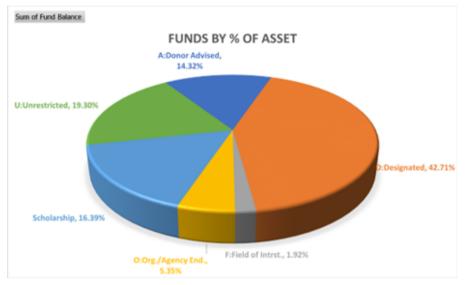
Reflecting on the first 30 years of the Community Foundation of Noble County, we know that none of it would have been possible without generous and community-minded citizens like YOU! Noble County is filled with so many amazing assets. CFNC strives to improve the quality of life in Noble County by serving as a catalyst for positive change. We will continue to look to connect the assets of our county with the opportunities where they can have their greatest impact.

Sincerely,

Richard Brad

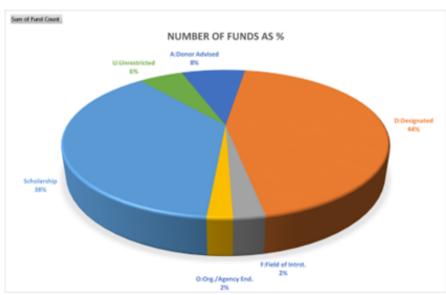
Richard Owen Brad Graden

Community Foundation 2021 Facts



BASED ON 206 FUNDS UNDER MANAGEMENT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021

BASED ON \$42,101,133 FUND BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021



Current Assets Current fund balance or net assets in 206 funds as of December 31, 2021	\$42,101,133
Grant Distributions Since Inception Since 1991, the Foundation has awarded over 16,119 grants and scholarships	\$33,863,551
Grants—2021 In 2021, the Foundation distributed 290 grants and scholarships	\$1,132,721
Gifts—2021 In 2021, gifts received by the foundation totaled	\$1,324,580

In 2022
over \$225,862
is
available for
unrestricted
grant work
in our
community!

Your Community Foundation Gives Thanks to Volunteers

Community Initiatives, Inc. Board

Jane Doyle*- President
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Grants Committee

Kenny Kill* Heidi Ramer Mary Allen Brad Parks Dan Parker* Amy Leedy Bill Emmert Stephen Diggins Chris Mershman* Margery Kavanaugh Matt Kreager Harlan Hite Jane Doyle* Judge Robert Kirsch Curt Gierhan Lura Stone

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Nominating Committee

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G. Martin Kenney Memorial Fund Advisory Board

Craig Atz - Chairman
Connie LeCount - Vice Chairwoman
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Daniel Blevins
Bryan Shearer
Jolene Durham
Grea Baker

Carolina Flores - Teen on Board

= Community Foundation of Noble County Board of Directors



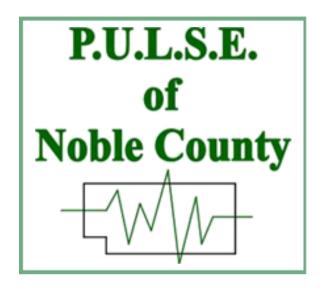
The Crew Youth Center Receives Grant!

The Community Foundation of Noble County awarded a grant of \$8,250 to The Crew Youth Center, Inc. to assist with the Crew Lawn Care project. The Crew Youth Center is a center for teens in Noble County. The Crew provides hands on experiences for students to learn life skills and go out into the community to apply what they have learned. The Center is excited to announce a new program that will not only serve community members but also teach job-based skills that youth will be able to apply to a future career. The Crew Lawn Care program will teach youth participants how to run a business, safely operate yard work equipment as well as engage into community service. Each youth will participate in a 5-day training that teaches them an overview of all lawn equipment, hands on practice with the equipment, customer service, responsibility and how to manage a business. There are several levels to this program, designed to teach a youth a different lawn care skill at each level. The program will focus on serving youth, senior citizens, single mothers, veterans, and individuals with special needs or who are handicapped. What a fantastic project!

Pictured (left to right: Jayvion Stokes, Crew Director Logan Conley, and Jacob Smith

Youth Philanthropy

Thanks to a long-term partnership between local schools, the Community Foundation, and the Dekko Foundation, young people in Noble County are practicing philanthropy. Through their participation in P.U.L.S.E., students learn the value of giving their time, talents and treasure to their community. The group carefully considers grant proposals from area nonprofits, awarding funding to projects that align with their mission. The group can also be found doing monthly service projects across the county, and partnering with nonprofit organizations to make a positive impact in our community.





P.U.L.S.E. of Noble County hosted its 16th Senior Citizen Prom in 2022 at the Community Learning Center in Kendallville.

Welcome, New Funds!

Brian H. Joest Memorial Fund

Brian Henry Joest was born in Lagrange, Indiana in 1957. He grew up on the Atwood family farm that was settled by his ancestors in the mid-1800s.

Brian enjoyed doing things for other people and took so much joy in their happiness. His career choices reflected his servant's heart. He loved working in the hospitality industry and being able to make someone else's vacation more memorable. He helped the patients and their families at Life Care Center. He spent years making a difference for students in our local schools.

Brian experienced first-hand the unique challenges faced by the families of individuals with special needs. He was a father, stepfather, and step-grandfather to children with different disabilities. He understood the difficulties of navigating support systems and knew there are gaps in these systems that result in unmet needs. At the end of his life, while he was fighting cancer, Brian dreamed of being able to return to the classroom to help special needs students. This was not to be. In 2022, his family created this fund in his honor with the intent of continuing his dream to help improve the lives of individuals with special needs.



Brian's fund was established in February 2022 by his loving family.



Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana Noble County Fund

The mission of Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana is to enhance the quality of life of those affected by cancer by providing meaningful resources, information, and compassionate assistance.

When people with cancer come to Cancer Services, they are connected to a Client Advocate. Each year our Advocates serve nearly 5,000 people with cancer as well as their families. He or she identifies the full range of needs for each family and works with each client on an ongoing basis to assure that those needs continue to be met.

Welcome, New Funds! continued

City of Kendallville Preserving Main Street Fund

The City of Kendallville
Preserving Main Street
Fund was established by
the City of
Kendallville and
Experience the Heart of
Kendallville as part of the



downtown revitalization OCRA block grant. This grant's purpose is for the sustainable historic preservation and downtown revitalization of the City of Kendallville.

Marilyn and Bill Emmert Fund

Bill and Marilyn Emmert have a calling for philanthropy in their community They are passionate individuals who give freely of their time and talents.. Marilyn has done extensive volunteering with Habitat for Humanity, Albion Lions, Central Noble Elementary, amongst the many other organizations she has volunteered for.



Bill has also shown great involvement in the community, volunteering on the Central Noble School Board, 4-H Beef Show Committee, Arc Noble County Foundation board, and Junior Achievement board. He is also the organizer of "Common Ground" for the food reserve bank. Marilyn was inspired to give back to her community by former Executive Director of the Community Foundation of Noble County, Dave Knopp. The fund will continue to give to the community the Emmert's call home.

Grants made by Your Community Foundation

Community Foundation of Noble County Grants

Noble County Council on Aging, Inc. Kendallville Restorations, Inc. North Side Elementary Healthier Moms and Babies Kate's Kart Youth for Christ of Northern IN Albion Park Department Community Learning Center, Inc. Augusta Hills LRC Center Cole Center Family YMCA Women's Care Center NE IN Dr. Bill Lewis Center Heart Reach Carmel dba Bold for the Heart Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana- Michiana Central Noble Food Pantry American Red Cross of NE Indiana Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House Habitat for Humanity of NE IN McMillen Health Sparta Township Fire Department RespectTeam ARC Noble County Foundations Community Harvest Food Bank, Inc. Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana Science Central The Apple Tree Center Visiting Nurse

G. Martin Kenney Memorial Fund Grants

Ruth Stultz Preschool West Noble High School St. Patrick Catholic Church West Noble Middle School

Hagen Family Advised Grants

North Side Elementary Kimmell Baseball and Softball, Inc. New Community Initiatives Charger Power Paks Central Noble Jr/Sr High School Construction Erin's House for Grieving Children, Inc. Noble County Miracle Tree

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

East Noble High School
Oak Farm Montessori
Common Grace Ministries, Inc.
RespectTeam
Central Noble Community School Corp.
East Noble High School
West Noble School Corporation



Noble County Council on Aging Receives Grant!

The Community Foundation of Noble County recently awarded a grant to Noble County Council on Aging for \$25,000 to assist with the Senior Center Phase 3. Noble County Council on Aging is building a new senior center to better serve the needs of its senior population. The new facility will be a single-story building with ample indoor and outdoor space that is handicap accessible. The new space will accommodate many more visitors and be able to host numerous activities.

Pictured is NCCOA Executive Director Cherish Smith.









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The Community Foundation is pleased to recognize the organizations here for their work in youth entrepreneurship through student-led business: Deja Brew at Central Noble High School, Turning Point Coffee Company in Ligonier, and the Crew Youth Center's lawn care program in Kendallville.

- 1. Central Noble Deja Brew. Pictured are Shawn Hoover CN Principal, Brad Graden CFNC Director, Deja Brew students Alyssa Lock, Emma Sensibaugh, Savannah Phillips, Aunna Jackson, and Michelle Sirois CN teacher and Deja Brew instructor.
- 2. Turning Point Coffee Company. Pictured is Bryan Shearer CFNC Board Member and Emily Allen.
- **3.** The Crew Youth Center. Pictured are Andrea Farren Crew program director, Logan Conley Crew director, and Brad Graden CFNC Director.

Thank you for being a part of the 30th Anniversary Celebration!

These organizations were recognized for their work in child care and early learning: Wolf Lake Nature Preschool operated by the Cole Center Family YMCA, The Apple Tree Center in Kendallville, and Ruth Stultz Preschool in Ligonier.

- **4.** Cole Center Family YMCA Preschool at Wolf Lake Nature Program pictured are Casey Weimer YMCA director, Lisa Walters Early Childhood Director, and Brad Graden CFNC Director.
- **5.** The Apple Tree Center pictured Cindy Clark executive director, Debbie Norris Program Director, and Brad Graden CFNC Director.
- **6.** Ruth Stultz PreSchool pictured (l to r) back row Beatrice Moreno teacher assistant, Doris Gierhan Ruth Stultz board member, Jane Noelle, Ruth Stultz board member, Bryan Shearer, CFNC board member, and Steph Sanders teacher. Front row is the 3-year-old class.







Funds held at Your Community Foundation

Acres Land Trust Endowment Fund Adoption Assistance Fund Alan Hutsell Scholarship Fund

Albion Fire Department Non-Permanent Agency Fund* AMI Investment Management Community Fund

Anthony Wayne Area Council Boy Scouts Fund Art and Jeanne Howard 4-H Scholarship Fund

Auer Scholarship Fund

Benjamin B. and Kathleen June Earley Memorial

Scholarship Fund

Benjamin H. Murray Memorial Scholarship Fund Black Pine Animal Sanctuary (PARC, Inc.) Endowment Fund

Brandon A. Replogle "Celebrate the Arts" Memorial

Scholarship Fund

Brian H. Joest Memorial Fund

Caitlyn Marie Halferty Memorial Scholarship Fund

Campbell and Fetter Bank Community Fund Cancer Services Noble County Endowment Fund

Captain James M. Treesh Scholarship Fund Carol Ann Tieman Scholarship Fund

Cathy S. Knopp Theatrical Scholarship Fund Cecil C. and Bettie I. Smith Scholarship Fund



Benjamin and Kathleen June Earley Memorial Scholarship Fund



Dr. Terry Gaff Legacy Fund for Noble Trails

Celebrate Community Fund Chain O' Lakes State Park Interpretive Services Fund

Charles and Bernard Duesler Scholarship Fund Chester A. and Bessie C. Throp Scholarship Fund

Chuck Schlemmer Memorial Scholarship Fund City of Kendallville Preserving Main Street Fund Clarence and Marie Woolf Scholarship Fund Cole Center Family YMCA Capital Fund Cole Center Family YMCA Restricted Fund

Cole Foundation Fund

Community Impact Fund
Community Foundation of Noble County

Disaster Response Fund

Cromwell-Kimmell Lions Club Fund

Cromwell High School Alumni Scholarship Fund

David O. Kile and Marjorie B. Kile Scholarship Fund

Dave Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dave and Barb Thomas Fund

Delta Theta Tau Sorority IOTA IOTA Chapter Scholarship Fund in Memory of Tammi Riecke

Dekko Community Fund

Dekko Enhancement Fund

Delbert and LaVon Graft Scholarship Fund Devan Christopher White Memorial Fund

Divorcing Families Project Fund

Doris Gene Alber Ferrari Scholarship Fund Dr. Clarence and Marguerite Granger Fund

Dr. David and Alvena VanMeter Scholarship Fund

Dr. Richard R. (MD) and Theresa M. Gutstein Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dr. Terry Gaff Legacy Fund for Noble Trails

Early Childhood Coalition Fund

East Noble Band Boosters Fund

Edgell Scholarship Fund

Edward and Beverly Zimmerman Memorial Scholarship Fund

EN Class of 1969 Scholarship Fund

Eugene B. and Marilyn Glick Foundation Fund



Funds held at your Community Foundation (continued)

Fordeck-Kemerly Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Scholarship Fund

Fred and Mildred Seymoure (Young) Memorial Scholarship Fund

Fred and Rose Cunningham Memorial Fund

Freedom Academy-Noble County Endowment Fund Gene Stratton-Porter State Historic Site Field of Interest

George O. Witwer Fund

Gerald and Cathleen Hayes Scholarship Fund

Gerald C. Hayes Memorial Field of Interest Fund

G. Martin Kenney Fund

Hagen Family Advised Fund

Hagen Family Fund

Hal Prickett Memorial Scholarship Fund

Harold and Martha Bushong Fund

Hazel Brown Truelove Scholarship Fund

Hilda H. Rehwinkel Scholarship Fund

Humane Society of Noble County Restricted Fund

Jack R. and Maxine C. Frymier Scholars Award Fund

Jennie Thompson Foundation Fund

Jennie Thompson Foundation Scholarship Non-Permanent

John and Bard Riemke Family Fund

John and Mary Schermerhorn Memorial Scholarship

Fund

John Berhalter Hutchins Community Fund

John E. and Joan E. Robinson Scholarship Fund

Jonah W. Slater Memorial Scholarship

Joseph A. and Lolita J. Hornett Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Josh Stahl Scholarship Fund

Ĵulia L. Atz Scholarsĥip Fund

Junior Achievement of Noble County Endowment Fund

Kay and Hazel Truelove Family Fund

Kendallville Day Care Agency Fund

Kendallville Outdoor Recreation Complex Endowment

Kendallville Park and Recreation Department

Endowment Fund

Kendallville Public Library Flag Fund



Jack R. and Maxine C. Frymier Scholars Award



Community Foundation Board member Robby Morgan with the 2022 recipient Seth Knepper.

Kendallville Redevelopment Commission Agency Fund

Kendallville Restoration Inc. Fund

Kendallville Windmill Museum and Historical Society

Museum Endowment Fund

Knight of Science Award Fund Kris Campbell "Any Dream Will Do" Scholarship

Fund

Lauren Kay Shields Scholarship Fund Lemmon-Rupert Endowment Fund

Life and Family Services Endowment Fund

Life Estate Fund

Ligonier Elks Scholarship Fund

Ligonier Public Library Restricted Fund

Ligonier Veterans' Memorial Fund

Ligonier Visitor and Convention Bureau, Inc.

Restricted Fund

Lilly Endowment Inc. Fund Literacy Field of Interest Lloyd Ness Family Fund Marilyn and Bill Emmert Fund

Funds held at Your Community Foundation (continued)

Matthias "Matt" and Rosemarie "Rosie" Kretler Scholarship Fund

Max and Elizabeth Roesler Memorial Scholarship Fund

Max Sneary M.D. Memorial Scholarship Fund Mayor's Youth Advisory Council Scholarship Fund

Merrill B. Frick Family Fund

Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center Fund Miss Limberlost Scholarship Pageant Fund

Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church Endowment Fund

Nathan Shumaker Memorial Scholarship Fund

New Community Initiatives Fund

Noble County 4-H Endowment Restricted Fund

Noble County Chess Fund

Noble County Child Care Fund

Noble County Economic Development Trust Fund

Noble County Historical Society Endowment

Restricted Fund

Noble County Memorial Scholarship Fund

Noble County Promise Fund*

Noble County Public Library Permanent Fund

Noble County Retired Teachers' Association Scholarship Fund in Memory of Deceased

Teachers

Noble County Technology Fund

Noble Educational Initiatives Fund

Noble House Homeless Shelter Fund

Noble REMC Operation Round Up Trust Fund Norman and Alberta Koons Firefighting Fund

Northeastern Center Community Mental

Health Endowment Fund

Oliver and Eleanor Ellenbecker Scholarship Fund

Pat and Nancy L. Kelty Fund

Paul Glass Memorial Scholarship Fund

Pauline (McClish) Leaman Scholarship Fund

Paul Pelikan Memorial Scholarship Fund

Peter R. Bottomley Scholarship Fund

Prudence E. Gardner Memorial Scholarship Fund P.U.L.S.E. Endowment in Memory of Dave Knopp

Fund

P.U.L.S.E. of Noble County Non-Permanent Fund

P.U.L.S.E. Senior Scholarship Fund

Ribbon Chicks Non-Permanent Fund

Richard and Mary DeMotte Scholarship Fund

Richard "Rick" J. Hoffman Unrestricted Fund

★ =fund retired in 2021



Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center Fund

Robert and Darleen Black Charitable Fund Russell Smith Music Scholarship Fund

Ruth N. Fitzpatrick Memorial Fund

Sacred Heart Home Fund

Sparta Township Fire Department Endowment Fund Sparta Township Trustee Indian Village Cemetery

St. John Lutheran Church Endowment Fund

St. Martin's Healthcare, Inc. Fund

Susan A. Price Memorial Scholarship Fund

Susan Marie Stone Scholarship Fund

Talia Joy Smith Performing Arts Scholarship Fund

Timothy J. Martin Memorial Scholarship Fund Tony and Gertrude Kichler Scholarship Fund

Town of Albion Parks Department Permanent Restricted Fund

Town of Albion Parks Department Skate Park Community Project

Town of Albion Restricted Fund

Town of Avilla Permanent Restricted Fund

Trent Zuehsow Memorial Scholarship Fund

Wawaka Alumni Scholarship Fund

William Wesley "Wes" and Amelia Frehse Memorial

Scholarship Fund Wood Family Fund

Woodward W. (Woody) and Lucy B. Weeks

Memorial

Restricted Fund

Youth for Christ of Northern Indiana, Inc. Fund Youth Opportunity Fund

YWCA Noble County Fund

COMBINED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2021 (With comparative totals at December 31, 2020)

	2021		2020	
ASSETS				
Cash Interest and dividends receivable Prepaid expenses Investments Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	\$	3,851,942 7,544 15,071 37,655,319 571,257	\$	4,188,094 14,803 14,740 32,975,796 593,093
	\$	42,101,133	\$	37,786,526
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$	57,485	\$	14,563
Grants payable		121,215		131,975
Accrued wages		16,650 1,693		14,232 342
Accrued payroll taxes and withholdings		6,528,573		5,932,084
Agency funds	-	0,320,373	1	3,932,004
Total liabilities		6,725,616		6,093,196
NET ASSETS				
Without donor restrictions		1,707,317		1,626,143
With donor restrictions		33,668,200	0.9	30,067,187
		35,375,517		31,693,330
	\$	42,101,133	\$	37,786,526

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2021 (With comparative totals for the year ending December 31, 2020)

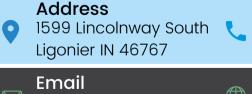
	Without Donor Restrictions				With Donor Restrictions		2021 Total			Z020 Total
Operating revenue and support										
Contributions and pledges	\$	19,706	\$	1,289,874	\$	1,309,580	\$	1,103,619		
Investment return, net		31,212		3,658,440		3,689,652		2,547,075		
Administrative fee income		475,791				475,791		404,246		
Fundraising		2,610		2,250		4,860		352		
Loss on disposal of equipment		(236)				(236)				
Other income	_	1,795	_	941	_	2,736		16,794		
Total operating revenue and support		530,878		4,951,505		5,482,383		4,072,086		
Net assets released from restrictions:										
Satsifaction of purpose restrictions		178,937		(178,937)						
Pursuant to spending policy		1,171,555		(1,171,555)						
Operating expenses										
Program services		1,045,984				1,045,984		1,213,954		
Supporting services:										
Management and general		703,398				703,398		624,843		
Fundraising	_	50,814	_		_	50,814	_	40,484		
		1,800,196	_			1,800,196	_	1,879,281		
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		81,174		3,601,013		3,682,187		2,192,805		
Net assets at beginning of year		1,626,143		30,067,187	_	31,693,330	_	29,500,525		
Net assets at end of year	\$	1,707,317	\$	33,668,200	\$	35,375,517	\$	31,693,330		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Thank You To Noble County for a wonderful first thirty years!!!







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