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"Our mission is to work with our community to encourage the giving of time, talent and treasure; to provide grants and scholarship; and to collaborate on projects to make Perry County a better place to live."



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### **Perry County Community Foundation Awards Over \$48,000 at Grants Award Luncheon**

**Perry County, Indiana** – The Perry County Community Foundation handed out checks totaling more than \$48,000 at its Grant Awards Luncheon on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Grant Awards Luncheon—held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall—is an event hosted by the Foundation to recognize donors and the accomplishments made possible through their generosity.

"Any individual or business who has been a donor to the foundation has helped build the endowments that allow for our grants program," stated Grants Committee Chair, Jane Efinger-Hayden. "It is through our donors that we are successful."

Funding for these grants was made possible by the Friends of Perry County Fund and the TCB Bank/Fifth Third Bank Fund, both of which are unrestricted. Donors who contribute to or create unrestricted funds give grantmaking discretion to the Foundation, allowing grants to be awarded based on the greatest needs in the community.

Five field-of-interest funds also contributed to this year's grantmaking: the Crippled Children's Fund, which supports projects that serve disabled children; the Goble-Kleeman Fund for Young Children, which supports early childhood education and child care projects; the Ewing Environmental Fund, which supports environmental projects; the Perry County Arts Fund, which support the Arts-related programs and activities; and the Joseph L. Dauby Endowment Fund, which supports civic endeavors in Tell City . Field-of-interest funds allow donors to direct support to a broader area of importance to them, like the environment, or to a specific geographic area, like Tell City.

The following organizations received grants from the Foundation this year:

Cannelton City Schools - \$2,000 to purchase technology to serve students with disabilities and improve learning.

Cannelton City Schools - \$3,072 to pay for transportation costs for adults in the Troy, Tell City, and Cannelton communities to attend classes at Ivy Tech to prepare for and earn their GED, improve their skills for work placement or advancement, and/or ready themselves for postsecondary training.

Cannelton City Schools - \$300 to purchase instruments, books and recorders for the "Music All Around for All Ages" program.

Cannelton City Schools - \$1,500 for contracting services from Southern Hills to Cannelton Elementary School for the coordination of skills training services for youth grades 3-5.

Cannelton City Schools - \$500 to support youth philanthropy programs at the school.

Evansville Philharmonic Orchestral Group - \$200 to underwrite the admission costs for Perry County elementary students to attend the 2011-2012 Helen M. McKinney Young People's Concerts.

Indiana Horse Rescue South - \$1,500 to purchase items to improve delivery systems of food and water, fencing, and land maintenance equipment for rescued horses.

Lincoln Boyhood Drama Association - \$500 to underwrite the admission costs for Perry County High School Junior and Senior U.S. History and U.S. Government classes to attend the original play "Between Friends."

Lincoln Hills Development Corporation - \$1,000 to provide training opportunities and professional development materials for staff in the AfterSchool Rocks Program.

New Beginnings Child Care Services, Inc. - \$415 to assist with start-up costs for the newly licensed daycare facility.

Perry Central Community Schools - \$3,500 to purchase licenses and associated training for the "My Reading Coach" program. "My Reading Coach" project aims to help the special needs population become proficient readers.

Perry Central Community Schools - \$3,000 to purchase technology for students to take on-line classes for the "Rethinking Time, Place, and Space: Preparing Students for the 21st Century" program.

Perry Central Community Schools - \$1,000 to support the "Career Internships for the 21st Century" program. This program focuses on creating internships for students that will help prepare them for the 21st century.

Perry Central Community Schools - \$750 to support youth philanthropy programs at the school.

Perry County Museum - \$2,336 to purchase the products and supplies for the archival and preservation project intended to slow the deterioration of photos, newspapers, and textiles currently in their collection.

Perry County Parks & Recreation - \$3,388 to purchase a playground structure for the Wilkerson County Park in Rome, In.

Perry County Power of Youth Council - \$1,600 for the Perry County Power of Youth Nonpermanent fund and \$1,000 for the Perry County Power of Youth Endowment Fund to promote youth philanthropy in Perry County.

Southern Hills Counseling Center, Inc. - \$1,275 to provide training opportunities for therapists to attend the EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) Basic Training.

Special Olympics Indiana - Perry County - \$2,000 for athlete participation in the 2012 Special Olympics Indiana Summer Games.

St. Paul Ministry of Charity - \$6,000 for the "Perry County Weekend Backpack" program to supply nutritious foods over the weekend to students ages 5 to 15 in food insecure low income households.

Stepping Stones Preschool - \$500 for the purchase of books for the "Families Reading with Redgie" program.

Tell City Band Boosters, Inc. - \$1,500 for the purchase of new equipment trailer to support the Tell City Band program.

Tell City-Troy Township School Corporation - \$2,000 to purchase the digital equipment for students to create web designs, newsletters, programs.

Tell City-Troy Township School Corporation - \$1,700 to support the Family and Community Outreach programs which include the Family Health Fair and the Family Literacy Events.

Tell City-Troy Township School Corporation - \$2,260 to purchase an e-reader device for classrooms at William Tell Elementary for the "Kindle Your Passion for Reading" program.

Tell City-Troy Township School Corp. - \$750 to support youth philanthropy programs at the school.

The Salvation Army Perry County Service Extension Unit - \$2,500 to provide emergency assistance to Perry County residents in need.

The Foundation's ability to serve these and other nonprofit organizations rests on its ability to maintain and strengthen gifts to our family of funds. We are only successful through our donor's efforts to make Perry County a better place to live. For more information on how you can help our community, contact director Sally Houzanme at 812-547-3176 or e-mail at [sallyh@perrycommunityfoundaton.org](mailto:sallyh@perrycommunityfoundaton.org).

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