

# 2021

# REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

## Fairfield



## **Our Mission...**

To enhance and strengthen the quality of life for citizens of Greater Fairfield.

## **Our Vision...**

To be Fairfield's choice for giving.

## Letter from the President



■ Being new to the Fairfield Community Foundation, it has been a pleasure to study our past and begin to plan for our future. Looking back at fiscal Year 2021, the word that comes to mind is “growth.” Growth is apparent when you look at our FY 2021 financials, and when you look at the list of grants and scholarships awarded in our community.

After the intensity of the events of 2020, 2021 felt like a year of accepting what was and a time to hope for our future.

Fairfield Community Foundation was established by our Founders in 1999. Their love of the Greater Fairfield region compelled them to launch an organization committed “for good, for Fairfield, forever.” We continue to be thankful for their efforts and invite you to engage in the work of the foundation in a meaningful way.

As we look to our future, it’s important to understand that what we do today (or neglect to do today) will have a direct impact on our ability to do more later. Please consider a gift to our endowment or establish your own fund for the benefit of a cause that is important to you. Your generosity is the fuel that will keep us in the business of doing good for generations to come. For that we are most grateful.”

—Ronda Croucher, *President*



## Note from the Chairman



■ What an honor and privilege it's been to serve on the board of the Fairfield Community Foundation alongside some of the most caring and giving individuals in our community. They understand the meaning of community and the value that relationships play in accomplishing the Foundation's mission. Even though circumstances of this year continued to be discouraging to our coming together, we found ways to

not only foster our existing relationships, but continue to build many new ones.

**Relationships** with local non-profits enabled our Grant Committee to identify the most significant community needs and award this year's grants to those most able to meet those needs.

**Relationships** with school leaders and educators continued to raise awareness to the growing list of scholarships that are available and awarded to students through the Foundation.

**Relationships** with leaders of our city, township, and other community partners enabled the Foundation to assist in bringing the community together to further fund parks and recreational needs as well as memorial structures.

Few relationships are as important to the Foundation as those with our donors. Without their generosity and our commitment to the successful managing of the funds they've entrusted with us, the delivery of grants and scholarships doesn't happen.

We'd love to grow our relationship with you and help you in your support "For good, for Greater Fairfield, forever."

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**The Fairfield community awarded  
\$24,900 in grants**

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Butler County
- Coalition for a Safe and Drug-Free Fairfield
- Fairfield Child Development Center
- Fairfield Family YMCA
- Fairfield Food Pantry
- Parachute of Butler County (CASA)
- Shared Harvest Foodbank
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace
- Sojourner Recovery Services
- Warrior Run
- YWCA

*“The Fairfield Food Pantry is grateful to the Fairfield Community Foundation for providing grants in the fiscal year 2021, helping us to fund a significant portion of our food purchases during the period. We continued to serve the needs of new and existing clients in the Fairfield area. The emergency food supplies were provided during our normal days and hours of operation to over 10,900 clients facing poverty.”*

– ART TUCKER, TREASURER



# Fairfield Community Foundation Awards \$133,850 to Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to The 2021 Recipients of Scholarships  
Through the Fairfield Community Foundation. The World Awaits!

Magdalene Adotey  
Jackson Alfrey  
Cody Anderson  
Trinity Baartleson  
Hannah Best  
Phillip Blonda  
Zachary Charles Bredek  
Blake Briggs  
Kinsey Burton  
Brianna Bush  
Rachel Campbell  
Arlu Collier  
Olivia Craft  
Coleman Cronk  
Carly Damon  
Jacob Eversole  
Emma Fox  
Caleb Frank

Traci Hahn  
Libby Hampton  
Janina Hellmann  
Mackenzie Higgins  
Brooke Hubbard  
Lauren Isacson  
Sietta Ivy  
Jessica Jackson  
Libby Johnson  
Emily Kahn  
Jasmine Kennedy  
Aryssa Lane  
Bridget Lartey  
Alyssa Lyons  
Paige Mayer  
Marcus McCraney  
Makenna Meisenbach  
Emma Miller

Trinity Miller  
Ryan Miltenberger  
Jacob Moore  
Logan Murphy  
Carolyn Nkemakolam  
Jihanny Paulino Peralta  
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Olivia Robinson  
Hollis Schuler  
Jessica Schuster  
Omar Shteiwi  
Kayleigh Siebenaller  
Brandon Smith  
Logan Snyder  
Dylan Spivey  
Sprockett Michael  
Tackett Gabrielle  
Thomas Jeffrey  
Todd Carson  
Uribe Enrique  
Verdin Gracie  
Walden Jared  
Welsh Jason  
Wilson Elizabeth  
Wu Peter  
Nick Young

## Fairfield Community Foundation Scholarship Spotlight



■ “I just finished my freshman year at Ohio Northern University and had an amazing experience at the Dicke College of Business! My major is accounting and my success this first year has provided me the opportunity for a summer internship at a local CPA firm. I am very thankful for the support from the Fairfield Community Foundation and very appreciative of the scholarship I received! It was

an exciting year both in academics (3.8 GPA) and athletics as a member of the ONU Women’s Soccer Team where we won the OAC tournament championship to advance to the NCAA tournament! My first year has been an incredible experience, and I am very appreciative of the Fairfield Community Foundation’s contribution to my success.”

– Libby Johnson





## Funds Held at the Fairfield Community Foundation

- Harold and Pat Craig Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Robert Copenbaker Scholarship Fund
- Larry Deis Scholarship Fund
- Jenny Evans Scholarship Fund
- Jimmy Hassman Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Dirksen Family Fund
- Don and Jean Keck Fund
- McClellan Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Olinger Scholarship Fund
- Carl Tannenbaum Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Tri County Pharmacists Association Fund
- Butler County United Way Donor Advised Fund
- Fairfield Optimist Club Fund
- Give Back Fairfield Fund
- One Way Farm Fund
- Parachute of Butler County Casa Fund
- Fairfield Rotary Club Permanent Fund
- Senior Citizens Inc. Fund

- Fairfield Community Foundation Cifuentes Administrative Endowment Fund
- Avance Family Fund
- Berding Family Fund
- Bernard and Jennifer Rumpke Family Fund
- Diana and Gary Knapp Fund



- Four Seasons Garden Club
- Friends of Lane Library Fairfield Branch Fund
- Friends of Lane Library General Fund
- The Holzberger Family Fund
- Hometown Heroes Fund
- Reds' Rookie Success League
- Joe Nuxhall Character Education Fund
- Joe Nuxhall Hope Fund
- Joe Nuxhall Miracle League Fund
- John and Jane Dickey Fund
- Keely Dental Society Fund
- Landmark Communities, Inc. Fund
- Richard and Betty Jo Vance Fund
- The Four Seasons Garden Club Scholarship
- Ben and Greta Bartels Scholarship Fund
- Christy Dennis Memorial Scholarship Fund
- The Clarence and Madeline Phalen Scholarship Fund
- Coach Ron Masanek Wrestling Scholarship Fund



- Dennis McRoberts Memorial Fairfield High School Baseball Alumni Fund
- Don and Phyllis Graf Family Scholarship Fund
- The Don Friedman Memorial Music Scholarship Fund
- The Dr. Erick L. Cook Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Fairfield Champions Fund
- Fairfield Women
- Fairfield High School Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Fred and Jane Herzner Scholarship Fund
- The Dr. Fred Marzan Music Memorial Scholarship-TNF
- Galen McCollum Fellowship of Christian Athletes Scholarship Fund
- Harry and Jerri Thomas Fund
- J.G. Miller Family Scholarship Fund
- Jack and Sharon Loeffler Scholarship Fund
- James and Christina Endres Fund
- Joe Nuxhall Scholarship Fund
- The Kaleidoscope Woman Scholarship Fund



- Durga S. and Suresh P. Kamat Band Scholarship
- Kathleen Sullivan Memorial Fund
- Kiwanis Club of Fairfield Scholarship Fund
- Lisa Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Martha M. Tipton Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Matt Lucas Scholarship

- Don and Norma Hassler Family Fund
- Dorothy Ervin Scholarship Fund
- Esther Benzing Family Fund
- Evelyn J. Jones Family Fund
- Fairfield Chamber of Commerce Fund
- First Financial Bank Fund
- Fred and Jane Herzner Scholarship Fund
- Gille Family Fund
- Hans O. Kuehlthau Fund
- Harold F. Kiddoo Family Fund
- Hill-Air Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. Fund
- J. V. Associates Fund
- J.G. Miller Family Fund
- Jim and Fran Sackenheim Family Fund
- Jim and Kay Crain Family Fund
- John and Pat Gleeson Fund
- John and Peggy Collins Fund
- Joseph B. Bayer Memorial Fund
- Jungle Jim's Market, Inc. Fund
- Martin and Shirley Harvey Fund
- Upchurch Family Fund
- Randal and Joyce Thomas Fund
- Richard and Ann Darlington Fund
- Richard and Nancy White Fund

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- Richard Senior Memorial Fund
- Robert and Janis Lerer and Families Fund
- Ron Gehrlich Family Fund
- Sanders Family Fund
- Sandy and Nancy Becker Fund
- Schardine Family Fund
- The Scharringhausen Family Fund
- Schwarz Family Fund
- The William and Jayne Roth Fund
- William C. Vidourek Family Fund
- Wolterman Family Fund
- Ron Chasteen Scholarship Fund
- Ron Winningham Memorial
- Sally Braun Scholarship Fund
- Misti Highfill Scholarship Fund
- Howard and Katrina Schul Memorial Fine Arts Scholarship
- Sherry A. Armstead Scholarship Fund
- Jan and Steve Creed Scholarship Fund
- Tom and Stephanie Bennett Bobinger Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Steven E. Miller Fund
- The Taylor B. Prazynski Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Phillip J. Nuxhall Theatre Arts Scholarship
- Timothy Hines Memorial
- The Ut Prosim Scholarship Fund
- Buddy LaRosa Scholarship Fund
- A.G. “Pete” Bramble Memorial
- Bonaminio Family Fund
- Clemmons Family Fund
- June Rose Cox Memorial Fund
- Crutcher Family Fund
- Dick and Marian Niehaus Charity Fund
- Matt Maupin Scholarship
- The Fairfield Chamber of Commerce Scholarship
- Dave Bauer Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Fairfield Baseball Legacy Fund
- Christine and Saul Hacker
- Joe Nuxhall Miracle League Building Fund
- Doug Lopina Soccer Fund
- LCPL Michael Cifuentes Scholarship Fund
- Fairfield Civitan Fund
- Karin and John Carboy Memorial Kaleidoscope Scholarship Fund
- Tim and Jean Meyers Fund
- Ohio Nationals Baseball
- Frances E. Consolo Temporary Fund
- Principal’s Scholarship
- Kenneth and Jean McKay Family Scholarship
- Dorothy Jane Roush Dickey Teaching Scholarship Fund
- FFHS ESL Scholarship
- Fairfield Legacy Series
- The Creative Difference
- Fairfield TWP Veteran’s Memorial Fund
- Fairfield Prevention Coalition
- Dr. Alan “Terry” Hudson Scholarship Fund
- Community Assistance Fund
- Let Us Never Forget Scholarship
- Volunteers Providing Free Foot Care



# Community Foundation Funding Focus

*You can choose the type of fund that best meets your needs ... and it can be named for you, an organization, or someone you love. Fund types include:*

**Unrestricted Funds** Over time, community needs change. When you set up or give to an unrestricted fund, you help the Fairfield Community Foundation best respond to these changing needs. Our Grants Committee and Board of Trustees give you assurance that your gift will be invested wisely and awarded in the areas of most need in the community.

**Scholarship Funds** Each year, over \$100,000 of scholarships are awarded to students living in Fairfield and Fairfield Township. If you decide to set up a scholarship fund, you designate the requirements. A scholarship fund is an important way to invest in the future of our community.

**Donor Advised Funds** These special funds allow you to retain the right to recommend to the Fairfield Community Foundation which charities — anywhere in the U.S. — that



you want to receive grants. You can even recommend the amount that you'd like to see granted. All recommendations are subject to the Board's approval, but this allows you to provide support for charities you prefer without having to set up and administer a private foundation.

**Designated Funds** If you want to support the good work of a specific

not-for-profit organization, you can do so by setting up a designated fund. Your gift to the Community Foundation to establish such a fund will mean that you can rest assured that your gift — even 50 years from now — will be used as you desire. The Fairfield Community Foundation Board will ensure that the funds are used by that organization for the purpose you intend.

**Field of Interest Funds** When you set up a field of interest fund, you provide funding for an area of interest that is particularly important to you. For instance, if you want to support projects for recreational needs in Fairfield or art projects in Fairfield Township, your fund can be set up to do just that ... forever.





## Angel Fund

It takes all of us working together for maximum impact. You don't have to establish a fund in order to contribute to the foundation. Each year the foundation has community "Angels" who support our work with a tax-deductible gift. If you're not ready to establish a charitable giving fund, please consider a gift to our Angel Campaign.

## To Leave a Bequest

You may use the following language:

*I give and bequeath to the Fairfield Community Foundation, a non-profit corporation, the residue of my estate (or the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_) to be used where most needed (or to establish a fund for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_).*

**The Tax-ID number for our organization is 31-1625750.**

## Balance Sheet

	TOTAL ASSETS	TOTAL LIABILITIES	TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS
2021	\$4,855,402	\$14,924	\$4,855,402
2020	\$4,158,400	\$1,247	\$4,158,400
2019	\$4,105,193	\$265	\$4,560,577
2018	\$3,765,188	\$3,456	\$3,765,188
2017	\$3,573,792	\$1,220	\$3,573,792
2016	\$3,402,642	\$1,155	\$3,402,642
2015	\$3,560,577	\$45,052	\$3,560,577

## Grants From the Fairfield Community Foundation

Organizations that serve the citizens of Fairfield and Fairfield Township are welcome to apply for a grant from the Fairfield Community Foundation. Your organization must have 501 (c)(3) nonprofit status with the IRS. We accept Grant Applications three times a year. Please note the following deadlines: **December 15, March 15** and **July 15**. Funding decisions are made by the Grants Committee which is comprised of members of the foundation Board.

**Thank You to Our Community Partners!**



**Fairfield**  
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## **Special Thanks...**

We are grateful to the City of Fairfield  
for its support of the  
Fairfield Community Foundation.



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