The role of the mid-sized community foundation is evolving. More conversations center on how philanthropy can take the lead through social impact investments in conjunction with community partners.

Historically these conversations were reserved for larger foundations because they have the assets and staff to initiate, develop and sustain monumental projects. But now, community foundations big and small are responding to the challenge to be the change agents in their communities.

Because community foundations are comprised of hundreds of fund holders with a variety of philanthropic interests and governed by a diverse board, we are an excellent vehicle to build social capital.

Where is the next emerging opportunity to build social capital in our community? The answer rests in the role of a community foundation.

This annual report demonstrates the philanthropic interests and actions of 343 fund holders at the Foundation. We work with individuals, families, and corporations to design a highly personalized plan to fulfill their charitable wishes.

To that end, the Richland County Foundation is strongly committed to know the current and emerging needs in our community. We are equally committed to understand the capacity of our nonprofit community through which fund holder’s investments will be made to support important causes.

The opportunity to create social capital exists with every individual conversation, whether it centers on human services, education, community development or any of the nine grant making sectors at the Foundation.

We appreciate your trust in the Foundation to fulfill its mission to improve and enhance the quality of life in Richland County through strategic philanthropy and community leadership.
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<td>Investments</td>
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<td>Property and Equipment, Net</td>
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**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

$145,766,085  
$133,481,889

The financial information provided is taken from the financial statements as audited by Riester, Lump & Burton, CPA’s, Inc. A copy of the complete audited statement is on file at the Foundation office and available upon request.
### STATEMENT OF REVENUE COLLECTED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
MODIFIED CASH BASIS

[Years Ended December 31, 2016 and 2015]

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*Unrestricted, Temporarily Restricted, Permanently Restricted, Total*
The mission of the Richland County Foundation is to improve and enhance the quality of life in Richland County through strategic philanthropy and community leadership.

Provide Leadership and act as a catalyst in identifying and addressing emerging community needs.

Distribute Grants for charitable purposes in the areas of Health, Economic and Community Development, Basic Human Needs, Education, Arts & Culture, the Environment, and Community Services.

Prudently Manage the Foundation’s resources to achieve the maximum benefit for Richland County in perpetuity.

Identify and Cultivate Donors of all economic means and charitable interests.

Assist Donors in establishing funds to meet community needs and distribute proceeds in accordance with the donor’s intent.

The Fund Types & Program Areas

### 2016 Grants by Fund Type

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<tr>
<th>Fund Type</th>
<th>competitive</th>
<th>designated</th>
<th>donor advised</th>
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<td>405,198</td>
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<td>368,071</td>
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<td>Children, Families &amp; Youth</td>
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<td>261,630</td>
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<td>Arts &amp; Culture</td>
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<td>180,600</td>
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<td>Human Services</td>
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<td>88,000</td>
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<td>15,020</td>
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(27%) (27%) (37%) (9%) (100%)

**Grants by Program Area**

- Education: 1,027,867
- Community Development: 725,167
- Children, Families & Youth: 676,954
- Arts & Culture: 572,302
- Human Services: 354,630
- Economic Development: 304,052
- Health Services: 228,094
- Churches: 69,110
- Environment: 50,400
- **Total**: 4,008,576
What is the Richland County Foundation? Richland County Foundation was founded in 1945 and is a 501c3 public charity that primarily serves the residents of Richland County by disbursing grants to local charitable organizations for their programs and projects with the earnings from component funds established for that purpose.

What is a community foundation? A community foundation is an independent, tax-exempt public charity whose mission is to accept and administer charitable gifts and bequests, regardless of size, for the benefit of the local community. Community foundations fulfill donors’ charitable goals by awarding grants that meet a broad range of community needs, from the arts to basic human needs, to the environment.

Typically, a community foundation is comprised of many separate component funds. Unlike private foundations, community foundation funds come from many sources, including individuals and families, businesses, and other nonprofit organizations.

What is the advantage of a community foundation over a private foundation? A fund at a community foundation can be easily and quickly established with no start up costs. Gifts to community foundations generally have a greater tax benefit. There are no required annual payouts, filings, or taxes. The community foundation staff provides community knowledge and information about local public charities. Donors to the community foundation have the opportunity to be anonymous if desired.

Can I donate any amount to the Foundation? Yes! There are many opportunities to give to the Foundation to help improve life in Richland County. With any size donation, you can give to the community fund or other established funds.

How do I set up a fund? Here are the easy steps to set up a fund at the foundation.
1. Determine your charitable interests and intent.
2. Pick the type of fund that best meets your purpose.
3. Choose a name for your fund.
4. Decide on a timeline for giving.
5. Review the many types of contributions available to make an initial gift.

A separate named fund can be established with a gift of $10,000 and a scholarship fund can be established with a gift of $20,000. A fund can accept additional donations at any time.

What type of assets can I use? Cash, marketable securities, or real estate, readily marketable tangible personal property, transfer donor advised funds from commercial organizations, IRA and retirement plan assets, as well as planned gifts such as life insurance, charitable trusts, and charitable gift annuities.

Gifts of real estate require a qualified appraisal, a preliminary title report and an environmental assessment.

Gifts of tangible personal property such as artwork, jewelry, and collectibles will be evaluated individually by the Foundation for suitability before being accepted.

Gifts of appreciated long-term capital assets are generally deductible according to their fair market value with the additional benefit of the appreciation (capital gain) not reportable as income.

How does a Donor Advised Fund Work? The donor takes a tax deduction at the time of the gift ($10,000 or more to establish the fund) and has the privilege of suggesting grants to any public charity in the U.S.A. There are no required annual distributions. Grants must be $250 or more and will be processed in a matter of days. The grantee charity receives the name of the fund with the grant check, but the donor can be anonymous if desired. Regular fund statements are sent to the donor. No annual taxes are paid and no documents are required to be filed by the donor.

How can I provide support for a favorite charity? The donor should designate the charity(s) at the time of the gift, for regular annual grants, or suggest grants from a donor advised fund.

The donor may also identify an area of charitable interest, such as children, college scholarships, indigent elderly, and the Foundation Board of Trustees will seek out the appropriate recipient organizations.

What are the tax benefits? Contributions to Richland County Foundation receive the maximum tax benefit available by law.

How are the funds invested? Funds of the Foundation are invested in a well diversified professionally managed portfolio. Each fund is allocated a portion of the pooled portfolio. The large size of the portfolio serves to minimize costs and provides access to investments not normally made available. The portfolio is governed by an investment policy and the Finance Committee. Outside professional investment advisors are utilized for management of the portfolio with close oversight by the Finance Committee.
Robert E. Fisher Fund, a new fund to support the skilled trades

Jana and Alma Fisher established the Robert E. Fisher donor advised fund to honor Jana’s father and Alma’s husband. Robert was proud of his manual skills; he was a die maker at the General Motors plant in Ontario for 33 years.

Through the Robert E. Fisher Fund, they want to help people acquire the necessary skills and supplies to obtain good manufacturing jobs which are readily available.

Robert had many interests and hobbies, including woodworking, wildflowers, Native American history. Robert also was a Baku Grotto Clown for about 30 years. He started as a volunteer to build props for the clowns and eventually developed his own clown persona, Styx. He was a favorite in local parades.

Mansfield man establishes a scholarship fund to help nursing students

The Eugene and Ruth Oestreich Harsch Scholarship Fund was established at the Foundation.

The scholarship will be awarded to a student attending college to become a registered nurse who has earned at least a 3.0 grade point average. First preference will be given to Mansfield Senior High School graduates who attend either Capital University School of Nursing or Case Western Reserve University School of Nursing. Second preference will be given to Mansfield Senior High School graduates who are enrolled in a nursing program at an accredited college or university. If there are no students who meet these requirements the scholarship can be awarded to a student who graduated from any Richland County high school enrolled in a nursing program at an accredited college or university.

Eugene said he established the fund in honor of his wife, Ruth, to recognize her nursing career.

Ruth worked at Mansfield General Hospital, Peoples Hospital and Ohio Nurses Association. She also taught nursing at Mansfield General School of Nursing, North Central State College and Case Western Reserve University. In addition, Ruth served eight years on the Mansfield City School Board.

Eugene is a retired chemist. They had two sons, John and Stephen. John is a retired Chief of the Mansfield City Fire Department and Stephen works for Gold Key Processing Ltd., a Cleveland area company.

Mansfield Aviation Club Fund

The Mansfield Aviation Club (MAC) has set up a designated fund to provide scholarships for people to learn to fly.

The ability for MAC to offer Aviation Scholarships was given a kick-start when one of its members provided a generous donation to establish a designated fund which is managed by the Richland County Foundation.

The scholarship application is online at RichlandCountyFoundation.org. The annual deadline to apply is April 1.

Established in 1949, MAC is a group of people interested in aviation. Club activities consist primarily of monthly meetings and informal gatherings that concentrate on fun, good fellowship, and the opportunity to share aviation experiences and safety information.
School establishes an endowed fund to continue its mission

For 55 years, Mansfield Christian School has been a steadfast leader in Christian education. The school boasts over 2,000 alumni whose education was based on a Christian worldview.

Today the school, located on Logan Road in Mansfield, is ranked as “One of the 50 Best Christian High Schools in America” by TheBestSchools.org.

In order to continue its mission of teaching the next generation with a Biblical philosophy, the school established an endowed agency fund.

MCS Superintendent Dr. Cy Smith said the school is excited to work with the Foundation through a local fund for the first time. He wants philanthropists to know that Mansfield Christian School offers a quality education and is a good investment.

donor stories

Grants available for educators and others who think outside of the box

Rev. Robin McCullough-Bade (and her husband the late Rev. John Bade) honored her parents with a field-of-interest fund at the Richland County Foundation named the Harry and Lois McCullough Fund. The fund will award grants in the community for the purpose of promoting writing, literature appreciation, music, and Ohio history through creative, innovative, and effective methods and programs.

Examples of projects that could qualify for a grant include living history portrayals from early Ohio days, memoirs recorded by nursing home residents, a special exhibit at a local museum or a school project on Shakespeare.

“These are tough times for schools, museums and other nonprofit organizations. I want this fund to provide the spark for an innovative project.

“Education was important to our family, we grew up playing school. My mother was a teacher who loved Richland County. She co-authored several books about one-room school houses in Richland County,” said Robin.

Lois Marjory (Robinson) and Harry Hoyt McCullough were proud life-long residents of Richland County. Both had ancestors who were among the first families to settle in Richland County.
Justin and Lynn Marotta Fund

The Justin and Lynn Marotta Fund was established as a means to promote horticulture in our region.

“I love the horticulture industry and want to continue to support and promote it. Lynn and I want to draw attention to the beautification and the operation, application, and maintenance of it while also directing our charitable dollars,” said Justin Marotta.

The Marottas want to provide grants to help Ashland University, the Ohio State Agricultural Technical Institute or other institutions that focus on the promotion and development of horticulture while benefitting the community.

From 1986 through 2015, as former owners of the Possum Run Greenhouse, the Marottas donated annual flowers to their Alma Mater, Ashland University, to add to the beauty of the campus.

“At the time, we were unable to make a monetary donation, but we were excited to donate flowering annuals as a gift in-kind. As students we remembered seeing blooming annuals on campus and how nice it looked. We wanted to bring that beauty back and that is how we were able to help. Now in our retirement years, Justin and I want to continue giving back. We knew that a donor advised fund with the Richland County Foundation was the best mechanism to carry out our charitable wishes,” said Lynn Marotta.

Mind Body Align Charitable Fund

The Mind Body Align Charitable Fund seeks to further the mission and vision of Mind Body Align through philanthropy. The fund was established by MBA founder Annamarie Fernyak.

The fund will support projects that support women and empower them to lead happier, more fulfilling lives. Examples include, but are not limited to: alternative wellness, women’s entrepreneurship, yoga for underserved populations, healthy foods initiatives, arts & culture, and professional development.

Applicants must be a 501c3.

The mission of Mind Body Align is to create a community of collaboration which inspires, nurtures and empowers. The vision is to provide a female-focused facility offering space and services which nurture community, individuals, and growing business.

MBA is located in the former Butterfly House at 20 North Mulberry Street which allows it to offer additional space and opportunities to fulfill its mission and vision. For more information on MBA go to MindBodyAlign.com
Philanthropy and volunteerism are a way of life for this family
Since 1959, the year they graduated from Mansfield Senior High School, Richard (Dick) and Sally (Heckert) Uhde have felt a connection to and an appreciation of the Richland County Foundation.

Sally’s parents, Katherine and Bill McCarrick, volunteered their time to make Mansfield a better place to live and raise a family. They also established a Donor Advised Fund, for the benefit of Kingwood Center, which Dick and Sally still support.

Using Bill and Katherine’s example, Dick and Sally also began volunteering early in their marriage. A few years ago, it seemed right to continue the legacy. Keeping in mind that RCF helped both Sally and Dick with college expenses in the 1960s, it seemed appropriate for them to set up a RCF scholarship a for students who had completed one year of college and who were majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math (STEM).

Most recently they also decided to go a step farther and establish a donor advised fund which will support charities of their choice.

Donors establish a fund to support local law enforcement
Merris and Jean Welge are huge fans of law enforcement. To show their support, they recently established a designated fund to benefit the Ontario Police Department.

The donors said “Police are an integral part of our society. Considering the way things are going in our country, we think it is important to recognize the police and the job they do. I support and respect law enforcement.”

Ontario Police Chief Rodney Smith is amazed by the Welge’s generosity and support of local officers.

According to the fund language the Ontario Chief of Police will direct how the earned income from the fund will be utilized.

Chief Smith has a project in mind, a memorial to police officers in front of Ontario City Hall.

Because it is a designated fund, anyone in the community can donate to the fund for the Ontario Police Department. Donors will receive a tax deduction.

The donors hope the fund will spur more support for all law enforcement.

Ending Breast Cancer is the focus of a new fund
Dave Kracker set up the Mansfield Cancer Foundation - Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund at the Foundation in 2016. Dave decided to invest the fund at the Foundation because he wanted to assure the existence of long-term funding for patient assistance and public education programs in our local community.

The Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund was set up in memory of Mansfield resident, Pat Kracker, who lost her battle with breast cancer on her 61st birthday in 1996. Shortly thereafter, with the help of many donors and clerical assistance of the local Planned Parenthood Association, the original fund was established.

In January 2009, the Fund became affiliated with the Mansfield Cancer Foundation. The fund works in cooperation with many organizations including Catholic Charities, Ohio Department of Health, American Cancer Society and Susan G. Komen for the Cure Northeast Ohio to provide breast cancer education, support, and assistance to Richland County residents.
**education**

**College Scholarships**

**Scholarships**

- 280 Scholarship grants — $378,060

**Competitive**

- **Discovery School**
  - Richland Gives — $1,000
- **North Central State College**
  - Scholarship Support — $35,734
- **North Central State College Foundation**
  - Richland Gives — $1,500
- **Ohio State University Foundation**
  - Richland Gives — $1,000

**Designated**

- **Ashland University**
  - Purchase Library Books — $600
- **Clear Fork Valley Foundation**
  - Grants and Scholarships — $6,880
- **Guernsey Foundation**
  - Scholarships — $1,000
- **Lucas Local Schools**
  - Educational Programs Support (4 grants) — $29,394
  - Athletic Equipment — $4,629
  - Library Renovation — $35,477
  - Educational Materials — $733
- **Mansfield City Schools**
  - Educational Programs (2 grants) — $1,731
- **Methodist Theological Seminary**
  - Scholarship for a Richland County Resident — $246
- **North Central State College**
  - Financial Aid to Richland County Students — $3,959
- **North Central State College Foundation**
  - General Support — $36,244

**The Ohio State University - Mansfield**

- Scholarship Support — $26,553
- Business Development Support — $27,245
- Faculty Development Support — $6,992
- Financial Aid to Richland County Students — $15,837

**Ontario Local Schools**

- General Support for Technology Programs — $7,855

**Donor Advised**

- **Ashland University**
  - Ashbrook Center (4 grants) — $16,000
- **Brown University**
  - General Support — $3,000
- **Denison University**
  - General Support — $1,000
- **Discovery School**
  - Building Construction — $50,000
  - General Support (4 grants) — $29,000
  - Educational Programs — $15,000
- **Emma Willard School**
  - General Support — $3,000
- **Judicial Watch**
  - General Support — $1,000
- **The Leadership Institute**
  - General Support (2 grants) — $3,000
- **Lucas Local Schools**
  - Athletic Equipment — $2,000
- **Mansfield Aviation Club**
  - Scholarships — $10,000
- **Mansfield Christian School**
  - General Operating — $6,000
- **Mansfield City Schools**
  - Educational Programs (2 grants) — $103,969
  - School Counselor — $8,085
- **North Central State College**
  - Scholarships — $20,000

**North Central State College Foundation**

- Powering the Journey
  - Capital Campaign — $20,000
- **The Ohio State University - Mansfield**
  - Scholarship Support — $10,000
  - Capital Campaign — $1,250
  - Property Improvements — $25,000
  - Renewal Work on the Library — $4,000

**Plymouth-Shiloh Local Schools**

- Art and Music Grant — $9,936

**Reinhardt University**

- Athletic Equipment — $1,000

**Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Museum**

- General Support — $1,000
  - Special Projects/Displays — $800

**SPARC**

- Program Support — $5,000

**TEACHER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANTS**

- 55 Grants — $55,158

**393 Grants** **$1,027,867**
Elec Simon is dedicated to erasing bullying. He visited students and teachers in Mansfield City School buildings. His local educational and motivational program was funded by the Fran and Warren Rupp Fund.

Elementary Education is the Focus of a New Fund

“I have had an extraordinary life!”

This is what Betty Martin said when asked about being alive for more than a century. Betty established a field-of-interest fund to support elementary education in the Mansfield City School District. She taught at Carpenter Elementary School for 28 years and was passionate about educating children.

Her daughter Cheryl Cummins suggested setting up the fund as a way to contribute to the community while creating a permanent reminder of the good work Betty did as a teacher.

Betty’s former students stayed in touch with her and many told her she was the best teacher they ever had. A few years ago, her former students organized a reunion in her old classroom at Carpenter Elementary School.

In addition, throughout her decades-long career, Betty served as a mentor to many new teachers.

“I enjoy life and I have a family that matters,” she said. “I love people, they love me and I am a big proponent of hugs.”

(Betty passed away March 25, 2017, just three days prior to her 101st birthday. She was interviewed for the annual report a few months before her death.)
community & community development

Competitive
The Adaptive Adventure Sports Coalition
Specialized Adaptive Equipment — $23,906
Boy Scouts Heart of Ohio Council
Richland Gives — $1,500
City of Mansfield
Music in the Parks — $5,000
Compassion In Action
Richland Gives — $1,000
Downtown Mansfield, Inc.
Richland Gives — $1,250
Kingwood Center Gardens
Richland Gives — $1,500
Love Inc.
Richland Gives — $1,000
North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Inc.
Richland Gives — $1,000
Ohio Genealogical Society
Osborne Meese Academy — $3,000
Richland Gives — $1,000
Richland Community Development Group
Richland Gives — $1,000
Starfish Project of Richland County
Richland Gives — $1,000
Taking Root Farms
Richland Gives — $2,000
United Way of Richland County
Richland Gives — $1,000

Designated
Boy Scouts Heart of Ohio Council
General Support (2 grants) — $29,480
Program Support — $200
Kingwood Center
General Support (4 grants) — $85,502
Mansfield Richland County Public Library
Books and Talking Books — $2,798
General Support — $438
Mansfield Rotary Club Foundation
McGowan Courage Awards — $5,646
North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Inc.
General Support (3 grants) — $162,346
Ohio Genealogical Society
General Support — $248
Richland County Habitat For Humanity
General Support — $219
United Way of Richland County
General Support (2 grants) — $25,063

Donor Advised
Boy Scouts Heart of Ohio Council
General Support — $10,000
City of Mansfield
Internship Program — $8,400
Crawford County United Way, Inc.
General Support — $1,000
Delaware County Foundation
Program Support — $5,000
Downtown Mansfield, Inc.
Internship Program — $4,200
The Fun Center Chordsmen
Harmony Camp Education Program — $500
Scholarship Support — $2,000
Galion Community Foundation
Support for Galion Community Chorus Fund — $250
Humane Society of Richland County
General Support (3 grants) — $6,000
Kingwood Center Gardens
General Support — $3,000
Internship Program (2 grants) — $8,400
Lucas Community Center
Program Support — $25,000

North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Inc.
General Support (2 grants) — $209,771
Internship Program (2 grants) — $10,500
Ohio Special Response Team, Inc.
Equipment Purchase — $14,000
The Richland County Children’s Auxiliary
Clothing — $200
Richland County Habitat For Humanity
General Support — $2,000
Richland County Sheriff’s Department
Thermal Imaging Cameras — $2,500
Shelby Foundation
General Support — $500
Starfish Project of Richland County
General Support — $250
United Way of Richland County
General Support (3 grants) — $4,600
Friendly House — $50,000

60 Grants $725,167

North End Community Improvement Collaborative volunteer Bill Baker received an award for his work at the Blust Avenue Teaching Garden during the Ohio Community Development Corporation Conference held in Athens, OH. NECIC received a grant for the garden from the Fran and Warren Rupp Fund.
Foundation helps to build nonprofit organizations

The Richland County Foundation conducted its second Osborne Meese Academy in 2016. The program is designed to build and support nonprofit organizations and to act as a catalyst to encourage stronger collaboration in the community.

The Osborne Meese Academy encompasses three key components: education, professional support and grant writing assistance. The initiative was named the Osborne Meese Academy to honor the Foundation’s founding father.

Foundation President Bradford Groves said, “This is a perfect way to recognize the work done by Osborne Meese at the beginning of the Foundation. It is not just about what can be done today, it’s about helping agencies fulfill their mission and to improve over time to positively impact people.”

Half-day educational workshops were held February through November at the Foundation and covered topics such as developing a marketing and fundraising plan, engaging in collaborations, building an effective board and identifying outcomes and measures.

The nonprofit organizations were selected by an application process to participate based on the following criteria: willingness to collaborate to address community issues, willingness to embrace organizational change and growth, current strength of an organization with regards to programming, governance, staff leadership, financing, administration, staffing and marketing.

The organizations that participated were Discovery School, Linden Road Presbyterian Church, Mansfield Memorial Homes, Mankind Murals Inc., North Central State College Foundation, North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Ohio Genealogical Society, Parent Aide Program, Pediatric Development Center, Richland Carrousel Park, Richland County Historical Society, Richland Public Health, Shelby YMCA Community Center and Starfish Project of Richland County.

Photo Above: Luke Beekman, Lydia Reid, Willie Hunn and Dan Miller display teamwork during an Osborne Meese Academy activity called the Marshmallow Challenge.

Photo Above: Little Buckeye Children’s Museum Director Fred Boll set up a giving station during Richland Gives, the local day of giving. Little Buckeye Children’s Museum raised the most money during Richland Gives with a total of $10,319!
children, youth & families

Competitive
Community Action for Capable Youth
Partnership Program — $12,281
Richland Gives — $1,500

Exchange Club Parent Aide Program, Inc.
Richland Gives — $1,500

Flying Horse Farms
Summer Camps for Children with Illnesses — $5,000

Friendly House Association
Richland Gives (2 grants) — $3,100

The Little Buckeye Children’s Museum
Osborne Meese Academy — $3,000
Richland Gives (2 grants) — $3,100

Mansfield Area Y
Chronic Disease Program — $47,710
Richland Gives — $1,500

Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center
Capital Improvements — $145,000
Equine-Based Therapy Scholarships — $33,750
Youth Programs — $8,250

Richland County Children’s Auxiliary, dba The New Store
Richland Gives — $1,500

Donor Advised
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of N. Central Ohio
General Support — $3,000

Culliver Reading Center
Materials — $300

Exchange Club Parent Aide Program, Inc.
Internship Program — $4,200

Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.
General Support — $1,000

Friendly House Association
Support for Hidden Hollow Camp — $527
General Support (2 grants) — $12,631

Galion Community Center YMCA
Capital Campaign — $15,000
Youth Sponsor — $500

Harmony House Homeless Services, Inc.
General Support — $10,000
Program Support - Christmas — $5,000
Internship Program (2 grants) — $6,300

Junior Achievement of NCO
Program Support — $2,500

The Little Buckeye Children’s Museum
Internship Program (2 grants) — $6,300

Richland Carrousel Park, Inc.
General Support — $27,242

Richland County Children Services
The Children Services Gift Fund (3 grants) — $2,879

Richland County Children’s Auxiliary, dba The New Store
General Support for the New Store — $395

Richland Pregnancy Services
General Support — $3,060

Toy Time, Inc.
General Support — $91

Trapeshooting Hall of Fame
General Support — $41,838

Women’s Fund Grants
9 Grants — $19,293

Mansfield Area Y
Children’s Programs — $500
Internship Program (2 grants) — $6,300

Mansfield UMADAOP
Summer SALT Program — $13,396

Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center
Capital Improvements (3 grants) — $80,000
General Support (2 grants) — $7,000
Program Support — $20,000
Internship Program (2 grants) — $5,907

Richland County Children’s Auxiliary, dba The New Store
General Support for the New Store (2 grants) — $3,000

Richland Pregnancy Services
Parenting Classes — $5,000

Youth Haven, Inc.
General Support — $1,000

Connections Fund Grants
5 Grants — $6,061

WOMEN’S FUND GRANTS
9 Grants — $19,293

The Integrated Theatre Company, funded in part by a Foundation grant, is a unique partnership between Zoot Theatre Co. of Dayton, St. Peter’s Schools Autism staff, OSU-Mansfield and the Renaissance Theatre. The partnership provided classes and rehearsals designed to be sensory-friendly while maximizing peer integration for 17 students.
Mansfield Senior High School Teacher Brad Kentosh educated Mansfield Y campers about “Reduce, Recycle and Reuse.” The program was funded by a Foundation Summertime Kids Grant.

**SUMMERTIME KIDS PROGRAM**

- **15 Grants — $26,915**
  - Ohio Bird Sanctuary - Friendly House Nature Day Camp
  - Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center - Abilities Rising Camp
  - Independent Living Center of NCO - Bowling League
  - Shelby City Schools - Safety Town
  - Richland County Board of DD - Campership Program
  - Catalyst Life Services - Do It Deaf
  - Big Brothers/Big Sisters of N. Central Ohio - A Saturday in August
  - Harmony House Homeless Services, Inc. - Kids Vacation

- **96 Grants $676,954**
  - Community Action for Capable Youth - Dream Girls Conference
  - Shelby Church of the Nazarene - Dive in Deep and Make a Splash
  - The Salvation Army - Summer Zone 2016: Build It
  - Friendly House Association - Summer Fun Program
  - City of Mansfield - Hooked on Fishing-Not Drugs
  - Mansfield Area Y - Thingamajig
  - Mohican School in the Out-of-Doors Inc. - Connecting with Nature

Students enjoy riding horses during the Abilities Rising Camp at the Raemelton Equestrian Therapeutic Center in Mansfield. The program is funded in part by a Summertime Kids Grant.
arts & culture

Competitive

Malabar Farm Foundation, Inc.
Richland Gives — $1,000

Mankind Murals Inc.
Funding for Outdoor Murals — $10,000
Event Support — $1,000

Mansfield Art Center
Art of the Brick — $24,676
Richland Gives — $1,000

Mid-Ohio Opera, Inc.
Masterclass Concert — $3,000

Neos Dance Theatre
A 1940’s Nutcracker Production — $50,000

North Central Ohio Industrial Museum
Richland Gives — $1,000

Renaissance Performing Arts
Osborne Meese Academy — $3,000
Youth Performances — $35,671
Richland Gives — $1,000

Richland Academy School of Excellence
Ohio History Puppets Production — $1,500

Richland County Historical Society
RichHistory Alliance — $500

Designated

Children’s Theatre Foundation, Inc.
General Support — $1,494

Mansfield Art Center
General Support (6 grants) — $16,701

Mansfield Community Playhouse
General Support — $426

Renaissance Performing Arts
General Support of the Theatre
(7 grants) — $151,566
General Support of the Mansfield Symphony (5 grants) — $62,280
General Support of the Mansfield Youth Orchestra — $500
Purchase of Piano — $779

Richland Academy of the Arts, Inc.
General Support — $682
Program Support — $682

Richland County Historical Society
General Support — $15,239

Richland County Museum
General Support — $5,006

Richland Newhope Industries, Inc.
Programs Supporting Individuals — $3,000

Mansfield Art Center
General Support (2 grants) — $3,000
Program Support (3 grants) — $10,550
Internship Program (2 grants) — $6,300
Sponsorship — $1,000

Mansfield Community Playhouse
Program Support — $5,000

Mid-Ohio Opera, Inc.
Program Support — $5,000

Neos Dance Theatre
Program Support — $15,000

Reinhardt University
Support for Falany Performing Arts Center — $500

Renaissance Performing Arts
Technology Upgrade — $7,500
General Support (2 grants) — $2,000
Support for Marketing and Growth — $70,000
Program Support (4 grants) — $33,500
Internship Program (2 grants) — $10,500

Richland Academy of the Arts, Inc.
Program Support — $2,750
Scholarships — $300
Internship Program — $4,200

Donor Advised

Artis-Naples
General Support — $2,000

Funk Heritage Museum
Hickory Log Collection — $500

Georgia Museums, Inc.-Booth Western Art Museum
General Support — $500

Harrison Center for the Arts
General Support — $500

69 Grants $572,302

A grant partially funded the “Art of the Brick” exhibit at the Mansfield Art Center.
human services

Competitive
Catholic Charities
Community Emergency Services — $68,750
1 Richland Event — $250
The Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc.
Capital Improvements - Shelter Annex — $43,847
Richland Gives — $1,000
Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
Richland Gives — $1,000
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio
Helping Hands Program — $5,000
The Salvation Army
Rental Assistance — $50,000

Designated
American Red Cross
General Support (2 grants) — $309
Catalyst Life Services
Support for New Beginnings Program — $1,876
The Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc.
General Support (2 grants) — $3,254
Mansfield Cancer Foundation
General Support (4 grants) — $27,883
Richland Newhope Industries, Inc.
Program Support (3 grants) — $26,314
The Salvation Army
General Support (6 grants) — $14,989
Youth Programming — $20,282
Volunteers of America
General Support — $1,876

Donor Advised
American Red Cross
General Support (3 grants) — $7,000

Catholic Charities
General Support (2 grants) — $2,500
Internship Program — $4,200
The Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc.
General Support — $3,000
Building Renovation — $45,000
Flat Rock Care Center
General Support — $500
Ohio Heartland Community Action
Food Pantry — $500
Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Internship Program — $4,200
Richland Newhope Industries, Inc.
Internship Program — $2,100
The Salvation Army
General Support (3 grants) — $5,500
Internship Program (3 grants) — $10,500
Shelby Help Line Ministries
General Support — $3,000

46 Grants $354,630

Chief Advancement Officer Maura Teynor and Senior Community Investment Officer Allie Watson explore the Ronald McDonald House in Columbus. The Foundation awarded a grant to help Richland County families stay at the facility while family members are hospitalized.
**Health Service**

**Competitive**

**Catalyst Life Services**  
Program Support for Parenting Education — $1,000

**Dayspring**  
Capital Improvements - Awning — $15,090

**Mansfield Memorial Homes**  
Osborne Meese Academy — $2,500  
Support for Rotary Adult Daycare — $20,000

**OhioHealth MedCentral Mansfield Hospital**  
Home Telemonitoring Program — $100,000

**Third Street Family Health Services**  
Osborne Meese Academy — $2,500

**Designated**

**Alzheimer’s Association-Northwest Ohio Chapter**  
General Support — $391

**Catalyst Life Services**  
General Support — $4,047

**Mansfield Memorial Homes**  
General Support (2 grants) — $5,489

**OhioHealth Foundation**  
General Support MedCentral Hosp.— $219

**OhioHealth MedCentral Mansfield Hospital**  
General Support — $1,612

**Third Street Family Health Services**  
General Support — $214

**Donor Advised**

**Akron Children’s Hospital Foundation**  
Support for Programs in Richland County — $5,000

**Avita Health Foundation**  
General Support — $5,000

**Avow Hospice of Naples**  
General Support — $1,000

**Catalyst Life Services**  
Internship Program — $4,200  
General Support — $20,000

**Community Health Access Project, Inc.**  
General Support — $2,500

**Dayspring**  
Capital Improvements — $2,500

**Hospice of North Central Ohio, Inc.**  
Internship Program — $4,200

**LifeLine of Ohio**  
Donor Memorial — $2,000

**Mansfield Memorial Homes**  
General Support — $2,000

**Naples Community Healthcare System**  
General Support — $1,000

**OhioHealth MedCentral Mansfield Hospital**  
Pediatric Therapy Equipment — $21,632  
Support for Hospice Program — $1,000

**Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland, Inc.**  
General Support — $1,000

**Visiting Nurses Assoc. of Mid-Ohio**  
General Support — $2,000

**28 Grants** $228,094

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**Economic Development**

**Competitive**

**JumpStart Inc.**  
Support for Richland County Economic Plan (3 grants) — $58,000

**Mansfield-Richland Incubator Inc., DBA Braintree**  
Entrepreneurship Program — $20,000

**Richland Community Dev. Group**  
Support for Workforce Development (12 grants) — $211,032

**Donor Advised**

**Crawford Co. Economic Dev.**  
Program Support — $5,000

**Richland Community Dev. Group**  
Program Support (2 grants) — $10,020

**19 Grants** $304,052

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**Churches**

**Competitive**

**Linden Road Presbyterian Church**  
Richland Gives — $1,000

**Designated**

**First Christian Church**  
General Support — $330

**First Congregational Church**  
General Support (3 grants) — $5,300  
Support for Individual Assistance Program — $696  
Music Department Support — $1,711

**First Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
General Support (2 grants) — $2,624

**Saint John’s United Church of Christ**  
General Support — $499

**Donor Advised**

**First Congregational Church**  
General Support (3 grants) — $1,950

**Resurrection Parish**  
General Support — $50,000

**Saint James Episcopal Church**  
Capital Campaign $5,000

**15 Grants** $69,110
Making Strides on the 5-Year Economic Development Strategy

Foundation President Brady Groves said “Richland County is at a pivotal point in its economic evolution. The groundwork has been laid, key people have been hired, organizations are working together and we are now poised to make significant strides.”

The Foundation’s long range plan includes:

• The centralization of business retention and expansion and workforce development efforts.

• A scale-up program to identify and target services to area companies to address specific challenges and catalyze growth.

• The empowerment of existing organizations to promote entrepreneurship and related services across the county.

• A community website to serve as an economic performance dashboard to track successes and show progress toward important goals of the new plan.

A Strategic Review Committee comprised of Foundation board members and community leaders are tracking the progress and monitoring metrics to ensure positive outcomes in the county. The project will evolve and be adapted as the plan’s objectives are met, or not, over the next few years.

2016 Highlights

• The Foundation, Richland County Job and Family Services and private donors funded a director of workforce development and a director of business retention and expansion to work for the Richland Community Development Group. RCJFS initially invested $50,000.

• A scale-up evergreen fund provided resources to two local companies. Companies that meet certain growth criteria will be considered for funding projects such as product development, improved manufacturing processes and talent recruitment.

• An Entrepreneurial Alliance was formed and is led by the Braintree Business Development Center in cooperation with numerous other organizations. The alliance’s mission is to assist entrepreneurs in our community.

• A new website, RichlandVitalSigns.com was launched to track the economic health of the local community. The goal of Richland Vital Signs is to inform and inspire economic growth and opportunities. It is a dashboard to provide data and statistical analysis to track outcomes.

• The Foundation published a Richland County Resource Guide for Entrepreneurs. Links to RichlandVitalSigns.com and the resource guide are available on several community websites including RichlandCountyFoundation.org.
Establishing a fund within the Foundation allows donors the freedom to specify how they want their charitable dollars to be used now and in the future. By selecting among the various options, an unrestricted fund, a field of interest fund, a donor designated fund, a donor advised fund, an agency fund, or a scholarship fund, donors can tailor their fund to be as specific or as broad as they wish in order to carry out their philanthropy.

**unrestricted funds**

*offer the donor and Foundation the broadest options to address and to impact the community’s current and ever-changing needs.*

Anonymous Donor Community Support Fund
C. Wilson & Josephine Mayberry Barnes Fund
Robert B. Black Fund
Roger A. & Elizabeth Thomas Black Fund
Betty J. Blackstone Fund
Virginia A. & Thomas C. Blizzard Fund
Board Discretionary Fund
Marion B. Bowers Fund
Katharine C. Bristor Fund
Roy G. & Nancy Y. Brown Fund
Helen M. Burkholder Fund
Joan B. & Truman Clark Fund
Rex E. & Marjorie Sue Collins Fund
Community Endowment Fund
John B. & Pearl R. Conard Charitable Fund
Consolidated Memorial Fund
Marian M. Constance Fund
William R. & Mary Jane Cress Fund
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Earle J. & Dottie Deems Fund
Dean A. & Eleanor H. Eckert Fund
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James H. Hoffman Fund

Herbert S. Jones Fund
Jesse LaDow Fund
Nanciann P. McCormick Fund
Dell Armstrong McMillen Fund
Verdabelle Plank Miller Fund
Dr. Donald E. Mills Fund
Milton C. & Mary Louise Oakes Fund
Katherine L. Parker Fund
Catherine L. Rall Fund
Edna K. Rex Fund
Jane W. & John Bradley Rhind Fund
Richland Gives Day of Giving
Betty Diesler Risser Fund
John & Dell Robinson Family Fund
Margaret Hay Russell Fund
Jean U. & George V. Sauter Fund
Esther Fickes Shaffer Fund
Thomas A. & Clara H. Siegenthaler Fund
Mary C. Slabaugh Fund
Walter C. Stevens Family Fund
Mary Mead Sturges & Robert Sturges Memorial Fund
Alan P. Tappan Fund
Heloise H. Tappan Memorial Fund
Paul R. Tappan Fund
W. Richard Tappan Fund
Pauline S. Treisch Fund
Charles R. Underhill Fund
Mary L. Ward Fund
Mary S. Wilson Fund
Marion Draffen Wisdom Fund
Charles G. Young Family Fund
F. Wayne & Isabel Bogan Young Fund
The Rotary Adult Daycare at Mansfield Memorial Homes received funding.

George W. Blymyer Fund
Henry A. & Melissa J. Booth Memorial Fund
Child Care Choices Fund
Emeline Fate Christian Memorial Fund
Peter S. Clark Memorial Fund
Scott F. Coffin Fund
Connections Fund
Consolidated Individual Assistance Fund
Lillian R. Dickson Fund
Dean & Eleanor H. Eckert Fund
Frances Fern Ecki Fund
**Bob & Esther Fry Fund**
Richard David Gardner Fund
Richard R. & Veda J. Gardner Fund
Guy T. Goodman Trust Fund
Charlotte B. Gugler Fund
James H. Hoffman Fund
James A. Jones, MD Memorial Fund
Helen Kaufman Fund
Land Preservation Fund for Richland County
Ralph C. Lutz Fund
**Betty Martin Elementary Education Fund**
A. Robert & Eve Matthews Fund
Barbara A. Mau Field of Interest Fund
Michael Robert McBride Memorial Fund
Harry & Lois McCullough Fund
Eleanor Searle McCollum Teacher & Education Fund
Leona M. Miles Fund
Verdabelle Plank Miller Fund
Mid Ohio Drug Prevention Coalition Fund
Mary J. Poticny Fund
Earl J. & Carlie Leona Muth Memorial Fund
Scattergood Fund
Katharine McIntyre Shaffer Fund
Howard & Majoria S. Smith-Bellville Community Trust Fund
Smokeless America Fund Foundation Fund
Ethel Mayer Southeast Community Fund
The Store Fund
Summertime Kids Fund
Robert J. & Stella F. Sutter Fund
Heloise H. Tappan Estate Fund
Paul R. Tappan Fund
Teacher Assistance Program Fund
Sarah B. Thomas Fund
Voegele-Bahl Endowment Fund
Ed Wadman Scleroderma Research Fund
Ralph O. & Sarah L. Wise Fund
Women’s Fund
Fund for Young Children with ALD

**Bold Type** indicates new fund in 2016
Donor Advised Funds

allow the donor the opportunity to make grant suggestions to their favorite charities during their lifetime, and are an attractive alternative to a private foundation, offering the same benefits without the responsibility and cost of administration.

Betty J. Adair Fund
Charles V. & Constance D. Adair Fund
P.K. Athmaram, MD Fund
Hejjaji & P.K. Athmaram, MD Fund
Paul H. & Susan Gallagher Bailey Fund
Wilbur G. & Esther L. Beer Fund
F. Loyal & Judith B. Bemiller Fund
Donald S. & Clara Louise Black Fund

Robert & Esther Black Family Foundation Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Stanley L. Brody Fund
Shelby Cooper Memorial Fund
DeLaney Family Fund
James Fanello Fund
Carl & Annamarie Fernyak Fund

Robert E. Fisher Fund
C. Eugene & Sara A. Goin Fund
Gorman Fund
John P. Gross Family Fund
Hansen Fund for Women & Girls, The
Jennette C. Hartman Fund
Fred B. & Marian J. Hout Fund
Kaufman Family Fund
Barbara & George H. Keyser Fund
Konstam Family Fund
Mansfield Civitan Club Fund
Justin & Lynn Marotta Fund
Betty L. & Joseph E. Massa Fund

Eleanor McCollum Foundation Fund
Annette L. McCormick Fund for the Environment
George A. & Olive L. Miller Fund
Miller/Pattillo Memorial Fund
Mind Body Align Charitable Fund
MT Business Technologies Community Fund
Northwest Community Fund
Dell M. Robinson Fund
Grace S. & Joe R. Roby Fund
Rotary Club of Mansfield - Tom Doty Community Fund
Fran & Warren Rupp Advised Fund
Sandy Cross Donor Advised Fund
Alice B. & Allen M. Sanford Fund
Ann Hartman Schettler Fund
David E. & Theresa E. Siebold Fund
Shelby Home & Public Health Endowment Fund
Richard & Lorraine Shrilla Fund
Pamela H. & Thomas R. Siegenthaler Fund
Matthew P. & Linda H. Smith Fund
Wray C. & Janet B. Smith Fund
Christopher Mark Stull Fund
Richard G. & Helen Taylor Fund
Thomas Family Fund
Richard C. & Sally H. Uhde
Warner-Kafer Family Fund
Marion Draffan Wisdom Fund

A Foundation grant helped with a renovation project at Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center. The mission of Raemelton is to provide equine assisted activities and therapies to individuals with mental, physical, emotional, social and sensory disabilities.
Charitable Fund Options

Alzheimer’s Association of NCO Endowment Fund
John F. & Elizabeth W. Bissman Fund
Raymond & Bessie Bixler Memorial Fund
Esther M. Black Fund
Betty J. Blackstone Fund
Thomas C. & Virginia A. Blizard Fund
Boy Scouts of America Endowment Fund
John S. & Laura Barr Brant Fund
Betty Butler Fund
Chiudioni Memorial Fund
Clear Fork Valley Foundation Fund
Rex E. & Marjorie Sue Collins Fund
Croghan Family Fund for Renaissance Performing Arts
Croghan Family Fund for Richland Academy
Mary E. Delp Fund
Downtown Mansfield Inc. Brickyard Maintenance Fund
Finefrock Memorial Fund
First Congregational Church of Mansfield, OH Permanent Endowment Fund
Founders Fund
Forrest W. Freeman, MD & Florence J. Freeman Fund
Gerald F. Futty Fund
Richard R. & Veda J. Gardner Fund
Earl H. Goetz Memorial Fund
Earl H. Goetz Fund in Honor of Major McGowan
Earl H. Goetz Fund in Honor of Vern Stover
James H. Hoffman Fund
Fred B. Hout Memorial Fund
David E. Hughes Fund
Keyser Library Fund
Jessamine L. Lewis Fund
Lucas Local Schools Sustaining Fund
Esther G. Lutz Fund
Floyd H. Lutz Fund
Ralph C. Lutz Fund
Ruth E. Lutz Fund
Mansfield Art Center Endowment Fund
Mansfield University Foundation Endowment Fund
William & Katherine Jane McCarrick Fund
McGowan Courage Awards Fund
John A. & Florence B. Mintz Fund
Arthur W. Negin Memorial Fund
Katherine M. Norem Fund
North End Community Improvement Collaborative Inc. Fund
Milton C. & Mary Louise Oakes Fund
Gertrude M. Odson Fund
Ohio Genealogical Library Endowment Fund
OSU/NCTC Photo Arts Fund
Rowland & Delight Patricia Poth Fund
Rainbow’s End Christian Center Fund
in Memory of Elizabeth Copp
Renaissance Performing Arts Assoc. Inc. Fund
Roby Family Fund
Eleanor S. & Stanley J. Ryckman Music Endowment Fund
Alice B. Sanford Memorial Fund
Marian L. Stauffer Fund
Third Street Family Health Services Endowment Fund
Turley Raemelton Scholarship Fund
Betty Thompson Wagner Memorial Fund
Dr. Rebecca Sue Wappner Memorial Scholarship Fund
Merris & Jean Welge Fund for the Ontario Police Department
Charles G. Young Family Fund

Donor Designated Funds

allow donors the opportunity to provide annual support to specific charities of their choice.

Bold Type indicates new fund in 2016
The Richland County Foundation has the unique ability to hold assets for a charitable organization in a named endowment fund, and annually distribute investment earnings back to the nonprofit organization to meet their needs as they determine. Agency Funds may or may not be endowed. Anyone who wants to support one of the established agency endowment funds may contribute simply by naming the fund on the memo line of their check.

**Agency Funds**

offer nonprofits the opportunity to build an endowment which may support or provide an annual revenue stream for the overall operations of the organization. Organizations not only benefit from this additional revenue but also from the Foundation’s financial stability and integrity that assures their donors that their gifts will be prudently managed.

Carrousel Community Trust Fund  
Center for Individual and Family Services, Inc. Endowment Fund  
Children’s Theatre Foundation, Inc. Endowment Fund  
Discovery School Endowment Fund  
**First Congregational Church Endowment Fund (D&I)**  
First Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Mansfield, Ohio Endowment Fund  
Hospice of North Central Ohio Endowment Fund  
Mansfield Area Y Endowment Fund  
Mansfield Cancer Foundation Endowment Fund  
Mansfield Christian School Endowment  
Mansfield Fine Arts Guild, Inc. Endowment Fund  
Mansfield Playhouse Endowment Fund  
Mansfield Symphony Society  
Mohican School in the Out-of-Doors Endowment Fund  
North Central Technical College (N.C.T.C.) Foundation Endowment Fund  
Ohio Bird Sanctuary Endowment Fund  
Ontario Public Schools Technology Fund B  
OSU-Mansfield Business Program Endowment Fund  
OSU-Mansfield Faculty Development Endowment Fund  
OSU-Mansfield Scholarship Endowment Fund  
Pioneer Career & Technology Center Fund A  
Richland Academy Endowment Fund  
Richland County Historical Society Endowment Fund  
Richland Newhope Center Fund  
United Way of Richland County Endowment Fund  
YWCA of Mansfield Endowment Fund

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Community Action for Capable Youth  
Friendly House Association Capital Fund  
Kingwood Center Fund  
Malabar Farm Foundation Fund  
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Mansfield City Public Schools Fund  
Mansfield City Schools Fine Arts Fund  
Pioneer Career and Technology Center Equipment and Technology Fund B  
Richland County Historical Society Fund “B”  
Richland Newhope Industries Fund  
Richland Newhope Fund II  
Salvation Army Fund  
University Club Educational Foundation Scholarship Fund
scholarship funds

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Women’s Fund grants $22,000

The Women’s Fund grants are awarded to agencies that provide programs to empower women and girls. Just over $22,000 in grants were awarded in 2016 to the following agencies and programs:

**Catalyst Life Services** Women’s Group

**The FIRST School** Healing and Hope: a Meditation

**Mansfield Area Y** Red Cross Babysitter’s Training

**The Ohio State University at Mansfield** Girls STEM Summer Camp

**Pioneer Career and Technology Center** GRADS Kids Fair

**Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center** Equine facilitated therapy

**Richland Academy of the Arts** Women’s Chorus

**Parent Aide** Parenting Assistance

Pictured above: A Women’s Fund grant provided an opportunity for Pioneer Career and Technology GRADS students to learn about college and the admission process during a field trip to North Central State College.


Congratulations to JoAnn Dutton Award winner Karen Bierly. The award recognizes volunteer work by a woman in the community. It is sponsored by the Women’s Fund and was named in honor of JoAnn Dutton, former executive director of the Mansfield YWCA.
The Connections Fund of the Richland County Foundation announced its 2016 grant recipients during its Winter Reception. Five grants totaling more than $6,000 were awarded to the following Richland County nonprofit organizations.

**Catalyst Life Services** to purchase smoke and carbon monoxide alarms outfitted with strobe lights to help notify local deaf and or hard-of-hearing residents of an emergency in their homes.

**Ontario School District Substance Abuse Prevention** program to purchase an iPad and digital camera. The equipment will be used for video production and social media communication.

**Heart of Ohio, Boy Scouts of America** to fund an after-school scouting program at Woodland Elementary School and the Friendly House.

**United Way of Richland County** to fund a program at Community Action for Capable Youth.

**Richland Community Development Group Beautification Sector** to purchase flowers for downtown Mansfield planters.

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**Individuals can join Connections with an annual $150 donation and couples for $250.**

*Online donations are accepted at RichlandCountyFoundation.org.*
Charitable transfers of IRAs

It is now easier for Americans to give to causes they care about. A provision in the federal law helps local charities strengthen their communities by allowing individuals aged 70 ½ and older to transfer up to $100,000 annually from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to a charity without being federally taxed.

Millions of Americans continue to save pre-tax dollars in their IRAs. The law allows older taxpayers to share their wealth by giving retirement savings directly to charity—and bypassing income tax. (source: http://www.ici.org/research/stats/retirement/)

This law is important to local charities operating as agents of philanthropy in order to continue to build community and improve social service programs that benefit people every day.

“This will help donors who would rather give to charity than pay taxes and the nonprofit organizations they choose to support,” said Brady Groves, Richland County Foundation president.

Thanks to decades of deliberate saving, some of today’s retirees have more money in their IRAs than they need for daily living expenses and long-term care. Charitable individuals and couples have expressed an interest in giving the funds to charity, but income tax must be paid on all withdrawals, which may reduce the value of the gift in cases where the gift is not fully deductible or where other tax attributes are negatively affected. Direct transfers avoid these issues. Others are concerned about designating their children as IRA beneficiaries, since that may draw unintended tax consequences.

“A substantial portion of larger estates with IRA wealth goes to estate taxes and income taxes of beneficiaries,” Groves said. “Experts estimate heirs may receive less than 50% of IRA assets that pass through estates that are very large in size.”

A provision in the federal law extends this special option: transferring IRA assets directly to charity. By going directly to a qualified public charity such as the Richland County Foundation, the money is not included in the IRA owner’s income and—is most important—is not taxed, preserving the full amount for charitable purposes.

“Annually, holders of traditional IRAs who are at least 70½ years old can make direct charitable transfers up to $100,000. Individuals may exclude the amount distributed directly to an eligible charity from their gross income. The Richland County Foundation can help donors execute the transfers and choose from several charitable fund options for their gift. Funds that qualify for the tax-free IRA transfers include unrestricted/community fund, field of interest fund and designated fund. Donor Advised Funds do not qualify for tax-free IRA transfers.
These organizations were among the first to raise at least $1,000 during Richland Gives and were awarded a $1,000 matching grant:

Richland County Children's Auxiliary, aka, The New Store
Heart of Ohio Council, Boy Scouts of America
Richland Community Development Group
Discovery School
Kingwood Center Gardens
United Way
Mansfield Art Center
Ohio State University Foundation
Renaissance Performing Arts
Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
Domestic Violence Shelter
Ohio Genealogical Society
North End Community Improvement Collaborative

A $500 matching grant was awarded to the first 10 nonprofit organizations that raised at least $500 via Richland Gives in 2015 and increased donations this year by at least 30%:

Heart of Ohio Council, Boy Scouts of America
Kingwood Center Gardens
Community Action for Capable Youth
Exchange Club Parent Aide Program
Friendly House
Little Buckeye Children’s Museum
Mansfield Area Y
North Central Ohio Land Conservancy
Richland County Children’s Auxiliary, aka, The New Store
Taking Root Farms

Richland Gives, a 12-hour online day of giving hosted by the Richland County Foundation, raised over $172,000 for 64 Richland County nonprofit organizations during 2016.

The Foundation awarded $38,500 in matching grants during the event.

The day is designed to encourage people to contribute to local nonprofits they care about through a single giving platform/website. The foundation hosted the day to build capacity, grow philanthropy and make the community stronger. It allows local organizations to raise funds and awareness as well as cultivate new donors and reinvigorate lapsed donors.

Matching grants of $1,500, $500 and $250 were awarded to the first, second and third place organizations based on dollars raised.

The small nonprofit organizations that raised the most during the event were: Little Buckeye Children’s Museum $10,139, Taking Root Farms $5,215 and North Central Ohio Land Conservancy $4,745.

The large nonprofit organizations that raised the most during the event were: Friendly House $7,810, North Central State College Foundation $6,475 and Downtown Mansfield Inc. raised $4,480.