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The St. Joseph Community Health Foundation Announces \$580,818 in Local Grants

The St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, in its 20th anniversary year, announces \$580,818 in spring grants to local organizations to improve the health and wellness of the low income and vulnerable in Allen County.

The Foundation is an independent, faith-based organization sponsored by the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, who have had an active ministry in this community for 150 years. Through the St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, the Poor Handmaids have invested \$19,584,254 through 1,344 grants into 218 Allen County agencies since 1998.

In addition to providing grants, the Foundation also provides programming to address gaps in services, including a Resource Directory of Allen County's low-cost, quality healthcare resources. To view the Directory online or to request printed copies, go to www.HealthCareDirectory.org.

The following grants are among those that have been funded from January through May 2018:

Health and Wellness Funds

Allen County Department of Health

\$54,000

For refugee interpretation, translation and outreach program assistance.

Amani Family Services

\$48 000

For the Community Support Program, to provide immigrant and refugee families in Allen County access to culturally sensitive counseling services in group and individual settings.

Associated Churches of Fort Wayne and Allen County \$25,000

For The Landing, providing for the spiritual and emotional needs of young people ages 13-19.

Brightpoint \$10,000

For Covering Kids and Families, to assist uninsured people in applying for health coverage and improving health coverage literacy.

Catholic Charities

\$74,000 (2-Year Grant)

For the Hispanic Health Advocate role.

Catholic Charities

\$42,000 (2-Year Grant)

For the Refugee Health Program, providing health screenings and immediate health care for refugees.

Fort Wayne Clubhouse / Carriage House

\$50,000 (2-Year Grant)

To assist adults disabled by serious mental illness with limited resources to recover and reintegrate into the community.

HearCare Connection / GiveHear

\$50,000 (2-Year Grant)

For hearing clinics for low-income individuals.

Hope Alive, Inc.

\$40,000 (2-Year Grant)

For the Transitional Housing Program, which provides housing and comprehensive services to assist homeless women in becoming healthy, productive members of our community.

Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)

\$20,000

To provide medical advocacy for Burmese people in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

McMillen Health

\$15,000

For Babies Born Narcotics Dependent: A planning grant to determine current resources and steps for developing comprehensive maternal education.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Fort Wayne \$10,000

For support of operating costs of FaithNet, a faith-based educational program on mental illness.

Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic

\$10,000

To provide legal services for low income residents of Allen County, many of whom are immigrants and refugees.

Northeast Indiana Positive Resource Connection

\$20,000

To provide free HIV and Hepatitis C testing, access to Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) for HIV negative individuals, and linkage to care and HIV services to persons with HIV.

SCAN

\$10,000

For the Family Preservation Program, through which Masters-level therapists provide clinical services to families who have experienced maltreatment.

Society of St. Vincent DePaul

\$5,000

For the Care-Van to transport people to and from medical appointments.

Wellspring Interfaith Social Services

\$10,000

For the Older Adult Program, to promote holistic wellness and provide research-based activities and services at no cost to senior participants.

Youth for Christ \$10,000

For the City Life Indigenous Leaders program, serving high school students in Southeast Fort Wayne.

Blessed Catherine Kasper Award for Outstanding Service to the Poor

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast IN

\$1,500

For the Real Men Read program, whereby adult male volunteers encourage literacy and a love for learning by reading to elementary school students five times during the school year.

Blue Jacket \$1,500

For the Blue Jacket Career Academy, to help low income individuals facing barriers to employment gain employment skills.

The BookStart Fund

\$1,500

For developmentally appropriate books that appeal to children 0-4 and their parents, for eight agencies to give to low-income families, encouraging reading aloud and enhancing children's language & cognitive development and healthy habits.

Cornerstone Youth Center

\$1,500

For healthy and nutritious snacks and meals for the students who participate in Cornerstone's summer programming.

The Franciscan Center

\$1,500

For the St. Joseph Medicine Cabinet program.

Just Neighbors Interfaith Homeless Network

\$1,500

For emergency shelter for families, including crisis housing, food, intensive case management, and resource identification.

Out of a Jam Incorporated

\$1,500

To train and holistically support at-risk women and teens.

Society of St. Andrew

\$1,500

To help cover the cost of delivering 42,000 pounds of nourishing, gleaned produce for distribution to local agencies serving the poor in Allen County.

<u>Frederick J. Pfeiffer Fund – in Honor of Charles F. and Henrietta Eckart Pfeiffer – for Medical and Surgical Equipment</u>

Fort Wayne Community Schools

\$2,233.21

To purchase specialized coolers for safely transporting immunizations to schools, to immunize students in danger of school exclusion due to non-compliance with immunizations requirements.

Mary Cross Tippmann Foundation – Donor Restricted Funds

Healthier Moms and Babies

\$12,500

For infant mortality reduction programming.

HEAL – Healthy Eating Active Living (co-sponsored with Parkview Health)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast IN

\$885

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Fort Wayne

\$2,250

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at the Timothy L. Johnson Academy site, Fellowship Missionary Church site, and Wings of Deliverance Tabernacle Holiness Church site.

Bridge of Grace

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Bridge of Grace Compassionate Ministries Center.

Brightpoint

\$6,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at various locations.

Come As You Are Community Church

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Come as You Are Community Church.

Covenant Community Development Corporation

\$650

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Covenant Community Development Corps.

Emmanuel Lutheran

\$800

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Emmanuel Lutheran.

Euell A. Wilson Center

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Euell Wilson Center.

Fort Wayne Housing Authority

\$2,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at 5 different FWHA sites.

Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation

\$2,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at the Parks and Recreation Community Center and Jennings Center.

Fort Wayne Urban League

\$950

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at the Fort Wayne Urban League After School Academy.

GATE – Growth in Agriculture Through Education

\$16,550

To organize and support the operation of the Slataper Farm urban gardens and the McCormick and Parkview Greenhouse Markets, which provide opportunities for low income and vulnerable populations to purchase fresh produce.

Good Hope Baptist Church

\$950

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Good Hope Baptist Church.

Healthier Moms and Babies

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes for Healthier Moms and Babies' Prenatal Home Visitation program.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

\$900

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Holy Trinity Lutheran.

Joshua's Temple

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Joshua's Temple.

King's Chapel Assembly

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at King's Chapel Assembly.

Matthew 25 Health & Dental Clinic

\$950

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Matthew 25.

Messiah Lutheran Church

\$800

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Messiah Lutheran Church.

New Zion Tabernacle Church

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at New Zion Church.

Out of a Jam Incorporated

\$700

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Out of a Jam Incorporated.

Pilgrim Baptist Church

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Purdue University Fort Wayne

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes through Purdue Extension.

Redemption House

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Redemption House.

Renaissance Pointe YMCA

\$800

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Renaissance Pointe YMCA.

Tabernacle Baptist Church

\$1,000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Trinity United Methodist Church

\$900

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Trinity United Methodist.

Vincent Village

\$1.000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes at Vincent Village.

YWCA Northeast Indiana

\$1.000

For Our HEALing Kitchen eight-session cooking and nutrition classes for the Crisis Shelter and the Hope House program.