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During their June meeting, members of The Troy Foundation Distribution Committee approved grants totaling \$313,268.88 to 22 programs. The grants will be used in support of the Foundation's mission to improve the quality of life for our community by connecting donors to charitable causes for a better tomorrow. Grants were awarded from the General Fund, the Priority Needs Fund, The Clyde & Kathryn Marr Fund, and the Fifth Third Bank Fund for Arts and Culture.

General Fund Grants

General Fund grants are made possible thanks to contributions from our unrestricted funds: the Charles Morrill & Virginia McCullough Allen Fund, the Gladys J. Burnett Fund, the Harold & Lillian Miles Fund, the Hayner Family Fund, the Leo H. Faust & Grace Fern Heck Faust Endowment Fund, the Leo & Vivian Nolan Memorial Fund, the Mark & Dorothy Knoop Fund, and the Ralph & Margaret Heberding Fund.

- **St. Patrick Catholic School** received \$1,500 to purchase supplies and register for the First Lego League Robotics competition. First Lego League teams work to design, build, and program Lego robots that solve real world problems.
- TCN Behavioral Health was awarded \$1,899.88 to purchase a security system for the Hope House in Troy. The Hope House's recovery housing includes counseling, case management, peer recovery support, medicated assisted treatment, daily 12-step meetings, and other necessary support for recovery.
- Seeds of Hope was granted \$2,000 for their support group programming. These support groups are specifically designed for foster and kinship families and include childcare, making the program more accessible to guardians.
- American Red Cross Miami Valley Chapter was awarded \$2,500 to support disaster relief services to families in Troy following a fire, tornado, or other emergency.
- **CISV Midwest Ohio** was granted \$2,755 to purchase flyers, brochures, posters, t-shirts, and online advertising for their marketing campaign. CISV provides peace education including focuses on diversity, human rights, sustainable development, and conflict resolution.
- **Isaiah's Place** received \$3,000 to support monthly events for foster children and their foster families. The events are designed to be engaging for foster children and provide support to foster parents.
- Troy Football Parents Association was awarded \$4,550 to purchase shoulder pads for the Troy Junior High football teams. This grant will replace the worn, faded, and rusted pads currently used by the team.
- Ronald McDonald House Charities Dayton was granted \$5,000 to keep families close to their hospitalized children. The program increases access to healthcare for families from out of the area, encourages involvement in a child's care, and reduces the financial burden on families.
- **Troy Church of the Brethren** received \$5,000 in support of their Laundry Outreach Ministry. This program covers the cost of laundry for anyone in need twice a month at Sherwood Laundry.
- WACO Historical Society was awarded \$7,000 in support of their 100th anniversary celebration. This celebration will take place September 15-17 and include food trucks, biplane rides, live music, and more.
- **Elizabeth's New Life Center** was granted \$8,000 to hold the "Go for the Gold" sexual risk avoidance program at Troy High School and West Central Juvenile Detention Center.

- **Richard's Chapel United Methodist Church** received \$9,000 in support of their lunch program. This program serves a hot, nutritious meals Monday through Thursday from 12-1 PM.
- Troy High School Softball Parents Association was awarded \$9,500 for renovations to the Market Street Softball Field. Improvements include filling, leveling, seeding, and topdressing the outfield.
- **Kids Read Now** was granted \$10,000 to support the Kids Read Now programming at Lincoln Community Center to prevent the summer reading slide. Funds will also be used to help businesses enroll low-income employees with kids and grandkids into Kids Read Now programs.
- Friends of Hayner was awarded \$35,000 to renovate Cotner-Hayner Annex which was recently purchased by the Friends of Hayner, Inc. This building adjacent to the Hayner Mansion will provide much needed programming space for the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center.
- Lincoln Community Center received \$50,000 to support the After School Enrichment Program. This program offers a fun safe environment with educational and recreational activities for students including subject-specific tutoring. This grant is a partnership between the General Fund (\$25,000) and the Priority Needs Fund (\$25,000).
- Overfield Tavern Museum was granted \$124,000 to restore the exterior of The Overfield Tavern
 Museum. Repairs to be made include minimal log repair, installation of siding, door and window frame
 replacement, and priming and painting of the building.

Priority Needs Fund Grants

- Troy City Schools was awarded \$1,999 to purchase the Supernoodle Social Emotional Learning program. This digital resource will used to help students better understand their emotions, tolerate differences, and connect with their classmates.
- First United Church of Christ Troy received \$10,000 to support their Weekend Backpack Food Program.
 This program provides food for kids to take home on the weekend so they do not go hungry without school lunches.
- **St. Patrick Catholic School** was granted \$15,000 to provide a mental health counselor at St. Patrick's School during the 2023-2024 schools year. The counselor works in one-to-one sessions, group sessions, and facilitates a program with each classroom called Circle of Grace.

Grants awarded from the Clyde & Kathryn Marr Fund

• **We Love Birthday Parties** was awarded \$3,565 to update the front entrance to their building. A new handicap ramp will be added, making the front entrance more accessible.

Grants awarded from the Fifth Third Bank Fund for Arts & Culture (\$1,409) and the General Fund (\$591)

• **St. Patrick Catholic School** received \$2,000 for Muse Machine. This program will bring three live theatrical and musical performances to the students of St. Patrick Catholic School.

The Distribution Committee meets quarterly to review grant applications. Only organizations with a 501(c)(3) status are eligible to apply. For more information about the Foundation and its funds that make these grants possible please visit www.thetroyfoundation.org. The deadline for submitting a grant application is Tuesday, August 15th by 11:59 PM for review at the September meeting.