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During their September meeting, members of The Troy Foundation Distribution Committee approved grants totaling \$317,141.85 to 18 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 Kathryn Marr Fund.

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.

- **Troy High School Softball Parents Association** received \$1,300 to purchase a new pitching machine for the Troy High School softball team. This new machine is capable of six different types of pitches.
- **Isaiah's Place** was awarded \$2,000 to provide welcome baskets to new foster families. This is part of their support initiative to improve retention of foster families.
- **Troy Main Street, Inc.** was awarded \$2,300 for their Eclipse on the Square event next April. These funds will be used to purchase eclipse glasses so attendees can view the total solar eclipse safely.
- **Troy Lions Charities** was granted \$2,500 for their Sight Conservation Project. This program offers eye exams and glasses to people who need them but cannot afford appointments or lenses.
- **The Edison Foundation** was awarded \$4,525 to purchase a virtual reality training for their EMT and paramedic programs.
- **Troy Rec Association** received \$6,000 for upgrades to their game room. The upgrades include purchasing furniture including a couch, chairs, refrigerator and a new video game system.
- **Maple Tree Cancer Alliance** received \$7,500 to support their exercise oncology program at Troy Kettering Hospital. This program helps oncology patients develop healthy lifestyle habits that have benefits during and after treatment.
- **Clothes That Work** was granted \$10,000 to bring their mobile outreach initiative to Troy. Clothes That Work will provide job readiness training along with offering their work and interview clothing and clothing coaching to individuals.
- **Miami County Park District** was awarded \$10,000 in support of the Science Alive! Hug the Earth Program. This program includes in-class curriculum, field trips to the Miami County Parks, and culminates with the Hug the Earth Festival featuring the Banana Slug String Band.
- **The Apple Grant Fund** was granted \$19,918.85 to award Apple Grants in 2024. Apple Grants are awarded to teachers through an application process for projects that enhance the educational experience of students from Troy.
- **Arbogast Performing Arts Center** was awarded \$24,000 in support of their Children for Children Christmas show. This year's show will feature Le Petit Cirque, a family friendly show including contortionists, acrobats, aerialists, martial artists, singers, and musicians all aged 6-15.

- **Miami Valley Veterans Museum** was awarded \$34,450 to install a warming kitchen at the museum. This grant will cover the cost of adding plumbing, electricity, and drywall. ITW has donated industrial kitchen equipment to the museum for this project.
- **Health Partners Free Clinic** received \$35,000 for operational support. Health Partners offers healthcare to uninsured and under-insured residents of Miami County. They can also help patients enroll in Medicare or Medicaid if they qualify or an Affordable Care Act insurance plan.
- **Troy-Miami County Public Library** was awarded \$73,648 to update their current building. These updates will make the library more ADA accessible and include increased space between shelves, installation of glass walls for study rooms and office spaces, and updates to the kids section. This grant is a partnership between the **General Fund (\$67,514)**, the **Clyde & Kathryn Marr Fund (\$5,068)**, and the **Kathryn Marr Fund (\$1,066)**.

Priority Needs Fund Grants

- **SafeHaven, Inc.** received \$2,000 for their Meals and Wheels program. This program offers food and transportation to the clients of SafeHaven.
- **New Creation Counseling Center** received \$12,000 for financial assistance for those in need of counseling and psychiatry services. New Creation ensures that people have access to their mental health services regardless of a person's ability to pay.
- **RT Industries** was granted \$30,000 to purchase new ADA wheelchair accessible mini-vans. These vans will increase transportation to adult day services from about 120 people per day to 150 people per day.
- **TCN Behavioral Health** was granted \$40,000 for support of recovery housing at the Hope House in Troy. The Hope House provides access to group and individual counseling, case management, peer recovery support, medicated assisted treatment, daily 12-step meetings, basic life skills training, and more.

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.thetrovfoundation.org. The deadline for submitting a grant application is Wednesday, November 15th by 11:59 PM for review at the December meeting.