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During their March meeting, members of The Troy Foundation Distribution Committee approved grants totaling **\$277,809.50** 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 Richard Shellenbarger Music Fund, the Clyde & Kathryn Marr Fund, the Kathryn Marr Fund, the David B. & Helen N. Meeker Fund, the Fifth Third Bank Fund for Arts and Culture, and the Ruth Hollinger and J. Cameron Dungan 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.

- **Samaritan Works** received \$800 to support job-readiness assistance. This provides resources such as identification documents, transportation, and work clothing to help individuals in recovery secure employment.
- **Miami County Educational Service Center** received \$1,000 to support its annual academic recognition banquet. This honors valedictorians and salutatorians while recognizing the educators who have made an impact on their success.
- **T.L. Baseball Boosters, Inc.** was awarded \$1,500 to support the purchase of a new field tarp. This ensures proper field maintenance and improved playing conditions for student-athletes.
- **Reading For Change** received \$1,859 to support its Summer Literacy Camp. This provides a weeklong program focused on improving students' reading skills and preventing summer learning loss.
- **Troy City Schools** was awarded \$2,000 to support its Jump Into I-Ready Project. This provides a hands-on learning experience that builds STEM, teamwork, and problem-solving skills.
- **The Future Begins Today** received \$2,000 to support a volunteer service project in partnership with Troy High School's National Honor Society. This provides students with opportunities to engage in community service while enhancing the organization's outdoor space. This grant is a partnership between the General Fund (\$1,479.50) and the Ruth Hollinger and J. Cameron Dungan Fund (\$520.50).
- **Troy Football Parents Association, Inc.** was granted \$2,177.50 to support the purchase of technology equipment. This enhances coaching efficiency and player development through improved game film and analysis.
- **Troy City Schools** was awarded \$4,250 to support an Outdoor Recreation Project at Troy Junior High School. This provides equipment to promote physical activity and structured recreation for students. This grant is a partnership between the Clyde & Kathryn Marr Fund (\$1,596) and the David B. & Helen N. Meeker Fund (\$2,654).
- **National Inventors Hall of Fame** received \$5,000 to support Camp Invention. This provides Troy-area students with STEM learning opportunities, particularly those with limited access to enrichment programs.
- **Troy Recreation Association** received \$5,000 to support its summer reading program. This provides students with mentorship, literacy support, and enrichment activities while helping prevent summer learning loss. This grant is a partnership between the General Fund (\$384) and the David B. & Helen N. Meeker Fund (\$4,616).

- **CISV Midwest Ohio Chapter** was granted \$5,812 to support stipends for youth program leaders. This reduces costs for families and expands access to cultural exchange and leadership development opportunities.
- **Maple Tree Cancer Alliance** received \$7,500 to support cancer rehabilitation services. This provides individualized programming to improve physical health and overall well-being for local patients.
- **Miami County Amateur Radio Club** was awarded \$8,000 to support the replacement of the Troy repeater system. This ensures reliable communication for emergency response and community events.
- **Young Life** was granted \$9,200 to support camp scholarships and transportation. This provides students with leadership development opportunities and encourages community engagement.
- **Troy-Miami County Public Library** received \$10,641 to support the creation of a sensory garden. This provides an inclusive, accessible outdoor space that supports learning, wellness, and community connection. This grant is a partnership between the General Fund (\$1,480), the Kathryn Marr Fund (\$1,190), and the Clyde & Kathryn Marr Fund (\$7,971).
- **Miami County Local Food Council** received \$19,490 to support the Cherry Street Local Farmers Market. This provides access to fresh, local food while supporting farmers, vendors, and community programming.
- **Dayton Performing Arts Alliance** received \$30,000 to support arts education programming in Troy schools. This provides students with access to live performances and in-school arts experiences that enhance learning and creativity. This grant is a partnership between the General Fund (\$26,902) and the Fifth Third Bank Fund for Arts and Culture (\$3,098).
- **Arbogast Performing Arts Center** was granted \$40,000 to support its upcoming performance season. This expands access to the arts and strengthens community engagement.
- **Lincoln Community Center** was granted \$42,300 to support the Summer Lunch Program. This provides nutritious meals and a safe environment for children during the summer months.
- **Lincoln Community Center** received \$61,780 to support its summer youth program. This provides STEAM learning, meals, field trips, and enrichment activities for local students.

#### **Priority Needs Fund Grants**

- **New Creation Counseling Center** was awarded \$15,000 to support mental health services. This provides counseling that improves outcomes for individuals experiencing depression and anxiety.

#### **Grant Awarded from the Richard Shellenbarger Music Fund**

- **Ohio Valley British Brass Band** received \$2,500 to support a community concert. This provides an opportunity for residents to experience live brass band music and cultural programming.

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 Troy Foundation and its funds that make these grants possible please visit [www.thetrovfoundaion.org](http://www.thetrovfoundaion.org). The deadline for submitting a grant application for the next quarterly meeting is Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> by 4:00 PM for review at the June meeting.