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"Celebrating 23 years of connecting people who care with needs that matter to our community"



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Calendar:

[Donor Appreciation Event with FW Philharmonic](#)
 Sunday, November 2nd, 2014 at Trine University- Contact [Jennifer Danic](#) for more information.



Grant Cycle Calendar

Human Services	July 31st
Education	October 31st
Healthcare	January 31st
Other	April 30th

[Grant Application](#)

Hello !

Fiscal Year 2014 Highlights

(July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014)

Key Statistics

Grants Awarded



The Salem Center Community Fund granted money for the purchase of a pediatric bag and back board for both advanced life support vehicles in the department.

During the 2014 Fiscal Year, the Steuben County Community Foundation approved 450 grants totaling just over 1.1 million dollars to 128 recipient organizations. 180 grants totaling \$215,000 (15%) were awarded through donor-advised or pass-through funds. 80 grants totaling \$600,000 (55%) were awarded through unrestricted funds, which allow the board to respond to the community's most important needs and promising opportunities. 77 grants totaling \$100,000 (10%) were awarded as scholarships. 64 grants totaling \$185,000 (20%) were awarded through designated funds, which support a specific organization or purpose as stipulated by the founding donors.

grants, click [here](#).

For a complete list of organizations receiving

Gifts Received

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Donor Acknowledgement Letters

Donor Acknowledgement Letters should be provided by all non-profits for contributions of \$250 or more. If a donor wishes to make a non cash contribution of \$500 or more, a receipt must be provided.

[Sample Acknowledgement Letter](#)

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The Steuben County Community Foundation manages \$24.2 in total assets. \$16.2 million of which are permanently endowed funds, \$5.3 million are non-permanent or other funds, and \$2.7 million are in the form of a supporting organization, iMan. This fiscal year, SCCF received \$1.2 million dollars from 600 different donor units. Of these gifts, \$780,000 were designated for permanent endowments. Three gifts of note for fiscal year 2014 include:

- The Fremont Community Scholarship Fund will provide graduating seniors from Fremont High School with financial support to attend post-secondary schooling. The fund was created by consolidating all previous assets and donating \$350,000 to SCCF.
- The funds received from the estate of Dick and Peg King will benefit the Steuben County Humane Society and create a new scholarship for single mothers returning to school. Dick and Peg King established a charitable gift annuity with SCCF in 2003 after donating a piece of property to the foundation.
- Money received from the estate of Mary Jane Hall will benefit the Steuben County Cancer Association with an \$84,500 gift to their endowment fund and the Friends of the Circle Hill Cemetery with an \$18,000 gift to their endowment fund.



The Fremont Community Scholarship Fund helps graduating seniors from Fremont High School.

For a full list of gifts received, click [here](#).

SCCF Funds

All donations made to the Steuben County Community Foundation are designated for a specific fund. Today, SCCF manages 202 funds for a variety of reasons. Three new funds were established during the 2014 Fiscal Year:



Chad and Hope Korte are pictured with their children, Grant and Josie.

- The Rich and Laura Clifton Donor Advised Fund was established by Rich and Laura Clifton, new residents of Steuben County and will benefit many charitable causes in Steuben County as advised by the Clifton's.
- The Bobby Ernst Fund was established by Fred Beck and his cousins Carlene Ledyard, Nancy Henry, Bill Slaymaker, and Dick Adams in memory of their cousin Bobby Ernst. Bobby suffered from epilepsy his entire life and was unable to hold a job, get a driver's license, or participate in many everyday activities. Earnings from the fund are designated to benefit RISE Inc. to assist those affected by epilepsy.
- The Korte Family Fund was established by Hope and Chad Korte in order to give back to the community and teach their children the importance of charitable giving.

For a full list of funds, click [here](#).



The Steuben County Community Foundation has a Notary Public on staff. Contact [Sandy Ferrell](#) for details.

Facebook Photo Contest

Have you voted for your favorite Steuben County Non-Profit Organization yet? There is still time to help a non-profit organization in Steuben County win an \$1,000 grant.

All you have to do is visit the [SCCF Facebook Page](#) and like the non-profit organization of your choice by July 31st.

Contact Megan Stoy at mstoy@steubenfoundation.org or (260)665-6656 with any questions.

Visit Our Updated Website

The Steuben County Community Foundation is excited to announce the recent launch an updated version of its website. The website is now more user-friendly and showcases the positives impact on Steuben County made possible by many donors and volunteers. Great work Intern Megan Stoy!

Check it out here: steubenfoundation.org

Youth Philanthropy Rocks!

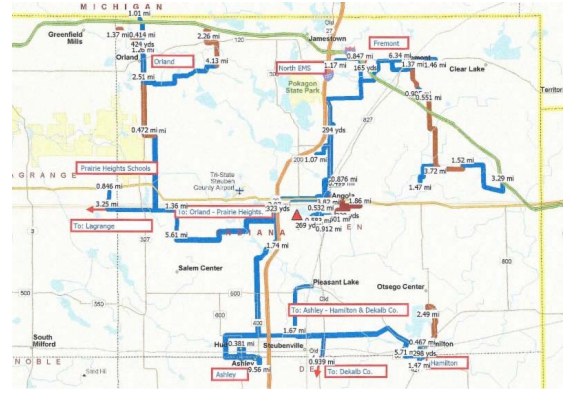
FIST "Rock Stars" advisor Pam Harger, Brittany Miller, Autumn Godwin and Ali Nasser attended "Youth Philanthropy Rocks", the YPII (Youth Philanthropy Initiative of Indiana) state conference. FIST members are part of 496 youth involved in philanthropy programs across the state who awarded a total of \$172,024 in grants last year.

iMAN

iMAN is a fiber optic network and serves as a supporting organization of the Steuben County Community Foundation. iMAN concluded the year with 41 customers constituting 70 total connections to the network and generated \$167,000 in revenue. Currently, iMAN

manages 85 miles of dark fiber that connects the Angola, Ashley, Fremont, Hamilton, and Orland communities. Plans are in place to add 25 more miles by the end of the calendar year. The iMAN Board has grown during the 2014 fiscal year to include 8 volunteer members. The board has authorized an expansion that will connect the Steuben County Network to the Global Access Point in South Bend, IN through a fiber build to Lagrange, IN. An investment of \$410,000 from SCCF will help finance the expansion. In addition, the board

has also entered into a partnership with a service provider to connect iMAN fiber cables to cell phone towers. These improvements will bring more services to the network for its customers. Due to the expansion efforts, iMAN did not grant money back to the community in fiscal year 2014. Learn more at www.imanfiber.com.



Map of the 85 miles of dark fiber connecting all communities in Steuben County.



The Annual Scholarship Recognition Dinner was held at Peace Lutheran Church in May.

Online Scholarship Program

This past November, SCCF launched a new online scholarship program. The program allows students to become matched up with the scholarships they qualify for based on a series of questions. Once matched with the scholarships, students complete customized applications online. This transition eliminates thousands of pieces of paper used each year, streamlines the application and review processes, and ensures the anonymity of applicants when seen by the reviewers. SCCF manages 60 different scholarships every year. The program will be accepting applications again this coming November. This fiscal year, SCCF awarded 77 scholarships totaling nearly \$100,000. In addition to the scholarships managed by SCCF, the foundation administers the Lilly Community Endowment Scholarship which is funded by the Lilly Endowment. This year, Darius Hillman was awarded the Lilly Community Endowment Scholarship which includes 4 years of tuition and a book stipend to any Indiana college or university. To read the the full story of this year's recipient, click [here](#).

Staff Changes

During the 2014 Fiscal Year, SCCF said goodbye to one staff member and



Steuben County Non-Profit Directory

Looking for a nonprofit organization to volunteer with or donate to? Check out the Steuben County Community Foundation's [Nonprofit Directory](#).

It features contact information, each organization's mission and purpose, and what you can personally do to help the organization.

The [Baron von Steuben Society](#) is



based upon a donor making a provision for a specific charity or general gift through the Steuben County Community

Foundation in his or her estate plans.

This can be done through any of the following methods: will bequests, life-income, vehicles, trusts, life insurance policies, or tax sheltered accounts (IRA, 401K). There are not any set restrictions or minimums. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Baron von Steuben Society and creating a legacy impacting future generations, or would like further information about providing an estate planning gift, please call or email [Jennifer Danic](#) at (260)665-6656.



Bill Stockberger

welcomed 2 new ones. After over 5 years of service to the community through his position of Program Officer, Bill Stockberger resigned from SCCF in October. He served as a direct liaison between SCCF and the nonprofit community and was responsible for the foundation's youth philanthropy initiative, FIST. Thank you Bill

for your dedication to the community. You are missed. At the end of July, SCCF was pleased to announce the hiring of a new Program Associate, Jacqui Gentile. Jacqui lived in Ohio her entire life before relocating to Angola when her husband accepted a position with Bon Appetit. She was hired to launch the online scholarship program, to assist with grants management, and to help with other community outreach programs. In the fall, Pam Harger was hired as the Youth Philanthropy Coordinator. Pam has lived in Steuben County since she graduated from college. She works directly with the foundation's youth philanthropy initiative, FIST. Pam has been involved with youth philanthropy since 1998.

Welcome to SCCF Jacqui and Pam!



Jacqui Gentile



Pam Harger

FIST Flashback Alumni Event



L to R: Chelsie Spoor, Kayla Lapham, Megan Tolin, Colby Shank, Cassie Folck, Josh Quandt, Jana Olson

New and previous members of FIST gathered on July 19th at 6 Autumns restaurant to reminisce. The "FIST Flashback" event brought many FIST alumni back to where their philanthropy passion began. As current FIST members traded stories with FIST alumni many stories of fun volunteer projects and FIST retreats were told. An estimate of volunteer hours revealed that FIST has given over 200,000 hours back to Steuben County. A reoccurring topic was the FIST Wish grants and how they help the teachers and schools. Each present alumnus shared how FIST has impacted their life today. Alumni Colby Shank said being FIST treasurer

started his passion for accounting. He now works in finance for the Indiana Commission for Higher Education. The "FIST Flashback" showed how FIST has started a lifelong passion for youth in Steuben County.

Thank you for your continued support!

Donors make the dreams of Steuben County residents a reality.

Sincerely,

Your friends at the Steuben County Community Foundation



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