

TIPTON COUNTY FOUNDATION

QUARTERLY UPDATE

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Dear Community,

Autumn is my favorite season of the year. With its vibrant foliage and the crisp scent of change, the fall season ushers in harvest which gives witness to the transformation we have seen from spring, through summer and now fall. The harvest encourages us to have gratitude for the bounty it brings. It inspires us to share our abundance with others.

Thanksgiving is the ultimate in harvest celebrations. It prompts reflection on life's blessings and where those blessings originate, thus fostering acts of charity and support. TCF has several ways to give that are particularly pointed this time of year such as our Day of Giving on November 28 (more details later in the newsletter) as well as our Gifts of Grain initiative which is a wonderful way to take advantage of tax rules that benefit both you and the causes you cherish.

Fall signifies abundance, it's a fitting time for food drives to support our food pantries and donations to ensure everyone enjoys a nourishing holiday meal. If you follow us on Facebook, you'll see the multitude of opportunities to contribute to food pantries.

The fall season means winter will soon be here. Take the opportunity to support causes that may be having their final outdoor event of the year. Take advantage of a charity walk or run or an autumn festival that many schools or church groups have – I know they can use your support.

Fall's beauty inspires connections with nature and a reminder that well-developed conservation practices help preserve that beauty for generations to come. Favorable conditions make fall perfect for planting a tree that helps develop and enhance both personal and public spaces. It's a prime time for neighborhood cleanups and conservation efforts, preserving local ecosystems. While many of us can't clean up a neighbor's yard or plant a tree on our own, we can team up with our church or community group to make a difference to those that need help preparing for the winter months.

Autumn, beyond its visual splendor, symbolizes the vivid harvest around us and a reflection of the bounty in our lives. Through charitable donations, volunteerism, and other community-minded initiatives, communities and individuals can embrace generosity in many ways. So, as you sip your apple cider and marvel at fall's colors, remember that this season is about giving as much as change, highlighting that the warmth of philanthropy can brighten any season.

Warm Regards, Mark Baird The Tipton County Foundation continued to address important community needs through three program grants this quarter.

The first recipient, Advocacy Links, was awarded funding to assist Tipton County citizens in getting connected with the services they need. Advocacy Links helps people with disabilities across the state to close gaps in care, supports families in finding and establishing services, and helps individuals better understand the services surrounding their disability or diagnosis.

Good Shepherd Food Pantry also received a grant this cycle from TCF. Good Shepherd does amazing work, helping to feed Tipton County citizens in need. This grant will provide a sustainable way for the Pantry to include fresh fruit and vegetables in each client pickup for the next calendar year. Check out the Pantry's Facebook page at "Good Shepherd Food Pantry Tipton, IN" for updates and operating hours.

Finally, the Humane Society of Tipton County received a grant from TCF to help kickstart their Trap, Neuter, Return (TNR) program in the County. TNR is a proven strategy for reducing the population of feral cats in a community. The Humane Society has taken on this work as a part of its overall mission, and the Foundation was happy to help.







The first TCF Grant deadline for 2024 is December 15th!

Events

Women's Fund Afternoon Tea

The Women's Fund of the Tipton County Foundation hosted its 15th Afternoon Tea on September 17th. It was a beautiful afternoon of fellowship. Guests were served by young ladies from Tipton and Tri-Central FFA. Special guest, Nicole Pence Becker joined us as our speaker for the afternoon. Stay tuned for smaller gatherings of the Women's Fund.







Community Partner Series Legal and Taxes for Nonprofits

For the third TCF Community Partner Series of 2023, we welcomed Phil Purcell CFRE, MPA/JD, consultant for Philanthropy, LLC to TCF. Phil is a wealth of knowledge on legal and taxes for nonprofit organizations. He shared how to form a nonprofit, annual reporting to maintain compliance with state and federal laws, best practices for governance and staffing, taxes, gift receipting, charity gaming, accounting and audits, and much more. Please watch for details as we wrap up our Community Partner Series of 2023 with a nonprofit roundtable discussion on Wednesday, December 13th.



We hope that you will plan to join us on Tuesday, November 28th to celebrate the holiday season. November 28th is the national day of giving, Giving Tuesday. TCF celebrates this day each year by hosting a community-wide Holiday Reception. On November 28th, TCF will also offer a 1:1 match on endowed funds up to \$1,000 per fund.



Contact Dawn@tiptoncf.org or

765.675.1942 for more information.



Gifts of Grain and other Commodities

Did you know that there are significant tax advantages to donating grain and other commodities?

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You can get creative with your charitable giving at TCF. TCF accepts gifts of grain and other commodities. Contact your professional advisor to ask what tax advantages you can gain by giving gifts of grain.

This year, let TCF help you with your holiday gift-giving. A gift to an endowed fund is truly the gift that keeps on giving. We currently have over one hundred, and fifty funds that support many causes in Tipton County. Contact Dawn at 765.675.1942 or email Dawn@tiptoncf.org for more details.

Do you have people on your holiday gift list that are hard to buy for? We can help!

Thilanthropy never goes out of style!

Did you know that you can give a gift to a TCF fund in honor of someone special in your life? A gift to an endowed fund will serve Tipton County for years to come. Visit tiptoncf.org to learn more or call 765.675.1942

