



Wapakoneta Area Community Foundation

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ANNUAL COMMUNITY FUND CAMPAIGN

Investing in People, Programs, and Projects

Each year, the Foundation invites individuals, families, organizations, and businesses to make a difference in our community by investing in our Annual Community Fund Campaign.

Although the Foundation currently has more than \$15 million in assets, most of the money is in restricted funds designated for specific scholarships or charitable purposes specified by the donors. The Annual Community Fund Campaign helps us to grow our unrestricted funds that allows us to invest in local people, programs, and projects.

Since the Community Fund was established in 2016, the Foundation has awarded 199 grants totaling \$627,069. A list of the grants awarded this year is on back of this page.

We invite you to join us in making these annual investments in our community. Our suggested investment levels are \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1,000 or more. Your charitable investment in the Community Fund Campaign is fully tax deductible. The Foundation will provide you with the required documentation for your tax return.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and hope you will be able to join us in making more great things happen in the Wapakoneta area.

If you should have any questions, please contact me at gmyers@wapakacf.org or 419-733-0568.

Best regards,

Greg Myers

\$13,000 in Community Fund Grants for Emergency Food Distribution

In response to the recent national food distribution challenges, the Foundation contacted the three local organizations—**Mercy Unlimited, God's Storehouse, and Agape Ministries**—about their current financial needs in providing food assistance to families in Auglaize County.

The Foundation was able to immediately fund their requests for \$13,000 from the Community Fund. The fund was established in 2016 for this very purpose—meeting the needs of local charitable organizations.

During the past nine years, the Foundation has been able to award **\$627,069** in Community Fund Grants. We invite you to join us in that good work!



Agape Food Pantry - St. Marys

Mercy Unlimited Food Pantry - Wapakoneta



2025 COMMUNITY FUND GRANTS

Below is a summary of the grants awarded during the past year

SPRING GRANT AWARDS

Lima Symphony Orchestra - Symphony Story Time	\$2,500
United Way of Auglaize County - Dolly Parton Imagination Library	\$5,000
Grand Lake Area Literature Festival - Literature Festival Event	\$1,000
Wapak Family YMCA - Child Development Fellowship Program	\$10,000
Auglaize County Virtual Academy - Let's Get Real Day Events	\$1,500
Wapak Skins Youth Football - Football Equipment Purchases	\$3,000
Generations of Love - Pearl Street Home Purchase	\$2,500
NextSteps - Ticket to Work Program	\$3,000
JTD Hospital Foundation - Grand Lake Health Challenge	\$2,500
First Fridays Wapakoneta - Kids Events at First Fridays	\$2,500
Armstrong Air & Space Museum - Astro Theater Audio Visual Project	\$5,000
St. Paul United Church of Christ - Food Ministry Programs	\$5,000
Children's International Summer Villages - Auglaize Co. Recruitment	\$650
Wapak Middle School - Positive Behavioral Intervention Program	\$4,000
Wapak Loaves and Fishes - Community Meal Program	\$2,500
WHS Robotics Club - Sport & Rigors of Science/Technology Program	\$2,500
First on the Moon, Inc. - Books for Second Graders Project	\$1,700
Wapakoneta Ministerial Association - Voucher Assistance Program	\$2,500
Downtown Wapakoneta Partnership - Façade Improvement	\$5,000
Auglaize County Library - Mobile Makerspace Project	\$5,000
Riverside Art Center - Event Sustainability Project	\$5,000
Roots & Shoots Garden Club - Downtown Planters Project	\$2,000
Cornerstone of Hope - Mental Health Response Workshop	\$1,500
WHS Post Prom Committee - Post Prom Activities	\$2,500
TOTAL GRANTS	\$78,350

The Foundation initiated its Community Fund Grants Program in 2016. Over the past nine years, the Foundation has awarded 199 grants totaling \$627,069.

Charitable organizations can apply May 15-June 15 and November 1-30 each year on the Foundation's website www.wapakacf.org. Grants are awarded in April and October.

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JTDMH Foundation—Grand Lake Health Challenge Community Fund Grant Recipient



United Way of Auglaize County—Run to the Moon Community Fund Grant Recipient



DWP-First Fridays—Holiday Carriage Rides Community Fund Grant Recipient

TOTAL COMMUNITY FUND GRANTS IN 2025: \$170,900

FALL GRANT AWARDS

WHS English Dept. - GLTF Actor/Teacher Shakespeare Program	\$3,550
JTDMH Foundation - Grand Lake Health Challenge	\$1,500
Children's Hometown Holiday - Christmas Festival Events	\$10,000
MAV Mentoring - Youth Mentoring Program	\$2,500
Roots & Shoots Garden Club - Downtown Planters Project	\$3,000
St. Paul UCC Food Ministry - Meal Program	\$6,000
Wapak Red Youth Football - New Player Equipment Purchase	\$5,000
United Way of Auglaize County - Run to the Moon Project	\$10,000
Lunar Landing Disc Golf - Course Enhancement Project	\$5,000
Mercy Unlimited - Weekend Micro Pantry Project	\$2,000
Wapakoneta Family YMCA - Pool Access Stairs Project	\$6,500
Coleman Health Services - Essential Facility Repairs Project	\$7,000
Wapakoneta Middle School - Student Assist Time Project	\$8,000
Miracle Meal - Community Meal Program	\$1,000
New Bremen Blanketeers - Blankets for Those in Need	\$2,000
Cornerstone of Hope - Community Response Workshop	\$2,500
Riverside Art Center - Wapakoneta Tiny Strings Project	\$6,000
DWP-First Fridays - Holiday Event Carriage Rides	\$1,500
Let's Back the Blue - First Aid Kits for Officers Project	\$5,000
Downtown Wapakoneta Partnership - Façade Improvement	\$5,000
TOTAL GRANTS	\$92,550