

Where Local Good Grows



Hendricks County Community Foundation

I've been digging into the recently-released 2020 US Census results for Hendricks County. I'm a data guy, so this information is fascinating for me. Did you know that our county grew 19.1% since the last census in 2010? That means we've now got over 177,000 fellow neighbors in our county today! When I moved into the county in 1990 there were only 75,700 residents – that's some change in population in 30 years!

The demographic information is fascinating too. Our non-white population is now 15.5% of residents. In 2010 that number was under 10% (these and other details of the Census data can be found at [Stats Indiana](#)).

What this data tells me is that Hendricks County continues to grow rapidly, and is becoming a much more vibrant, diverse community. We're projected to continue to grow, adding perhaps 20% or 30% again in the next 10 years. I think this makes even more clear the importance of all our residents feeling welcome, heard and valued in our community. HCCF continues our work in this area as part of our Community Unity efforts, work that flowed from our 2019 Needs Assessment. We hope you'll join us as we continue this important work.

As we head into the latter part of the year, I also hope you'll include HCCF in your [year-end giving](#). Won't you help support all the important work we do in the community?



Yours in philanthropy,
[William Rhodehamel](#)
President & CEO



A Lookback on 25 Years

Thank you to the Plainfield Chamber of Commerce for hosting the first of our year-end 25th anniversary celebrations this week! We enjoyed sharing a video of HCCF's history and community-wide impact, with a segment specifically on our grantmaking in Plainfield. Did you know that HCCF started as the Greater Plainfield Community Foundation in 1993 before expanding to the whole county? Great things start in Plainfield!

Join us for our next few parties!

- **Danville Chamber - Nov.10**

- Brownsburg Chamber - Nov. 17
- Avon Chamber - Nov. 23

For the next 6 weeks we will be posting each community's video highlighting HCCF's history and impact over 25 years. Plainfield's video is live now - check it out [here!](#)



Top 10 Lilly Finalists

We are excited to announce the Top 10 Lilly Endowment Scholarship Finalists! Three of these students will be awarded a full-tuition scholarship to any public or private college or university in Indiana. Congratulations scholars!

- **Summer Adkins** - Avon
- **Madeline Beebe** - Plainfield
- **Kaylin Cook** - Cascade
- **Kendall Gerbers** – Avon
- **Macy Gunnell** – Plainfield
- **Alyson Owen** – Cascade
- **Elizabeth Taylor** – Plainfield
- **Justine Vandenberg** – Danville
- **Karlee Waugh** – Plainfield
- **Camden Zetty** – Avon

Celebrating Our 25th Anniversary!

In honor of our 25th anniversary, HCCF is awarding \$25,000 in grants to organizations all across Hendricks County, 13 of which represent grant recipients receiving inaugural grants in 1996. We are excited to tell you about two of our anniversary grantees:



The **Plainfield Guilford Township Public Library** has been serving Plainfield since 1905! The library houses much more than just books - it offers



Sycamore Services makes a difference in the lives of individuals with disabilities and other challenges by providing individualized training and

study rooms, meeting rooms and a computer lab open to the public. In 2020, the Plainfield Library had over 90,000 visitors, along with 102,000 visits to its website. During the pandemic, the library also offered curbside book service to help their patrons stay safe. Thank you for all you do for our community Plainfield Public Library!

services to increase independence and enhance their quality of life.

Sycamore Services has served hundreds of individuals in our community through multiple services, including employment services, day and residential services, transportation services and recreational therapy, just to name a few. Thank you Sycamore Services!

Save the Date for Giving Tuesday 2021!

This national day of giving is November 30th and we are excited to partner with our local nonprofits to help them raise needed year-end support. Visit our [website](#) for more info!

A Board to Brag About

Max Hank joined the HCCF Board of Directors in 2013 and has served as the Board Chair, as well as a member of the Governance Committee, Lilly Scholarship Committee, and Grants Committee. Read what Max has to say in his own words about his service for the Community Foundation.

"Philanthropy is a hallmark of a prosperous and free republic. It is a great privilege to play a small role in encouraging philanthropy through HCCF - **bringing generous people together** to support worthwhile causes to make our wonderful county even better."

- Max Hank



Community Connections

HCCF is committed to building community unity and creating a welcoming community for all our residents. Every month we are spotlighting community leaders who help make Hendricks County a great place to live, work and play. This month we are highlighting **Stephanie Singh**, Director of Communications for the Town of Plainfield.



What is your favorite movie(s)? Love & Basketball, Selena, Titanic

What book are you reading right now? Becoming Mama

What is your favorite Hendricks County restaurant? Bru Burger & Metro Diner

If you could have dinner with someone from the past, who would it be? Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

What is one need identified in HCCF's countywide assessment that we are addressing? How can we continue to improve?

The Hendricks County International Festival is improving our need for more art and culture options. We can also improve with more street art and festivals.

Why do you do what you do?

I love my job! I've met amazing people here and truly feel like I am a reasonable voice in this community. I am heard and will continue using my voice for the betterment of this community!

Our Favorite Five in Hendricks County

We have many things to celebrate in our community this month! Here are your Community Foundation staff's favorite picks for happenings around the community:

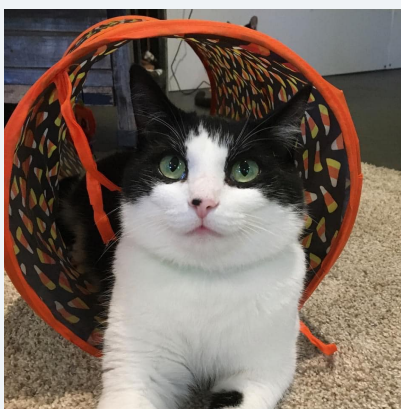


#1: [Visit Hendricks County](#) is your one-stop place to find all the fun Halloween activities going on in your community. Don't miss out on the "spook-tacular" events this month - check out their Halloween guide [here!](#)

#2: From head to toe, Miss Pourcho, a [Danville North Elementary](#) art teacher, wore artwork by her students during her visit to The White House to be recognized as the Indiana Department of Education's 2020 Indiana Teacher of the Year. Congratulations Miss Pourcho!



#3: The 2nd NaloxBox (overdose reversal medication kit) in Hendricks County will be installed very soon at the [Brownsburg Public Library](#) in partnership with [The Willow Center](#), the [Hendricks County Health Department](#) and [Overdose Lifeline, Inc.](#)



#4: This month [Misty Eyes Animal Shelter](#) celebrated the groundbreaking for its facility expansion which includes Kitty City, Canine Country, and an education center for the animals and humans. Read more [here](#).



#5: Please donate new warm clothing and shoes for Afghan refugees at Camp Atterbury. See drop off locations [here](#).

Did you know that Kroger Community Rewards Program allows customers to select a charity of their choice to receive a percentage of all their purchases? You would be surprised at how those dollars can add up! Visit the [Kroger Community Reward website](#) and select the Hendricks County Community Foundation (Org. # JY399) as your



nonprofit of choice and support HCCF every time you buy groceries!

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