Where Local Good Grows

# Hendricks County Community Foundation

You know how you feel when you've got exciting news, but can't share it just yet? That's the way I've been feeling the past few months - filled with anticipation and just bursting to tell! Now I can finally share with you some of our exciting news.

The first item is **HCCF's recent hiring of Bryan Chatfield as our Community Inclusion & Engagement Manager.** See more below on Bryan. This is the first new role HCCF has added since I joined the Community Foundation in 2012. The genesis of the position goes back to our 2019 Needs Assessment which revealed that we were not reaching significant portions of our community. We reached out to partner organizations and discovered that they didn't have those relationships either. With our goal of making Hendricks County a better place, we realized we need to include everyone in our work and that led us to this new scope of work. I hope you'll join me in welcoming Bryan to HCCF and Hendricks County!

The second item I'm excited about is related to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). We've been in discussions with the county about helping the County Commissioners distribute funds from ARPA to nonprofits. In late April, **we finalized a Memorandum of Understanding with the Commissioners to provide our expertise to create a grants program for up to 20% of the County's ARPA funds – a total of up to $6.6 million!** The County Commissioners and Council will be making the final funding decisions based on recommendations from HCCF and the Hendricks County ARPA Planning Committee. You'll be hearing more about this as the details emerge, but this can be a gamechanger for many nonprofits in our community and the people they serve!

There's more I'm excited to share, but I will save some news for next month! Until then, thank you so much for your support of HCCF!

Yours in Philanthropy,
William Rhodehamel
President & CEO

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## Welcome to our New Staff Member!

We are excited to welcome Bryan Chatfield, our new Community Inclusion & Engagement Manager to HCCF! Bryan will be responsible for implementing HCCF's DEI policy as well as serving as a liaison between HCCF and other community organizations regarding our community unity work.

Bryan is passionate about the work and eager to get started. "I am excited to join HCCF to expand its work in one of our core values - inclusion."

Bryan Chatfield

Read more here.

## My HCCF Story

We are excited to introduce a series of stories shared by our generous donors, supporters, grantees and volunteers who make our good work in this community possible! Click the link below to hear **Marland & Tanya Villanueva's story** about how they started a fund at HCCF to teach their kids about philanthropy!

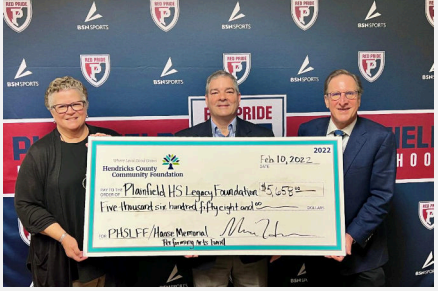
## Our 2021 Annual Report is Here!

Our 25th Anniversary was a record year for the Community Foundation - and we want to share it with you! Click here to view a virtual version of the report on our website, including video content from grantees, donors and our Lilly Scholars.

If you would like a print version, feel free to stop by our office or give us a call at 317-268-6240.

## Designated Grant to Plainfield Legacy Foundation

We are proud to support our county's public schools, and two funds at HCCF grant each year to support




Grant presentation to Plainfield Legacy Foundation

Plainfield Community School students: the Plainfield High School Legacy Foundation Fund and the Henry & Vivian Haase Memorial Performing Art Fund.

A representative of the Legacy Foundation said, **"We greatly appreciate all the support HCCF gives our school community and the Legacy Foundation. We look forward to continuing this important partnership."**

Our Designated Funds support local nonprofit organizations each and every year. Contact us today about starting a designated fund to support the charity you care most about!

## A Board to Brag About

Joanna Kennedy joined the HCCF Board of Directors in 2018 and has served on the Lilly Scholarship Committee. Read what Joanna has to say in her own words about her service for the Community Foundation.

## 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.

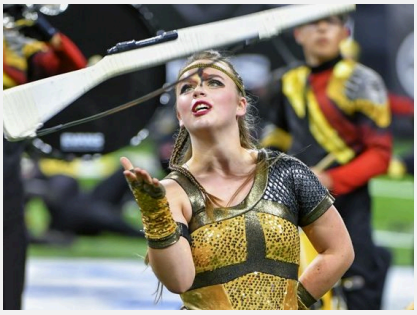
This month we are highlighting **Andrea Snyder**, Owner of The Fudge Kettle in Avon.

**If you could be a superhero for a day, who would you be?** Either Batman (because of the car of course) or Wonder Woman
**What is one thing still on your bucket list?** Flying First Class
**What brings you happiness?** My family and friends. Finally doing something I love for a living. Gifting someone the perfect gift. Decorating/Interior Design. When my son shows his appreciation. A good nap. A text from a friend just checking in. Sitting on the beach under an umbrella and just watching the ocean.
**If you could have dinner with someone from the past, who would it be?** Rosa Parks
**What is one need identified in HCCF's countywide assessment that we are addressing?**

**How can we continue to improve?**
Traffic Congestion. I think the current plan to widen Rockville Road will certainly help with some of the congestion. The roundabouts have also greatly helped with traffic flow. One way that could improve the congestion would be to adjust the timing of some of the traffic lights, especially the turn lanes. A lot of them seem too short.
**Why do you do what you do?** In memory and honor of my grandparents, who owned a fudge/candy/gift store in Brown County, Indiana when I was a kid. I used to work there and always thought it would be cool to have my own store when I grew up. After several years in the legal industry, I was burnt out and needed to make a change to something more uplifting.

## Our Favorite Five in Hendricks County

Summer is right around the corner and there are lots of exciting things going on in Hendricks County! Here are your Community Foundation staff's favorite picks for happenings around the community:



### Fave Five #1: Avon High School Sweeps World Titles!

For the first time in the WGI World Championship 40-year history, one school's indoor color guard, percussion and winds won all three national titles in a single season.

What an incredible achievement! Congrats to Avon High School! Read more here.

### Fave Five #2: Summer Fun Run is Here!

The Parks Foundation of Hendricks County is excited to host the 14th Summer Fun Run Series. If you love our parks, enjoy being outdoors, and are up for an active summer challenge, you'll want to sign up for the 2022 Summer Fun Run Series, presented by Hendricks Regional Health..

Downtown North Salem

### Fave Five #3: Tuesday Food Trucks in North Salem

You get the night off from cooking on Tuesday in North Salem! Food trucks will be available on Tuesdays, for both lunch and dinner. Check out the list of food trucks and dates here.

### Fave Five #4: Hendricks County Water Parks

Indiana summer is just around the corner and so is some high heat and humidity. Thankfully we have many great local waterparks to cool off in and make some fun memories! Check them out here!

Gill Family Aquatic Center

## Fave Five #5: Dog Friendly Events

Your favorite furry friend can enjoy summer just like you do at events around the county designed just for him in mind!  Check out the list of local dog friendly events here.

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