



# A YEAR IN REVIEW

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YEAR  
2022

# Annual Report

“Individually, we are one drop.  
Together, we are an ocean.”  
-Ryunosuke Satoru

**\$34.7M**

Foundation  
Assets

**381**

Funds

**\$1,440,610**

Grants Given  
to 84  
Nonprofits

**\$273,200**

Scholarships  
Given to  
114 Students

The Bryan Area Foundation, like most of the world this past year, continued to face challenges, but just like water, we learned to “float when it was choppy and frolic in the waves during opportunities.” This annual report will highlight our successes through distribution of community grants that expanded programming and projects throughout Williams County; scholarships that enabled the next generation to reach for their goals; events that engaged and empowered our residents; a Women’s Giving Circle, Power in the Purse, that amplified how collective giving betters our society; and establishing new funds that will ensure our growth in the future. We were only able to accomplish all this with your help, because together we are an ocean of strength.

Since 1969

Over \$16.4 million given back to the Bryan area in grants and scholarships!

## BRYAN AREA FOUNDATION

**323** FUNDS

**\$1,322,251**  
GRANTS AWARDED

**\$183,200**  
SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

**\$28,635,473**  
TOTAL ASSETS

## EDON AREA FOUNDATION

**15** FUNDS

**\$50,199**  
GRANTS AWARDED

**\$37,000**  
SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

**\$3,190,342**  
TOTAL ASSETS

## MILLCREEK-WEST UNITY AREA FOUNDATION

**16** FUNDS

**\$42,686**  
GRANTS AWARDED

**\$11,000**  
SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

**\$976,429**  
TOTAL ASSETS

## MONTPELIER AREA FOUNDATION

**27** FUNDS

**\$25,474**  
GRANTS AWARDED

**\$42,000**  
SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

**\$1,892,144**  
TOTAL ASSETS



To enhance the quality of life for all citizens of our area, now and for generations to come, by building community endowment, addressing needs through grantmaking and serving as a leader, catalyst, and resource for charitable giving.

# Our Mission

## Making a Splash in Our Community

This past year, the Bryan Area Foundation fulfilled its mission by showering the community with events and amenities that could enhance the quality of life for all citizens. The first splash was in August of 2021, when P.J. Fleck, head football coach of the University of Minnesota and author of the best-selling book, *Row the Boat*, spoke to administrators and educators of the Bryan City Schools. His message on using enthusiasm and optimism to engage others and create positive outcomes was flooded with insightful information.

In October, Bethany Hamilton, professional surfer, famous for returning to the sport as a national champion after losing her arm in a shark attack, sailed into town. She shared her life's story with students, educators, and the public and inspired everyone with her positive outlook and A.D.A.P.T. method. Hamilton still lives by the quote "I don't need easy; I just need possible....." to help her develop the mindset to overcome any obstacle in life.

As snowflakes gently fell in November and December, downtown Bryan experienced its first Christkindl Market, a European style outdoor Christmas market. With the picturesque Courthouse as the backdrop, vendors were sprinkled all around the square selling their holiday wares to people of all ages. The Bryan Area Foundation helped bring the market to life through grant funding and sponsorship and will be sponsoring the winter 2022 market again.

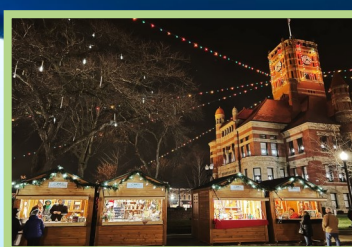
To cool off this summer, the Interactive Fountains adjacent to the Fountain City Amphitheater at Moore Park opened. Known for bringing a community together, the fountains have been entertaining young and old with their multi-colored lights and intermittent jet sprays. Mixing this with live music from the amphitheater stage, this has become a Bryan destination during the warmer months.



Author and Speaker,  
P.J. Fleck



Inspirational Speaker,  
Bethany Hamilton



Bryan's First European  
Christmas Market



Interactive Fountains



# Donations Received

**\$ 2,624,794**

The Bryan Area Foundation, including its affiliates, received over \$2.6 million in donations!



## Forgivable Loan Program in Fountain City

This past year the Bryan Area Foundation Community Impact Committee partnered with the local non-profit, the Bryan Development Foundation, whose mission is to support economic growth and restoration of historic buildings. The collaboration established the Forgivable Loan Program with the primary goal to increase the occupancy of Bryan's downtown business district. Secondary goals included: addressing safety issues, improving aesthetics and building facades, and extending the life of existing buildings. A significant portion of the funding for the program was made possible through a generous gift from the estate of Richard C. Anderson.

In May, the Forgivable Loan Program launched and to date three buildings are being renovated as a result. As their restorations are being completed, there is immense excitement on how downtown Bryan will evolve and what impact it will have on the Fountain City's future. It will also set the precedent to help other new and existing businesses enhance their buildings, increasing the tide of economic development.

## Nine New Funds Established in 2022



Ali Held Herman Memorial Scholarship Fund  
James A. Martin Community Fund  
Project Next Fund  
Tara Arnold Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Ted & Pat Maneval Family Community Fund

Gale N. Brillhart Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Lucille B. Carlin & Wayne E. Carlin Scholarship Fund  
Richard C. Anderson Designated Fund  
Richard C. Anderson Scholarship Fund

Thank you for partnering with the Foundation to fulfill your philanthropic wishes!



# Bryan Area Foundation

Thank you to our donors who significantly impact our community by establishing Community Funds. Community Funds allow the Foundation to address the most urgent needs of the community through our grant making process. Donors may establish a new fund or give to one of our 171 existing Community Funds.



Williams Co. Veterans Memorial Building, Inc.  
Concrete Parking Lot - \$90,000



Bryan Soccer Association  
Goals & Field Improvements - \$30,000



Community Advocates for Healthy Families  
Character Trait Signs - \$15,500



United Way of Williams Co.  
Community Meeting Room - \$6,240



Bryan Girls Softball Association  
Field 5 Improvement Project - \$110,000

Bryan City Schools - P.J. Fleck Speaker Event - \$3,500  
City of Bryan / Parks & Rec - Amphitheater Lighting & Sign Project - \$50,000  
Sarah's Friends - Transitional Housing Unit 114 Renovation - \$17,850  
Village of Edon - Walz Park Playground - \$50,000

Community Funds made these grants possible!



Williams Co. Board of DD  
Caroline's Carts - \$2,533



Edon Area Ministerial  
Edon Summer Lunch Program - \$500



Joyful Bird Ministries  
Doorway between Buildings - \$2,500



Sarah's Friends  
Therapeutic Riding for Survivors of Crime - \$2,500



## Founders Grant

Founders Grants, which are requests up to \$2,500, have an abbreviated application and faster approval process than the traditional Bryan Area Foundation grant. This past fiscal year, we received and approved six Founders Grant requests, offering nonprofit organizations the opportunity to further their mission.

Shalom Counseling & Mediation Center  
Outdoor Therapy Patio - \$2,500

CPC Women's Health Resource  
Surveillance Cameras - \$1,271



# Affiliate Community Grants

## Edon Area Foundation

The Edon Area Foundation awarded a grant to the Village of Edon to update the playground equipment at Walz Park.



Edon Village Parks  
Walz Park - \$21,571

## Millcreek-West Unity Area Foundation



Village of West Unity  
Splash Pad Installation  
\$20,000



Brady Township - *Fire Dept. Rescue Tools* - \$5,000  
Hilltop Community Little League - *Dugout Replacement* - \$6,000  
Hilltop High School - *Pole Vault Mats* - \$4,000  
Williams Co. Sheriff's Dept. - *Training Equipment & Forensic Supplies* - \$4,600

## Montpelier Area Foundation

Friends of the Montpelier Parks, Inc. - *Bean Days Inflatables* - \$3,000  
Friends of the Montpelier Parks, Inc. - *Summer Youth Tie-Dye Program* - \$1,333  
Hands Helping Hands Ministry, Inc. - *Back Pack Program* - \$1,333  
Montpelier Public Library - *Wonder Books* - \$1,334  
Montpelier Exempted Schools - *Athletic Department* - \$517  
Williams Co. Veteran's Memorial, Inc. - *Parking Lot* - \$10,000  
Williams Co. Sheriff's Dept. - *Forensic Training, Equipment, & Supplies* - \$2,000  
Williams Co. Sheriff's Dept. - *Mounted Division Equipment & Training* - \$760



Montpelier Public Library  
Library Kit for Newborns - \$2,000

## Designated Grants

ACRES, Inc.  
American Heart Assoc. - Williams County  
Bryan Area Foundation  
Bryan City Band, Inc.  
Bryan City Schools  
Bryan Music Boosters, Inc.  
Center Township  
Christian & Missionary Alliance Church  
City of Bryan Parks & Recreation Dept.

Thank you to our Donors who build and strengthen our community by establishing Designated Funds. The Foundation currently manages 26 Designated Endowment Funds, which benefit the organizations listed below.

First Church of Christ  
First Presbyterian Church  
Friends of West Unity Library  
German ME Church Preservation  
Presbyterian Church USA-Ministries  
St. Patrick Catholic Church  
The Share Foundation  
Village of West Unity  
Wesley United Methodist Church

Williams County 4-H  
Williams County Fair Foundation  
Williams County Historical Society  
Williams County Humane Society  
Williams County Public Library  
Williams County Senior Support Fund  
Williams County YMCA  
Williams County Veterans Memorial, Inc.

“We ourselves feel what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.” -Mother Teresa

## Organizational Grants

*Organizational Funds provided these 25 nonprofit organizations an annual grant to support their mission. Thank you to these organizations for investing in their future!*

ACRES, Inc.  
David Betts Double Play Diamond  
Black Swamp Area Boy Scouts  
Bryan Academic Booster Club  
Bryan Rotary Foundation, Inc.  
First Presbyterian Church  
Four County Career Center  
Montpelier Fire Department  
Montpelier Rotary

Montpelier School Athletic Dept.  
Northwest Ohio Educational  
Service Center  
St. Patrick Catholic Church  
Stryker Schools Foundation  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
United Way of Williams County  
Wesley United Methodist Church  
Williams County 4-H

Williams County Fair Foundation  
Williams County Historical Society  
Williams County Humane Society  
Williams County Parks  
Williams County Senior Center  
Williams County Sportsman's Assoc.  
Williams Co. Veterans Memorial, Inc.  
Williams County YMCA

## Total Grants Awarded by Area

**Fiscal Year 2022**  
**\$1,713,810**  
**Grants**  
**(Including Scholarships)**



Arts and Culture  
\$160,689



Health and  
Human Services  
\$76,743



Religion & Other  
\$132,846



Education, Youth  
& Scholarships  
\$550,419



Environment  
\$71,094

Community  
Development  
\$722,019



102 Members STRONG!

Since 2016  
More Than \$159,640 Given

to 27 nonprofit organizations who are the heart of our community!



*Celebrating 7 Years of Giving with our members!*

## Contributions

Fiscal Year 2022 July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

**Bloom Kids Closet - Clothing or Hygiene Items - \$6,750**

**First Lutheran Church - Food and Fellowship Program - \$6,750**

**Community Hospital and Wellness Center - Artisan Collection - \$1,000**

**Williams County Agricultural Society - Ceiling Repair and LED Lighting - \$6,525**

**LifeWise Academy, Bryan - Startup Costs for a New Program - \$6,800**

**- PIP Endowment Balance -**

**\$45,610**

*Thank You  
to our Sponsors*

