

Challenge Match: Birth-to-Five, HELP The Animals

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The Wayne County Foundation has chosen 35 area organizations to participate in two weeks of intense fundraising called the Challenge Match.

The one-to-one match offers the possibility of generating \$338,500 or more for non-profit organizations throughout Wayne County. The program is designed to help organizations develop new donors and encourage increased giving from regular contributors.

The Challenge Match program runs through Nov. 25. Qualifying contributions to the participating organizations during that period will trigger matching dollars from the foundation, within certain limits. Learn more at www.waynecountyfoundation.org or call (765) 962-1638.

More agencies will be featured in future P-I editions.

Birth-to-Five of Wayne County

- **Address - Mailing:** P.O. Box 1815, Richmond, IN 47375
- **Office hours:** 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Street address:** State Hospital - Indiana Ave. School Building #418
- **Phone:** (765) 966-6080

Annual budget: \$418,022

Mission of your organization: Birth-to-Five is a home visiting organization that has been serving preschool children and their families in Wayne County since 1991. Everything that Birth-to-Five does focuses on the health, welfare and education of preschoolers, and supporting their families to help insure the best developmental and growth outcomes for their children. Birth-to-Five brings Family Support Workers and Parent Educators into children's homes to provide each family encouragement and guidance to help them cope with the challenges of parenthood, and becoming their child's first teacher. From soothing and nurturing a crying infant, through the troublesome terrible 2s, to preparing their child for kindergarten, Birth-to-Five is there with strategies to deal with many of the challenges and demands placed on the parents of preschoolers. Birth-to-Five also hosts Book Buddies and Play Groups throughout the county, open to all preschool county residents.