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**FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$98,500 IN LATEST GRANT CYCLE FOR
ARTS AND YOUTH**

The Wayne County Foundation has awarded \$98,510.75 to twenty-one organizations in the arts and youth categories for their April grant cycle.

All of the Foundation's community grantmaking is made possible by income from unrestricted and field-of-interest endowment funds.

"The programs and initiatives we were able to fund this cycle will benefit the community in many, many ways," said Steve Borchers, the Foundation's executive director. "Strong arts programs and youth initiatives are critically important, and we believe these awards are dollars well invested in the future of Wayne County."

The complete list of grant awards follows:

Chanticleer String Quartet/Earlham College \$2,000.00

To fund 17 performances of the children's program called Tune in to Mozart.

Richmond Symphony Orchestra \$4,100.00

To have a one-hour concert/presentation on writing, illustration and music based on a tale *Wicked Jack* to all Wayne County Fifth graders.

Richmond Art Museum \$7,500.00

To publish a scholarly and pictorial book about the Richmond Group artists and the influence of the Art Association of Richmond in the development of art in the Midwest.

Richmond Community Schools/ Civic Hall \$5,000.00

To support the 2010-2011 Proudly Presenting Series including the public performances, community outreach, and educational activities.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County \$2,040.00
To take students to various presentations at Civic Hall or Richmond Civic Theatre.

Cornerstone Childcare Ministry \$400.00
To provide an arts enrichment program for the children at Cornerstone during the summer.

Richmond Parks and Recreation Department \$4,000.00
To assist with the artist fees for the 2010 LIVE at the Park outdoor concert series

Starr-Gennett Foundation \$5,000.00
To help support the promotion of the Gennett Music Festival Celebrates Blues and BBQ on September 10th and 11th 2010.

Historic Hagerstown, Inc. \$4,750.00
To assist with the Arts Discovery Yesterday and Tomorrow an outreach program to local artists and patrons for free lessons, historic exhibits, oral histories, and demonstrations.

Wayne County Historical Museum \$7,050.50
To replace furnaces at the museum.

Levi Coffin House Association \$7,050.50
For a vacuum, archival storage, 2010 National Underground Railroad Conference for two volunteer staff, and to replace UV window film on the building windows.

Abilities Richmond \$4,463.00
To assist with operations.

Wayne County Historical Museum \$1,000.00
To hire and illustrator to complete the book "The Kentucky Settlement in Wayne County, Indiana."

Diplomas \$7,200.00
To provide a year's support for two children and two teen parents at RHS.

Peer Information Center for Teens, Inc. \$3,757.00
For the Protecting You Protecting Me curriculum for over 900 students at Richmond Community Schools.

Third Grade Reading Academy \$15,000.00
To provide operational support for the 2010 Third Grade Reading Academy.

Birth-To-Five, Inc.

\$1,399.75

To replace the developmental screen tool used on children and to purchase an assessment tool to assist in measuring impact of programming.

Stage One Youth Theatre at Richmond Civic Theatre \$3,900.00

For three educational outreach projects including school performances, stage one showstoppers, and touring shows from August 2010 to May 2011.

Youth as Resources

\$3,500.00

To support the YAR Grant-Making Program that provides grants to young people ages 5 -19 to develop and implement service projects that address community needs.

Girls, Inc.

\$5,000.00

For a computer lab accessories and IT support and program assistance.

Communities In Schools of Wayne County \$4,400.00

To support the "Cruising Into Your Future" a program about college and career exploration for Wayne County middle school students.

The next grant cycle deadline is August 2 for community activities and education categories. Prospective applicant organizations are encouraged to visit the Foundation's Web site (www.waynecountyfoundation.org) or contact Andrea Stuckey at 962-1638 for additional information.

The Wayne County Foundation exists to foster and encourage private philanthropic giving, to enhance the spirit of community and to improve the quality of life in the Wayne County, Indiana, area now and for future generations.

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