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**FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$125,600 IN LATEST GRANT CYCLE FOR  
ARTS AND YOUTH**

The Wayne County Foundation has awarded \$125,608.14 to twenty-five 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 \$2,000

To bring understanding and appreciation of classical music to patients of Richmond State Hospital with a six week music therapy program.

Richmond Parks and Rec \$3,000

To assist with the artist fees for the 2009 LIVE at the Park outdoor concert series.

Richmond Art Museum \$3,100

To sponsor the All Wayne County High School Art Exhibition that will showcase the artwork of high school artists and promote appreciation and study of fine art among young people.

Richmond Symphony \$3,750

To underwrite the cost of four free brass concerts throughout Wayne County this summer.

Indiana University East \$1,000

To support the theatrical performance of *Swamp Gravy* at IU East in the fall 2009.

Historic Hagerstown \$4,845

To assist with the Arts Discovery program.

Richmond Community Schools \$5,000

To support the 2009-2010 Proudly Presenting Series including the public performances and community outreach/educational activities.

Starr Gennett Foundation \$5,000

In support of the OLD WEST Gennett Music Festival on September 11th and 12th 2009.

Levi Coffin House \$7,701.50

To provide repairs to barn and house and to purchase a new computer, laptop, and video projector.

Wayne County Historical Museum \$7,701.50

To assist with upgrades to the security system at the museum.

Every Child Can Read \$10,000

To provide operational support for the 2009 Third Grade Reading Academy.

Girls, Inc. \$5,000

To help purchase a 25 passenger bus and replace the front entryway door.

Safety Village of Wayne County \$800

To purchase replacement parts, batteries, and new vehicles to provide youth safety education.

Richmond Parks and Rec \$750

In support of the Wayne County Youth Track and Field Club.

Boys and Girls Clubs \$5,000

To help establish a well-rounded set of programs and activities, specifically an enhanced games room and recreational activities, as well as arts and crafts for the Hagerstown program.

Boys and Girls Clubs \$4,000

To assist with maintenance and improvements to Camp Guy.

Williamsburg Area Community Center \$19,700

To replace the roof over the original school building.

Birth-To-Five, Inc. \$4,863.14

To purchase updated development screening kits, forms, and training videos.

Youth as Resources \$3,500

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 issues and/or needs

Stage One Youth Theatre \$4,200

To provide supplies and equipment for outreach opportunities for youth and arts programming.

Noah's Ark Day Care \$2,000

To assist with the development and expansion of the Math and Science Centers in five classrooms.

Townsend Community Center \$7,500

In support of the 2009 Summer health & fitness camp.

Sunrise, Inc. \$4,000

To help subsidize the cost of the therapeutic horseback riding lessons for families that cannot afford them.

Peer Information Center for Teens \$5,557

To support the Protecting You Protecting Me curriculum.

DIPLOMAS \$5,640

To provide one month's expense for up to 26 infants and toddlers at DIPLOMAS.

The next grant cycle deadline is July 30th for community activities and education categories. Prospective applicant organizations are encouraged to visit the Foundation's Web site ([www.waynecountyfoundation.org](http://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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