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**FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$82,400 IN LATEST GRANT CYCLE FOR
HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICE, ENVIROMENT, PRESERVATION,
ANIMALS & SENIORS**

The Wayne County Foundation has awarded \$82,450.43 to fourteen organizations in the health, human service, environment, preservation, animals and seniors categories for their October grant cycle.

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

"We are very excited by the programs and initiatives we were able to fund," said Steve Borchers, the Foundation's executive director. "We believe they will all make a real difference in our community."

The complete list of grant awards follows:

Ronald McDonald House of Indiana, Inc. \$3,650.00

To support Wayne County families through the House's Share A Night program.

Specialized Alternative for Families and Youth of Indiana, Inc. \$2,500.00

To support the cost of four intensive two day training for at-risk adoptive and foster care families.

American Red Cross \$5,000.00

To purchase supplies for local disaster relief.

Circle U Help Center \$10,000.00

To purchase food for expanded lunch service hours.

Hope House Recover Center \$10,000.00

To assist with the food cost of the shelter for 2009.

Planned Parenthood of Indiana, Inc. \$1,470.00

To assist approximately 30 Wayne County low-income women and men for preventive reproductive health care services.

Achieva Resources Corporation, Inc. \$300.00

To purchase a bariatric chair to be used in daily skills training classes.

Habitat for Humanity \$3,650.00

To support the "Recycle to Build Green" program by purchasing a tabletop display, brochures, recycling bins and banners.

Lauramoore Friends Home, Inc. \$5,500.00

To repair and replace flooring throughout the historic building.

Quaker Hill Foundation \$4,000.00

For repair work on the second floor hallway of the Evans house.

Wayne County Historical Museum \$3,692.43

To finish the restoration work on the front steps of the museum.

Parks Foundation Cope Environment Center \$10,000.00

To purchase a used fuel-efficient hybrid vehicle to be used primarily for programs.

HELP The Animals \$7,400.00

To purchase and install new fence for outdoor dog runs.

Townsend Community Center \$15,288.00

To support The Wise Women project focusing on the overall wellbeing of African American elder women.

The next grant cycle will be in April for arts and youth 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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