

E-NEWSfrom your Rush County Community Foundation

Remembering Rick Levi



It is with utmost sadness that we share that one of our founders, Rick Levi, passed away last weekend. Beyond establishing the Foundation, Rick served as one of our greatest advocates for the past 27 years. Rick loved Rush County and made his passion known through his contributions to RCCF. He shared his love for the Rush County Community Foundation with most he encountered and assisted the cultivation of millions of dollars for our community.

Rush County Community Foundation would not exist without Rick, and our community would be an entirely different place without his quiet contributions throughout 27 years. Rick's legacy will be remembered with every grant and scholarship we give and every person and organization we impact - forever.

If you are interested in learning more about Rick, please visit his <u>obituary</u>. Contributions can be made to First Presbyterian Church or to any of our funds at the Foundation via <u>www.rushcountyfoundation.org</u>.

March Matchness Continues!

The Foundation's \$1 for \$1 matching campaign, "March Matchness", doubling contributions made to our community grant funds, is well underway! As of March 9th, the RCCF has \$16,763.50 remaining for the match.

In addition to the March Matchness madness, RCCF is thrilled to announce that we will move on to Round 2 in the Brackets for Good tournament! Round 1

concluded Friday at 8PM and we won against Shares, Inc. 2,862-1,421. Congratulations to Shares for a wonderful round of competition and fundraising.

Now that we are in Round 2 of the tournament, we'll compete against another outstanding organization, Decatur County 4 Kids, until 8PM Friday, March 16th. The organization that raises the most money by the buzzer moves on to compete in the "Supported 16" round in the bracket-style challenge, edging closer to the ultimate championship prize of \$10,000!

YOU CAN HELP US WIN!

Beyond supporting our standing in the tournament, every dollar contributed in support of RCCF through the Brackets for Good challenge will benefit our community grant funds directly. Our community grant funds impact everyone in Rush County by providing grant dollars to local nonprofit organizations that serve a variety of needs and interests. Ultimately, we're all winners in this game!

...even if we lose, YOU still win!

If the Foundation loses at any point of the Brackets for Good tournament, we'll continue to match dollars contributed to RCCF's community grant funds throughout March or until \$25,000 has been raised. For a limited time, you're getting more bang for your philanthropic buck! The March Matchness won't end, even if our reign in the tourney does.

All monies raised through the Brackets for Good challenge will be given to RCCF, regardless if we win or lose. All contributions must be received via the Brackets for Good online submission or via the www.rushcountyfoundation.org website, with "BFG" specifically noted. **Donate directly by clicking here.**

All funds raised through March Matchness and in support of the Brackets for Good challenge will benefit our endowed unrestricted funds (aka "community grant funds") and receive a \$1 for \$1 match (until the \$25,000 match is met). For more information, call our office or visit our website or the Brackets for Good site.

For a real-time update on our standing in the Brackets for Good tournament, follow along on our <u>website</u>! We'll be keeping our social media followers updated throughout the day, so you can also keep up with our score via our <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages. As an enewsletter subscriber, you can look forward to periodic updates throughout our tenure in the tourney, as well as throughout the month of March.

Thanks for your support and for following along! We are excited to raise funds that will <u>forever</u> benefit the Rush County community.



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