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December 2019

It's been an absolutely amazing year! Thank you, Friend, for all the ways you live life local. You put the "Community" in RCCF. Otherwise, we'd just be the Rush County Foundation.

GIFT VII Met It's Match... YOU!

You did it! Your generosity sparked a \$250,000 giving frenzy. One by one your gifts arrived. Each one a promise to the future of our community. As if that weren't amazing enough, it happened more than a year ahead of the deadline. The generosity of the Lilly Endowment Inc. added \$500,000 to fan the flames of your kindness.

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GIFT VII MET ITS MATCH... YOU!

You did it! Your generosity sparked a giving frenzy totaling \$750,000 to support Rush County nonprofits forever.



Thank you!

While we celebrate this huge accomplishment, please remember that fires need to be tended.

We STILL need your passion and your gifts to keep the fireplaces stoked and create a bright future for all.

Congrats to the Newest RCCF Lilly Scholar!

One of the best days of the year is getting to surprise the newest Lilly Scholar with news of his or her award. After a sleepless night, Marlo and Chris Chastain could finally spill the beans, too - their son Ethan is the 2020 Lilly Scholarship recipient.

On his application, Ethan mentioned looking forward to finally being challenged in math at college. He'll get his wish when he attends Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, his dad's alma mater, next fall to study engineering.



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Donor Story: Greg and Cindy Harcourt

The roots of the Harcourt family tree run deep in the Rush County soil. **Greg Harcourt** isn't sure just how many generations back they go, but at least since the mid-1800s. What he and



Cindy, his wife, are sure of though, is their love for their community.

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What Teachers Really Want

"#1 Teacher" mugs make fine presents.
But why not give a gift that makes a real difference?! This holiday season, make a donation to the RCCF Rush County
Education Fund in honor of your favorite school staff member! These funds support education-related projects not covered by the school. A special card will be sent to the recipient. And your gift will make an impact forever.



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It All Adds Up

Did you know that each time you shop at Kroger or Amazon, that you could be generating donations to RCCF? It's true. Here's how:



Kroger Plus Card Shoppers:

- Visit the Kroger Community Rewards website on a computer.
- 2. Login or create an account.
- 3. Search for Rush County Community Foundation OR use #JR641. Save your changes.
- Shop as usual with your Plus Card.

Amazon.com Shoppers:

- 1. Visit smile.amazon.com on a computer.
- 2. Log into your account.
- 3. Open the menu on the left and scroll to the bottom, **Your Amazon Smile.**

- 4. Search for Rush County Community Foundation. Save your changes.
- 5. Each time you shop on Amazon, start your purchase at: smile.amazon.com
- 6. For Amazon app users: find all the details here.



November Gifts In Memoriam and In Honor

Thank you to the donors who selected to give to Rush County Community Foundation in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend. This month, the following individuals were recognized through gifts to the Foundation:

- Albert Hodge
- · Alice Ruth Wiley
- Anne Mae Szilage
- Betty Foley
- Betty Spilman
- Bob and Emmy Waggener
- David Cloud
- Joe Y. and Edna Columbe
- Kathleen Wilson Bayt
- Louise Piles
- Margo Wall Mull
- Mary Kathleen "Kathy" Wright
- Meredith Kuhn
- Nancy Garcia

- Opal Morrow
- Paul David Smith
- · Penny Gordon
- Phyllis "Pg" Barnard
- Richard "Rick" Levi
- Robert Alspaugh
- Robert and Virginia Waltz
- Suzanne Northam Hazelett
- Tim Jones
- Wayne Carmony

In Honor of:

- Hoeing Supply customers, employees and friends
- RHS Class of 1963

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Stay up-to-date on the latest RCCF happenings by visiting our website and following us on social media. Our website is a comprehensive source for all things related to our work, as well as offering fun features such as donor stories, board member bios, and scholar updates. We often share news and features on our Facebook page, which we encourage you to follow if you use social media! The more you "like" and "share" helps share our message and inspire future content.





