



January 2021

Did you notice that our logo looks a little different? That's because we're celebrating 30 years of RCCF in 2021! If you follow us on social media, be sure to check in each week for #RCCFFlashbackFriday as we dig through the archives to share photos and memories. Have your own? Post them and tag us, or send along by email. We'd love to see them! Even if you're not on social media, you can follow along on our website. Wishing you a very happy, healthy and hopeful New Year, Alisa!



2020 In a Word

When 2020 began, the question on our minds was - <u>Is Rush County ready</u> <u>for change?</u> We certainly didn't anticipate the TYPE of changes we would face, but we did get one thing right.

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Donor Story: Wilma Jo Kile

The importance of education has been a foundation of RCCF donor, Wilma Jo Kile's life. Growing up in in Rush County's southeast corner, she recalls, "It wasn't 'if' but 'when', my brother and I would go to college."

This expectation has benefitted her and our community so well.

"My parents always wanted to do what was right, and I want to honor that feeling."

- Wilma Jo. Kile, RCCF Donor

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Our Gratitude to These Departing Board Members

It's that bittersweet time of the year, the changing of the guard, so to speak. Some board members must leave so that others can join. With so much gratitude, we're definitely not saying goodbye, but "see you later" to these four!



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Get Involved: Calling All Chicks! 2021 Membership Deadline Approaching

Are you a Rush County female who would like to support programs making a meaningful impact locally? Then the <u>CIRCLe Fund</u> is looking for you!

"We have so much MORE to do... the ball is rolling in Rush County and the needs continue to GROW. We need our women's group to continue to grow so those challenging needs can continue to be met," shared Pam Hoeing.



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What Will Your Legacy Be?

Is there an area of local life that you feel passionate about preserving? Arts and culture, health, children or something else? Do you have a favorite local organization? Or maybe you want your support to go where it's needed most. When you make a legacy (or planned) gift to RCCF, we will make sure your wishes are fulfilled.



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Grantee Spotlight: Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department

The Posey Township VFD is in the process of replacing 20 year-old rescue tools that are unable to cut many current vehicles and are unsafe for emergency responders to handle. Your gifts to Community Grants funds allowed them to purchase the third of four tools requiring an upgrade. By not having to depend on other mutual aid providers, they can save time and lives.





Scholarship Applications



due 2/15/2021, 11:59pm

\$300 Annual CIRCLe Memberships due 2/28/2021

Youth in Philanthropy Applications due 3/1/2021

December Memorial and Honor Gifts

In 2020, you made 606 gifts to RCCF in memory or in honor of a loved one. These gifts are wonderful tributes to someone who has touched your life that will in turn support the Rush County community's everchanging needs forever. What an amazing way for your love to endure thank you!

In Memory of:

AJ and Marie Meyer

Alice Ruth Wiley

Anthony Lykins

Ashley Spurlin

Betty Ashby

Betty L. Foley

Bill (Luke) Williams

Bill Pogue

Bob and Emmy Waggener

Bob Foster

Bob Gibson

Bob Self

Carl Henderson

Carol Dailey

Carolyn Brown

Cathy Smith

Christine Laird

Clyde Ellis

Courtney Anne Huskins

Dan Scholl

Dennis Miller

Dewey and Agnes Ward

Dewey Powers

Diane Wendell Dick Moster

Donald and Mary G. Marshall

Mrs. Patricia H. Burns

Nora Ralstin

Paul David Smith

Phyllis "Pg" Barnard

Pippa Ryan Flanary

Ralph and Frances Ward

Ray Cook

Richard Greenwood

Robert Foster

Ronnie Mohr

Tom and Marilyn White

Wayne Craven

Wayne Miller

In Honor of:

Alfred and Eleanor Yager

Alisa Winters

Anne Marie Rosario

Barbara White

Beverly Wagoner

Blair Orme

Bob and Mary Lou Veatch

Brandy Albers

Brenda Slaton

Brooke Edwards

Chuck and Jane Niccum

Cindy Powers

Dorine Rosfeld **Eddie Dickson** Forrest and Louise Piles Fred and Bernice Richardson Fred Mitchell Gene Fahev George A. "Dewey" Mohr George and Betty Owens Glen and Alice Wiley **Grant Brower** Harold Lynn Atkins & Robert Foster (Members of the 1946 High School at Rushville) Helen Heller J. R. Brown Janice Tressler Jeff Knecht Jerry and Becky Ernstes Jerry Geise Jim Knecht Kyle Henderson Lauren Alice Wiley Lora Hatfield Loren and June E. Alexander Marcia Ash Marlene Miller Marvin VanNatta Mary Etta Shaw Mary Io Lovett Mary Robertson

Morris F. and Jane Marshall Fisher

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pike

Debbie Alspaugh Don and June Dawson Dr. J. Andrew Taff as he retires Dr. Suellen Goddard Frank and Judy Heavin Schwegman **Grant Reeves** Greg Harcourt Hannah Augsburger Heather Campbell Jana Risselman Jane Riddell Jim Marlatt loe Taff Julianne Gilpin Julie and Kevin Burkett Kate Schwertfeger Ken Brashaber Kent Wise Marge Henderson Marilyn Yager McClure Family Blue Christmas 2020 Taff Family Phil and Patty Simmermon Robert and Mary Lou Veatch T.R. Campbell Teresa Ward Wes Gaither Wilma Jo Kile



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