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## Rush County Community Foundation

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January 2022

Last year we celebrated our 30th anniversary. Now it's time to commemorate 200 years of the place we love, Rush County. Many people have worked hard to create fun and meaningful ways to mark this milestone. Be sure to visit the [website](#) and follow along on [Facebook](#). As always, we'll be serving our donors, awarding grants and scholarships, and providing leadership in 2022. If you're wondering about the "who, what, where and why", [part 2 of our "Get to Know RCCF" series](#) will answer your questions. We hope the new year finds you healthy and happy, Friends!



### 30 Reasons to Feel Great About 2021

2021 was another year we couldn't have predicted. It was certainly filled with ups and downs. But the list you're about to read is full of two qualities – impact and hope.

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**First5 Update: Growing Minds and Impact with \$100,000 Grant**

RCCF's board of directors sees the continued value in supporting [First5 Rush County's Early Learning Coalition](#) and has approved funding for the initiative's fourth year. [Early Learning Indiana](#) (ELI) has made quite a sizeable investment, too.

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## 2022 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar: Carter Tague

*"This scholarship means more to me and my family than anyone will ever know. There was nothing that could solidify the 'hard work pays off' motto better than walking through the Learning Commons doors and being told you have been selected to receive such a life changing scholarship,"* said **John Carter Tague**, the 41st Lilly Endowment Community Scholar from Rush County.

He will receive full-tuition to an Indiana college of his choice and a \$900 yearly stipend for required books and equipment. Learn more about Carter and his plans.

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## Our Thanks to Outgoing Board Member, Mindy Vogel

It's that bittersweet time of the year when we say thank you to board members whose terms have ended. Whenever the board was facing a big decision, [Mindy Vogel](#) could always be counted on to give thoughtful, clear guidance.

It's safe to say that Mindy's passion for the RCCF began before her service as a board member.

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## Laura Ash and Toni Schultz Join the RCCF Board

Joining a nonprofit's board of directors is a big commitment. It requires time, dedication and responsibility. Fortunately for us, we have two new members who are ALL IN for RCCF's mission! Please join us in welcoming **Laura Ash** and **Toni Schultz**. We are inspired by their energy, big hearts and genuine curiosity. We're looking forward to knowing them better and watching them serve to enhance life in Rush County!



## Join the 1822 Society and Leave a Lasting Legacy

It's Rush County's bicentennial. Did you know that's where the 1822 Society got its name? It's the perfect time to join a special group of donors whose impact and love will last forever by including RCCF in your estate planning. Leaving a bequest is an easy way to do so and can be ANY amount. Find sample language and learn more.

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# REMINDER

**2022 Scholarship Applications**  
**Due 2/15/2022, 11:59:59pm**

## **ICYMI (In Case You Missed It)**

Here are the top stories from last month.



**CBAP Report and Call  
for Volunteers**



**Support Positive  
Change**



**Grantee Update: Boys &  
Girls Club**

## **December Tribute Gifts**

Each gift you make in memory or in honor of a loved one supports Rush County forever. We are grateful for your kindness and generosity!

### **In Memory of:**

AJ and Marie Meyer  
Alice Ruth Wiley, Glen Wiley,  
Lauren Alice Wiley  
Ann Taff Anderson and J.D. Taff  
Arlene Strait  
Ashley Spurlin (at Christmas and  
birthday)  
Barbara Stiers  
Betty L. Foley  
Bob and Emmy Waggener  
Bob and Lela Self  
Brandon Lykins  
Briana J. Springman  
Carl Henderson  
Carol Niehoff Hardwick  
Carolyn Hufferd  
Catherine "Katie" Brashaber  
Connie Brorson  
Connie Emme  
Connie Rankin  
Courtney Connolly  
Craig Kuhn

Max and Marlene Miller  
Maxine Hornaday Meyer  
Michael Clifford  
Michael Weidner  
Mohr Family  
Molly Spaeth  
Monika Fussner  
Morris F. and Jane M. Fisher  
Ned Foster  
Pat and Martha Todd  
Paul Leising  
Paula Curtis  
Paula Pierson Payne  
Philip and Nora Ralstin, Danny  
Ralstin  
Pippa Flanary  
Ralph Cloud  
Ramona J. (Stamm) Turner  
Randy Kaster  
Ray Cook  
Richard and Judy Douglass  
Robert and Beulah Shouse  
Robert and Gleela Baldwin

Crysten and Jett Williams  
Darlene J Young  
Darrell and Marilyn Bills  
Dave Tucker  
David Truster  
Deloris (Dee) Shelton  
Derby King  
Dester Wesley  
Dick and Jane Dragoo  
Dick Moster  
Dickie Risk  
Dillon Fowler  
Donald and Mary Marshall  
Dorine Rosfeld  
Forrest and Louise Piles  
Gary Isaacs  
George and Betty Owens  
George and Marcella McAhren  
Gladys Fussner  
Glen Wiley  
Harold Hornaday  
Heckman Family  
Helen Louise Amos  
Holli Spaeth  
Jack Norris  
Jane Patterson  
Janet Mosley  
Jerry Cain  
Jerry Geise  
Jerry Gilpin  
Jessy McClure  
Judy Leisure  
Kenny Stiers  
Kyle Henderson  
Larry Fry  
Lora Hatfield  
Mark Todd  
Martha Perin  
Martha Schneyer  
Marvin VanNatta  
Mary Alice Kaiser  
Marya Crim

Robert N. Veatch  
Robert White  
Ruth Shouse  
Steve Richards  
Ted "Teddy" Owens  
Teresa Holmes  
Uncle Rick Bane  
Wayne Miller  
Wilma Jo Kile

**In Honor of:**

Abby Horton  
Alfred & Eleanor Yager  
Alisa Winters  
Angie Bane, Kristie Amos, Alisa  
Winters, Lisa Benjamin  
Barbara White  
Blair Orme  
Brooke Edwards  
Dave and Barb Malson  
Dick and Judy Douglass  
Emily Deaton  
Frank and Judy Heavin Schwegman  
Grant Reeves  
Hannah Augsburg  
Heather Campbell  
Heidi Cox  
Jason Pavey  
Jonathan Galbraith  
Joni Fenimore  
Keith Perin  
Margaret Harris  
Mariah Lee  
Nancy Ratekin  
Pat Haney  
Phil and Nancy Mitchell  
Scott Harpring  
Shantel Cartwright  
Spaeth Siblings  
T.R. Campbell  
Tate Martz



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