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Lilly Endowment gives nearly \$1.7 million for summer youth programs and capital projects

Since 1982 Lilly Endowment Inc. has supported organizations that provide summer youth programs for Marion County youth. Many young people who participate in these summer youth programs lack the means to afford summer camps or other supervised activities. These programs emphasize activities that expose youth to arts and culture, recreation and sports, or educational enrichment.

The Endowment is one of 11 area funders who together this year have awarded more than \$1.9 million in program funding for 157 summer programs in Marion County. Of this total, the Endowment has awarded nearly \$1.2 million for program grants. Nearly 40,000 youth will be served throughout the summer through programs funded by these grants.

Other funders of the summer youth programs are the Annie E. Casey Foundation, Christel DeHaan Family Foundation, City of Indianapolis/Department of Metropolitan Development, the Clowes Fund, the Efroymsen Fund, the Hensel Fund, the Hoover Family Foundation, the Indianapolis Foundation, the Indianapolis Foundation Library Fund and the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust.

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The Endowment since 1995 has participated in this collaboration, which uses a joint orientation, application and evaluation process for agencies and organizations; however, the funding decisions are made by individual funders. Training opportunities have been made available for adult and youth staff that focus on planning programs suitable for various age groups, providing engaging educational activities and other relevant topics.

“The staff and volunteers of the organizations that provide summer youth programming in our community impress us each year with their enthusiasm and creativity,” said Willis K. Bright, Endowment director of youth programming. “Their commitment to serving as effectively as possible the youth who participate in these programs is truly exemplary. We are pleased to support their efforts to provide a myriad of safe, constructive and fun summer activities for our community’s youth.”

This year the Endowment provided funding not only to support summer programs but also to pay for modest capital projects. To be eligible for the capital funding, an organization had to show that the project is needed to improve its capability to conduct its summer programs.

Twenty-five capital grants were awarded totaling \$396,745. They fund facility renovations and the purchase of computer equipment and vans and mini-buses to transport program participants. The Marion County Commission on Youth also received a grant of \$60,236 to fund youth staff training and end-of-summer educational awards.

Endowment funds this year will be used to support 136 agencies, including 157 different programs and 25 capital projects. These programs include the following:

- 18 residential camps for special populations such as asthmatic and autistic children, \$129,000;
- 43 different sets of enhancement activities such as arts and sports programs, \$304,182;

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- 85 daily programs based in churches or community organizations, \$670,823; and
- 11 youth-employment programs, \$90,000.

The following 136 organizations have received grants from the Endowment for these programs:

Academy of Greater Works Indianapolis - \$6,000

Adult & Child Center - \$9,000

African Community International - \$6,000

American Diabetes Association, Indiana Affiliate - \$9,000

Anglican Church of the Resurrection - \$4,500

Antioch Neighborhood Restoration & Outreach Ministry - \$6,500

Area Youth Ministry - \$4,000

Art With a Heart - \$12,000

Asante Children's Theatre - \$1,500

At-Your-School (AYS) Child Services - \$3,000

Auntie Mame's Child Development Center - \$4,000

Beech Grove City Schools - \$2,568

Bethesda Temple Apostolic Church - \$4,500

Beulah Baptist Church - \$5,500

Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre of Indianapolis - \$3,000

Bosma Industries for the Blind - \$3,500

Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis (5) - \$36,500

Brebeuf Preparatory School - \$3,100

Broadway United Methodist Church - \$9,000

Brookside Community Youth Program - \$7,500

Butler University - \$3,000

Butler-Tarkington Neighborhood Association - \$9,500

Camptown - \$7,500

Catholic Charities Indianapolis (2) - \$14,500

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- Catholic Youth Organization - \$7,500**
- Cherubims - \$5,500**
- Children's Bureau - \$17,500**
- Christamore House - \$10,300**
- Circle City Frontiers Club - \$7,500**
- Claude McNeal's Musical Theatre Training Program - \$6,000**
- Coburn Place Safehaven II - \$2,500**
- Community Action of Greater Indianapolis - \$4,000**
- Community Alliance of the Far Eastside - \$19,000**
- Concord Center Association - \$20,338**
- Coppin Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church - \$6,500**
- Cosmo Knights Scholarship Fund - \$7,500**
- Crooked Creek Service Center - \$9,500**
- Damar Services - \$8,500**
- Day Nursery Association of Indianapolis - \$2,000**
- Dayspring Center - \$6,000**
- Diabetic Youth Foundation of Indiana - \$7,500**
- Dirty Dozen Hunting and Fishing Club - \$5,000**
- DREAM Alive - \$3,500**
- Dyslexia Institute of Indiana - \$7,500**
- Eagledale Neighborhood Association - \$5,000**
- East Tenth United Methodist Children and Youth Center - \$10,250**
- Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church - \$4,000**
- Edna Martin Christian Center - \$9,200**
- First Baptist Church, North Indianapolis - \$5,000**
- First-Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church (2) - \$35,500**
- Flanner House - \$5,000**
- Forest Manor Multi-Service Center - \$15,000**

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Garden City Christian Church - \$6,250

Girls Inc. - \$12,000

Good News Mission - \$6,000

Great Commission Church of God - \$11,000

Greater Educational Opportunities (GEO) Foundation - \$7,500

Happy Hollow Children's Camp - \$15,000

Harrison Center for the Arts - \$5,000

Hawthorne Social Service Association - \$21,000

Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County - \$5,000

Heart of Sailing - \$4,500

Hemophilia of Indiana - \$5,000

Hoosier Capital Girl Scout Council - \$7,500

Indiana Athletic Teen Basketball Association - \$5,500

Indiana Deaf Camps Foundation - \$5,000

Indiana Golf Foundation - \$5,500

Indiana Minority Health Coalition - \$6,000

Indiana School for the Deaf - \$5,000

Indiana Sports Corp. - \$10,000

Indiana State Museum Foundation - \$2,500

Indiana University Foundation - \$7,500

Indianapolis Algebra Project - \$25,000

Indianapolis Art Center - \$8,000

Indianapolis Interfaith Hospitality Network - \$3,000

Indianapolis Junior Golf Foundation - \$9,000

Indianapolis Parks Foundation (4) - \$22,200

Indianapolis Public Schools - \$15,000

Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Foundation - \$7,500

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James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Association (dba Riley Children's Foundation) - \$8,500

Jameson Camp - \$15,500

JEWEL Christian Academy - \$6,000

John H. Boner Community Center - \$5,000

Kaleidoscope Church and Community Partnership - \$14,500

Keep Indianapolis Beautiful - \$2,000

La Plaza - \$10,750

Life Line Community Center - \$9,000

Little Bethel Missionary Baptist Church - \$9,000

Little Red Door Cancer Agency - \$7,000

Lutheran Child & Family Services of Indiana - \$8,000

Marian College - \$7,500

Martin Luther King Multi-Service Center - \$10,500

Mary Rigg Neighborhood Center - \$25,000

Metro Ministries - \$8,000

Metropolitan School District of Perry Township - \$17,500

Metropolitan School District of Washington Township (2) - \$14,847

Mission Indy - \$3,500

Muscular Dystrophy Association - \$5,500

National Junior Tennis League of Indianapolis - \$8,500

New Covenant Church & Ministries - \$5,000

New Light Christian Church - \$4,000

Noble Centers - \$3,500

Northside New Era Community Outreach - \$3,000

Oasis Christian Community Development Corp. - \$8,138

100 Black Men of Indianapolis - \$20,000

Pathway to the Future Learning Center - \$4,000

Peace Learning Center - \$13,000

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- People's Burn Foundation of Indiana - \$4,000**
- Philharmonic Orchestra of Indianapolis - \$9,000**
- Phillips Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church - \$5,500**
- Project SEED - \$16,000**
- Purdue University - \$7,500**
- Redeemer Hospitality Mission - \$3,500**
- Ruth Lilly Center for Health Education - \$5,500**
- St. Florian Center - \$24,000**
- St. John's Community Care Services - \$4,000**
- St. Richard's School - \$17,000**
- Salvation Army (2) - \$10,000**
- Save the Youth Program - \$6,000**
- Scott United Methodist Church - \$5,000**
- Senior Connects Corp. (dba Net Literacy Corp.) - \$7,500**
- Shepherd Community - \$10,000**
- Southeast Community Services - \$4,750**
- Speedway Baptist Church - \$5,000**
- Speedway United Methodist Church - \$5,000**
- University of Notre Dame - \$4,500**
- Urban Arts Consortium of Indianapolis - \$10,000**
- Very Special Arts of Indiana (2) - \$12,500**
- Visions Ministries - \$6,314**
- Vista Care Hospice Foundation - \$5,000**
- Westminster Neighborhood Ministries - \$8,000**
- Witherspoon Performing Arts Center - \$1,500**
- Young Audiences of Indiana - \$18,750**
- YMCA of Indianapolis (10) - \$42,250**

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Youth Job Preparedness Program - \$6,000

Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church - \$3,000

Capital grants were made to the following 25 organizations:

Adult & Child Center - \$12,500

African Community International - \$24,910

Broadway United Methodist Church - \$14,000

Camptown - \$25,000

Children's Bureau - \$15,000

Community Alliance of the Far Eastside - \$25,000

Dayspring Center - \$25,000

Dirty Dozen Hunting and Fishing Club - \$25,000

Dyslexia Institute of Indiana - \$13,290

Great Commission Church of God - \$7,500

Indianapolis Algebra Project - \$25,000

La Plaza - \$25,000

Life Line Community Center - \$5,000

Mary Rigg Neighborhood Center - \$23,200

National Junior Tennis League of Indianapolis - \$14,240

New Light Christian Church - \$15,500

Northside New Era Community Outreach - \$21,500

Oasis Christian Community Development Corporation - \$14,500

Purdue University - \$6,630

St. Florian Center - \$20,000

Scott United Methodist Church - \$15,000

Urban Arts Consortium of Indianapolis - \$6,500

Very Special Arts of Indiana - \$4,600

YMCA of Indianapolis - \$10,000

Young Audiences of Indiana - \$2,875