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**Note to editors/assignment editors:** All the Summer Youth Program Fund grantees will meet May 2 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Marion County Central Library to discuss grant policies and procedures. For more information about programs in your area, call the Marion County Commission on Youth hotline (1-888-4-YOUTH-8), or call 317-921-1288 to request a summer youth directory. Additional information is available through the Information and Referral Network helpline at 317-926-HELP.

**Lilly Endowment gives \$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 13 area funders who together this year have awarded more than \$2.2 million in program funding for 173 summer programs in Marion County. Of this total, the Endowment has awarded more than \$1.2 million for program grants. More than 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, Clowes Fund, Efroymsen Fund, Hensel Fund, Hoover Family Foundation, Indianapolis Foundation, Indianapolis Foundation Library Fund, JP Morgan Chase Foundation, Lumina Foundation for Education and 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-four capital grants were awarded totaling \$400,000. 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 \$74,780 to fund youth staff training and end-of-summer educational awards.

Endowment funds this year will be used to support 146 agencies, including 170 different programs and 24 capital projects. These programs include the following:

- 18 residential camps for special populations such as asthmatic and autistic children, \$124,500;
- 57 different sets of enhancement activities such as arts and sports programs, \$368,605;

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- 83 daily programs based in churches or community organizations, \$630,615; and
- 12 youth-employment programs, \$101,500.

The following 146 organizations have received grants from the Endowment for these programs:

**Academy of Greater Works Indianapolis** - \$7,000

**Adult & Child Center** - \$9,000

**African Community International** - \$6,500

**Agape Therapeutic Riding Resources** - \$3,000

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

**Anglican Church of the Resurrection** - \$5,000

**Antioch Neighborhood Restoration & Outreach Ministry** - \$7,500

**Area Youth Ministry** - \$4,000

**Art With a Heart** - \$11,500

**Asante Children's Theatre** - \$2,500

**At-Your-School (AYS) Child Services** - \$2,500

**Auntie Mame's Child Development Center** - \$3,750

**Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre** - \$3,000

**Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis (6)** - \$40,000

**Brebeuf Preparatory School** - \$3,000

**Broadway United Methodist Church** - \$9,000

**Brookside Community Youth Program** - \$7,500

**Butler University** - \$3,000

**Calvary Temple** - \$5,000

**Camp Kesem** - \$5,000

**Camptown** - \$7,500

**Care for Kids** - \$5,000

**Catholic Charities Indianapolis (2)** - \$14,365

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**Catholic Youth Organization - \$7,000**  
**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 Safe Haven - \$2,500**  
**Community Action of Greater Indianapolis - \$4,000**  
**Community Alliance of the Far Eastside - \$19,000**  
**Concord Center Association - \$20,500**  
**Coppin Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church - \$6,500**  
**Cosmo Knights Scholarship Fund - \$6,500**  
**Crossroads Rehabilitation Center - \$2,500**  
**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**  
**East Tenth United Methodist Children and Youth Center - \$10,250**  
**Edna Martin Christian Center - \$9,200**  
**Englishton Park Presbyterian Ministries - \$5,000**  
**Fay Biccard Glick Neighborhood Center at Crooked Creek - \$9,500**  
**Felege Hiywot Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church Children Welfare and  
Development Center - \$5,000**  
**First-Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church (2) - \$33,000**  
**Flanner House - \$5,000**  
**Forest Manor Multi-Service Center - \$15,000**  
**Freetown Village - \$17,000**

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**Garden City Christian Church - \$6,250**  
**Girl Scouts of Central Indiana - \$7,500**  
**Girls Inc. (2) - \$22,000**  
**Good News Mission - \$6,000**  
**Great Commission Church of God - \$11,000**  
**Happy Hollow Children's Camp - \$15,000**  
**Harrison Center for the Arts - \$5,000**  
**Hawthorne Community Center - \$21,000**  
**Heart of Sailing - \$4,500**  
**Heavenly Inter-Vention Ministries - \$3,000**  
**Horizons Urban Summer Enrichment Program - \$17,000**  
**Indiana Deaf Camps Foundation - \$5,000**  
**Indiana Golf Foundation - \$5,500**  
**Indiana INTERNnet - \$2,500**  
**Indiana Juvenile Justice Task Force - \$5,000**  
**Indiana Minority Health Coalition - \$6,000**  
**Indiana School for the Deaf - \$5,000**  
**Indiana Sports Corp. - \$9,000**  
**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 - \$2,500**  
**Indianapolis Junior Golf Foundation - \$8,500**  
**Indianapolis Museum of Art - \$3,000**  
**Indianapolis Parks Foundation (5) - \$26,200**  
**Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Foundation - \$7,500**  
**Indianapolis Public Housing Agency - \$15,000**

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

**Jameson Camp - \$15,500**

**Jehovah Jireh Sports Club - \$4,000**

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

**Joy of the Lord Christian Church - \$4,500**

**Kaleidoscope Church and Community Partnership - \$10,000**

**Keep Indianapolis Beautiful - \$2,000**

**La Plaza - \$10,750**

**Life Line Community Center - \$9,000**

**Little Bethel Missionary Baptist Church - \$9,000**

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

**Marian College - \$7,500**

**Marion County Commission on Youth - \$5,905**

**Mary Rigg Neighborhood Center - \$25,000**

**Messiah Missionary Baptist Church - \$4,000**

**Metro Ministries (2) - \$13,000**

**Metropolitan School District of Perry Township - \$10,000**

**Metropolitan School District of Pike Township - \$3,500**

**Metropolitan School District of Washington Township (2) - \$12,000**

**Mission Indy - \$3,500**

**Mizpah-Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church - \$4,000**

**Montessori Educational Charity - \$7,500**

**Muscular Dystrophy Association - \$6,000**

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

**National Society of Hispanic MBAs - \$5,000**

**New Covenant Church & Ministries - \$5,000**

**New Light Christian Church - \$4,000**

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**Noble of Indiana - \$3,500**

**Northside New Era Community Outreach - \$3,000**

**Nu Corinthian Baptist Church - \$5,000**

**Oasis Christian Community Development Corp. - \$8,000**

**100 Black Men of Indianapolis - \$20,000**

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

**Peace Learning Center - \$13,000**

**People's Burn Foundation of Indiana - \$4,000**

**Philharmonic Orchestra of Indianapolis - \$9,000**

**Phillips Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church - \$5,000**

**Project SEED - \$16,000**

**Promise Land Christian Community Church - \$5,500**

**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**

**Salvation Army (2) - \$10,000**

**Save the Youth - \$6,000**

**Say Yes - \$5,000**

**Scott United Methodist Church - \$5,000**

**Second Baptist Church - \$5,000**

**Senior Connects Corp. (dba Net Literacy Corp.) - \$7,500**

**Shepherd Community - \$10,000**

**Social Health Association of Indiana - \$1,500**

**Southeast Community Services - \$4,750**

**Speedway Baptist Church - \$5,000**

**Speedway United Methodist Church - \$5,000**

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**Transitional Assistance Services - \$5,000**  
**University of Notre Dame - \$3,500**  
**Urban Arts Consortium of Indianapolis - \$10,000**  
**VSA of Indiana - \$6,000**  
**Visions Ministries - \$6,500**  
**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) - \$41,250**  
**Youth Job Preparedness Program - \$6,000**  
**Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church - \$3,500**

Capital grants were made to the following 24 organizations:

**Butler University - \$3,400**  
**East Tenth United Methodist Children and Youth Center - \$25,000**  
**Fay Biccard Glick Neighborhood Center at Crooked Creek - \$19,000**  
**Flanner House - \$21,970**  
**Forest Manor Multi-Service Center - \$25,000**  
**Good News Mission - \$25,000**  
**Happy Hollow Children's Camp - \$25,000**  
**Hawthorne Community Center - \$20,000**  
**Indiana State Museum Foundation - \$2,058**  
**Indianapolis Parks Foundation - \$22,840**  
**Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Foundation - \$5,250**  
**Jameson Camp - \$17,500**  
**Keep Indianapolis Beautiful - \$25,000**  
**Life Line Community Center - \$6,000**

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- Mary Rigg Neighborhood Center - \$25,000**
- Mizpah-Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church - \$12,750**
- New Covenant Church & Ministries - \$5,579**
- Redeemer Hospitality Mission - \$23,000**
- Save the Youth - \$18,910**
- Shepherd Community - \$20,000**
- Speedway Baptist Church - \$25,000**
- VSA Arts of Indiana - \$14,000**
- Young Audiences of Indiana - \$5,150**
- Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church - \$7,593**