# Grants ... Strengthening our Community

Our donors believe that having strong nonprofit organizations and supporting the services they provide are integral to Licking County's vitality. The Foundation is home to 300 philanthropic funds which are used in a variety of ways to provide support for nonprofit organizations with grants. In partnership with donors, we distributed \$4.3 million in grants across a broad range of programs in 2022. Discretionary grants—from field of interest funds that support causes selected by the donor, and from unrestricted funds—are approved by the Foundation's Governing Committee to support specific charities. Donors also provide grant funding directly to organizations through agency, designated agency, project, donor advised and community charitable funds. The Foundation strives to support both our donors and our nonprofit partners as we work together to strengthen the community.

#### **Strategic Grant Program**

As a result of intentional and frequent engagement with our nonprofit community, LCF continuously gains new insights into how different organizations of many shapes and sizes are meeting a broad and complex array of needs Licking County. Awarded as one-year and multi-year discretionary grants, this strategic support helps area nonprofits meet the ever-changing needs of our community.

#### Generally, LCF strategic grants are focused on projects or programs that:

- Help launch new projects which represent a unique and unduplicated opportunity for the community
- Support established organizations for special purposes
- · Support organizations which deliver effective existing programs to assist or empower underserved or disadvantaged populations
- · Offer new approaches to solving problems and stimulate others to participate in problem-solving
- · Create opportunities for organizations to collaborate without duplicating services, and leverage additional resources
- Make a clear difference in the quality of life for a substantial number of people
- · Propose innovative, creative and practical solutions to both current and emerging community needs
- Strengthen an agency's effectiveness or stability
- Generate matching funds







LCF's current multi-year grant partnerships address priority areas related to: Arts & Culture, Capital Projects, Community Development, Education, Health, Supportive Communities

### 2022-2024 Partnerships (as of 12/31/2022) for the general operating support of:

American Red Cross of East Central Ohio: disaster assistance programs in Licking County.

Behavioral Healthcare Partners of Central Ohio, Inc.: establishing a Neighborhood Homeless Outreach Specialist position.

Boys and Girls Club of Central Ohio: youth programming in Licking County.

**Buckeye Valley Family YMCA:** the All for One Camp program. **Fostering Further:** the Hope Landing program.

Friends of the Licking County Library: the Dolly Parton Imagination Library in Licking County.

**GROW Licking County:** economic development in Licking County.

I Am Boundless, Inc.: youth programming in Licking County.

Licking County Aging Partners: the Center for Visual Improvement.

- Licking County Coalition for Housing: housing assistance programs in Licking County.
- Licking County HOPE: the CDF Freedom Schools of Licking County.

Licking Memorial Health Foundation: youth programming.

Licking Park District: the installation of the Nature Playscape at Infirmary Mound Park.

Mental Health America: youth programming.

**Newark Development Partners:** the restoration of the historic Newark Arcade.

**Newark-Granville Symphony Orchestra:** youth programming. **Newark Midland Theatre Association:** youth programming.

Legal Aid of Southeast & Central Ohio: the Children's Legal Assistance Project in Licking County.

Pathways of Central Ohio: 2-1-1 services in Licking County. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio:

the Helping Hands program in Licking County.

**Salvation Army:** emergency shelter services in Licking County. **The Village Network:** youth programming in Licking County.

Whole Living Recovery: transitional recovery housing services in Licking County.

The Woodlands of Central Ohio: New Beginnings Shelter & Services.

LCF's one-year grant partnerships address strategic initiatives, specific donor fields of interest and focus areas related to: Advocacy for the poor and underserved, Animal welfare, Transportation for emergency health and basic needs, Mental health services and support for women and school-age children, Environmental Protection, Quality of life for senior citizens

## Current Partnerships (as of 5/16/2024) for the general operating support of:

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Licking & Perry Counties:** youth programming in Licking County.

Canal Market District: healthy food options in Licking County. Catholic Social Services: programming for older adults. Family Health Services of East Central Ohio: primary care

services in Licking County. Denison University: The Reporting Project.

Granville Center for the Arts: the promotion of the arts in Licking County.

**Granville Police Department:** the development of a law enforcement training facility in Licking County.

Heart of Ohio Quilters Guild: programming for older adults.

Junior Achievement: youth programs at the Newark Learning Center.

Licking County Aging Partners: programming for older adults.

Licking County Coalition of Care: emergency shelter services in Licking County.

- Licking County Community Center for 60+ Adults: programming for older adults.
- Licking County Health Department: the child safety/car seat program.

Licking County Humane Society: animal welfare programs. Licking County TNR: animal welfare programs.

Licking County Library: bringing a cultural exhibit on Anne Frank to Licking County.

- Licking County Soil & Water Conservation District: developing an environmental stakeholder inventory for Licking County.
- Licking County Transit: the Deviated Fixed Route in Licking County.

**Licking Park District:** promoting and maintaining recreational trails in Licking County.

Lower Lights Health: primary care services in Licking County.

MidOhio Food Collective: healthy food options in Licking County.

Newborns in Need: programming for older adults.

**St. Vincent Haven:** emergency shelter services in Licking County.

**Together We Grow Gardens:** healthy food options in Licking County.

The Turban Project: programming for older adults. Weathervane Playhouse: youth programming.

