

# THE BRIEF

CONNECTING PEOPLE WHO CARE  
WITH CAUSES THAT MATTER

FEBRUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

## IMPORTANT DATES

SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATIONS DUE  
February 24, 2025  
by 4pm

YOUTH SERVING  
PROGRAMS GRANT  
APPLICATION OPENS  
April 11, 2025

YOUTH SERVING  
PROGRAMS GRANT  
APPLICATION  
DEADLINE  
May 2, 2025 by 4pm

RENEWAL  
SCHOLARSHIPS  
APPLICATION  
DEADLINE  
May 31, 2025

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COMMUNITY AT  
HEART



*2024 Elevate Impact Nonprofit Series Participants*

Because at the core of everything we do,  
it's the **love for this community that unites us all.**





2024 Elevate Impact Nonprofit Series Session



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## We're Bringing Back Elevate Impact this Year!

We're thrilled to announce that after the success of the 2024 Elevate Impact program, we're bringing it back for 2025! This year's series will offer free, targeted training sessions designed to help nonprofit organizations and their leaders grow and thrive. Elevate Impact will meet four times throughout the year, with each session covering unique topics—not the same as last year's. While attendance is free, we ask that participants RSVP to Stephanie Fox, our Director of Grants & Scholarships. You're welcome to attend the sessions that best fit your needs—you don't have to commit to all of them. A big thank you to all the organizations that participated last year (listed below)—we hope to see you back again this year!

### 2024 Elevate Impact Participants

- ▶ Access Johnson County Public Transit
- ▶ Aspire Economic Development + Chamber Alliance
- ▶ Bridges Alliance of Johnson County
- ▶ Clarity of Central Indiana
- ▶ Discover Downtown Franklin
- ▶ Franklin Chamber of Commerce
- ▶ Franklin Development Corporation
- ▶ Franklin Heritage, Inc.
- ▶ Girls Inc. of Johnson County
- ▶ Great Harvest Food Pantry
- ▶ Greenwood Parks Foundation
- ▶ Habitat for Humanity of Johnson County
- ▶ Haven for Healing
- ▶ Johnson County Learning Center
- ▶ Johnson County Public Library
- ▶ Johnson County Senior Services
- ▶ Johnson Memorial Hospital Foundation
- ▶ Resources of Hope
- ▶ The Refuge
- ▶ Turning Point Domestic Violence Services
- ▶ Upstream Prevention, Inc.

**Subject, topics, dates, and locations will be announced at a later date for 2025 Elevate Impact Series!**

### THE CHAIR DECLARES

**Tom Sprague**  
Chair of the Board



2024 was an exciting year for the Johnson County Community Foundation, with so many things to be especially proud! We made history with the largest grant cycle of the Foundation's history, we had a very successful matching campaign for community partners, and started a project of identifying our next key community issue to confront.

We saw significant growth to our team in 2024 with the addition of our Communications Manager, Mallory Carnes; Executive Coordinator, Joe Morris; and our CEO & President, Kim Kasting completing her first full year. We also streamlined the way we recruit to our committees and board; while also standardizing the way each committee looks. I am very proud of the work that the staff and Board completed in 2024.

In 2025, we're looking forward to living out our theme: "Community at Heart" — because at the core of everything we do, it's the love for this community that unites us all. The Johnson County Community Foundation is proud to be supported by generous donors who are deeply committed to the well-being of our community. These individuals and families care deeply about making a positive impact, and through their contributions, they help strengthen the fabric of Johnson County. By "connecting people who care with causes that matter," we are able to address critical needs and inspire lasting change.

**Congratulations to our  
2025 Lilly Endowment  
Community Scholarship  
Recipients of Johnson  
County!**







2024 Community Needs Grant Recipients

## Spring Grant Cycle Focuses on Youth Serving Programs

The Johnson County Community Foundation offers grants to nonprofit organizations for charitable programs and projects in Johnson County, Indiana or serving Johnson County residents. Anyone interested in applying for a grant must follow the application process and apply by the posted deadline. *If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Fox at (317) 738-2213 or [stephanief@jccf.org](mailto:stephanief@jccf.org).*

### Youth Serving Programs

- ▶ Application Opens – April 11, 2025
- ▶ Application Due – May 2, 2025 by 4pm
- ▶ Organizations will be notified no later than May 22, 2025

### Unrestricted Community Needs

- ▶ Application Opens – July 11, 2025
- ▶ Application Due – August 1, 2025 by 4pm
- ▶ Organizations will be notified no later than August 21, 2025

### Mental Health Programs

- ▶ Application Opens – October 10, 2025
- ▶ Application Due – October 31, 2025 by 4pm
- ▶ Organizations will be notified no later than November 20, 2024



**Anna Brumley**

Franklin Community High School



**Haroon Mardanzai**

Whiteland Community High School



**Kalli Cadwell**

Franklin Community High School

## 2024 AT A GLANCE



ASSETS

**\$50 MILLION**



UNIQUE DONORS

**574**



GIFTS

**\$4,669,639**



**20**

COMMUNITY  
PARTNERS

**\$67,500**



**406**

GRANTS

**\$2,323,375**



**178**

SCHOLARSHIPS

**\$810,976**



TOTAL GRANTS &  
SCHOLARSHIPS

**\$3.1+ MIL**

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2025  
SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATIONS  
NOW OPEN

IMPORTANT DATES

➡ FEBRUARY 24, 2025 – Application Deadline by 4:00 p.m.  
➡ MAY 31, 2025 – Renewal Scholarship Application Deadline



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