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13th ANNUAL VOLUNTEER FAIR & BLOOD DRIVE UNITES NONPROFITS WITH VOLUNTEERS













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# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

COLLABORATION IS THE ESSENCE OF LIFE. THE WIND, BEES AND FLOWERS WORK TOGETHER, TO SPREAD THE POLLEN.

> AMIT RAY INDIAN AUTHOR

There was a buzz in the air that couldn't be denied. The annual Volunteer Fair & Blood Drive hosted by the Crown Point Community Foundation this past

March was high energy. The Fair provided an opportunity for nonprofits to showcase their mission and connect with potential volunteers of all ages looking for ways to make a difference in their community.

The Fair was also the perfect environment to facilitate conversations and interactions as well as foster a sharing spirit and collaborative attitude amongst the nonprofits, who know that we typically accomplish more and attain greater results when working together.

But collaboration is about so much more than a tool for achieving business goals or personal dreams. Collaboration is about compassion, love, support, kindness, and the power that we gain when we share with each other and lean on each other. And just like the wind, bees, and flowers, it takes all of us, donors, nonprofits, and the Foundation, working in unison to care for each other and create impactful change.

We are grateful and thankful for each of you and all that you do to support us as we continue to carry out our mission of enhancing the quality of life in South Lake County by facilitating charitable giving, initiating responses to targeted needs, and building permanent named endowments funds to support nonprofit organizations in our communities and beyond through our grantmaking and special projects.

On pages 6-7, we highlight the activities from this year's Volunteer Fair & Blood Drive and hope that it will inspire you to share with others how they too can get more involved in the life of our community.

As a public charitable organization, the Crown Point Community Foundation supports a broad range of community needs. If there is a cause you are passionate about, we have a fund to support your interest. Small donations are just as important as large donations. And with our \$2.5 million-dollar \$1 for \$1 Matching Challenge made available by the generosity of the Dean and Barbara White Family Foundation, it's the perfect time to make a gift and double your impact! See page 10 to learn more about qualifying gifts and available matching monies.

On behalf of our Board of Directors and staff, we thank you for your continued support and partnership! In the spirit of collaboration, together we can continue to make a positive difference in South Lake County and beyond... now and for generations to come!





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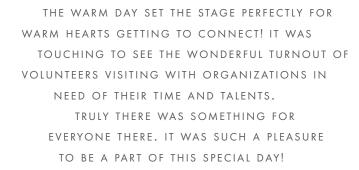












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# **CPCF GRANTS AT WORK**

# Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter







# With your help, patients who suffer from Lupus have more access to the care they need.

A \$2,000 grant was awarded to the Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter from the Crown Point Community Foundation.

Lupus is a spectrum autoimmune, chronic disease and can manifest in several forms. The most common is systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) that can cause pain throughout the body, inflammation, organ failure and even death. Around 3,000 individuals in Lake County have been diagnosed with the disease.

The Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter has been serving the state since 1987, helping to support research, conduct education programs, raise awareness of the disease, and support those who have been diagnosed with Lupus.

Living with lupus can be a financial strain. A 2016 study found that the average annual direct health care costs of a patient with lupus was \$33,223. To help to ease this burden, the Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter created the Patient Access to Healthcare (PATH) program in 2019. The program assists patients with expenses including prescriptions, co-pays, medical transportation and housing.

"The PATH program assisted me in acquiring clean living quarters and utility assistance when I was unable to work with lupus complications," said a resident receiving care. "I am so grateful for this amazing program."

For more information about the Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter, please visit www.lupus.org/indiana.

THE STAFF OF THE LUPUS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA, INDIANA CHAPTER WOULD LIKE TO SINCERELY THANK CPCF FOR THE GENEROUS GRANT THAT ALLOWED US TO ADVANCE OUR PATH PROGRAM AND ASSIST PEOPLE LIVING WITH LUPUS.



LA TOIJA SNODGRASS, MA, MPH CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER LUPUS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA, INDIANA CHAPTER

# **COMMUNITY GRANTS**

# THE CPCF AWARDED \$123,416.00 IN UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY GRANTS IN THE FEBRUARY CYCLE.

# Arts, Culture - \$12,600.00

# Cedar Lake Historical Association - \$10,000

Structurally reinforce the museum porch and elevate the visitors first impression, both by day and night.

### Indiana Ballet Theatre NW, Inc. - \$2,600

Refurbishing the floor in studio 1 to provide a safe space for the dancers to take classes and rehearse.

# Economic Development - \$2,750.00

# Indiana Plan - \$2,750

Funding to bring more awareness to a free construction awareness program to residents of the Southlake region and increasing participation from those in the program.

# Education - \$10,930.00

# CPCSC/Crown Point High School - \$3,000

Provide financial assistance to pay for AP Exams for students with financial need.

## Lake Street PTO - \$750

Purchase a sensory path to help provide a calming, self-regulatory, and sensory movement break for students.

# Rotary Club of Crown Point - \$7,180

Help fund the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program.

# Environmental - \$1,830.00

# Lake County Fairgrounds - \$1,830

Purchase pet waste bags for Fairgrounds.

# Food, Nutrition, Agriculture - \$15,000.00

# Community Help Network - \$15,000

Fund the Buddy Bag Program which provides weekend meals for food insecure students in South Lake County.

# Housing, Shelter - \$8,726.00

St. Jude House, Inc. - \$8,726

New dining room tables and chairs.

# Human Services - \$48,750.00

# Crossroads YMCA - \$3,000

Support for the YMCA Income Based Tuition Program.

# Exceptional Equestrians Unlimited Inc. - \$5,000

Barn Rebuild - for Parent/Student viewing area.

# Franciscan Health Foundation - \$10,000

Serve vulnerable Crown Point residents of all ages with ongoing and new programs geared toward children, older adults, and families without enough nutritious food to eat.

# Hair for All Foundation Corp. - \$2,500

Reimbursement wig program for cancer and Alopecia patients in South Lake County.

# Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly - \$5,000

To expand the visiting and social programs to alleviate isolation and loneliness for South Lake County seniors who are otherwise alone in life.

# NWI Cancer Kids Foundation, Inc. - \$2,500

Purchase client management software.

# Operation Combat Bikesaver - \$9,000

Provide financial, transportation and mental health services to veterans in need.

# Pink Ribbon Society, Inc. - \$10,000

Enable Pink Ribbon Society to expand its Patient Financial Assistance Program.

# Wittenberg Village - \$1,750

Create a new veterans honor wall commemorating and honoring those in the Wittenberg community who served our nation.

# Public Safety - \$7,330.00

Lakes of the Four Seasons Volunteer Fire Force, Inc. - match up to \$7,330 Obtain new and better intubation equipment.

# Religion - \$2,500.00

# South Point Community Church - match up to \$2,500

New indoor playground for children in the church and community.

# Youth Development - \$13,000.00

# Crown Point Babe Ruth League - \$10,000

Purchase a much needed new mower.

# Hanover Central Athletic Boosters - match up to \$3,000

Fund a TouchWall that will display and safely store the Athletic Records.

# 13th ANNUAL CPCF

# Volunteer Fair

& Blood Drive Vversiti





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MEMBERS. FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: MARY NIELSEN - DIANE REIMER, CPCF GRANT AND SCHOLARSHIP MANAGER - CHRISANNE CHRIST, CPCF CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD - MEMBERS FROM THE FAIR HAVEN RAPE CRISIS CENTER: BECCA EMERSON, ANTI-TRAFFICKING COORDINATOR; MAYA ROSALES, ASSISTANT COORDINATOR; JENNA MARTIN, DIRECT SERVICES COORDINATOR; AND SHANA ROBERTSON, COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIRECTOR - MEMBERS FROM THE SELF-INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS OF NWI: RUTH HALSTEAD, FOUNDER, PRESIDENT; AND CHRIS SINGEL, GROUP FACILITATOR - MEMBERS FROM CEDAR LAKE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION: VICKIE RAINWATER, CEDAR LAKE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION BOARD PRESIDENT; AND JULIE ZASADA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLHA - MEMBERS FROM HEALING STREAM OASIS CHURCH: PASTORS DR. DENNY AND CHARLENE OLSEN - WINFIELD COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S PRESIDENT, RENEE CLAYTON - CPCF BOARD MEMBERS: INDIRA BRIGHAM AND DANIEL ROOT / CPCF BOARD MEMBER BEN BALLOU REGISTERS TO GIVE BLOOD

# The 13th annual Volunteer Fair & Blood Drive, sponsored by the Crown Point Community Foundation, gave the community a much-needed chance to reconnect after struggling through the pandemic.

Nonprofits that had faced closures, restrictions and increased need were matched with hundreds of potential volunteers who were happy to be out on a beautiful day and have the chance to make a difference.

"It's great to be back," said Mary Nielsen, Crown Point Community Foundation President. "Volunteers are the lifeblood of nonprofit organizations. The fair is one of the ways we as the Crown Point Community Foundation help to support them and the importance of their work in our community."

More than 40 nonprofits from throughout Lake County attended the event. The CPCF also awarded five grants for \$1,000 each to randomly-selected participating organizations. Congratulations to this year's grant winners: Cedar Lake Historical Association, Fair Haven Rape Crisis Center, Healing Streams Oasis Church, Self-Injury Support Groups of Northwest Indiana, and Winfield Community Foundation.

"Fair Haven Rape Crisis Center can only provide free advocacy

support to victims of sexual trauma with the continued support of the community in which we serve," said Shana Robertson, Community Relations Director at Fair Haven Rape Crisis Center. "We are so ecstatic and blessed to receive this grant! Thank you to Crown Point Community Foundation and to all the organizations that continue to provide excellent services in NWI."

"As a smaller nonprofit, the volunteer fair not only connects us with potential new members, it also helps us reach out to other nonprofits in the area," said Renee Clayton, President of Winfield Community Foundation. "Communication and bridging these links definitely makes us a stronger organization. We are grateful to be the beneficiary of one of the grants this year and will be investing it directly back into our community. Thank you so much!"













PHOTOS CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: FAIR HAVEN RAPE CRISIS CENTER / MARY NIELSEN, PRESIDENT OF THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION WITH EXCEPTIONAL EQUESTRIANS UNLIMITED / TRI-TOWN SAFETY VILLAGE / THE SHARE GROUP / MEALS ON WHEELS NWI / CROWN POINT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

We were thrilled to be selected as a 2022 grant recipient," said Julie Zasada, Executive Director of the Cedar Lake Historical Association. "We have earmarked the funds to support the return of our resort history steamboat rides on Cedar Lake."

Although the Volunteer Fair is always a favorite event in which to participate, this year's fair was one of the best," said Joy Heminger, President of Prevent Child Abuse Lake County. "Seeing and catching up with old and new friends from many organizations was a special time that made everyone feel more "normal" again. And getting together at an in-person event produced an energy that could be felt by everyone who attended.

"It was amazing to see so many people with the common goal of making people's lives better in NWI," said CPCF Board Member Indira Brigham. "Each organization had their own unique way of helping others, so there was a wide variety of groups that participants were able to learn more about and sign up to volunteer. It was a heartwarming afternoon to see so many fantastic nonprofit groups in the same place at once!"

"The volunteer fair helps secure volunteers of all ages, elementary through adult, to advance our mission of inclusion, remove isolation, and an opportunity to meet new friends," said Mark Lantz, Deputy Director Program and Operations at Best Buddies Indiana.

"Volunteers are the heart of Meals on Wheels NWI," said Charlie Misovye, Volunteer Manager at Meals on Wheels. "We cannot do what we do without them. The return of the Crown Point Community Foundation Volunteer Fair allowed me to visit with some of our active volunteers as well as recruit new volunteers. It was nice to reconnect with other nonprofit groups, share thoughts and ideas, discover how they are working with volunteers and the changes they are making as we all navigate in this new world of challenges we all now face. The attendees were eager and enthusiastic about volunteering and making a difference in someone's life. After following up with the sign-ups we had at the event, we may have upwards of 12 new volunteers! Thanks to CPCF for organizing such a great event. See you next year!"

In addition to the Volunteer Fair, there was an onsite Blood Drive conducted by Versiti Blood Centers. The blood drive met their goal of 16 units which will potentially help up to 48 patients in need!

The Crown Point Community Foundation would like to thank all of the nonprofits who attended as well as the potential volunteers and blood donors. We would also like to thank Versiti Blood Centers, the Crown Point Community School Corporation, LAMAR, The Times Newspaper, the Crown Point RoboDogs Team 2171, and the CPCF Board of Directors for helping to make this event possible. For more information, please contact www.thecpcf.org.

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# \$2.5 MILLION DOLLAR MATCHING OPPORTUNITY

The \$2.5 million dollar Matching Challenge is racing to the finish! Only \$233,890.21 remains! Have your donation go even further. Every dollar you donate will be doubled, making this the perfect time of year to double your impact before the challenge ends.

Announced just one year ago, the \$2.5 million dollar MATCHING CHALLENGE, made possible by the Dean and Barbara White Family Foundation, is almost complete! This \$1 for \$1\* matching challenge provides donors the opportunity to grow endowed funds of their choice and to increase operating endowment funds to cover the operating costs of the Crown Point Community Foundation. Every dollar you donate will be doubled, but only until the remaining \$233,890.21 of the challenge is met!

\*Gifts to any Operating Endowment Fund receive 100% of the match. Gifts to other Endowment Fund types receive 50% of the match, with the other 50% benefiting the CPCF Operating Endowment Fund. "We have been amazed by the outpouring of generosity from the community because of this matching program," said Mary Nielsen, CPCF President. "Mr. and Mrs. White loved this community, and through their Foundation continue to give back. Join them in keeping our community strong by making a donation today."

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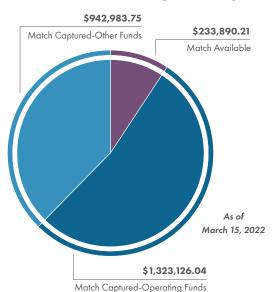
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JENNIFER RITTER

The Board of Directors
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the Crown Point Community
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recipients of CPCF grants,
help to solicit donations,
and promote the Foundation
throughout the community.
We are proud to welcome
our newest board
member. Jennifer Ritter.

# JENNIFER RITTER

Jennifer Ritter's parents, Jerry and Margie Grecco, instilled in her the values of participating in community life and helping those in need. She was raised in Crown Point, attending Saint Mary Catholic Community School and Andrean High School. She earned a Bachelor of Arts with High Distinction in History and a minor in French at Indiana University Northwest. She accepted a position with the Federal Government, where she met her husband, Patrick, to whom she has been married for 29 years.

They raised their daughter, Megan, in Crown Point, where Jennifer volunteered for Tri Kappa, serving as its president. She served as president of the Saint Mary Catholic Community School Advisory Council and as a member of the Crown Point High School Music Boosters. She has been an employee of the federal government for over 22 years and is currently a technical expert in her field.

"I have always felt fulfilled when working and volunteering in my community," Jennifer said. "I love Crown Point and am so happy with all the growth our city is experiencing. I am excited to join the Crown Point Community Foundation so I can participate in all the good work the Foundation does for the people of South Lake County."



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Five Questions for

# Kevin Huseman

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Kevin Huseman was raised in Lowell. He and his wife Renee have been married for 38 years. They have 13 children (11 through adoption), and one grandchild. In 1990, Kevin and Renee founded Point Imaging, a graphics manufacturing business. They sold the company in 2012. In 2013 they founded a housing ministry named Kingdom Housing, LLC and began buying distressed residential properties, rehabbing them and providing clean, affordable housing for families of modest means.

Kevin & Renee's history with the Crown Point Community Foundation began in 2012. Following the death of their oldest son Brandon on Thanksgiving Day 2011, they approached the Foundation and established the Brandon Aaron Huseman Memorial Endowment Fund. In the spirit of Brandon's compassion for the vulnerable of society, his namesake fund was established to support fostering, adoption and at-risk youth.

In the spirit of Matthew 25:40, Kevin trusts that God will continue to direct his steps, and his role with the Crown Point Community Foundation.

# 1. What's the best advice you've ever received?

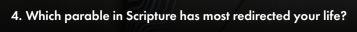
Life often delivers demands to compromise your character. You will do well applying the following quote by Denis Waitley: "Change the changeable, accept the unchangeable, and remove yourself from the unacceptable."

# 2. What question do you look forward to receiving when someone hears about your family?

Can you tell me about your family?

# 3. What inspires you?

The increasing evidence, graciously made manifest by God, how He is faithful of His promises; "I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever, for their own good and the good of their children after them. I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts, that they may not turn from me. I will rejoice in doing them good, and I will plant them in this land in faithfulness, with all my heart and all my soul." (Jeremiah 32:39-41 ESV)



The parable of the rich fool. (Luke 12:16-21)

# 5. What is your advice to have fulfillment in retirement?

Don't retire. Work is good, and when your work is discharged properly over time, it meets with much blessing. I respectfully suggest that most who "retire" will likely rust out before they wear out.

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