SCOTT COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

> 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

"Looking Forward, Giving Back"



Message from the Board Chair and Executive Director

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

The year 2024 brought continued growth and impact in Scott County. Our community hit the milestone of 100,000 books delivered through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library! Our Early Childhood Committee completed a strategic plan for early care and education in Scott County after conducting numerous listening sessions with community groups. Over \$380,000 in grants and scholarships was awarded to the community! Eighty-two youth in middle and high school learned about giving back to the community through the Youth Grantmaking Council. We offered a governance series to strengthen local nonprofits and continued our partnership with Leadership Southern Indiana to offer leadership development. Several new funds were created to provide a permanent source of support for nonprofits and students.

We were excited to receive a matching grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. for \$750,000! Gifts to unrestricted funds are being matched \$2 for every \$1 donated until December 31, 2025. At the end of our fiscal year, September 30, 2024, we were on track for meeting our fundraising goal. When we reach our goal, it will eventually result in an additional \$33,000 per year in grants back to the community! Gifts to the Scott County Family YMCA Community Project Fund are also being matched \$1 for every \$1 donated. The Y is working towards construction and renovation of their building to expand childcare availability. Almost 70% of children birth to five in Scott County can't be placed in registered childcare due to lack of supply (an estimated 777 kids). The YMCA special project will help address the childcare crisis, not only by allowing parents to work, but also providing a safe learning environment for kids, giving them a head start on life.

As a supporter of the Scott County Community Foundation, we cannot thank you enough for your generosity! You are a part of the solution, and we are so thankful to work alongside you to accomplish all these great things happening!



Al Riggle Chairman



Jaime Toppe

Executive Director

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ACCREDITED FOUNDATION

Platinum Transparency 2024

Candid.

The National Standards Seal indicates confirmation from the Council on Foundations that we have met the most rigorous standards in philanthropy for donor services, investment management, grantmaking, and administration. We were also recognized for our transparency with the 2024 Platinum Seal through Candid/Guidestar.

Customized Giving



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of funds you can choose to donate to (or create your own and add to this number!)

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Different types of funds you can choose to create to achieve your charitable goals

We would love to partner with you to help our community! Your donation is permanently invested, allowing your gift to support the community forever. You can customize your philanthropy - choose from several ways to give, where you want your dollars to go, and how involved you want to be. How can you help? Choose an area below and contact us to start the conversation.

- Agriculture
- Arts & Historical Preservation
- Community Health
- Education
- Environment
- Faith
- Parks & Recreation
- Social Services
- Youth Development
- All the above!



\$5,000

Minimum amount to create your own endowment fund (\$20,000 for scholarships)

\$1,000

Amount you can start with to create a fund until it reaches the minimum level to be a permanent fund (\$10,000 for scholarships)

New Funds

Everyone can be a philanthropist (giving your time, talent, and treasure). Gifts of every kind and size make a difference in our community! We are grateful to the donors who created new endowment funds this year.

PATRICIA E. BRIDGE COMMUNITY FUND

This unrestricted fund was created by small business owner Pat Bridge to support the community that has given so generously to her over the years. Pat has worked for AFLAC for 45 years, and during that time has greatly enjoyed meeting and talking with people. During her interactions with others, and as a former board member for the Community Foundation, she has learned of the needs of the community. By having an unrestricted fund, it allows the Board of Directors to meet the changing needs of the community and help where it is most needed.



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Number of new funds created in 2024

26

Years of serving Scott
____ County

DEVONNIA TSCHEULIN MEMORIAL FUND

This unrestricted fund honors the legacy of a mother, wife, daughter, and friend. Devonnia was introduced to the public servant world when her brother asked her to take an EMT class



when she was 19. She ended up becoming a paramedic. She helped rebuild EMS services as Deputy Director and Deputy Chief, serving as a leader and mentor to many young EMTs and paramedics across the state. She saved hundreds of lives and had numerous awards for her service. She helped secure grant funding for the Scott County EMS, appearing before the Community Foundation's grants committee in 2023. Her efforts helped earn a grant for blood analyzers to shorten the time for EMS to identify issues on the scene.

Devonnia loved being a mother, and passed away one day after giving birth to her third child. She left behind her husband, Mike, and three children, Chase Michael, Katie Jo, and Maverick Edward.

"Her death has left an unimaginable hole in the community and her family. I want her legacy to live on forever through the Foundation," said Mike. "I want the citizens of Scott County to remember the sacrifices she made for her community and state for years to come. Devonnia's legacy of helping Scott County is forever, not temporary, forever cementing her work as a public servant and in EMS."

COWLES FAMILY FUND

Lillian Cowles taught Language Arts at Scottsburg High School from 1968 until her passing in 1991, following in the footsteps of her valued friend and mentor, Thelma Hogue. She also taught music lessons on organ, piano, guitar, and banjo. She played banjo



and sang with the AC Spark Plug bluegrass band, played the organ at the First Christian Church in Scottsburg from the age of 13 throughout her life, and along with her family found the time to operate an ice cream truck for a few summers. She taught in memorable ways, found the gift in each student, and made a lasting impression on those who knew her. She had a special place in her heart for children and friends who faced challenges, and her family hopes to honor her legacy by helping fund secondary educational expenses for Scott County students who work hard to succeed while facing challenging circumstances. The Lillian Cowles Memorial Scholarship will be awarded this spring to a deserving student, in her honor.

KAMERON DRAPER MEMORIAL **FOUNDATION**

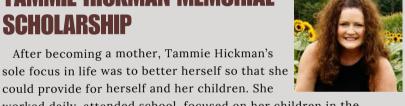
The Kameron Draper Memorial Foundation was created by Kam's family to bring awareness to the overdose and addiction challenges, in the hopes that it will assist others in the early stages of their recovery.



Kameron was an active boy who loved sports, his family, and excelled in school. Unfortunately, his experimentation with marijuana led to an addiction to pain pills and then eventually heroin. He had dreams of majoring in psychology and assisting people struggling with mental health and substance use. He had excelled in a couple recovery programs and developed a relationship with Jesus Christ. He shared his story often and was on track with a good job and new friends. Tragically, addiction overcame him once more and he passed away from a lethal fentanyl dose in 2019. His mom and sisters created this fund in his loving memory.

"Addiction does not discriminate and bringing awareness to this and the rise in overdoses is what this fund will strive to do as well as assisting efforts for those in the early stages seeking recovery," shared his mom Laura.

TAMMIE HICKMAN MEMORIAL **SCHOLARSHIP**



worked daily, attended school, focused on her children in the evening, and would stay up late into the morning hours to finish her homework. Tammie attended Ivy Tech and became a Licensed Practical Nurse in 1995 and then a Registered Nurse in 2000. She then obtained her Master of Science in Nursing in 2016, becoming a board-certified Family Nurse Practitioner. She always went above and beyond for her patients, sometimes working long evening hours to help patients in need. Many in the community love and respect her from the care they received while she served in this position as she cared for each patient like they were a member of her own

In June 2020, Tammie was diagnosed with advanced melanoma. She fought with determination, focus, and resilience, and her faith and strength were unwavering. Tammie ran into the arms of Jesus on Jan. 28, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. She will be remembered as someone who truly showed the love of Christ in every aspect of her life. She found happiness in serving others. She loved her family with the fiercest love of all, and her smile, laughter and joyous personality will be missed by everyone who knew her.

"There aren't enough words to describe the kind of love our mother had for those in the community, and we thought a perfect way for her caring, compassionate, and selfless legacy to continue to make a lasting impact would be to establish a scholarship fund in her name," shared her family. The Tammie Hickman Memorial Scholarship will be awarded this spring to an Austin High School graduating senior, with preference to those pursuing an education in nursing or another related medical field.

Programs & Initiatives

StoryWalk®

What do you get when you combine a love for reading with exercise and nature? You get a StoryWalk®! A series of storybook pages are placed on signs along a walking path to encourage early literacy skills and interaction with nature. Books are sponsored by local businesses and families, and are rotated quarterly. By the end of our fiscal year, we had 15 books shared with the community at three locations: Austin Community Park, Manaugh Memorial Park, and Scott County Courthouse. We love seeing photos from walks with parents and grandparents, as well as school field trips!



Imagination Library

Over eleven years ago, we partnered with United Way of Scott County to bring the Dolly Parton Imagination Library to our community. In January 2024, we commemorated the 100,000th book delivered to Scott County students! "Dolly" helped us celebrate at the Scott County Public Library at our pajama party by reading a book and singing a song. Library staff provided a craft and everyone had a fun time!

Almost 900 children were registered to receive free, age-appropriate books every month, mailed right to their homes. Over 2,300 children have "graduated" from the program when they turned five. We are incredibly thankful for the donors and partners who make this program possible!





Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council









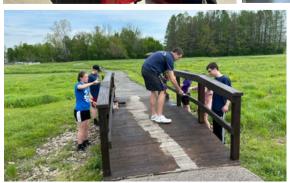














Eighty-one youth in grades 6-12 learned about giving their time, talent, and treasure back to the community this past year. Some of YGC's accomplishments included:

- Awarded \$6,813 in grants for 11 youth projects;
- Visited grant recipients to see firsthand the impact of their grantmaking;
- Participated in 28 community service projects;
- Raised \$697 at their Restaurant Night and Chillers fundraisers;
- Learned leadership skills through officer and chairperson positions, grant decision-making, community presentations, and interviews for new and current members. They represented Scott County at Leadership Southern Indiana's Scott County Day, sharing all about
- Grew closer through fun activities like Friendsgiving and paintball;
- Taught philanthropy to 4th and 5th graders at Vienna-Finley Elementary School.













10 Scholarship recipients

\$103,850

Scholarship assistance to graduating seniors and non-traditional adult learners

Alice and Gerald Miner Memorial Scholarship: Jaxon Barnett, \$5,400 Arthur Gene Mayer Memorial Scholarship: Brayden Furnish, \$1,200

Beverly Crowell Memorial Scholarship: Leah Shuler, \$500

Carter-Waldkoetter Memorial Scholarship: Meredith Slaton, \$20,250

Charles G. and Lois D. Nolan Memorial Scholarship: Logan Steier, \$1,200

Christie Crafton Memorial Scholarship: Leah Shuler, \$500

Dale McNeely Memorial Scholarship: Emma Spaulding, \$12,000; Sophia Voiles, \$10,500; Skylar Herald, \$9,500

Epply-Shields Memorial Scholarship: Leah Shuler, \$5,000

Lilly Scholar Endowment Fund: Ashley Rice and Sophia Voiles, \$500 each **Mary Elizabeth & Virgil S. Miller Memorial Scholarship:** Ashley Rice and Kati Craig, \$2,450 each

Pilot Club Lifeline/Mary Allen & Jan Thompson Healthcare Scholarship: Kelsey Marshall, \$3,000

Robert G. Comer Memorial Scholarship: Sophia Voiles, \$500

Scott Memorial Hospital Guild Brunton-Mumford Memorial

Scholarship: Alexis Madden and Kellan Carter, up to \$7,500 each

Scott Memorial Hospital Ivy Tech Scholarship: Brianna Churchill, Emma

Day, Bryenne Sky Williams, \$1,100 each

Shelley Comer Akers Memorial Scholarship: Sophia Voiles, \$500 **Timothy Michael Wolf Memorial Scholarship:** Kendra Shuler, \$6,000; Sydney Mayer, \$3,000

Walter S. and Clarice (White) Bridgewater Memorial Scholarship: Kati Craig, \$500





2024 Lilly Scholar: Hailey Schafer

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship recipients receive 4-year scholarships for tuition plus \$900 for books and required expenses each year. Hailey Schafer, a graduate of Scottsburg High School, is attending University of Evansville to major in biochemistry/pre-med. The value of her scholarship is \$180,288. Lilly Endowment Inc. has awarded 43 scholarships to Scott County students through the Community Foundation since 1998.

"My first semester was an amazing experience filled with so many blessings, opportunities, and valuable lessons! I had a challenging course load that could be tedious but taught me useful lessons for future classes. Outside the classroom, I had wonderful opportunities to connect with others and step out of my comfort zone. I joined Alpha Omicron Pi and Delight Ministries. Reflecting on my first semester, I feel incredibly grateful for the experiences and growth I have faced, and I am eager to see what the second semester holds! One of my goals is to seek an internship or shadowing opportunity at a local hospital in Evansville to gain more hands-on experience in the medical field."

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Grantees

\$380,045

Grants and scholarships awarded to benefit the community



Align Southern Indiana * Austin Alumni Association * Austin Beautification Committee * Austin High School * Bree's Blessings * CASA of Scott County * CEASe of Scott County * City of Scottsburg Parks Department * CRADLE Family Resource Center * Englishton Park * Gleaners Food Bank * Humane Society of Scott County * Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum * Johnson Elementary School * Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church * LifeSmart Youth * New Creation Ministries * Norton Scott Hospital * Oard Springs Community Center * Preservation Alliance Inc. * Scott County 4-H * Scott County Community Clearinghouse * Scott County Emergency Management Agency * Scott County Family YMCA * Scott County Partnership * Scott County School District 1 * Scott County Youth League * Scottsburg Beautification Committee * Scottsburg Boys Booster Club * Scottsburg First Christian Church * Scottsburg High School Alumni Association * Scottsburg Middle School * Scottsburg United Methodist Church * Servant Ministries * Still Water Individual and Family Therapy * Susan G. Komen for the Cure * Talbott Hospice Foundation * Turning Point Church * United Way of Scott County * Vienna-Finley Elementary School * Wonder Valley Christian Camp

Community Funds

All donors who gave to these funds between October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, are acknowledged on our website. Donors may choose to remain anonymous upon request.

Addie Mae Graham Memorial Fund

Adkins-Jones Family Fund

Agriculture and Education Memorial Fund

AHS Alumni Education Fund

Alice and Gerald Miner Memorial Scholarship Fund Arthur Gene Mayer Memorial Scholarship Fund

Austin Beautification Endowment Fund

Austin High School Academic Team Fund

Barbara Everett Community Fund

Beverly Crowell Memorial Scholarship Fund Bill and Norma Perry Memorial Scholarship Fund

Borden Family Community Granting Fund

Boswell Family Fund

Carol L. Pettit Scholarship Fund

Carter-Waldkoetter Nursing Scholarship Fund

CASA of Scott County Endowment Fund

Charles G. and Lois D. Nolan Memorial Scholarship

Chief John Memorial Campership Fund Christie Crafton Memorial Scholarship Fund

Clark Chapel Cemetery Fund Community Enrichment Fund Connie Renschler Memorial Fund Cornhuskers/FFA Agricultural Fund

Cowles Family Fund

Cree-ating Community Fund Dale and Rosemarie Hobbs Fund

Dale McNeely Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dan and Mary Lou Slattery Fund Devonnia Tscheulin Memorial Fund

Dobbins Family Fund

Dolly Parton Imagination Library Fund

Donald R. and Elizabeth A. (Sue) Collins Sr. Family Fund

Dottie Shelhamer Memorial Fund

Dr. William and Diann Scott Memorial Donor Advised Fund Dr. William and Diann Scott Memorial Unrestricted Fund

Dustin and Derek Jones Memorial Fund

Ed McGuire Memorial Fund

Ella Maude McCulloch Mission Endowment Fund

Epply-Shields Memorial Scholarship Fund First Christian Church Senior Citizens Fund

First Christian Church Youth Fund

The Garten Foundation

Gladys A. Berna Education Fund

Hazel and Lowell Lowry Sr. Memorial Fund

Hazel Gillespie Hunger Fund Jayce Ray Stallings Memorial Fund

Jeff Harris Memorial Fund for the Museum Collections

John and Janice Martin Unrestricted Fund

Joyce Hamilton Historical Preservation Endowment Fund

Joyce Lowry Broady Memorial Endowment Fund

Kameron Draper Foundation

Kathy Nicholson Mission Endowment Fund Kathy Nicholson Music Endowment Fund

Kelley Robbins Endowment Fund for Public Health

Kenneth Roseberry Memorial Fund Kenninger Music Education Fund Kilburn-White Unrestricted Fund

Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church Cemetery Fund

Kiwanis Club of Scott County Fund L.L. and Juanita Lowry Unrestricted Fund Lauren Graham Memorial Fund

Lauren Graham Memorial Breast Cancer Fund

Lauren Graham Memorial Tennis Fund Laurence and Myrtle Bridge Memorial Fund

Lilly Scholar Endowment Fund Martin Christian Education Fund

Mary Elizabeth & Virgil S. Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund

Morgan Family Endowment Fund

Nathan and Alice Bridge Memorial Endowment Fund

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund

NWSB Community Fund Nina Keown Memorial Fund

Norma Nowlin Forever Tree Society Fund Patricia E. Bridge Community Fund

Phi Beta Psi Sorority, Theta Alpha Chapter Forever Tree Society Fund

Philip Glenn Martin Memorial Fund

Phillip Dold Sr. Memorial Unrestricted Fund Phyllis Calvin Educational Endowment Fund

Pilot Club Lifeline/Mary Allen & Jan Thompson Healthcare Scholarship

Randy Copple Memorial Fund Robert and Margie Fawver Fund

Robert G. Comer Memorial Scholarship Fund

Robin Eve Memorial Fund Rosalind English Trust Scott County 4-H Fund

Scott County CAPE Endowment Fund

Scott County Chamber of Commerce Educational Fund Scott County Community Foundation Building Fund Scott County Community Foundation Cornerstone Fund

Scott County Community Foundation Operating Endowment Fund

Scott County Economic Development Corporation Fund

Scott County Family YMCA Endowment Fund Scott County Genealogical Society Inc. Fund Scott County Heritage Center and Museum Fund

Scott County Hunger Fund

Scott County Immediate Response Fund

Scott County Kids First Fund Scott County Literacy Council Fund Scott County Memorial Fund

Scott County Soil and Water Conservation District Fund

Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council Fund Scott Memorial Hospital IUS Scholarship Fund Scott Memorial Hospital Ivy Tech Scholarship Fund

Scott Memorial Hospital Guild Brunton-Mumford Memorial Scholarhsip

Scottsburg Beautification Committee Fund

Scottsburg High School Classroom Innovation Fund Scottsburg Lions Club/D.Q. Reid Memorial Fund

Scottsburg United Methodist Church Endowment Fund

Scottsburg United Methodist Church General Endowment Fund

Shelley Comer Akers Memorial Scholarship Fund SHS Alumni Association Education Fund Tammie Hickman Memorial Scholarship Fund Terry and Marsha Fewell Unrestricted Fund

Terry Fewell Memorial Youth Fund

Timothy Michael Wolf Memorial Scholarship Fund United Way of Scott County Operating Endowment Fund

Walter S. and Clarice (White) Bridgewater Memorial Scholarship Fund

Wesbanco Fund

West Family Community Fund

William Frasier Wetzel Memorial Fund

Wolf Family Charitable Fund

Yellow Rose of Nancy R. Laird Memorial Fund

Memorials and Honorariums

In Memory

Becky Baerveldt
Mary Alice Bowles
Irene Brumett
Jo Nell Buchanan
Steve Carlisle
Bud Carter
Wes Clark
Buzzy Dobbins
Jane Ann Everitt
Mayor William Graham
Velma Jean Jones Hall

Susan Hanks
Tammie Hickman
Jon Hill
Barbara Humphrey
Jean Ann McIntosh
Lawrence E. Peterson
Marty Randall
Bryan Renschler
Berniece Comer Robbins
Gene Rogers
Devonnia Tscheulin

In Honor

Janie Alexander's birthday Burch and Fitch Families Jennifer Coward's birthday Sherry Fugate's birthday Greg Hicks' birthday Hank Jentzen

Stephanie Kirby Lottie L. Hill Parks Ryan Payne's birthday SHS Class of 1958 SHS Class of 1974 Jaime Toppe's birthday

Community Foundation Team



2023-2024 Board of Directors & Staff

Al Riggle, Chairman
Janie Alexander, Vice Chairman
Kevin Jentzen, Secretary
Daniel Brunner, Treasurer
Tinisha Bowles-Densford
Jennifer Coward
Jamie Longacre
Ryan Payne
Chris Routt

Jaime Toppe, Executive Director Charlotte Boswell, Financial Officer





Legacy Society

We honor those who have made a lasting commitment to our community by contributing charitable gifts to the Foundation through their will, trust, or other planned gift. These special donors had the foresight to use the Foundation to carry out their charitable goals, ensuring the causes they cared about would be impacted years after they were gone. Too often, these thoughtful gifts go unrecognized because they come at the end of a donor's life. The Legacy Society is our way of acknowledging your commitment to our future - today.

There are many ways to give, including making a charitable bequest in your will or trust, designating the Community Foundation as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy or retirement plan, gift of stock, gift of real estate, or other property.

Members

Dr. Walter Bridgewater Kenneth G. Burton and Nancy A. Barr **Roquel Chambers** Robin Eve Jane Ann Everitt Terry Fewell Joseph Hamelman Jovce Hamilton Dale and Rosemarie Hobbs Cloyd and Betty Julian Matthew LaMaster L.L. and Juanita Lowry Martha McNeely Mary Elizabeth & Virgil S. Miller **Butch and Paula Murray** Al and Lonna Riggle Daniel R. and Mary Lou Slattery Jaime Toppe Sarah "Sally" Waldkoetter William Frasier Wetzel

Forever Tree Society

This honorary and memorial program offers donors a way to create a lasting legacy through an unrestricted gift of \$500 or more. There are incentives for each level in the Forever Tree Society.

Contact us for more information.

Financials

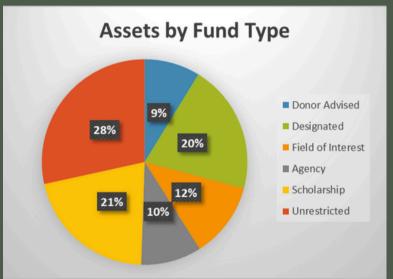
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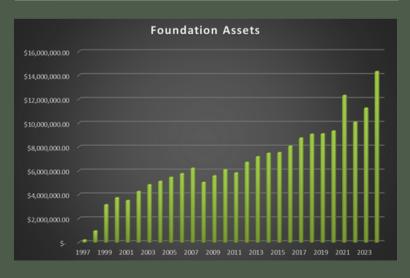
STATEMENTS OF FINA SEPTEMBER 30, 202				
ASSETS	s			
		2024		2023
Cash and cash equivalents Certificate of deposit Investments	\$	436,168 13,509,726		220,687 53,567 10,923,481
Property and equipment, net	\$	89,219 14,352,468	\$	95,828 11,293,563
LIABILITIES AND N	NET ASS	SETS		
Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued expenses Custodial funds	\$	3,300 698,284	\$	3,135 592,198
Total liabilities		701,584		595,333
Net assets Without donor restrictions: Operating Operating reserve Board designated endowments: Administrative		215,284 173,457 534,510		189,865 176,873 471,181
Granting	_	1,047,475	_	104,883 942,802
With donor restrictions: Restricted for specified purposes Restricted in perpetuity - endowment Restricted subject to the Foundation's		479,158 8,541,371		24,944 7,867,710
spending policy	_	3,582,880 12,603,409	_	1,862,774 9,755,428
Total net assets	_	13,650,884	_	10,698,230
	\$	14,352,468	\$	11,293,563

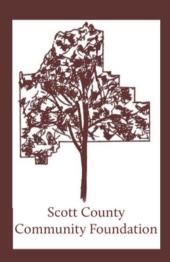
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 (WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023)

	2024							2023	
		Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions		Total		Total	
Support, revenues, and other									
Contributions	\$	13,332	\$	1,151,581	\$	1,164,913	\$	210,147	
Investment return, net		127,785		2,233,031		2,360,816		1,296,830	
Administrative fees		197,489		-0-		197,489		188,453	
Miscellaneous income		23,462		-0-		23,462		23,897	
Net assets released from restrictions		536,631		(536,631)		-0-		-0-	
Total support and revenues		898,699		2,847,981		3,746,680		1,719,327	
Expenses									
Program services		658,644		-0-		658,644		662,812	
General and administrative		105,033		-0-		105,033		98,596	
Fundraising	_	30,349	_	-0-	_	30,349		29,255	
Total expenses	_	794,026	_	-0-	_	794,026	_	790,663	
Change in net assets		104,673		2,847,981		2,952,654		928,664	
Net assets, beginning of year	_	942,802	_	9,755,428	_	10,698,230	_	9,769,566	
Net assets, end of year	\$	1,047,475	\$	12,603,409	\$	13,650,884	\$	10,698,230	









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