



Defiance Area FOUNDATION

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Defiance County

“TO ENHANCE, ENRICH, ENCOURAGE, AND SUPPORT THE GREATER DEFIANCE AREA”

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Grants Awarded

“For of those to whom much is given, much is required” (Luke 12:48). We have been blessed with the ability to grant over \$11,000 this quarter. Total grants (including pass-through grants) from 7/1/11 to 3/31/12 were \$356,846.42. We thank you for your continued support through your generous gifts that have made these awards possible. The following grants were approved at our 4/26/12 Trustee Meeting:

- Defiance Area YMCA - Strong Kids Campaign
- Defiance County Ag Society - Gift for Goat Barn
- St. Mary’s Furniture Bank - Bed frames and mattresses
- Defiance College-War of 1812



Defiance High School DECA - Leadership Conference-Salt Lake from the Mike Schultz Fund

Defiance City Schools Foundation - Mini-Grants from the Defiance City Schools Foundation Fund

Defiance High School Music Boosters-New Band Uniforms

Scholarships were approved from the Lisa Yoder Memorial Scholarship Fund, Fairview Football Scholarship Fund, and the Defiance Metal Products Fund. Look for more information in our next Newsletter once the recipients have been notified!

“I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver.”
-Maya Angelou

We are thankful to those individuals, families, and organizations that have contributed to our growth over the past 32 years. Total gifts for the nine months ended 3/31/12 are \$621,560.86 bringing our total assets to \$3.8 million!

Member/Donor Spotlight: Todd and Deb Harpest

“It’s pretty simple, the Defiance Community is a great place to live and raise children, as well as do business,” stated Todd and Deb Harpest. Todd is a member of the Defiance Area Foundation, serves as Trustee and is also on the Scholarship and Finance Committees. Todd and Deb created a Donor Advised Fund with the Defiance Area Foundation several years ago because they wanted to support Defiance County. “We’ve spent so much of our lives in Defiance County, we wanted to give back both in time and resources—not just one time – but for many years to come. We chose the Defiance Area Foundation as stewards of our funds because we have a high trust level for their organization. Down the road, we are not sure where our lives will take us, but one thing we do know is that the Foundation has the knowledge and expertise. We have faith with their great minds and leadership we will see the assets grow and make a difference in the lives we touch.” - Todd and Deb



Defiance College Project 701 Fund and Defiance Cares Free Clinic

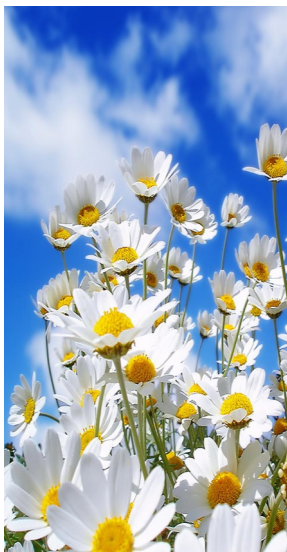
Did you know that Defiance College created a new fund known as Project 701? This collaboration began with the Defiance College, Mercy Hospital of Defiance, ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital, and the Defiance Area Foundation. Each organization participated in starting this fund through the Defiance Area Foundation. Project 701 is a separate legal entity, and is run by a Board of Directors comprised of DC students, faculty, administrators, and alumni. It is administered as part of the McMaster School for Advancing Humanity. Many local organizations benefit from the creation of Project 701 – Backpack Buddy project, DCPC solutions, Micro-Lending, and Defiance Cares Free Clinic, to name a few. Presently we are growing this fund to benefit the Defiance Cares to provide free primary health-care to patients in Defiance County. To learn more about Project 701, or Defiance Cares, please contact us.

Fund Spotlight:



Defiance City Schools Foundation

The Defiance City Schools Foundation recently partnered with The Defiance Area Foundation and created a new fund for the benefit of the Defiance City Schools. This fund provides support to the teachers and school for mini-grants and scholarships. Gifts can be made to the Defiance Area Foundation for the benefit of the Defiance City Schools Foundation. We look forward to growing this fund and increasing community awareness of the benefits.



Practice random kindness. Random acts of kindness are when one attempts to lift the spirit of another by doing something thoughtful, caring, or considerate for them. While your thoughtful acts serve as gifts to others, they are not completely selfless. Sharing your kind heart to help cheer up another simultaneously creates happy feelings inside of yourself.

Board Changes



The Defiance Area Foundation would like to welcome John Jacob as our newest elected Board Member.

Steve Snavely has tendered his resignation due to his involvement with the Defiance City Schools Foundation.

Community Service Ideas for Kids :

- Plant trees or wildflowers.
- Plant produce. Donate the harvest to a local food bank.
- Plant seeds. Sell the flowers or plants and donate the proceeds to a local organization in need.
- Pick up litter at a park.
- Make treats for a local senior home.
- Develop and maintain a recycling program at school.

Our Wish List

Giving can be as easy as donating your old printer cartridges to The Defiance Area Foundation. We can recycle them and use the credit to lower our office supply costs.

Is Your Will the Best It Can Be?

These questions may be helpful as you review and update your will and other long-range plans:

1. Have you moved to another state since you made your will?
2. Has your marital status changed since you last reviewed your plans?
3. Have you recently retired from full-time employment?
4. Is the person you named to settle your affairs now unable to serve?
5. Do you need to recommend someone as guardian for children?
6. Do you want to continue your support of charitable interests?

Any "yes" answer indicates that a review of your plans may be necessary to bring them up to date. Please consult your tax advisor and/or attorney.