



# Defiance Area FOUNDATION

Serving  
Defiance County

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

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## April 2014



An optimist is the human personification of spring!

- Susan J. Bissonette

Spring is finally upon us and I am hopeful you had a blessed Easter. Your continued support of your community foundation has enabled us to give away more than \$66,000 this year to charitable organizations (see reverse side). Our assets have grown to over \$6 million and we have over 70 funds. We thank those donors and organizations who have partnered with us. As we look at the breakdown of grant requests in our unrestricted funds, we have received almost \$350,000 in requests the past two years. We have approximately \$75,000 to award annually. This has encouraged us to take a look at how to grow our unrestricted funds so we can support more projects and programs in Defiance County. We appreciate and are thankful for our members, friends, and donors who have supported us over the past 35 years. Your gifts have allowed us to donate \$2.3 million back to Defiance County since inception. Thank you for making Defiance a Great Place to Live!

Chris Yoder, Executive Director



### Hicksville Spotlight:

A special thank you to the Hicksville Rotary Club for their matching gift of \$10,000 to the Hicksville Fund. The fund has received a total of \$6,500 toward this matching gift. With another \$3,500, the fund balance will be over \$25,000 and will begin grant-making to the Hicksville community this summer. This fund will benefit many non-profit organizations in years to come. Thank you to the Hicksville Bank for their generous support, along with several others families and organizations. We want to also thank Cheryl Hanna (from Hicksville) for recently making a legacy gift to the Hicksville Fund to benefit future generations.



A Proud Past...  
... A Bright Future



## Grants made during 2013-2014 Fiscal Year:

### Grants Awarded 9/30/13:

Black Swamp Area Boy Scouts Council—  
New 10,000 square foot Dining Hall at  
Camp Lakota

CPC Women's Health Resource—Privacy  
wall for Defiance Office



NOCAC-  
Health literacy  
program for the  
Headstart  
families

The Alley—Youth for Christ in Hicksville—  
Lighting for the café ceiling

Defiance Area YMCA—Bob Lenz—  
nationally known speaker on bullying who  
spoke to several Defiance County Schools

### Grants Awarded 3/31/14:

Defiance County D.A.R.E. – Program sup-  
port for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual DARE Camp

Defiance County Fair Foundation – Phase II  
of the Defiance County Fairgrounds new  
restroom facilities

4-H Camp Palmer –  
New swimming pool  
at Camp Palmer  
(located in Fayette)



Good Samaritan School – Touch Accessible  
Platform for Interactive Technologies for in-  
dividuals with disabilities

Zonta Club—TNT Bags—Tools Needed  
through Transformation. Shower shirt, per-  
sonal health manager, pillow, etc. for women  
who have had a mastectomy or lumpectomy.

## TWO NEW FUNDS:



### Defiance Community Cultural Council -

The Defiance Community Cultural Council (DCCC) pro-  
vides opportunities for Defiance area citizens to come  
together, to see, to listen, to talk, to share the rich tradi-  
tions of their cultures, and to welcome and embrace the  
diversity of all people. This new fund supports the arts  
and cultural, historical, educational and communication  
services in Defiance County.

### The Andrew Tuttle Memorial Museum Fund

Andrew L. Tuttle is remembered in Defiance as a unique individual  
who had a passion for collecting fine objects, and who became the  
primary impetus and benefactor of the current Andrew L. Tuttle Me-  
morial Museum. The museum is dedicated to preserving the history  
of the city of Defiance and the surrounding area. This fund will sup-  
port the Mission of the Museum. Please contact us at (419) 782-  
3130 for more information about supporting our community.

