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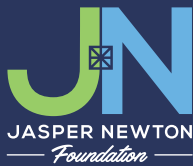
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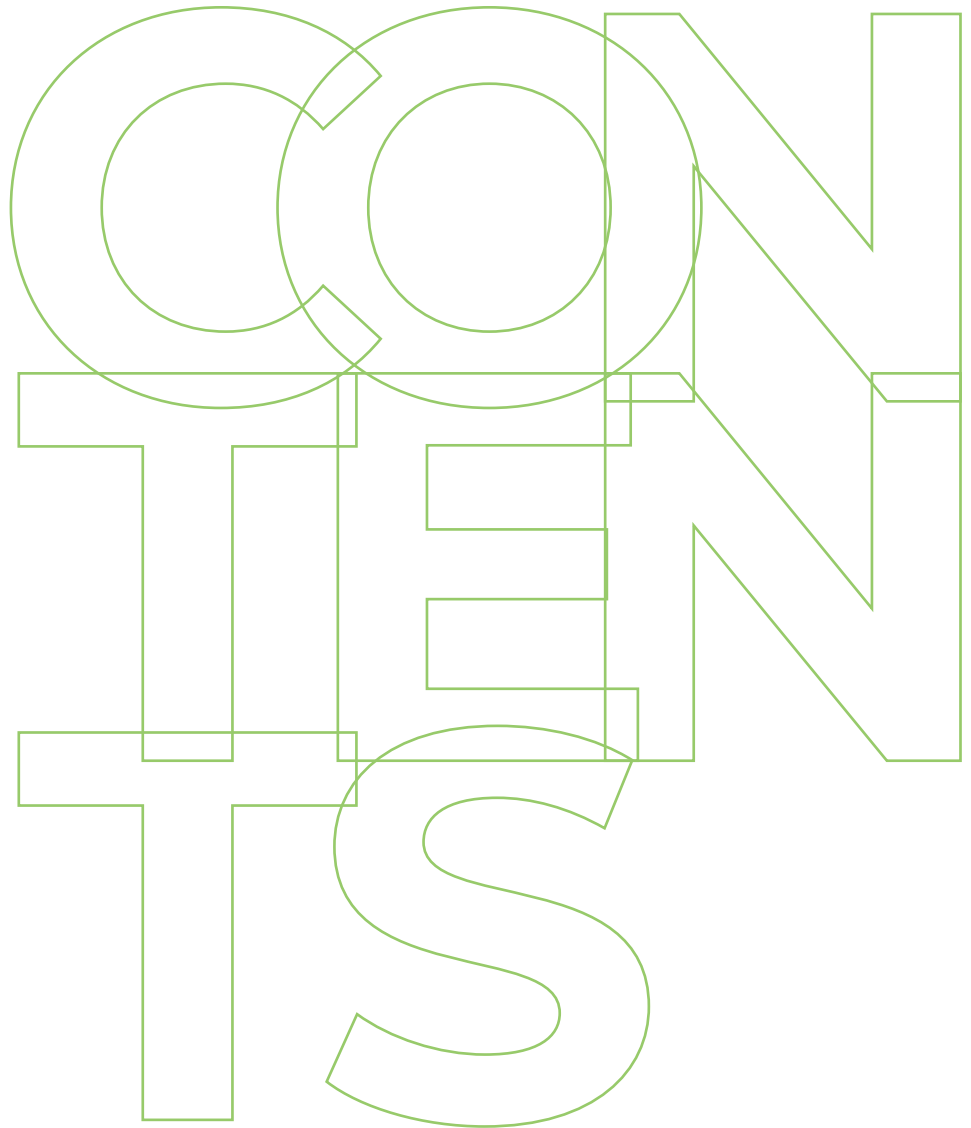
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NONPROFIT SPOTLIGHT



2022 - you were another great year of building the communities we all want to live in, work in, learn in, and give back to. The best thing I saw happen was the connections and networks that got together to make some pretty amazing things come to life.

You have the choice to support many great organizations in the world, and we are thankful that you chose to support your community through the Jasper Newton Foundation. Our donors have established generous scholarships and designated funds for our local nonprofits. We also have some excellent community support funds that help us give impactful grants to our nonprofit organizations and charitable program partners. We are fortunate to have your support.

A friend of mine uses the word “collaboraction” to describe the work she enjoys doing with other organizations in our community. This word is a fitting description of what our local people and organizations did in 2022. You can see some of the best collaboration and action in the grant highlights inside of this report. It is not just gathering a diverse group of people. It is not just talking about a bothersome thing and dreaming about solutions. It is grabbing your work gloves, checkbook, calendar, getting your hands dirty, giving your money, or making time to dedicate to your community.

I hope you enjoy the fantastic stories of collaboraction inside this report. You will be inspired.

Cheers to 2022!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brienne Hooker".

**Brienne Hooker**  
Executive Director

# 2022 GRANT HIGHLIGHTS JASPER COUNTY

## BUILDING A PAVILLION

### DEMOTTE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Date Approved:** May 24, 2022

**Funded By:** Jasper County Community Fund

**Grant Amount:** \$5,000

**Grant Purpose:** Shane Finch of Boy Scout Troop 167 became the latest to earn the rank of "Eagle Scout." Shane's Eagle Project was to construct a very impressive pavilion next to Demotte Christian High School's softball field. The pavilion was placed between the baseball, softball, and soccer fields, making it very convenient for all of them. It will be used at ball games of all kinds throughout the year. It can also be used by classes, giving them a space outside to have class while enjoying the fresh air.



## FLAG PROJECT IN MEMORY OF RICK HARPER

### REMINGTON MAIN STREET

**Date Approved:** May 12, 2022

**Funded By:** Community Support Fund - Jasper

**Grant Amount:** \$1,850

**Grant Purpose:** To honor a resident who passed in 2021, several flags were placed in downtown Remington. This project was a community effort made possible by donations and contributions from citizens. Rick Harper, 65, passed away on Tuesday, August 31, 2021. He was the son of Rich and Helen Harper, born on January 9, 1956 in Harrison, Ohio. The family moved to Remington in 1959 where he lived his entire life. He graduated from Tri-County High School in 1974. He married Barb (Skelton) on April 11, 1981 at the Wolcott Christian Church. Together they raised two daughters Katie and Rachel. He worked at Dekalb Seed for a number of years. He then continued to farm with several local farmers. Rick loved to cook, enjoyed reading, and was a loyal fan of NASCAR. Rick was a lifelong farmer who could always tell you how much rain we got. He was an avid gardener, enjoyed sitting around the campfire, and loved being a Grandpa. The flags are a fitting tribute to his memory that will be enjoyed for years to come.





# PRECISION AG CLASS RESOURCES

## TRI-COUNTY JUNIOR SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

**Date Approved:** May 24, 2022

**Funded By:** Grace Pampel Educational Impact Grant

**Grant Amount:** \$10,800

**Grant Purpose:** Thanks to the Jasper Newton Foundation, Tri-County students have access to drone technology to learn about the benefits and impact of precision agriculture. Eighteen students are enrolled in two dual credit courses in Precision Agriculture and UAVs with Ivy Tech Community College-Lafayette. Resources for the class allowed 19 students to learn how to operate unmanned aerial vehicles (drones). With training and preparation, five out of seven students were able to pass the drone certification exam on the first attempt. As licensed drone operators, these students are very employable in several agriculture industries in our community. Mr. Scherer, the Tri-County Ag teacher, completed the training in the precision agriculture curriculum and has access to the Purdue curriculum, which has empowered students to develop more skills that will assist them in the technical aspects of the agricultural industry.



# RCHS WELDING

## RCHS WELDING DEPARTMENT

**Date Approved:** May 24, 2022

**Funded By:** Grace Pampel Educational Impact Grant

**Grant Amount:** \$25,000

**Grant Purpose:** With this grant, five new multiprocess Miller welding machines have been purchased. These machines allow students to train in various welding processes and gain real welding experience. With the additional equipment that was purchased, the RCHS welding program is now able to accommodate 15 students per class.

Classes are lab-based and hands-on, allowing the students to gain hands-on employable skills. Many students who finish the program continue pursuing a career in the welding industry, whether that be with a local manufacturer or continuing their training with a trade school or apprenticeship.





# MATCHING GRANT FOR WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

## DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



**Date Approved:** December 29, 2022

**Funded By:** Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund

**Grant Amount:** \$1,005

**Grant Purpose:** Thank you Jasper Newton Foundation for supporting Wreaths Across America by sponsoring Veterans Wreaths through the General Van Rensselaer Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Your donation sponsored 67 wreaths. This donation was doubled, for a total of 134 wreaths. For each wreath that you sponsored, our volunteers will place a wreath on a headstone and say that veteran's name out loud, continuing their story for the next generation. Please save the date, Wreaths Across America will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2023. We would love your help placing wreaths.



# MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS CONVOCAIONS FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS

## JEFF YALDEN CORP

**Date Approved:** July 6, 2022

**Funded By:** Grace Pampel Education Fund

**Grant Amount:** \$12,500

**Grant Purpose:** This project began with the Jasper County Parr Panthers 4-H Club. For their YES Grant Community Service Project, the club wanted to promote mental health awareness in their community. Through a partnership with the Jasper Newton Foundation, the club was able to expand to Newton County as well. With a grant from the Grace Pampel Education Fund, the club was able to bring in Jeff Yalden, an author, veteran, and motivational mental health speaker, to speak at Rensselaer Central High School, South Newton High School, and Kankakee Valley High School. Jeff Yalden was in the area for two full days and gave four presentations, including an event for parents and community members. His message reached about two thousand students. The funds received from this grant helped the Jasper County Parr Panthers 4-H Club accomplish their goals of raising the level of mental health literacy and awareness in the community and providing practical coping mechanisms and strategies to high school students.







# 2022 GRANT HIGHLIGHTS NEWTON COUNTY

## NEWTON COUNTY 4-H BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

### NEWTON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

**Date Approved:** May 24, 2022

**Funded By:** Newton County Community Fund

**Grant Amount:** \$15,000

**Grant Purpose:** Thank you, Jasper Newton Foundation, for supporting the Newton County 4-H Building! Through your generous help, we are nearing completion of the building construction. This is a fabulous space for families, graduation parties, weddings, and fair participants to gather and celebrate good times. We Love Where We Live! Since completing the restrooms in May, we have been able to hold two craft fairs, the county fair, and two weddings. Everyone was thrilled to have functional restrooms within the building. With your generous grant we have also purchased and placed security cameras around the outer perimeter of the building.





# ALTERNATIVE FIRING - RAKU, HORSE HAIR, SAGGAR

## SOUTH NEWTON HIGH SCHOOL

**Date Approved:** May 24, 2022

**Funded By:** Grace Pampel Educational Impact Grant

**Grant Amount:** \$5,041.91

Grant Purpose: **Advanced 3D classes were able to create pottery and** explore alternative firing methods. Students completed advanced throwing techniques as well as Horse Hair, Raku, and Saggar firing techniques. Twenty advanced artists challenged themselves to try these new techniques and accept failure in order to improve. This project and grant have raised the level of quality and quantity of artwork in the program at South Newton. Students created 50 pieces for the alternative firing process and helped to effectively increase enrollment for the ceramics and advanced 3D classes next year. During this process, the students provided demonstrations to beginning ceramics students, Mrs. Cripe's 3rd Grade class, and the high school student body. Thank you to the Jasper Newton Foundation and South Newton School Corporation for their support and encouragement.



# LINCOLN TOWNSHIP PARK WALKING PATH

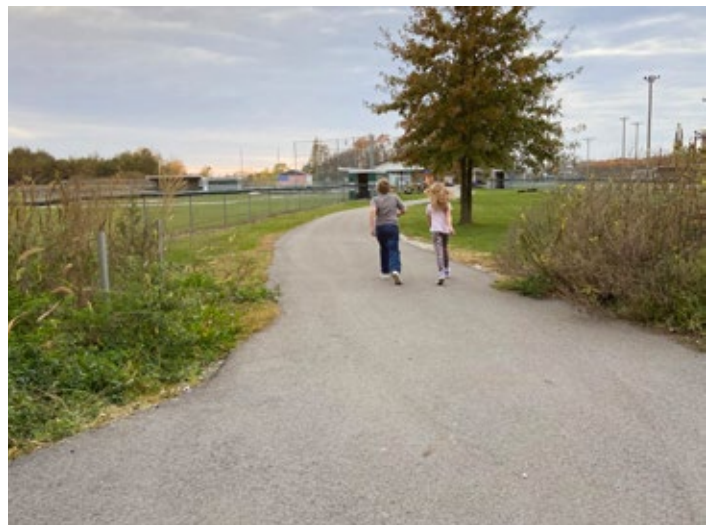
## ROSELAWN LITTLE LEAGUE

**Date Approved:** May 24, 2022

**Funded By:** Newton County Community Fund

**Grant Amount:** \$52,848

**Grant Purpose:** The Roselawn Little League Board noticed that when members of the community wanted to go out to walk, run, or ride bikes, the only places to do so were either in the street or on gravel roads. In order to address this issue and to enhance their playing fields, a half mile long walking path was constructed in the area. Many utilize the path daily and thoroughly enjoy everything it has to offer. The path serves to promote health and fitness in the community by creating easy access to a safe place to partake in outdoor exercise activities.





CLASS OF 2023  
LILLY SCHOLARSHIP  
RECIPIENTS



ZACHARY GELEOTT  
JASPER COUNTY

Zachary is the son of Kevin and Kate Geleott of Rensselaer, Indiana. He graduated from Rensselaer Central High School in 2023 as his class Salutatorian. Zachary plans to pursue a degree in Business-Financial Economics and play golf at Wabash College. During his time at Rensselaer Central High School, he was a member of National Honor Society for two years, President of the Senior Class, and Student Body President. He was recognized as a Rising Stars of Indiana Class of 2023 and was a Hoosier Boys State Delegate. Zachary was a leader in the St. Augustine Peer Ministry program. He was also a highly decorated member of the Rensselaer Varsity Golf team for four years, serving as team captain during his Senior Year. In addition to his schoolwork and extracurriculars, he was actively involved in many other school, community, and volunteer activities.



MADELYN ARRENHOLZ  
NEWTON COUNTY

Madelyn is the daughter of Jason and Jennifer Arrenholz of Lake Village, Indiana. She graduated from North Newton High School in 2023. Madelyn plans to pursue a degree in Environmental Science and play golf at Hanover College. During Madelyn's time at North Newton High School, she was a member of National Honor Society for two years, Class Officer for three years, and Vice President of Student Council. She dedicated her time to the Northwest Indiana Cancer Kids Foundation for seven years. Madelyn was an active member of her 4-H club and FFA chapter in which she held several officer positions. She was a member of the Varsity Golf and Softball teams and played Basketball at North Newton. In addition to her school, work, and extracurriculars, Madelyn was actively involved with several school, church, and community organizations.

# THE NUMBERS

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## ENDING DECEMBER 2022

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF 12/31/22

#### ASSETS

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Cash & Equivalents .....           | \$3,375,477  |
| Investments.....                   | \$20,585,063 |
| Contributions Receivable, net..... | \$950        |
| Deferred Gifts .....               | \$143,585    |
| Fixed Assets, net .....            | \$367,808    |

#### PREPAID EXPENSE

|                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Other Assets .....    | \$2,932      |
| Accrued Interest..... | \$14,713     |
| Total Assets .....    | \$24,490,528 |

#### LIABILITIES

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Other Liabilities.....               | \$974,195    |
| Net Assets.....                      | \$25,516,333 |
| Total Liabilities & Net Assets ..... | \$24,490,528 |

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AS OF 12/31/22

#### REVENUE, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Contributions .....                       | \$1,160,040   |
| Grant Received .....                      | \$0           |
| Investment Return .....                   | (\$2,674,174) |
| Other Revenue .....                       | \$21,156      |
| Total Revenue, Gains, Other Support ..... | (\$1,492,978) |

#### EXPENSES

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Grants, Distributions & Scholarships..... | \$1,419,711   |
| Management and General .....              | \$356,471     |
| Total Expenses .....                      | \$1,776,182   |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets .....   | (\$3,269,160) |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year .....       | \$26,785,493  |
| Net Assets, End of Year .....             | \$23,516,333  |

*Annual audit information is available at the JNF office.*



# JASPER NEWTON FOUNDATION ALL GRANTS & GIVING 2022

In 2022, your investments at the Jasper Newton Foundation enabled us to distribute more than a million of your dollars throughout our community. Your generosity impacts thousands of people at every walk of life: youth through senior citizens.

# \$1,342,776.04

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

**\$14,999.89**

ARTS & CULTURE

**\$41,354.87**

HEALTH & WELLNESS

**\$183,405.90**

EDUCATION: GRANTS

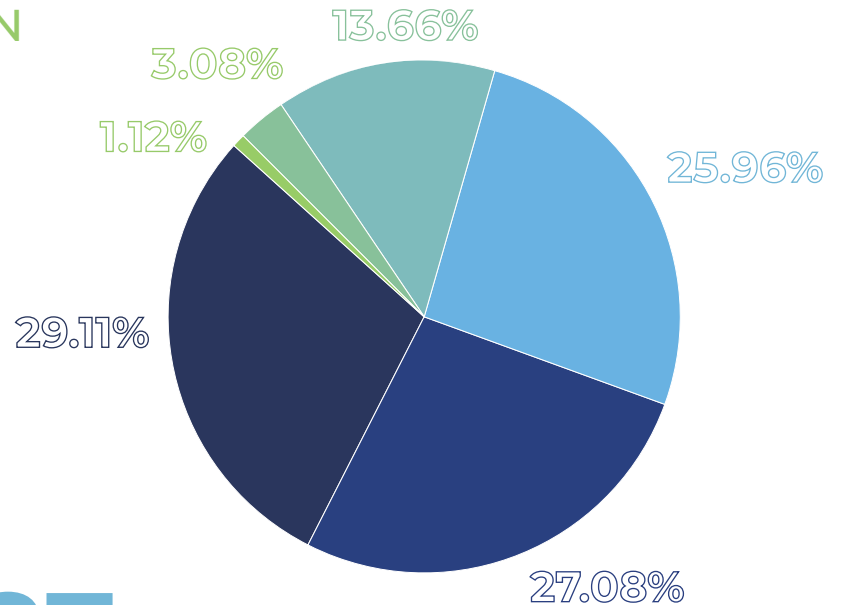
**\$348,574.27**

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

**\$363,566.08**

EDUCATION: SCHOLARSHIPS

**\$390,875.03**



**ARTS & CULTURE**  
**\$41,354.65** (3.08%)

**Carnegie Players Fund**  
The Carnegie Players, Inc.....\$4,658.72

**Chief Industries Employee Giving Fund**  
Prairie Arts Council.....\$152.00

**Demotte Women's Giving Circle**  
Valley Community Players, Inc. ....\$1,000.00

**Edward R. "Buddy" Pullins Youth Fund**  
Fendig Theatre for Children .....\$1,000.00  
Prairie Arts Council, Art Camp .....\$1,000.00

**Jasper County Community Fund**  
Fendig Theatre for Children .....\$5,000

**Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund**  
Fountain Park ChautauquaL.....\$250.00  
JC Economic Development, Ren Art Walk...\$500

**Leopold Fund for Fountain Park Chautauqua**  
Fountain Park Chautauqua..... \$6,188.54

**Plays Worth Remembering Fund**  
George Ade Historic Preservation  
Commission .....\$3,000.00

**Prairie Arts Council Endowment**  
Prairie Arts Council..... \$3,638.22

**Ralph & Lilian Fendig Summer Theatre Fund**  
Fendig Theatre for Children .....\$6,439.18

**Ralph W. Fendig Fund**  
Prairie Arts Council.....\$2,928.50

**Rensselaer Women's Giving Circle**  
Fendig Theatre for Children .....\$500.00

**Roger Beehler RCHS Art Fund**  
RCHS, Art Department.....\$661.06

**Scott & Inez Hilliard Memorial Fun**  
Kankakee Valley High School,  
Sculpture .....\$1,200.00

**William W. Leopold-Prairie Lodge Fund**  
Prairie Lodge 125  
F & A M Programming ..... \$3,238.65

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION**  
**\$14,999.98** (1.12%)

**Chief Industries Employee Giving Fund**  
Jasper County Historical Society .....\$160.77

**Ed & Elizabeth Ramey Independence Church Preservation Fund**  
Independence Property Mgmt., Inc. ...\$1,425.06

**Fairchild House Preservation Fund**  
Fairchild House .....\$2,881.71

**Jasper Co. Historical Society Endowment Fund**  
Jasper County Historical Society .....\$272.24

**Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund**  
Gen. Van Rensselaer  
DAR Wreaths Across America .....\$2,130.00

**Paul & Mable Laird Welsh Cemetery Fund**  
Welsh Cemetery Association .....\$4,801.60

**Ralph W. Fendig Fund**  
Jasper County Historical Society .....\$2,928.51

**Rensselaer Women's Giving Circle**  
Jasper County Historical Society .....\$400.00

**EDUCATION GRANTS**  
**\$348,574.27** (25.96%)

**Aaron Jackson Memorial Fund**  
Pheasants Forever Inc,  
Iroquois River Chapter #149 .....\$4,000.00  
Rensselaer Central High School BPA...\$4,000.00

**Bombers for Academic Excellence Endowment**  
Bombers for Academic Excellence .....\$3,626.73

**Business Education Fund**  
Rensselaer Central High School BPA...\$2,000.00

**Carol Hale Entrepreneurship Fund**  
Kankakee Valley High School BPA .....\$1,963.11  
Rensselaer Central High School BPA...\$1,963.11

**Community Support Fund - Jasper**  
Rensselaer Back to School  
Fair Supplies..... \$981.74  
Rensselaer Central High School  
Art Department.....\$640.00  
Rensselaer Central Middle School,  
Art Department.....\$640.00  
Rensselaer Central Primary School,  
Art Department.....\$640.00  
St. Augustine Catholic School,  
Art Department.....\$403.26  
St. Augustine Catholic School,  
Donor Directed.....\$2,000.00  
Van Rensselaer Elementary,  
Art Department.....\$640.00

**Community Support Fund - Newton**  
Start Stong Indiana, Inc.,  
Donor Directed.....\$9,000.00

**Derek & Katie Molter Leadership Fund**  
South Newton High School, Future Business  
Leaders of America ..... \$2,500.00  
Sponsorship for Evening with  
the Judges.....\$500.00

**Grace Pampel Education Fund**  
Kankakee Valley High School,  
Academic Team.....\$4,610.00  
Kankakee Valley High School,  
AED/CPR ..... \$10,714.56  
Kankakee Valley High School,  
Computer Science Lab .....\$5,309.73  
Rensselaer Central High School,  
Welding..... \$25,000.00  
South Newton High School, Art.....\$5,041.91  
South Newton High School, Band ..... \$17,970.51  
Tri-County Junior-Senior  
High School .....\$33,434.59  
Tri-County Junior-Senior High School,  
Agriculture Department .....\$10,800.00  
Tri-County Junior-Senior High School,  
Art Department.....\$6,000.00  
Tri-County Junior-Senior High School,  
Technical/Vocational Department ....\$19,150.00

**J. C. Stepping Stone Fund**  
Kankakee Valley High School  
Band Trip .....\$2,000.00

**Jasper County Community Fund**  
Junior Achievement  
Rensselaer Schools..... \$2,500.00

**Jasper County Retired Teachers**  
Rensselaer Central High School,  
Morse Code Oscillators.....\$189.00  
Rensselaer Central Middle School,  
Microscopes .....\$300.00  
Van Rensselaer Elementary, Book Club . \$200.00

**Jasper County Youth Center Fund**  
Growing Patch Learning Center .....\$2,621.08

**Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund**  
Fund|Growing Patch Learning Center ....\$500.00

**Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund**  
KV Back to School Fair .....\$250.00

**Louisa A. Monfort Visual & Performing Arts Fund**  
St. Augustine Catholic School..... \$951.11

**Mary Ethel Arnott Fund**  
Rensselaer Central Middle School,  
Chicago Field Museum.....\$1,820.00  
Start Stong Indiana, Inc.....\$4,351.35

**NC Early Childhood Education**  
Newton County Child Care  
Provider Training .....\$824.55  
North Newton HS CNA Program .....\$2,475.00  
Right Steps Child Development  
Centers ..... \$93,968.22  
Start Strong Indiana, Inc.,  
Donor Directed.....\$1,000.00

**Newton County Board Members Fund**  
Community Christian Reformed Church,  
Back to School Bash .....\$250.00

**Newton County Reads Fund**  
Dollywood Foundation.....\$5,656.10

**Newton County Step Ahead**  
NC Step Ahead.....\$3,000.00

**Ralph W. Fendig Fund**  
Bombers for Academic Excellence .....\$2,928.50

**Rensselaer Women's Giving Circle**  
Rensselaer Central Middle School,  
Life Skills Program .....\$1,000.00

**Richard and Linda Reiners Endowment Fund**  
Start Stong Indiana, Inc.....\$648.65

**Robert & Jennette Nagel Endowment Fund**  
St. Augustine Catholic School.....\$596.68

**Ronald & Virginia Humphrey Advised Fund**  
South Newton High School, Future Business  
Leaders of America .....\$8,100.00

**Seeds of Promise Fund**  
Growing Patch Learning Center .....\$20,000.00

**South Newton 21st Century Education Fund**  
South Newton Elementary School .....\$1,800.00  
South Newton High School, Future Business  
Leaders of America .....\$3,200.00  
South Newton Middle School,  
Battle of the Books ..... \$1,856.75

**Tri-County Educational Fund**  
White County Community  
Foundation.....\$12,058.03



**EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS****\$390,875.03** (29.11%)

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| <b>Belstra Milling Scholarship</b>  | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00         |
| <b>Bill and Beth Stockton Scholarship Fund</b>                                | Student Scholarship.....\$725.00           |
| <b>Brian Berg Scholarship Fund</b>  | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00         |
| <b>Carol Long Hathaway Scholarship Fund</b>                                   | Student Scholarship.....\$712.30           |
| <b>Chris LaCosse Scholarship Fund Endowment</b>                               | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00         |
| <b>Chuck &amp; Larry Whaley Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                     | Student Scholarship.....\$1,985.42         |
| <b>Clifford &amp; Carrie Clark Family Educational Scholarship</b>             | Student Scholarship.....\$300.00           |
| <b>Craig A. Blann Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                               | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00         |
| <b>Dale Stath Memorial Agricultural Scholarship</b>                           | Student Scholarship.....\$500.00           |
| <b>Dee and Gene Deno Memorial Scholarship</b>                                 | Student Scholarship.....\$8,500.00         |
| <b>Dr. Cecil E. &amp; Mrs. Gladys Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>       | Student Scholarship.....\$83,616.66        |
| <b>George D. Holley Sr. &amp; Bertha B. Holley Memorials Scholarship Fund</b> | Student Scholarship.....\$31,520.00        |
| <b>Grace Pampel Education Fund</b>  | Student Scholarship.....\$76,741.00        |
| <b>Harry and Roxanna Hanford Family Scholarship Fund</b>                      | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00         |
| <b>Helen Pennington Scholarship Fund</b>                                      | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00         |
| <b>Jackson Township Scholarship Fund</b>                                      | Student Scholarship.....\$1,500.00         |
| <b>Jamie Carlson Memorial 4-H/FFA Scholarship</b>                             | Student Scholarship.....\$3,500.00         |
| <b>Jared Valentine Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                              | Student Scholarship.....\$1,500.00         |
| <b>John &amp; Violet Wuethrich Agricultural Scholarship Fund</b>              | Student Scholarship.....\$3,350.00         |
| <b>John and Violet Wuethrich Higher Educational Fund</b>                      | Student Scholarship.....\$5,100.00         |
| <b>Joe Burvan Memorial Fund</b>   | Plaque for 2021-2022 recipient.....\$62.50 |
| <b>Justin Holbrook Scholarship Fund</b>                                       | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00         |
| <b>Kappa Kappa Kappa/LaRue Scholarship</b>                                    | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00         |
| <b>Kevin J. Childs Memorial Art Award</b>                                     | Student Scholarship.....\$200.00           |

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| <b>Lois Hensel Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                       | Student Scholarship.....\$3,000.00  |
| <b>Makeover Scholarship Fund</b>                                   | Student Scholarship.....\$3,050.00  |
| <b>Margaret Kindig Stonecipher Scholarship Fund</b>                | Student Scholarship.....\$5,000.00  |
| <b>Marion J Eller/Newton County Historical Society Scholarship</b> | Student Scholarship.....\$4,000.00  |
| <b>Marvin E. Luers Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                   | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00  |
| <b>Michael Nesius Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                    | Student Scholarship.....\$500.00    |
| <b>Morocco High School Alumni Scholarship Fund/Ruth Corbin</b>     | Student Scholarship.....\$1,500.00  |
| <b>Morris E. Cornell Scholarship Fund</b>                          | Student Scholarship.....\$900.00    |
| <b>NC Student Opportunities Fund</b>                               | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00  |
| <b>Newton County Scholarship Fund</b>                              | Student Scholarship.....\$5,150.00  |
| <b>Phyllis &amp; Ross McKee Advised Achievement Fund</b>           | Student Scholarship.....\$21,266.25 |
| <b>Rensselaer Alumni Fund</b>                                      | Student Scholarship.....\$500.00    |
| <b>Reverend Thomas E. Fox Scholarship Fund</b>                     | Student Scholarship.....\$12,000.00 |
| <b>Rex Blacker Golf Scholarship Fund</b>                           | Student Scholarship.....\$500.00    |
| <b>RHS Class of 1956 Fund</b>                                      | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00  |
| <b>RHS Class of 1971</b>   | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00  |
| <b>Rob Hays Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                          | Student Scholarship.....\$4,926.50  |
| <b>Robert &amp; Marcia Johnston Endowment Scholarship</b>          | Student Scholarship.....\$11,501.22 |
| <b>Robert Kinsell Scholarship Fund</b>                             | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00  |
| <b>Robert R. &amp; M. Jeannette Batton Fund</b>                    | Student Scholarship.....\$12,250.00 |
| <b>Scott Madison Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                     | Student Scholarship.....\$500.00    |
| <b>Sherry A. Power Hufnagel Scholarship Fund</b>                   | Student Scholarship.....\$1,206.58  |
| <b>South Newton First Generation Scholarship</b>                   | Student Scholarship.....\$5,000.00  |
| <b>Stowers Family Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                    | Student Scholarship.....\$1,500.00  |
| <b>Ted Filson Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>                        | Student Scholarship.....\$18,939.58 |
| <b>Tom, Danis &amp; Margie Wilson Scholarship Fund</b>             | Student Scholarship.....\$10,192.00 |
| <b>Travis Morrow Endowment</b>                                     | Student Scholarship.....\$1,930.02  |

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| <b>Vision Ag, Inc. Educational Fund</b>          | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00  |
| <b>Wally Laird Youth Citizenship Award Fund</b>  | Student Scholarship.....\$3,000.00  |
| <b>Wilbert A. Hamstra Scholarship</b>            | Student Scholarship.....\$1,000.00  |
| <b>William Moriarty Theatre Scholarship Fund</b> | Student Scholarship.....\$2,000.00  |
| <b>William W. Leopold Scholarship Fund</b>       | Student Scholarship.....\$19,750.00 |

**COMMUNITY INITIATIVE**  
**\$363,566.08** (27.08%)

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| <b>Brook United Methodist Church Fund</b>               | Brook United Methodist Church.....\$536.51                         |
| <b>Chief Industries Employee Giving Fund</b>            | Jasper County Animal Control & Shelter.....\$1,114.69              |
|   | Newton County Park Board.....\$50.68                               |
|   | White County Community Foundation.....\$253.34                     |
| <b>Community Support Fund - Jasper</b>                  | Jasper County Sheriff Department.....\$1,750.00                    |
|   | Remington Main Street, Flag Project.....\$1,850.00                 |
| <b>Community Support Fund - Newton</b>                  | NC Park Board, LaSalle Signs.....\$6,000.00                        |
|   | Town of Kentland, Flood Relief.....\$6,248.15                      |
| <b>Daniel J. and Kathie A. Molter Fund</b>              | Hanover Community Garden, Inc.....\$300.00                         |
| <b>Demotte Women's Giving Circle</b>                    | DeMotte Chamber Of Commerce.....\$2,500.00                         |
|   | Keener Township Volunteer Fire Department.....\$2,300.00           |
| <b>Friends of the DeMotte Parks</b>                     | The Connection Center.....\$2,300.00                               |
| <b>Friends of the Lake Village Memorial Twp Library</b> | Lake Village Public Library.....\$5,000.00                         |
| <b>Grace Padgitt Presbyterian Fund</b>                  | First Presbyterian Church.....\$1,584.40                           |
| <b>Hulda &amp; Lancy Sorenson Fund</b>                  | Lake Village Public Library.....\$1,754.05                         |
| <b>Janice Sage Murray Memorial Fund</b>                 | First Presbyterian Church.....\$735.68                             |
| <b>Jasper County Community Fund</b>                     | Covenant Christian High School, Pavilion.....\$5,000.00            |
| <b>Jasper County Public Library Fund</b>                | Jasper County Public Library.....\$496.09                          |
| <b>Jasper County Recovery House Fund</b>                | Indiana Teen Challenge.....\$17,821.49                             |
| <b>Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund</b>        | Jasper County Sheriff Department, Project Lifesaver.....\$1,000.00 |
|   | JCEDO, Community English Class.....\$3,950.00                      |
|   | Remington First Christian Church, Miracle Tree.....\$500.00        |
|   | Rensselaer Park Board, Programming.....\$500.00                    |
|   | Town of Remington, Mural Project.....\$1,000.00                    |

**John & Connie Nichols Undesignated Fund**  
 Jasper County Public Library,  
 Candid Subscription .....\$2,000.00

**John R. (Jack) Nesbitt Environmental Fund**  
 Jasper County Soil & Water  
 Conservation District .....\$2,667.31

**Karen J Collins Fund**  
 Trinity United Methodist Church .....\$1,000.00

**Kentland Firehouse Sustainability Fund**  
 Town of Kentland.....\$5,446.16

**NC Student Opportunities Fund**  
 Suicide Prevention Walk.....\$372.50

**Newton County Community Foundation Fund**  
 Newton County 4-H Council,  
 4-H Building Restrooms .....\$15,000.00

**Parks for People Campaign**  
 City of Rensselaer,  
 Improvements.....\$132,377.66

**Paul and Mable Laird Fund for the Trinity United Methodist Church**  
 Trinity United Methodist Church .....\$5,599.52

**Ralph W. Fendig Fund**  
 First Presbyterian Church  
 Rensselaer .....\$2,928.51  
 Jasper County Public Library.....\$2,928.50  
 Rensselaer Com. Rec. Dev. ....\$2,928.51

**Remington Giving Circle**  
 Remington/Carpenter Township  
 Public Library .....\$481.67

**Remington Town Park**  
 HWC Engineering,  
 Landscape Masterplan .....\$3,000.00  
 WillyGoat,  
 Musical Playground Equipment.....\$11,076.88

**Rensselaer Parks Fund**  
 Jeff Goad HYPER Center .....\$3,839.64  
 Miracle Playgrounds of Indiana,  
 Inclusive Swings.....\$8,391.55

**Rensselaer Recreational Corp Fund**  
 Rensselaer Com. Rec. Dev. ....\$3,730.01

**Rensselaer Urban Forestry Council Fund**  
 Rensselaer Urban Forestry Council.....\$374.91

**Rensselaer Women's Giving Circle Rensselaer**  
 Urban Forestry Council, Locust Trees ....\$300.00

**Roy & Fern Tobias Community Center Fund**  
 Remington/Carpenter Twp. Library ..\$10,242.10

**Scott & Inez Hilliard Memorial Fund**  
 Jasper County Public Library,  
 Candid Subscription .....\$3,000.00

**Terry D. Elijah Endowment Fund**  
 Trinity United Methodist Church .....\$18,835.57

**The Second Chance Fund**  
 United Way Northwest Indiana.  
 Level Up .....\$62,500.00

**HEALTH & WELLNESS**  
**\$166,122.80 (13.66%)**

**Chief Industries Pass-Thru Fund**  
 March of Dimes.....\$253.34  
 North Central IN Rural Crisis Center .....\$152.00

**Community Support Fund - Jasper**  
 EFSP Disbursement for  
 Rent/Mortgage Assistance.....\$500.00  
 Emergency Food and Shelter  
 Program Refund.....\$75.00  
 Fuller Center for Housing-Jasper County.\$25.00  
 Good Samaritan Food Pantry .....\$100.00

**Community Support Fund - Newton**  
 Faith Harvest Food Pantry .....\$1,000.00  
 Lake Village Presbyterian Church  
 Little Help Food Pantry .....\$500.00  
 Roselawn Little League .....\$500.00

**Edward R. "Buddy" Pullins Youth Fund**  
 Iroquois Archery and Conservation .....\$500.00  
 Purdue Extension, 4-H Programs .....\$1,000.00

**Grace Pampel Education Fund**  
 Jeff Yalden Corp,  
 Mental Health Convocation .....\$12,500.00

**JAMA Fund**  
 DeMotte Elementary School  
 Student Needs .....\$230.60

**Jasper Co. 4-H Program Fund**  
 Jasper County 4-H Council.....\$1,551.72

**Jasper County Community Fund**  
 Boy Scouts of America Troop 177 .....\$5,000.00

**Jasper County Scouting Endowment**  
 Boy Scouts, Rensselaer Troop 152 .....\$965.74

**Jasper Foundation Unrestricted Board Fund**  
 LEAP Foundation Inc, Food Drive .....\$1,250.00  
 Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana..\$250.00  
 Rensselaer Park Board,  
 Christmas Wish Tree .....\$200.00  
 Rensselaer Softball Association Inc.,  
 Dugouts .....\$1,500.00

**KNM Charitable Endowment Fund**  
 Brook United Methodist Church,  
 Community Meal Program .....\$2,500.00  
 Southern Newton County Basketball \$3,500.00

**Lirio Resources Fund-Jasper County**  
 Lirio Resources, Inc.....\$3,052.55

**Mary Ethel Arnott Fund**  
 Rensselaer Central Middle School,  
 Student Need Fund .....\$1,500.00

**Newton County 4-H Council**  
 Newton County 4-H Council.....\$500.00

**Newton County Board Members Fund**  
 LEAP Foundation Inc, Food Drive .....\$1,250.00  
 North Newton FCCLA.....\$2,000.00  
 Santa's Chefs Christmas 2022 .....\$1,000.00

**Newton County Community Foundation Fund**  
 Roselawn Little League,  
 Walking Path .....\$52,848.00

**Newton County Veteran's Assistance Fund**  
 Newton County Treasurer,  
 Veteran Tax Assistance .....\$800.00

**Opportunities for Kids Fund**  
 Stonebelt Arc, Inc. ....\$505.53

**Parks for People Campaign**  
 Rensselaer Baseball, Inc,  
 Staddon Improvements .....\$10,000.00

**Purdue Extension Jasper County Fund**  
 Purdue Extension- Jasper County,  
 Empowering Girls Event .....\$470.34

**Remington Giving Circle**  
 Remington/Wolcott Ministerial Association,  
 Food Pantry.....\$2,000.00

**Rensselaer Bomber Youth Basketball & Football**  
 Programming Expenses for 2022.....\$25,754.93

**Rensselaer Women's Giving Circle**  
 Good Samaritan Food Pantry,  
 Milk Voucher Program .....\$1,500.00

**Seeds of Promise Fund**  
 GracePoint Resource Center, LLC .....\$8,000.00

**Terry D. Elijah Endowment Fund**  
 Jasper County Fair Board .....\$18,835.57  
 Shriners Hospitals for Children -  
 Chicago.....\$18,835.58

**Why Not Me**  
 St. Augustine Catholic School,  
 Gas Cards.....\$500.00





# COMMUNITY GRANT SPOTLIGHT 2022

## CEMENTING A LEGACY

### THE AARON JACKSON MEMORIAL FUND

## AARON R. JACKSON PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 23, 2021, WAY TOO SOON FOR ALL THE LIFE HE HAD TO LIVE.

Aaron was a graduate of Rensselaer Central High School in 2010. In 2012, he began the five-and-a-half-year process of creating the Jackson Street Pub in Brookston, Indiana. He put together a team that appreciated his drive for excellence. Aaron will be remembered for his kind heart, generosity, and ability to make you smile. He truly enjoyed the Pub and providing a place for customers to enjoy themselves.

Friends and family of Aaron Jackson established memorial funds at the White County Community

Foundation and at JNF to benefit local nonprofits that would honor his memory and all the things he loved. Proceeds have been donated to support organizations near Aaron's heart, like those providing gun safety training to youth, financial education, entrepreneurship skills, youth programs, and trades training in local schools. In 2022, the Iroquois River Chapter of Pheasants Forever - Youth Gun Safety Program and the Rensselaer Central High School Business Professionals of America Program each received \$4,000.00.



PHEASANTS FOREVER



RCBS BPA CLASS

# FUND PARTNERSHIP SPOTLIGHT 2022

## SECOND CHANCE FUND



UP TO \$325,000 THROUGH 2025 FOR THE INITIAL GRANT PHASE.

In 2021, we had a generous donor designate Jasper Newton Foundation as the beneficiary of an IRA upon their passing. The gift of \$2.6 Million to the Foundation is the second largest gift to JNF since its beginnings in 1991. This donor had a “true North” sense of what they wanted to do with the rewards of their life’s work – and that was to help other people who needed a second chance at life.

JNF does not handle social services – we fund nonprofit organizations to execute those missions. It took a while, but we found a fantastic program through United Way of Northwest Indiana called “Level Up” that fit the mission of the Second Chance Fund and served the very individuals that our generous donor wanted to help. A partnership with United Way was formed and with funding from the Second Chance Fund – we will be providing an opportunity for our community

members – our neighbors – who are ready for a second chance – to level up and THRIVE in Jasper and Newton Counties.

The Level Up Program is a financial stability program for working families in an area that includes Jasper and Newton Counties. The program is flexible to meet client needs. The program is designed to be completed between 12 to 18 months, depending on client circumstances. Learning opportunities include soft skills training, financial education training, trade/certification training, job connection, employment and retention guidance, and financial and social-emotional assistance to eliminate barriers.

In 2022, this grant fund was able to secure a Community Resource Advocate for Jasper and Newton Counties and start getting local residents who qualify, connected with the Level Up program.



Rensselaer Parks

HYPER  
CENTER

NONPROFIT SPOTLIGHT 2022

# ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY SPACES FOR YOUTH

HYPER CENTER



THE HEALTHY YOUTH PARKS EDUCATION RECREATION CENTER, OR HYPER CENTER, IS AN INDOOR/OUTDOOR SPACE ON THE CAMPUS OF BROOKSIDE PARK UNDER THE DIRECTION OF HEATHER HALL.

Its purpose is to provide opportunities in education and recreation to our community with a special emphasis on youth. Through these programs, community youth will develop a sense of place by exploring the natural world, immersing themselves in a variety of leisure activities (swimming, archery, disc golf, etc.), and learning life skills such as maintaining a garden and preparing food. All of this is done by tapping into the expertise of HYPER staff, local experts, and community volunteers.

At the heart of this center is the creation of a space that will make positive community interactions possible. This space has much to offer the youth of our community. Nearby is The Jeff Goad HYPER Center Classroom, a multipurpose hub for park camps, classes, clubs, and more. In time, the HYPER Center will also include a Youth Community Garden where produce will be grown and donated locally. In 2022, the HYPER Center utilized funds from the Rensselaer Parks Fund and other donors.



# NONPROFIT SPOTLIGHT 2022

## ENGAGING RURAL VOLUNTEERS

### WORKSHOP

## DR. KENNETH CULP III PROVIDED TWO LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ABOUT ENGAGING VOLUNTEERS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES FOR OUR LOCAL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

This was done as an act of community service in memory and honor of the volunteering legacy of Rensselaer community member Ron Jordan, who passed away in late 2021. Between September 19 and 20th, 2022, many networking connections were made in the Jasper/Newton communities, and workshop attendees gained new tools for recruiting volunteers and influential board members.

Participants learned how to identify, orient and educate new and current board members to help them understand their duties and responsibilities as a board. They also were challenged to think about how their organization recruits volunteers in the session titled, "Members, Leaders or Volunteers: Which do you have? Which do you prefer?" Dr. Culp's presentation was exciting and interactive and many local and regional organizations took part.

It is a great service that Jasper Newton Foundation finds ways to bring important learning to our nonprofit community so that our donors have solid and effective organizations to support for many years to come. Jasper and Newton Counties thrive because of the support of our donors and the service and offerings of our local nonprofits.

2022  
**ENGAGING VOLUNTEERS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES**

[www.jaspernewtonfoundation.org](http://www.jaspernewtonfoundation.org)

**THE LEGACY OF RON JORDAN**

**DR. KENNETH CULP III**  
Principal Volunteer Specialist

**Monday, September 19, 2022**  
Connections Center, Demotte  
5:30-8:30 pm CST.  
Dinner included.  
"Members, Leaders, Volunteers: Which do you have? Which do you want?"

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**  
Ember's Venue, Rensselaer  
11:30-1:30 pm CST.  
Lunch included.  
"Developing an Effective, Contributing Board of Directors in Rural Areas."

Call JNF to schedule a time - Limited Organization Governing Board Consultation Appointments.

\$15 FOR 1 SESSION OR \$20 TO ATTEND BOTH

REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL JNF

**JNF**  
JASPER NEWTON Foundation

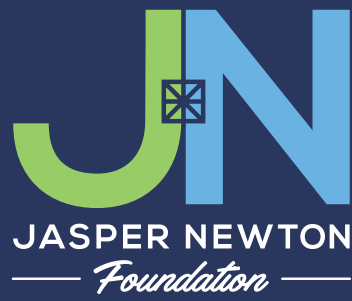
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# THE LEGACY OF RON JORDAN



**Ron Jordan was deeply involved in many nonprofit, civic, and arts organizations in the greater Rensselaer community including the Rensselaer Advanced Soccer League which led to the development of the RCHS soccer program. He was a board member of the Jasper Newton Foundation and the heart and soul of The Carnegie Players community theater group. Ron gave his time and talent to many and used his influence to get others involved in their community.**





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