

2021-2022 UNITY FOUNDATION
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Receiving from Unity

- A stronger county due to our community betterment work
- Personal, knowledgeable help to reach your charitable goals
- Valuable estate planning information from our planned giving website
- Services of nonprofits that receive Power for Good Unity grants or have endowment funds
- Help furthering your education through scholarships
- Community information through events, publications and social media
- Technical support for non-profits planning for the future

Giving to Unity

- Fuel the engine of Unity
- Support our community betterment work
- Remember or honor someone special
- Build your favorite fund (see pages 27-30)
- Start a fund of your own – it only takes \$5,000
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- Mention us in your will
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CELEBRATING UNITY'S 30 YEARS Honoring Mike Brennan, Unity Foundation of La Porte County Founder and Community Visionary

At an early age, **Michael Brennan** was admired by family and friends for his ability to get everyone together, get things done and make it fun. He grew up in a modest home in the dunes of Lake Michigan and deepened his roots and love for community. Brennan attended Western Michigan University and then John Marshall Law School in Chicago and practiced law in Michigan City from 1967 to 1980. He was chairman for Tyler Refrigeration until it was sold in 1984.

His entrepreneurial spirit and risk taking- transformed Michigan City's Pullman Standard rail car manufacturing plant into one of the country's first outlet malls, built in 1987. Lighthouse Place was visionary and ahead of its time. The innovative and risky project on the north side breathed new life into Michigan City. Today millions of people come to shop there, giving people a reason to explore the area, a welcome mat for much needed new investment.

Lilly Endowment announced their innovative initiative called GIFT...Give Indiana Funds for Tomorrow in the early 1990's. Both La Porte and Michigan City were organizing their approach to Lilly when Lilly said, "If you don't work together, we're not going to give you any money!"

Thanks to Mike's connections, NIPSCO agreed to 'loan' Bob Schaefer as the first Executive Director of Unity Foundation to get organized. In September of 1992 the board hired Maggi Spartz full time to grow Unity and spread the word of philanthropy.

In 1992, at Historic Barker Hall, the board hosted a "kick off" dinner where they worked hard to get 80 people to attend. John Mutz, then president of the Lilly Endowment wrote: "We believe that the creation of the Unity foundation may be one of the most important events in the county's history."

In 1993, Brennan and his partners sold the outlet mall. They took \$500,000 from the sale and invested it in the Unity Foundation. This early generous gift helped Unity get a matching grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc. The partners could have done something else with it, but they decided to give back to the community - forever.

Through the vision and generosity of such a forward-thinking leader like Mike Brennan, and with other founders and donors, the Unity Foundation was established in 1992 as a one-stop shop, donor-driven community foundation that serves as a magnificent philanthropic vehicle as much for donors as for recipients.

Over the last 30 years, Unity Foundation of La Porte County has served donors, nonprofits and local communities. As La Porte County's community foundation, it manages over \$40 million in assets, administers more than 325 charitable funds, and has granted nearly \$23 million!

Our community owes a debt of gratitude to Mike Brennan as a Founder and driving force for the formation of Unity over 30 years ago. Mike's unselfish, strategic, and inclusive leadership has helped strengthen the communities of La Porte County now and forever.

Let's all be more like Mike!



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30 INSPIRATIONAL YEARS → A POWERFUL FUTURE

We celebrated our 30th anniversary in many ways. During the past 30 years we've been inspired by our donors, our teachers and scholarship students, our non-profit organizations and the people in our diverse communities. As an homage to all who've inspired us, we engaged in some special birthday activities:

1. **Increased our Power for Good grant pool to \$250,000**, with a special allocation by our board. **AND we increased our grant size from \$3,000 to \$5,000** per project. 91 projects received funding and cover a wide range of issues around youth, education, environment, health mental health, and more, impacting thousands of people.
2. **In-person Gala:** More than 300 diverse people attended our 30th Gala held on October 1st. We honored retiring founding board member, Mike Brennan for all his efforts to benefit the people of La Porte County through Unity plus his decades long history of creating jobs and putting Michigan City on the map. October 1st was deemed "Mike Brennan Day" by three entities, Michigan City, La Porte and La Porte County. We said we should all **be more like Mike!** (More on page 2.)
3. **Helped 200 students and their families by awarding over \$330,000 in scholarships** from 50 different funds. These grants of \$1,000 or more, decreased tuition bills, lifted families and increased levels of education and success. This year's recipients attended 52 different institutions across the U.S. and Canada. Since 1992, Unity has awarded more than \$3 million in scholarships, with many of these students returning here to live, work and raise their families.
4. **La Porte County GIVES raises record dollars!** Unity, with help from hundreds of donors and sponsors, raised at total of \$714,000 during La Porte County GIVES! 56 charitable funds participated, and benefited from \$370,000 they can use today AND by building their endowment funds at Unity for long term financial stability. (More on page 13-14.)

**"I had not expected so much
from LP County GIVES!
Thrilled at the results.
Thanks so much!"**

— *Michiana Humane Society*



Is this check RIGHT?

It's bigger than we expected!

— *La Porte County Symphony Orchestra*



This worked out GREAT for us.

**LP County GIVES launched our
endowment and our visibility.**

Thank You!

— *Interfaith Community PADS*



**La Porte County Gives was
a huge boost for us!**

— *Family Advocates*



The Unity Foundation continues to be a trusted organization whose mission is to Strengthen La Porte County Now and Forever. For 30 years we've been inspired by our donors, our teachers and scholarship students, our non-profit organizations and the people in our diverse communities. All this leads to a Powerful Future. We invite you to join us.

Maggi Spartz
President

Jon A. Gilmore
Chair



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30 INSPIRATIONAL YEARS → A POWERFUL FUTURE

2022 Diane K. Bamberth Memorial Scholarship Recipients

This award honors the memory, courage and character of Diane K. Bamberth and is awarded each year to one or more students who exemplify humility, tenacity, and strength of character during adversity.



**Nathan
Galinowski**



**Makenna
Micallef**

2022 Edwin & Alice Mueller Scholarship Recipient



**Jillian
Matzke**

Unity Foundation Awards Scholarships for 2022-2023 Academic Year

Unity Foundation of La Porte County awarded over \$330,000 in scholarships to nearly 200 students from 50 different scholarship funds for the 2022-2023 academic year. Since 1992, Unity has awarded more than \$3 million in scholarships to help area students advance their education. The recipients are attending 52 different colleges and universities across the United States and Canada.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Bhagirathi Agrawal Scholarship

Riley Steinhiser

Row Crop Agricultural Scholarship

Madeleine Nunn

Blake Kessler

Jonathan Rocke

Katelyn Rudolph

Judith A. Amor Nursing Scholarship

Laura Bahena

Diane K. Bamberth Award

Nathan Galinowski

Makenna Micallef

Gustav J. & Elma A. Banzhaf Memorial Scholarship

Moriah Carmel

Hannah Eikelberg

Erica Hesters

Joel Kelley

Elaina Kobitz

Riley Moody

Sydney Varnak

Bensz Family Scholarship

Jayana Blakely

Maria Wadle

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Joanie Sanchez

William Vernon Compton

Scholarship

Anna Kubik

Cunningham Scholarship

De'Jah Hawkins-Garner

Ernest & Mildred Delco Scholarship

Alyssa Foster

Carley Dickard Memorial Scholarship

Emma Ekblaw

Galena Township Scholarship

Megan Boyd

Trenten Chalik

Sydney Moody

James A. & Phyllis A. Garwood Memorial

Music Scholarship

Danielle Lilly

Donald & Beverly Guse Scholarship

Ben Garwood

Harold & Rowena Hargrave Scholarship

Grace Tarnow

Robert J. Hiler Memorial Scholarship

Justin Bunce

Byonka Hernandez

Grace Olah

Karah Schutz

Ingersoll Trust Scholarship

Ella Dubbs

Nicholas Shuble

Bruce R. Johnson Scholarship

Camryn Young

Richard James Johnson Agriculture Scholarship

Rylie Koepke

Dr. King S. Jones Memorial Scholarship

Brooklynn Fugate

K.A.T. Volunteer Scholarship

Alexander Ake

Rebecca Marxman

Makayla Robinson

Alexandrea Sanders

Lexi Scheidt

Riya Verma

Arthur & Alice Kabelin Scholarship

Jamie Ellis

Paige Maudlin

Joanie Sanchez

Brittney Sanders

Matthew Steele

Riya Verma

Allison Zila

Kabelin Family Scholarship

Paige Hunter

Lauren Trim

Harry L. Kelling Memorial Scholarship

Paige Conklin

Rebecca Marxman

Rebekah Novak

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Kelly-Prentiss Scholarship

Christine Ake
Moriah Carmel

Sandra Calkins Kowalski Community

Nursing Scholarship
Joshua Schooley

Richard & Tracy Krause Scholarship

Joel Kelley
Julia Kelley
Alexander Tuszyński
Joseph Tuszyński
Natalie Yacullo

La Porte County E-Z Riders Horse & Pony Scholarship

Audrey Jeffers
Marcy Petri

La Porte County Nursing Scholarship

Ella Dubbs
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Allison Grabarczyk
Emma Heffron
Emily Huff
Lexi Scheidt
Taylor Skibinski

La Porte County Symphony Orchestra Deborah DePoy Music Scholarship

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Jory Bales
Tristen Poe

Marilouise Lundgren Lossing Memorial Scholarship

Zachary Archambault
Chloe Cloutier
Abigail Kemiel
Kasia Maddox
Payton Neely
Shelby Riehle
Grace Tarnow
Jacob Marsh
Shelby Riehle

Jack Lubeznik Scholarship

Yatziry Barrera Vazquez

Robert L. Ludington & Anita Huppenthal Ludington Scholarship

Christine Ake
Megan Boyd
Alaina Brown
Lillian Burke
Lacie Carr
Austin Casto
Isaac Chezem
James Collins
Jillian Cooney
Bryn Cothran
Olivia Cramer-Stevens
Lanie Criswell
Paige Dew
Ian Doms
Hannah Eikelberg
Carley Ellenberger
Jacob Ellis
Janelle Elwood
Laura Fischer
Emma Fleshman
Jade Foster
Aviana Garner
Kyle Gorski
Allison Grabarczyk
Emily Gushrowski
Megan Gushrowski
Nicholas Gushrowski
Emma Heffron
Nicole Hesters
Abigail Huff
Emily Huff
Erik Hultgren
Lauren Jaracz
Rachel Johnson
Jacob Kiser
Anna Kmiecik
Anna Kubik
Michael Lakin
Theodore Lefebvre
McKenzie Losinski
Josiah Miller
Kilee Miller
Hannah Misch
Emma Mitschelen
Riley Moody
Mary Murphy
Molly Neary
Logan Notaro
Spencer Noveroske

Madeleine Nunn
Janelle O'Neal
Austen Ott
Grant Ott-Large
Parker Peterson
Benjamin Pizarek
Paige Pizarek
Autumn Reynolds
Emma Rice
Megan Riley
Jonathan Rocke
Caleb Rosa
Gideon Rosa
Melissa Rudolph
Hannah Schoner
Bethany Schuster
Hannah Schuster
Mareeya Scully
Alyssa Shaia
Jacob Sherrick
Rachel Sherrick
Sara Siegmund
Sarah Smith
Ashlei Sonnenberg
Sydney Starks
Cory Stevenson
Nathan Stevenson
Mia Taylor
Bria Thomas
Russell Thomas
Abigail Tomblin
Sela Van Buskirk
Maria Wadle
Abigail Walker
Lauren West
Samantha Wilson
Grace Wyness
Camryn Young
Emily Young
Mason Young
Gavin Zolvinski

Ruth & Leonard Minich Scholarship

Maria Hoang
Katelyn Rudolph

Dr. Edwin C. & Alice J. Mueller Scholarship

Jillian Matzke

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MASON YOUNG

"It is an honor to be selected for the Robert L. and Anita Huppenthal Ludington Scholarship. With 7 years of college ahead of me, it will help so much. I hope to pay it forward someday."



RORY NEARY

"Thank you so much for your generosity in awarding me a scholarship for this upcoming school year. Without this financial help, I would not be able to follow my dream of becoming an elementary teacher."



RIESE BORNELL

"Thank you so much for selecting me for the County-Wide Scholarship for the upcoming year. Your gift will help me so much. I am very excited to start classes that can further help me serve our community."



CALEB ROSA

"My family and I deeply appreciate your generosity, and I will do my best to honor you by working diligently in my studies at Bethel University."



JACOB ELLIS

"I was immensely thrilled when I learned of my selection for this honor, and I am deeply appreciative of your support. This scholarship means so much to my entire family."

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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Pioneer Scholarship

Janaya Blakely
Lillian Burke
Aviana Garner
Victoria Horne
Michael Malloy
Makenna Micallef
Arturo Munoz
Autumn Reynolds
Katelyn Rudolph
Hannah Schoner
Brianna Simmons
Savannah Starr

Redington & Rootes Scholarship

Alyssa Foster
Erin Johnson
Preston Krause
Thomas Krause
Morgan Llewellyn
James Malony
Payton Neely
Elisabeth Novak
Madeleine Nunn
Garrott Ott-Large
Tristen Poe
Emily Samuelson
Samantha Shei
Grace Tarnow

Robert A. & Dorothy W. Locke Scholarship

Alexander Ake
Lillian Burke
Jacob Ellis
Emma Fleshman
Grant Godwin
Anna Kubik
Paige Maudlin
Jayme Noll
Rebekah Novak
Nicholas Shuble

Donald F. Scott Motivational Scholarship

Layana Aoun
Kasey Halfacre
De'Jah Hawkins-Garner
Jibreel Hoskins
Thomas Komay
Alyssa Shaia
Sophie Sorg

Floyd O. & Betty Shunk Scholarship

Zachary Archambault
Jory Bales
Chloe Cloutier
Breanna Dove

Jamie Ellis
Alyssa Foster
Jessica Jara Huizar
Jennifer Kievert
Jillian Matzke
Elisabeth Novak
Emily Samuelson
Grace Tarnow

Edward B. & Grace A. Steele Siperek Scholarship

Yatziry Barrera Vazquez
Ella Dubbs
Irvin & Peg Swanson
Scholarship
Shelby Riehle
Gavin Zolvinski

Tanber-Blair Golf Scholarship

Caroline Kearney
Jayme Noll
Elizabeth Schable
Taylor Skibinski
Camryn Young

Neil G. Thompson Memorial Scholarship

Alexis Becker
Roman Piergalski

John R. & Florene A. Troyer Scholarship

Rory Neary
Grace Wyness

Unity Foundation County Wide Scholarship

Charlotte Bartlett
Riese Bornell
Olivia DeWitt
Lillian Dingman
Bailee Laux
Nathan Lilly
Maura Mack
Michael Malloy
Rory Neary
Ashlei Sonnenberg
Cory Stevenson
Sidney Swanson
Alexander Willoughby
Brenna Woodruff
Natalie Yacullo

ABOUT UNITY FOUNDATION OF LA PORTE COUNTY

Since 1992, Unity Foundation of La Porte County has served donors, nonprofits and local communities. As La Porte County's community foundation, it manages approximately \$40 million in assets, administers more than 350 charitable funds, and has distributed more than \$22 million through direct grants and scholarships. The Council on Foundations has deemed Unity Foundation in compliance with all Indiana and national ethical and operating standards for community foundations. Unity Foundation's mission is to strengthen La Porte County now and forever by building permanent endowments; providing leadership; offering philanthropic vehicles for everyone; and, being a catalyst for social and economic vitality.

in appreciation, from our recipients



JONATHAN LOCKE
"This scholarship will help tremendously to allow me to achieve my goal of finishing college debt free. Thank you so much!"



LAURA FISCHER
"As I'm finishing my 6th and final year of pharmacy school, I'm incredibly grateful for the continued financial support. I appreciate everything that you continue to do to support people in the county to pursue education."

LILLY SCHOLARS



Jolie Klimczak is studying at Purdue University.



Macy Mrozinski is a student at Indiana University Kelley School of Business.

2022 Lilly Endowment Community Scholars

The Unity Foundation is pleased to announce two students were named 2022 Lilly Endowment Community Scholars.

Jolie Kleimczak from South Central High School and **Macy Mrozinski** from La Porte High School will receive tuition to the Indiana colleges of their choice and an annual stipend for required books and equipment. Both recipients exhibited the key elements of exemplary academic achievement, service to others, and impactful extracurricular involvement.

The Unity Foundation elects to participate in this program each year and manages the screening and interview process. Final review and decisions are made by the Independent Colleges of Indiana.

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The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program seeks to increase the number of Indiana residents who hold college degrees. Unity Foundation of La Porte County recommends applicants to Independent Colleges of Indiana, which is funded by Lilly Endowment, Inc., to award full-tuition scholarships to outstanding La Porte County Students.

These scholarships will provide full-tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study leading to a baccalaureate degree at any public or private college or university in Indiana accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The application period for the 2024 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program opens August 9, 2023.



Principal Ben Anderson, Guidance Teacher Tina Randall, and Unity staff members Jasmine Williams and Lauren Varga surprised South Central senior **Jolie Klimczak** with the news that she is a Lilly Endowment Community Scholar.



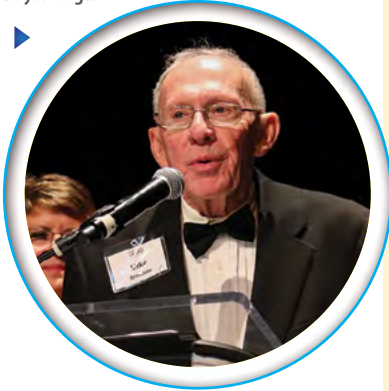
La Porte High School Principal Dr. Chris Alber and Unity staff members Jasmine Williams and Lauren Varga surprised **Macy Mrozinski**, her parents Melissa and Adam, and teacher Don Varda with the news that she is a Lilly Endowment Community Scholar.

UNITY



Unity Foundation
of La Porte County

Mike Brennan, Unity Foundation Founder and Community Visionary received special recognition as the Founder and driving force for the formation of Unity Foundation over 30 years ago.



UNITY FOUNDATION TOPS \$714,000 DURING LA PORTE COUNTY GIVES

Unity Foundation of La Porte County raised a record-breaking total of over \$714,000 to benefit 56 charitable causes with endowed funds at the foundation as part of its **30th Anniversary** and **La Porte County Gives** event on Saturday, October 1, 2022. The 56 participating funds collectively raised more than \$370,000 during La Porte County Gives. An additional \$310,000 match pool was split among the causes in proportion to the amount they raised, and special prizes totaling \$31,000 were awarded.

"We are especially grateful for the many donors who built the \$310,000 matching fund for this record-breaking fundraising event. The matching pool made giving more fun and allowed hundreds of other donor to get more for their money. These worthy causes will benefit now AND every year!"

— Maggi Spartz, Unity Foundation President.

Leading the pack was the La Porte County Symphony Orchestra raising more than \$90,000—a record for any one organization during a La Porte County Gives event. Family Advocates and Interfaith Community PADS rounded out the top three fundraisers.

The 30-hour online fundraising event culminated in a sold-out anniversary gala at Blue Chip. Past and present Unity Foundation Board Members, donors, non-profit leaders, young professionals, elected officials and community members came together to celebrate the special anniversary and be part of the record-breaking fundraising campaign.

Michael Brennan, Unity founder, board member and community visionary was honored for over 30 years of strategic and inclusive leadership. Congressman Frank Mrvan thanked Brennan for his service and presented him with a copy of a Congressional Record Statement, officially honoring Brennan for his inspirational leadership and wishing him well upon his retirement from the Unity board. Commissioner Sheila Matias, Mayor Tom Dermody and Mayor Duane Parry also honored Brennan during the event, declaring October 1 'Mike Brennan Day' in La Porte County and in the cities of La Porte and Michigan City. Unity Board Chair Jon Gilmore said, "It was Mike's vision and generosity that made Unity what it is today. You can't talk about Unity Foundation without Mike Brennan because we wouldn't be here without him."

Unity Foundation would like to thank the many donors and sponsors who made La Porte County Gives and the 30th Anniversary Gala possible. These include Give Day Match Platinum Sponsors Vera Z. Dwyer Charitable Trust, Horizon Bank and NIPSCO and 'Power for Good' Gala Sponsors Tonn and Blank Construction and NIPSCO.



Family Advocates, led by **Jackie Dermody**, CEO, and board members celebrated their second-place win as part of Unity's La Porte County Gives fundraising event. The Family Advocates team earned \$64,582.93 as part of their efforts.

To view the full results, visit laportecountygives.net



Unity Foundation Board Members gathered to commemorate Unity's 30th Anniversary and revel in the record-breaking success of the **2022 La Porte County Gives** fundraising event.

La Porte County GIVES

\$310,000+
in Matching Funds

Thanks for helping La Porte County raise the bar. We asked “visionary and big picture thinkers” to pledge matching funds to be granted in proportion to funds raised. This added incentive is encouraging giving and growing the success of **La Porte County Gives!** A special thanks to those who made it happen:

Susan Aaron	Tabb Gesse	Christian J. Nickels
Agrawal Family Fund	James & Nancy Hannon	Family Fund
American Legion Post 295–Union Mills	Horizon Bank	Jerry Peters Memorial Fund
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Norman J. Beles	La Porte Economic Advancement Partnership	Scott & Kim Siefker
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DREAM

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Franciscan Health, Michigan City	Montague & Associates
Harbour Trust & Investment Management Company	Newby, Lewis, Kaminski & Jones, LLP
Hawkins Print Shop	Tom & Marti Swanson
Kabelin Ace Hardware	Tech Credit Union
Dr. Vidya & Sudah Kora	Tonn & Blank
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“We are especially grateful to the group of donors that contributed over \$300,000 in matching grants for this record-breaking fundraising event. Their gifts encouraged others who wanted to take advantage of the matching funds!”

Maggi Spartz, *Unity Foundation President*

THE TOP FUNDRAISERS

1

La Porte County
Symphony Orchestra

\$90,530

TOTAL RAISED BY FUND

\$67,000

MATCH + PRIZES

\$ DIRECTLY TO THEM

\$81,212

2

Family
Advocates

\$34,490

TOTAL RAISED BY FUND

\$30,205

MATCH + PRIZES

\$ DIRECTLY TO THEM

\$32,291

3

Interfaith
Community PADS

\$56,781

TOTAL RAISED BY FUND

\$27,569

MATCH + PRIZES

\$ DIRECTLY TO THEM

\$29,391

4

Open Door
Community Alliance

\$18,809

TOTAL RAISED BY FUND

\$16,472

MATCH + PRIZES

\$ DIRECTLY TO THEM

\$17,589

5

Friendship Botanic
Gardens

\$17,363

TOTAL RAISED BY FUND

\$15,206

MATCH + PRIZES

\$ DIRECTLY TO THEM

\$16,234

Unity launches new African American Empowerment Fund

Unity's African American Empowerment Fund offers a unique opportunity to identify challenges and opportunities to improve the economic and health conditions of the African American people in La Porte County.

Established in 2021 with \$100,000 in unrestricted funds by Unity's Board of Directors, the purpose of Unity's new African American Empowerment Fund is "to improve socioeconomic conditions and celebrate the contributions of African Americans in La Porte County." As part of Unity's 30th Anniversary celebration and record-breaking 2022 *La Porte County Gives* event, the fund placed 7th in raising an additional \$15,000 in two weeks.

The initial focus of the fund is on entrepreneurship and financial literacy and is championed by Denise Shipp-Glenn, Unity's Professional Volunteer.

The fund aims to help achieve the Vision for La Porte County:

We envision La Porte County as a vibrant collection of unique communities that invest in their diverse people, grow their economic and health vitality, and promote innovative leadership through talented citizens for a rich quality of life for all.

- Created by citizens via Vibrant Communities of La Porte County Process 2019.

Unity's African American Empowerment Fund is modeled after The Community Foundation of St. Joseph County's African American Community Fund, initiated over 20 years ago. This fund has inspired African American donors and funded projects including: Dolly Parton's Imagination Library; Programs featuring relevant authors; Bringing a life-size statue of Harriet Tubman to South Bend; and, many arts and culture projects of interest to African Americans. Unity continues to learn from and leverage such innovative projects.

Since the fund's inception in 2021, grants have been awarded for the following:

- \$5,000 to support the 2022 Kwanzaa Celebration
- \$250 to support the Martin Luther King, Jr. event hosted by Purdue Northwest Westville Campus



The Michigan City Drifters Club announced a \$1,000 donation to the Michigan City Black Business Association as part of a 2023 Kwanzaa event sponsored in part by Unity's African American Empowerment Fund



Attendees of the 2023 Kwanzaa celebration at Hope Resource Center celebrated what different candles represent as part of traditional Kwanzaa rituals.



A traditional Kwanzaa display was part of the 2023 Kwanzaa event sponsored in part by Unity's African American Empowerment Fund.

To learn more about Unity's African American Empowerment Fund or to help the fund grow contact:
Denise Shipp-Glenn, Professional Volunteer at dshipp-glenn@uflc.net or **Maggi Spartz**, President at mspartz@uflc.net.
Learn more or donate online at <https://uflc.net/funds/african-american-empowerment-fund/>.

POWER FOR GOOD

A Unity Power for Good Grant helped support Michigan City Area Schools "Future Wolves" Elementary Sports Program.



"Corporate sponsors help Unity Foundation support and manage many community projects. Unity would also like to thank the La Porte County community and all donors for their ongoing support and celebration of the Power of Community in La Porte County. Applications for the next round of Power for Good Community Grants will be available in late spring 2023."

Unity Foundation Awards \$265,000 in Community Grants

Unity Foundation of La Porte County is supporting area nonprofit and community service agencies with its most recent round of 'Power for Good' Community Grants, totaling over \$265,000 for 91 local projects throughout La Porte County. These grants will help local organizations provide vital access to education, literacy, prevention and supportive services for local residents.

This year, Unity Foundation increased the amount of funding available for projects from \$3,000 to \$5,000 grants. Eligible organizations could apply for up to 2 grants that help strengthen La Porte County in meaningful ways.

The applications were evaluated by a committee of dedicated members from throughout La Porte County. The grants are made possible due to the generosity of visionary donors who left unrestricted funds to Unity Foundation. Those community funds were established in the following names: AAUW La Porte, Backer Family Fund, Fred & Helen Brust, Petrea A. Clark, John P. & Anne H. Daley, Ernest & Mildred Delco, Pauline M. Dent, Randy & Jane Dorman, Charles T. & Pauline Dye, Mark E. Essling, Sanford Z. Friedman, David C. Gardner, Christopher B. Jollief, Kabelin Family, Ruth W. Pollingue, Purdue Federal Credit Union, Scott and Marianne Rice Family, Tom & Judy Ringo, Ruth C. Sabin, Phillip A. Sprague, Thomas C. & Blanch G. Stokes, Tower/Oktoberfest, Unity Foundation Power for Good Fund, John & Jean Vail, and Sandra L. Young.

Funding assistance for this year's grants was also provided by the Bensz Family Advised Fund, Barry C. Dulyea Arts Fund for Children, Kay Franklin Commemorative Fund, Glick Foundation Fund, La Porte County Educational Advancement Fund, La Porte County Mental Health Fund, Christian J. Nickels Family Fund, Lorraine Gehrke Orlowski Fund, Polad Animal Care Endowment Fund, George H. and Madeline A. Smrt West Side Neighborhood Fund, and Charles Westcott Youth Fund.

"Community organizations are doing incredible work throughout La Porte County, and Unity is proud to support their efforts."

Shannon Walker,
Unity Foundation
Vice President



Lubeznik Center for the Arts offers youth field trips to students throughout La Porte County. Unity's Power for Good Community Grant Program continues to fund these efforts to educate and engage youth with the Arts in our community.

A Unity Power for Good Grant helped support the 20th Annual La Porte County Draft Horse Show, deemed a great success. Over 250 horses from across the Midwest participated in various events held over three days at the La Porte County Fairgrounds. There was high participation in the youth events, which included driving and showmanship.



POWER FOR GOOD

2022 Grant Recipients and their programs receiving funding are as follows:

Advancing Christ's Kingdom Ministries Michigan City

American Red Cross Northwest Indiana Chapter

Anam Cara Stables Inc.

Anthony Adams House

Arts for Learning

Arts in the Park

Boys & Girls Clubs of La Porte County

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Catholic Charities

Center Township Trustee La Porte County

Citizens Concerned for the Homeless, Inc. ("CCH")

City of La Porte

City of La Porte Mayor's Council for Veteran's Affairs

Community Food Pantry of Galena, Hudson, Kankakee, Wills Townships, Inc.

Dunebrook, Inc.

Family Advocates

Fly High Youth Services, Inc.

Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana

Goodwill Industries of Michiana, Inc.

HealthLinc - Community Health Center

Healthy Communities of LaPorte County

Helping Our People Excel

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry

Independent Cat Society

Interfaith Community PADS

Friendship Botanic Gardens

Intrepid Phoenix

Lubeznik Center for the Arts

Junior Achievement of Northern Indiana

La Porte County Meals on Wheels

La Porte County Symphony Orchestra

La Porte Little Theatre Club

La Porte County Family YMCA

La Porte County Habitat for Humanity

La Porte County Drug Free Partnership

La Porte High School

La Porte Lake Association

La Porte Salvation Army

Leadership La Porte County, Inc.

LETSGO City

Michigan City Area Schools

Michigan City Fire Department

Michigan City First United Methodist Church

Michigan City High School

Michigan City Holiday Meals

Michigan City Soul Steppers Drill Team

New Prairie Education Foundation

New Prairie High School Robotics

Open Door Community Alliance

Paladin

READ La Porte County

Reins of Life

Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Michiana

Sacred Heart Food Pantry at St. Mary

Service League of Michigan City

Shirley Heinze Land Trust

The Social and Learning Institute

South Central Jr. Sr. High School

Stepping Stone Shelter for Women, Inc.

Supplemental United Food Pantry (Hanna)

The Community Reserve

The Pax Center

Trinity Episcopal Church

United Way of LaPorte County

Washington Park Zoo

Westville Police Department

Worthy Women Recovery Home

YANA Service Club Inc.

Youth Service Bureau of LaPorte County

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Corporate sponsors help Unity Foundation support and manage many community projects. 2022 sponsors are as follows: Horizon Bank, NIPSCO, Northern Indiana Education Foundation, Mason Investment Advisory Services, 1st Source Bank, Edward Jones, Harbour Trust Investment Management Company, Kabelin Ace Hardware, Mason Investment Advisory Services, Inc., Newby Lewis Kaminski & Jones, LLP, Rice Farms, Sanlo, Sera Group, Tech Credit Union, Applegate & Company CPA's, Centier Bank, Estep Burkey Simmons, LLC, Purdue Federal Credit Union, Fenker's Furniture, Mayor Duane Parry and the City of Michigan City. Unity would also like to thank the La Porte County community and all donors for their ongoing support and celebration of the Power of Community in La Porte County.

More information on the grantees and grants can be found at [uflc.net](https://www.uflc.net).



Habitat for Humanity of La Porte County leveraged their Power for Good Community Grant for their 2022-23 House Build on Home Street in La Porte. Volunteers including the new partner family La Porte High School Trades Program, La Porte County Realtors Association and many others contributed over 2,000 volunteer hours as part of this project.



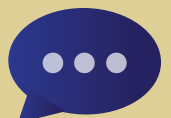
A Unity Power for Good Grant helped support Leadership La Porte County High School Program. Over the past year, 31 students from La Porte County high schools gathered for teambuilding, gaining community knowledge, learning about servant leadership, personal development and more.

Since 1992, Unity Foundation of La Porte County has served donors, nonprofits and local communities. As La Porte County's community foundation, it manages over \$40 million in assets, administers more than 350 charitable funds, and has distributed more than \$22 million through direct grants and scholarships. The Council on Foundations has deemed Unity Foundation in compliance with all Indiana and national ethical and operating standards for community foundations. Unity Foundation's mission is to strengthen La Porte County now and forever by building permanent endowments; providing leadership; offering philanthropic vehicles for everyone; and, being a catalyst for social and economic vitality.

For more information, please visit www.uflc.net or call 219-879-0327.

POWER FOR GOOD

FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS VISIT:
[uflc.net](https://www.uflc.net)



Unity Foundation Awards \$15,000 to Michigan City Area Teachers

Unity Foundation of La Porte County is pleased to announce the recipients for the 2022-2023 cycle of grants for Michigan City educators. These grants support teachers as they find innovative ways to make learning more engaging for students.

Since the mid-1990s, three grant programs, established by caring donors who believed in teachers as the critical factor for learning, have awarded grants to over 1,000 teachers for projects of their own design. This year's group of recipients is receiving approximately \$15,000.



Music students used exercise balls to drum along with upbeat music as part of the "Drums Alive" teacher grant project administered by Laurie Rockensuess, Edgewood Elementary School Teacher.

"Our local schools are full of exceptional teachers who go above and beyond for their students. Unity is honored to facilitate these grant programs that provide for additional learning opportunities for local students."

—Shannon Walker, Unity Foundation Vice President

The **Michigan City Education Foundation** provides grants for Michigan City public and parochial elementary and middle schools. Teachers may use their grants for hands-on or virtual activities in any academic area or life skills. MCEF was founded in 1994 when the Michigan City Chamber of Commerce, Mary Lou Linnen and Bud and June Ruby came together to empower teachers.

This year's recipients, schools and project titles are:

Arielle Smith, Barker Middle School,
Kindness Project

Elizabeth Camel, Coolspring Elementary School,
Keys to Creativity

Angela Dydo, Coolspring Elementary School,
It All Works Out—A Math Project

Ashlyn Palmer, Edgewood Elementary,
Bookflix

Michelle Sickles, Edgewood Elementary,
We Are Crew

Sheri Tuesburg and Holly Stanisci, Edgewood Elementary,
Voracious Readers and Astonishing Authors

Hannah Scheller, Knapp Elementary,
Reading/Writing Independent Centers

Erica Ackerson, Krueger Middle School,
Net Worth

Kelly Tokoly-Rothermel, Krueger Middle School,
Scents-sational Art Sensory Sketchbooks

Elizabeth Law, Lake Hills Elementary,
Phonics Fun

Susan Shell, Marsh Elementary,
We are Better Together

Kate Bobillo, Notre Dame Catholic School,
Kitchen is Open

Joanna Cate, Notre Dame Catholic School,
Community Through Play

Brigid McKee, Notre Dame Catholic School,
Flexible Seating

Lexa Allison, Saint Paul Lutheran School,
Vive La Difference

Stephanie Jones, Springfield Elementary,
Using play to prepare for the motor skills needed for Kindergarten

Erin Ledyard, Springfield Elementary,
Clay Therapy

Amanda Wallen, Sharon Arndt and Megan Orlando, Pine Elementary,
Boogieing Our Day Away: Funding assistance for this project was also provided by the Debbie New Paholski Foundation.

The **Barbara A. Carmen Memorial Endowment Fund** is dedicated to the memory of Barbara A. Carmen, a former Michigan City kindergarten and first grade teacher in both the public and parochial schools. The Carmen Fund makes grants for items that will enrich curriculum or enhance teacher's ability to meet student needs.

This year's recipients, schools and project titles are:

Erin Colvin, Barker Middle School, *Creating Passionate Readers*

Holly Zborowski, Coolspring Elementary School, *Healthy Me*

Laurie Rockensuess, Edgewood Elementary, *Ukulele Project*

Leanna Smith, Edgewood Elementary, *K is for Kindergarten*

Ryan Labis, Krueger Middle School, *Get Fit, Get Ready, Get Happy*

Ashley Brown, Marsh Elementary, *Mr. Popper's Penguins Pop into Marsh*

Christina Schultz and **Sara Conn**, Notre Dame Catholic School, *Centered on Fun and Learning*

Sara Rathbun, Notre Dame Catholic School, *Novel Study Sets*

Nicole Groleau, Springfield Elementary, *Sensory Toys*

A student uses a stylus pen for a teacher grant science project administered by Notre Dame Catholic School Teacher Sara Conn.



A student wrote about opening a pet daycare as part of a teacher grant project administered by Edgewood Elementary School Teacher Michelle Sickles.

The **Teacher Innovation Fund for Michigan City Area Schools** is a grant program for Michigan City High School and La Porte County Career and Technical Education A.K. Smith Career Center teachers and professionals. It is designed to support educational professionals as they strive to reach their students. MCAS Superintendent Dr. Barbara Eason-Watkins and former Michigan City Mayor Chuck Oberlie provided the idea and the seed money from their own personal funds for this program. Grants can be used to purchase equipment, supplies, tools for special programs or for ideas to enrich curriculum and enhance each professional's ability to meet his/her students' needs.

This year's recipients, schools and project titles are:

Susan Cleveland, MCHS, *Mosaic Murals*

Lynne Clinkert, MCHS, *It's all fun and games*

Candy Feare, MCHS, *Get Moving! Get Motivated! Get Physically Active!*

Kristen Freitag, MCHS, *Comfort in the Classroom*

Adam Goebel, MCHS, *Elementary Science—This award is supported by the Michigan City Chamber of Commerce in memory of A.K. Smith graduate and long time Horizon Bank employee, Joe Mellen.*

Rachel Pauer, MCHS, *Dual Credit Biology 2: Learning About You*

Cheri Whitler, MCHS, *Cut it Out!*

Amy Wojasinski-Labis, MCHS, *Celebrations though Wolfpack*

Ashley Zahrt, MCHS, *Digital Microscopy*

The next round of grants for Michigan City Teachers will open in summer 2023. All La Porte County teachers are eligible to apply for Unity's Community "Power for Good" Grants. That application period will open in late spring 2023. For more information on Unity's grant programs or to make a donation visit uflc.net.

2021 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

UNITY FOUNDATION OF LA PORTE COUNTY, INC.

2021 Financial Summary

Summary Statement of Financial Position at December 31, 2021

Summary Statement of Activities for the Year Ended December 31, 2021
Source: Audited Financial Statements



Unity Foundation
of La Porte County

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$1,428,088
Investments.....	45,370,333
Beneficial interest in charitable remainder trusts.....	284,524
Net property and equipment	411,335
Total Assets.....	\$47,494,280

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$182,151
Non-current liabilities	2,247,141
Total Liabilities.....	\$2,429,292
Net assets without donor restrictions.....	\$2,875,653
Net assets with donor restrictions.....	42,189,335
Total Net Assets.....	\$45,064,988
Total Liabilities and Net Assets.....	\$47,494,280

REVENUES, GAINS & OTHER SUPPORT

Revenue and support	
Investment return, net	\$6,462,851
Contributions.....	4,747,328
Gift-in-kind rent	66,348
Rent income	49,328
Change in value of charitable remainder trusts.....	84,036
Special events, Project fee, Admin fee income.....	611,357
Total revenues, gains and other support...	\$12,921,248

EXPENSES

Program services	\$1795,126
Supporting services.....	818,169
Fundraising.....	265,817
Total Expenses	\$2,879,112

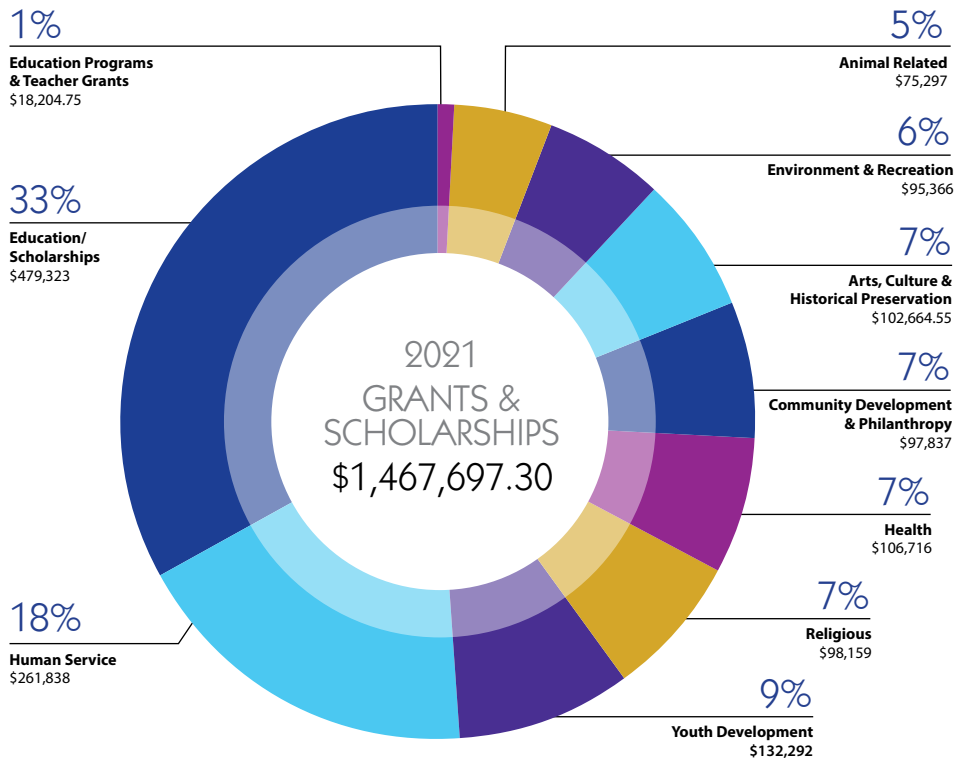
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS \$9,142,136

The above represents summarized financial data for the year ending December 31, 2021 as audited by Estep Burkey Simmons, LLC. A complete audited financial report is available upon request. The Unity Foundation of La Porte County, Inc., is a tax-exempt public charity under IRS Code Section 501 (c) (3).

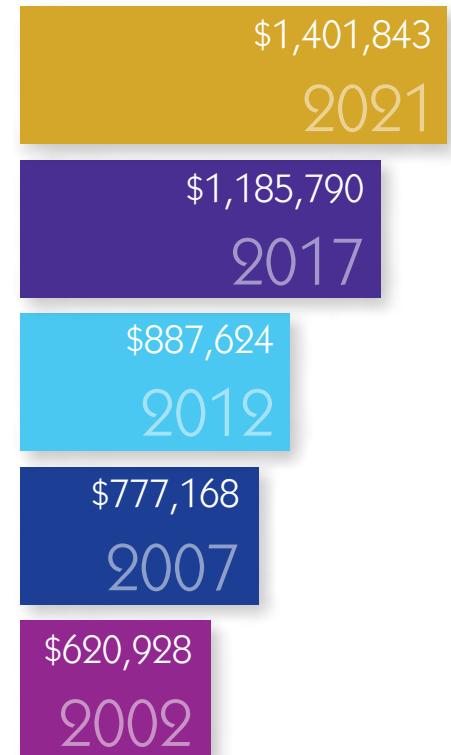
As reported by our independent investment advisors, The Mason Companies, the year to date time weighted returns, net of fees, for permanent assets under management as of 12/31/21 were 19.34% vs. GRP (Growth Reference Point) of 13.87%. The 3 Year return was 16.65% vs. GRP of 14.36%; 5 Year: 10.92% vs. 9.80% GRP; 10 Year: 8.81% vs 8.73% GRP.

2021 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

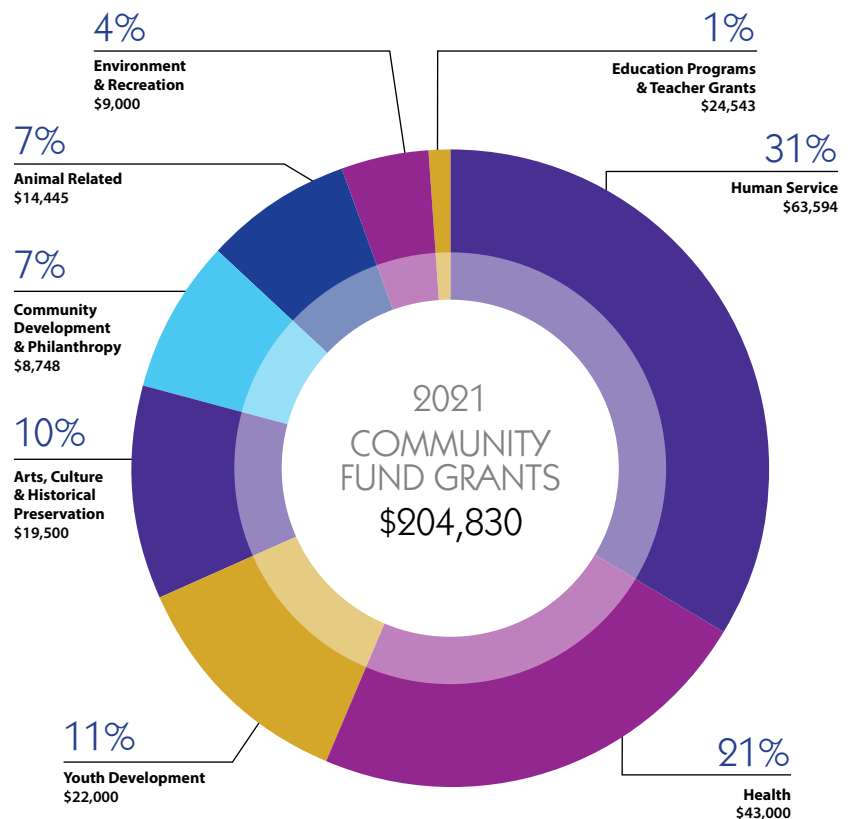
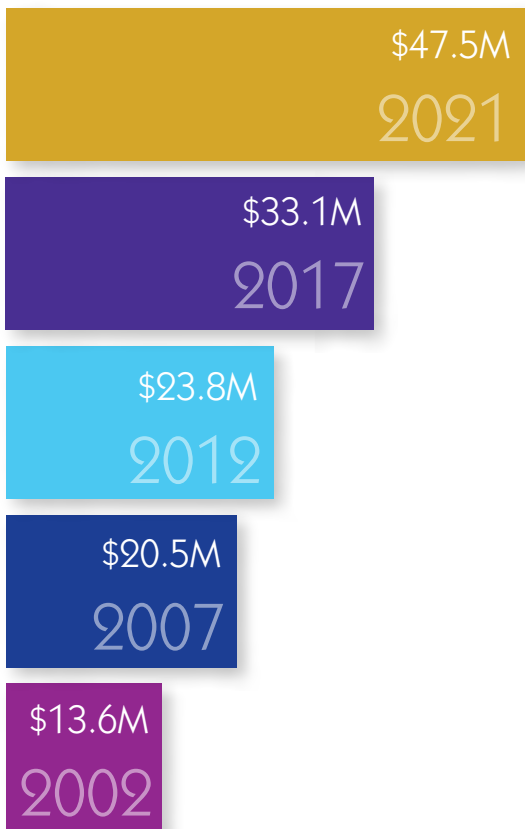
UNITY FOUNDATION OF LA PORTE COUNTY, INC.



GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED



ASSET GROWTH - ALL FUNDS \$ Million



30 Inspirational Years...

A POWERFUL FUTURE

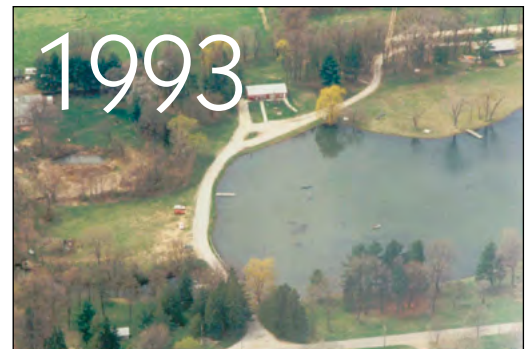
A HISTORY OF UNITY



Founding Board Kickoff held
at the historic Barker Hall

1992

\$80,000 awarded from
Lilly for 4 Demonstration
Grants: Town of Union
Mills (population 400)
raised an incredible
\$150,000 in matching
funds to ensure a vibrant
ecosystem for Union
Mills Pond.



1993

\$5M
1998

Unity's endowment reaches
\$5 million – money that will
benefit La Porte County forever
as it continues to grow.

UF
celebrating
30 YEARS
Unity Foundation
of La Porte County

30 INSPIRATIONAL YEARS → A POWERFUL FUTURE

2000

Leadership & Convening

- Comprehensive Community Studies
- Literacy & Education
- Homelessness
- Health
- Nonprofit Capacity Building
- Technical Support
- Major Funders
- Regional Initiatives
- Rural & Agricultural Development



The Discovery Alliance, a partnership with our neighbors in Lake and Porter counties has brought \$18 million to our region for education and literacy programs.



2001

Moved into 619 Franklin St., Michigan City

\$20M

2007

Unity reaches \$20 million in assets and raises \$125,000 for local non-profits during 15th anniversary gala.

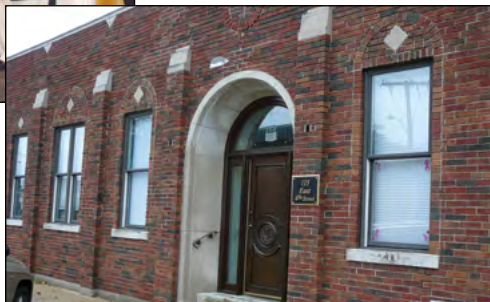


Completion of *A Tale of Two Creeks: Trail Creek Watershed Management Plan* – Unity collaborated with the City of Michigan City and other stakeholders to ensure future generations will be able to enjoy the beauty of Trail Creek.

2012



Unity Celebrates 20 years and raises nearly \$170,000 for 50+ non-profits at Give Day.



Unity relocates office to 115 East 4th Street in Michigan City

\$25M

2015

Thanks to generous donors, Unity's endowment reaches \$25 million, enabling more good work to be done in the community each year.

2016



Unity Park is gifted to the City of La Porte. The partnership between Unity Foundation and the La Porte Park Foundation keeps two acres of land open to the public and preserves the view of Pine Lake for all.

2017



Creation of STAR Center Unity's home until 2037.
Thank you NIEF!

2019



Finishing Touches - Donor recognition art
installed at Unity Park



Vibrant La Porte County community engagement completed

1992-2020



Met all GIFT Challenge Matches generously offered by Lilly Endowment, Inc.

GIFT Challenge Match grants are designed to encourage residents and others to give generously to grow community foundation endowments and to fund local community needs.

GIFT = Give Indiana Funds for Tomorrow

Thank you Lilly Endowment!

30 INSPIRATIONAL YEARS → A POWERFUL FUTURE

2020



RESOURCES TO
BUILD A BETTER
BUSINESS



Counties come together for NWIBizHub



Home Team marks 15 years of service

\$45M 2021

Unity reaches \$45 million

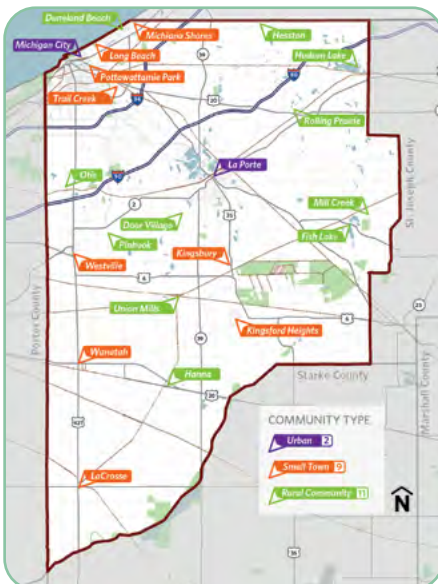


Investment in People –
Over \$22 million in direct
scholarships and grants
since 1992



\$100K

Unity Foundation Board of Directors commit \$100K in unrestricted
funds to establish the African American Empowerment Fund



2022

Vibrant

COMMUNITIES OF LA PORTE COUNTY

Unity champions first-ever Housing Study
(#1 Action Agenda Item) as part of Vibrant
Communities of La Porte County community
betterment movement.

UF | 30 YEARS

Unity Foundation of La Porte County

RECORD-BREAKING
LA PORTE COUNTY GIVES EVENT
RAISES OVER

\$714,0000

TO BENEFIT

56

CHARITABLE CAUSES
WITH UNITY FOUNDATION
ENDOWED FUNDS



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Investment
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Ott/Haverstock
Funeral Chapel



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Investment
Management



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Kaminski & Jones, LLP



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Osborn Wealth
Management



Michael V. Riley,
Michael V. Riley
and Associates

GOLD KEY SOCIETY

We appreciate those who help foster gifts to or through Unity Foundation as they assist their clients in attaining their philanthropic and financial planning goals. Since our last annual report publication, we added five new members to the Gold Key Society and awarded 18 additional keys to advisors for assisting clients in strengthening their community by introducing them to Unity and the diverse options it offers to be philanthropic. Whether it is tax savings, the desire to fund a special cause or the importance of leaving a future legacy, Unity has vehicles to help everyone!

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*New Gold Key Member

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VOLUNTEERS



A team of Unity Foundation 30th Anniversary Gala volunteers worked tirelessly behind the scenes leading up to the main event on October 1, 2022. Unity is thankful for our incredible volunteers!



Seth Spencer, Unity Board Member and Jasmine Williams, Unity Volunteer and former Lilly Endowment Community Intern tour Michigan City High School Robotics Department on May 5, 2022.

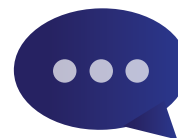


Jane Daley and Sophie Koss, Unity 30th Anniversary Gala volunteers celebrate with **Maggi Spartz, Unity President** on October 1, 2022 at Blue Chip Casino.

Matt & Maria Amor
Paul Applegate
Jack Arnett
Elizabeth Bernel
Jen Birchfield
Erica Boyd
Michael & Kathy Brennan
Julie Burke
Jada Bush
John Carmen
Vane Clayton
Nancy Clayton-Ault
Rick Commers
Diana Kabelin Corley
Laura Costello
Earl & Faye Cunningham
Jane Daley
Yolonda Davis
Katie Dermody
Angie Nelson Deutch
Ashley Dickinson
Shannon Eason
Dr. Barbara-Eason Watkins
Katie Eaton
Janelle Elwood
Laura Francesconi
Greta & Shaw Friedman
Greg & Maria Fruth
Tom Garwood
Jon Gilmore
Jenilee Haynes Peterson
Ron Heeg
David Heinold
Pat Herman

Barb Howe
Jim Howe
Mark Jacobi
Heidi Jaffee
Jim Jessup
Gail Johnson
Ryan & Jennifer Juskiewicz
Jim Kaminski
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Monica Komaskinski
Mary Komenas
Leah Konrady
Dr. Vidya Kora
Sophie Koss
Richard & Tracy Krause
Paul Kysel
Beth LeRoy
Nate Loucks
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Ann Metcalf
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Shalonda Morrow
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Brooke Nack
Marjorie Nasser
Alfreda Nelson
Randy Novak

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Linda Saddler
Kim Sauers
Denise Scarborough
Brenda Schultz
Ed Seal
Myron Shafer
Denice Shipp-Glenn
Dan Shunk
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Contact us at 219-879-0327
uflc.net

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VISIONARIES



Unity Foundation Visionaries Mark Krentz, Laura Krentz, Maggi Spartz, Marti Swanson and Tom Swanson celebrate Unity's 30th Anniversary and record-setting La Porte County Gives fundraising event on October 1, 2022 at Blue Chip Casino.

Ordinary people extraordinary vision

Unity Visionaries see beyond today to enrich our community far into the future. They were inspired to start a permanent fund; name Unity as a beneficiary of their will, insurance policy or IRA; or to create a charitable gift annuity. By doing one or more of these acts, they are meeting their goals today, while making a lasting expression of their family values.

We love our Visionaries and they love what Unity does to help them strengthen La Porte County now and forever!

We are grateful for their trust and their commitment to our future.

Susan Aaron	Todd & Stephanie Dickard	Jeff & Margaret Jones	Patrick & Susan McCoy	Dr. Tom & Cindy Roberts
Dr. & Mrs. Amarnath B. Agrawal	Pamela Dishman	Chip & Susie Jones	Michael & Deborah McDermott	Mr. Bob Rose
Blayne & Cathy Albrecht	Randy & Jane Dorman	Jerry & Kay Kabelin	Constance McKeague	Thomas & Ann Roush
Judi & Bret Alcorn	V. Michael & Cherri Drayton	Dennis Kelley	The Merrill Family	Michael & June Salmon
David W. Alt	Shirley Duerr	Andrew C. Kesling	Ann Metcalf	Paul & Terri Sammann
Willis E. Alt Jr.	Jeff & Dawn Dunifon	Dorothy Kesling-Rosenblum & Dr. Joe Rosenblum	Melinda Metzger	Brenda Schultz
Mathew & Maria Amor	Jim & Nancy Dworkin	Jim Kniola	Drs. David C. & Lovera Wolf Miller	Gerald & Betty Seegers
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Hanna, Indiana Community Fund
Westville, Indiana Community Fund

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Animal Care & Animal Education

Animal Lover's Fund
Independent Cat Society
La Porte County Small Animal Shelter
Michiana Humane Society
Polad Animal Care Fund
Washington Park Zoo Fund
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Arts & Culture

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Arts United Fund of La Porte County
Bankoff Family Fund for the Sinai Sunday Forum
Beverly Shores History Museum & Art Gallery Fund
Canterbury Guild Inc. Endowment Fund
Carillon Fund of the Presbyterian Church of La Porte
Barry Dulyea Arts for Children Fund
Dunes Arts Foundation Endowment
Eugene & Marilyn Glick Arts Fund
Indiana Humanities Fund
La Porte County Symphony Fund
La Porte Little Theatre Club Endowment Fund
La Porte Music Club, Inc. Fund
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Jack & Shirley Lubeznik Center for the Arts
Jerry Peters Memorial Fund
Ted & Ruth Rohrabough Fund for the Michigan City Lakefront Amphitheater
Julia Diane Ragains Slawin Music Fund
Sculptor Isamu Noguchi Tribute Fund
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Taleamor Park Environment & Art Fund
Sandra L. Young Arts Appreciation Fund

Community Development & Philanthropy

*African American Empowerment Fund
Bethany Community Fund
Economic Development Investment Fund
Honor Our Military Fund



The Celebrating Naomi Anderson Project Fund was started in 2020 to preserve the history of 19th century African American activist and suffragist, Naomi Bowman Talbert Anderson, born in Michigan City, Indiana. She lived a life of activism and brilliance, fighting for the rights of women and color along fellow 19th century suffragist Susan B. Anthony.

Jim Jessup Future Leaders Fund
Kankakee Valley Workforce Development Fund
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La Porte County Celebration Fund
Leadership La Porte County Fund
Michigan City Lion Charities, Inc. Endowment Fund
Joseph & Jerome Nickels Fund
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George H. & Madeline A. Smrt West Side Neighborhood Fund
United Way of La Porte County Endowment Fund
Unity Foundation Operating Fund
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Wanatah Lions Club Endowment Fund
Ron Wood Jr. Memorial Water Safety Fund

Education

Barbara A. Carmen Memorial Fund
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Ivy Tech MC Pejic Campus Fund
La Lumiere School Endowment Fund
La Porte County Educational Advancement Fund
La Porte Educational Development Foundation Endowment Fund
La Porte High School Class of 1952 Fund

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*New Fund

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League of Women Voters Education Fund
 Marquette Catholic HS Education Fund
 Michigan City Area Chamber of Commerce Education Foundation
 Michigan City Area Schools Endowment Fund
 Michigan City Education Foundation
 J. Robert & Marjorie Miller Teacher Advancement Fund
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 Notre Dame Catholic School Education Fund
 Peepers for Teachers
 Queen of All Saints School Language Arts
 South Central Education Foundation
 Teacher Innovation Fund for MCAS
 Westville Schools (MSD of New Durham Twp) Endowment

Emergency Services, Housing & Food

Affordable Housing Fund for the Greater Michigan City Area
 American Red Cross Endowment Fund – La Porte County Chapter
 Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Gary
 Food Bank of Northern Indiana Fund
 Home Team Project Fund
 Homeward Bound, Inc. Endowment Fund
 Housing Opportunities Endowment Fund
 *Interfaith Community PADS Inc. Endowment Fund
 La Porte County Disaster Relief & Recovery Fund
 La Porte County Habitat for Humanity, Inc. Endowment Fund
 La Porte County Meals on Wheels Endowment
 Michigan City Holiday Meals
 Lorraine Gehrke Orlowski Fund for Housing & Homelessness
 The Salvation Army of La Porte Endowment Fund
 The Salvation Army of Michigan City
 The Salvation Army of Michigan City Major Building Repairs Fund
 Sand Castle Shelter for Women & Children
 Stepping Stone Shelter Endowment Fund

Environment, Parks, & Recreation

Barker Woods Stewardship Fund
 Beechwood Golf Course Endowment Fund
 Dunes Environmental Learning Center
 Tuition Assistance Fund

Environmental Improvement Fund for La Porte County
 Fort La Play Porte Endowment
 Fox Memorial Park Endowment Fund
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 La Porte County Conservation Trust Fund
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 Long Beach Tree Fund
 Mill Pond Park Fund
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 Rotary Special Projects Fund
 Save the Dunes Conservation Fund Endowment
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 Trail Creek Watershed Partnership Fund
 Urban Forestry Fund – Michigan City
 Unity Park Endowment Fund

Family Support

Children's Fund (Child Abuse Prevention) – Dunebrook
 Family Advocates (CASA) Fund
 *Held In Hope Endowment Fund
 La Porte Family YMCA
 Child Care Center Fund
 Women's Care Center of Greater La Porte County Endowment Fund
 Womens Well-Being Fund

Health Care

Center for Hospice Care Fund
 Duneland Health Council Fund
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 Global Alliance Fund
 Franciscan St. Anthony Health, Michigan City Fund
 Mosette Levin Cancer Fund
 Open Door Community Health Alliance Endowment Fund
 Dr. R. Thomas Rocke SMILE Foundation
 VNA of La Porte County Endowment

Historic Preservation

Celebrating Naomi Anderson Project Fund
 *Dick Reel Memorial Pioneerland Fund
 Long Beach Historical Society
 Michigan City Lighthouse
 Catwalk Maintenance
 Rumely/Allis-Chalmers La Porte Heritage Center Fund

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Washington Park Bandstand Fund
Literacy & Library Services
 Kay Franklin Commemorative Fund
 La Crosse Public Library Fund
 La Porte County Public Library Endowment Fund
 Marquette Catholic High School Library Fund
 Michigan City Public Library Fund
 READ La Porte County Literacy Fund
 Unity Foundation Literacy Fund

Mental Well Being

*Anam Cara Endowment Fund
 Mental Health Fund of La Porte County
 Samaritan Counseling Centers Fund
 Worthy Women Recovery Home Endowment Fund

Positive Youth Development

4-H of La Porte County
 Boys & Girls Club of La Porte County Endowment Fund
 Boy Scouts of America
 LaSalle Council #165 Fund
 Imogene L. Dahl Purdue Extension Fund
 DeCamp's Band of Brothers Fund
 Dr. Fischer LPHS Athletic Fund
 Foundations for Youth (Youth Service Bureau)
 Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana
 Hands off Heroin Fund, MSD
 New Durham Twp Schools
 Imagination Station Fund
 Junior Achievement of Michigan City
 La Porte County Fair Fund
 La Porte County Family YMCA Fund

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The Dick Reel Memorial Pioneerland Fund was started in 2022 in memory of Richard "Dick" Reel to preserve, maintain, and improve the physical and educational features of Pioneerland, an historic area located at the La Porte County Fairgrounds in La Porte, Indiana.

*New Fund

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La Porte County Family YMCA
MC Elston Branch Endowment Fund
La Porte Jaycees Deserving Children
Endowment Fund
LOK Wishing Tree Foundation
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of La Porte Endowment Fund
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Michigan City Endowment
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Michigan City
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Wanatah Sacred Heart Catholic Church



The **Debbie New Paholski Foundation** was established in 2022 to support a variety of charitable causes primarily serving the people of La Porte County, Indiana. Her passion was to witness young children learn and succeed. The hope for her foundation is that teachers will help more children learn, read and succeed.

**New Fund*

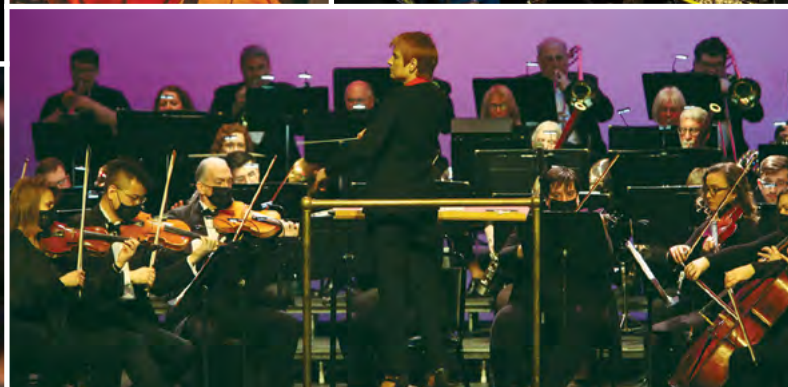
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Agrawal Family Fund for Social
& Learning Institute
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Legacy Fund for the Swanson
Activity Center for Older Adults
Library Services for the Disabled Fund
Paladin Endowment
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Endowment Fund
Senior Independence Fund
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Handicapped Fund

Scholarships & Awards

Agricultural Scholarship
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Diane Kay Bamberth Memorial Award
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Scholarship Fund
Benzs Family Scholarship Fund
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Organ Achievement Award
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Scholarship Fund
William Vernon Compton Scholarship
Earl & Faye Cunningham Scholarship
Anne H. Daley Youth Service Bureau
Scholarship
R.E. Daly III La Lumiere Scholarship
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Memorial Music Scholarship
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K.A.T. Volunteer Scholarship
Harry Kelling Scholarship Fund
Kelly-Prentiss Scholarship

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Richard & Tracy Krause
Scholarship Fund
The La Porte County E-Z Riders
Horse & Pony Scholarship Fund
La Porte Amateur Music Scholarship
La Porte County Nursing
Scholarship Fund
La Porte County Symphony Orchestra
Deborah DePoy Scholarship
Robert E. LeRoy Tennis Scholarship
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Unity Foundation has helped LCSO reignite their endowment fund campaign as part of their 50th Anniversary. Their goal is to build their permanent endowment fund (held in Unity) to increase annual income to ensure programming for the next 50 years and beyond.

To learn more on the many ways to give visit uflc.net/funds/contribute-online, lcsos.net or contact the La Porte County Symphony Orchestra at 219-362-9020.

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Lake Family Fund
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Stalbrink & Lapaich Family Fund
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*New Fund



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