TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER

HELPING RESIDENTS OF SOUTH LAKE COUNTY THROUGH THE CPCF'S CARE-EMERGENCY AID & RELIEF FUND.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS
CPCF AWARDS 100 SCHOLARSHIPS IN 2020

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS 1990-2020

+ 5 QUESTIONS WITH CPCF BOARD MEMBER GREG FORSYTHE
LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I write this letter, the world remains in a state of change and unpredictability. Across our community, we each have personally experienced the isolation of social distancing, the challenges faced by our favorite local businesses and nonprofit organizations, and the fear of the unknown. While these are unsettling times for all of us, our community stands together, connected as ever, setting the path to a brighter future paved by our shared hope and generosity.

In the face of unprecedented need, donors reached out with a remarkable outpouring of support and empathy, while community and nonprofit partners rapidly mobilized their networks and resources to extend a lifeline to our most vulnerable families and individuals. One such nonprofit, Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry (see page 4), received vital funding from our community grantmaking efforts to help give much needed nutritious meat to hunger relief agencies. Likewise, collaborative initiatives such as our partnership with the Foundations of East Chicago and Legacy Foundation enhanced rapid-response grantmaking from our CARE Emergency Aid and Relief Fund (see page 6) that augmented strategies for short-term relief to those on the front lines, setting the stage for the longer-term recovery.

As the stay at home orders forced schools and students to pivot to e-learning platforms, our scholarship committee made changes too, conducting virtual interviews with candidates before awarding 100 scholarships totaling over $360,000 to help students lessen the cost of obtaining their post-secondary education (see page 8).

Even in ordinary times, collaboration across sectors is essential to building the community we all want to live in. On page 15, you’ll learn how the CPCF is playing a role to launch NWI BizHub, an online initiative to support entrepreneurs and small businesses to easily find resources to start and grow thriving enterprises. By focusing on what is possible and achievable together, we can make a lasting difference in another’s life.

The stories within this newsletter illuminate an important and indisputable truth – as a community foundation, we exist first and foremost to serve our community, especially in times of critical needs. Throughout our 30-year history, the Crown Point Community Foundation has been a trusted partner for those with the vision and heart to create opportunities and improve lives across generations. Together, with our donors and nonprofit partners, we are stronger. This community impact philosophy will continue to guide us for the next 30 years and beyond.

Thank you for your continued generosity and partnership,
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THE GRANT HAS BEEN VERY USEFUL IN SUPPLYING OUR FOOD PANTRY. THE GRANT WILL GO A LONG WAY IN HELPING US PROVIDE FOR THOSE IN NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY.

KEVIN TOTH
HANOVER TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE
CARE-EMERGENCY AID & RELIEF FUND RECIPIENT

NWI BizHub was created to connect entrepreneurs and small businesses to the resources they need to help start, grow and prosper.

MARY B. NIELSEN
CPCF PRESIDENT
CPCF GRANTS AT WORK | Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry

With your help, vital nutrition was provided to those in need during the COVID-19 outbreak.

A $2,500 grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation's Community Grants Fund was awarded to Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry.

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry encourages hunters and farmers to donate large game and livestock to their “Meat” the Need program, raises funds to pay processing fees on these donations, and gives the nutritious meat to hunger relief agencies. These agencies serve low income and poor populations throughout South Lake County.

With schools closing, job disruptions causing loss of wages, and seniors isolated in their homes, many are experiencing shortages in their food budgets. More than ever, families are struggling to buy groceries. MEAT provides one of the most important and expensive nutrients (protein) that is vital to the growth and development of children and the health of all Hoosiers.

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry is partnering with Indiana farmers, 4-H Clubs, and meat processors to fill this void and to get meat to those in need during this critical time. The grant from the CPCF helped to pay for the processing of the livestock donations.

For more information, please visit www.hoosiersfeedingthehungry.org.

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry is committed to responding to the needs of our communities facing hunger during this critical time. The meat is being given to local hunger relief agencies that are serving an ever-increasing amount of food-insecure residents.

AMBER ZECCA
Fund Development Director
Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry
**COMMUNITY GRANTS**

The CPCF awarded $52,800.00 in unrestricted community grants in the June cycle.

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<td>Arts, Culture</td>
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<td>Julia Watkins Brass Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution - $3,000; Veteran “Wreaths Across America” annual wreath-laying ceremony December 19, 2020 at Crown Point’s Historic Maplewood Cemetery.</td>
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<td>Three Creeks Historical Association - $2,500; Grant of Financial Assistance for Re-Roofing with Cedar Shakes the Roof of Halsted House Museum in Lowell, Indiana.</td>
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<td>Crown Point Community School Corporation - $6,000*; Birth to School Program: Enhance and expand developmentally-appropriate educational opportunities and resources to our community by supporting and developing lifelong learners starting with our incoming 2021-2022 kindergarten students.</td>
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<td>United Negro College Fund - $1,500; Support scholarship awards to outstanding high school students from low income families in South Lake County.</td>
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<td>Food, Nutrition, Agriculture</td>
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<td>Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry - $2,500; Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry encourages hunters and farmers to donate large game and livestock to our “Meat the Need program through a participating meat processor (85 statewide), raises financial support to pay processing fees on these donations, and gives this nutritious meat/protein to hunger relief agencies to help reduce food insecurity.</td>
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<td>Meals on Wheels of NWI - $7,000; The purpose of the grant is to deliver meals with a wellness check and friendly visit to people unable to shop for or prepare healthy meals in Winfield, Crown Point, Lowell, and Cedar Lake, primarily low-income seniors.</td>
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<td>Human Services - $8,300.00; Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater NWI - $3,000; Provide meals and snacks to Cedar Lake members during the summer.</td>
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<td>Chasing Dreams - $3,300; To assist with the operational costs of conducting summer camps.</td>
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<td>Open Hearts Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc. - $2,000; Funding needed for a computer, software, volunteer training, pre and post evaluation costs, and two months horse care expenses.</td>
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<td>Exceptional Equestrians Unlimited, Inc. - $1,500; Purchase an Arena Drag device that would provide a level surface in the horse-riding arena at Exceptional Equestrians Unlimited, Inc. The device would improve the safety for the horses, riders and volunteers while utilizing the arena.</td>
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<td>Hanover Jr Wildcat Football, Inc. - $3,000; Recondition helmets and purchase new helmets.</td>
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<td>Love Moves Us, Inc. - $2,500; General operating purposes for its program in South Lake County who foster or adopt to support and equip them for the challenges that come with caring for children who have been adopted or are in foster care so both the children and families can thrive.</td>
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Distributions from unrestricted community endowment funds provide grants to nonprofit organizations to address the broad needs within our South Lake County service area of Crown Point, Cedar Lake, Lowell and Winfield.

Mary B. Nielsen  
CPCF President

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*The Crown Point Community School Corporation’s grant: $3,884.82 from the CPCF Unrestricted Community Grants Fund, $2,115.18 from the Community Literacy Endowment Fund.*
COVID-19 has had a historic impact on both the health and the financial stability of our community. In response, the Crown Point Community Foundation partnered with the Legacy Foundation and Foundations of East Chicago to offer immediate relief throughout Lake County. Together, the Foundations awarded $356,000 in grants to 61 nonprofits between March 30 and May 18, covering food, childcare, PPE, technology, educational materials, rent/utility assistance, and medical needs.

The CPCF’s contributions were made and awarded through its CARE-Emergency Aid and Relief Fund. All grants were made in collaboration with the area’s other Foundations.

“Given the extraordinary impact of COVID-19, it was imperative that we coordinate our relief efforts with the other Foundations,” said Mary Nielsen, President of the Crown Point Community Foundation. "We wanted to ensure that we could get the money out quickly without duplicating our efforts."

The community responded as well, donating much-needed funds to the Foundation’s efforts. 100% of the donations to the CPCF’s emergency relief fund were used to provide direct support to nonprofit organizations delivering critical services to Crown Point,
Cedar Lake, Lowell, and Winfield.

"The grant that The Salvation Army of Lake County received from the Crown Point Community Foundation, the Legacy Foundation, and Foundations of East Chicago for COVID-19 relief services in Lake County came at a time when we were witnessing a 500% increase in the need for our Food Pantry, Homelessness Prevention and Soup Kitchen services," said Captain Brian Clark, Lake County Coordination of the Salvation Army. "This grant is truly helping us to meet growing human needs. Thank you!"

The Foundations are currently in Phase 2 of their emergency relief plan. The Crown Point Community Foundation, Legacy Foundation, and Foundations of East Chicago are partnering to offer grants of up to $5,000 to help nonprofit organizations develop and/or implement an Emergency Preparedness or Strategic Restructuring plan. Emergency Preparedness can cover general preparedness (to include all disasters including tornado, fire, pandemic, etc.) or be COVID-19 specific to assist with plan development, supplies and equipment, software or virtual platform expenses.

Strategic Restructuring grants are intended to support nonprofits as they assess, negotiate, design, and/or implement substantive strategic restructuring efforts that seek to promote more effective operations and high-performing programs based on community needs and assets.

For more information and to apply, please visit: www.thecpcf.org/grants.html

HOW TO DONATE

GIVE NOW TO THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
CARE-EMERGENCY AID & RELIEF FUND

To donate, simply visit www.thecpcf.org/donate.html or to donate by check, please indicate CARE-Emergency Fund in the memo line and mail to: Crown Point Community Foundation, P.O. Box 522, Crown Point, IN 46308
Students and Adult Learners who plan on pursuing higher education were given some additional financial assistance this year from the Crown Point Community Foundation. The Foundation awarded 100 scholarships totaling over $360,000. These funds were made available through the generosity of the Foundation’s donors and its scholarship funds. Many scholarship funds are established with the purpose of honoring or memorializing an individual or family member. Each year, a scholarship committee reviews applications, interviews students and selects the recipients. The scholarship review team consists of Foundation Board Members and community leaders. “A Scholarship Fund at the Community Foundation is a way for a donor to connect to the future,” said Mary Nielsen, President of the Crown Point Community Foundation. “We are happy to provide opportunities to so many deserving students and adults.”

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**This was truly a blessing from God. The day I found out I was the recipient, my mother and I could not stop crying out of excitement.**

**John Kosior**

2020 DEAN AND BARBARA WHITE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

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**I am incredibly grateful and honored to receive this scholarship, and I look forward to the opportunities it has opened for me.**

**Autum Boren**

2020 DEAN AND BARBARA WHITE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

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I’m very proud to be the first recipient of the Crown Point Swim Club Alumni Scholarship. I know the competition was stiff. Swimming is a sport that attracts the best of the best. I am humbled by the recognition and very grateful for the financial help. I will proudly continue to be an advocate for the importance of learning how to swim and the benefits of competitive swimming.

Alex McCormick
2020 Crown Point Swim Club Alumni Scholarship Recipient

This scholarship has opened my eyes to the spirit of giving and how one act of generosity can change someone’s life. This scholarship has made me realize that I, too, hope to set up a scholarship and contribute to kids’ college education.

Elizabeth Gonzalez
2020 Virgil Place Scholarship Recipient

I feel honored to have received this award, and I will continue to train hard and do my best at the sport that Tim Galusha seemed to have loved like I do.

Geno Christofanelli
2020 Tim Galusha Memorial Scholarship Recipient

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WHY WE GIVE: At NIPSCO, giving back to the communities we serve is a fundamental part of our culture. Every year, our employees volunteer and donate to a wide range of organizations that are making a difference across our service area with a focus on basic human needs, economic development, education, environmental stewardship and public safety.

MISSION: NIPSCO has served the energy needs of northern Indiana for more than 100 years. Community support and involvement has always been at the foundation of our history. We’re also making significant investments to improve service through long-term system and infrastructure modernization projects, and we’re making the transition away from coal to cleaner, lower-cost sources of energy for the future.

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WHY WE GIVE: As a community-centered bank, First Financial is committed to making a difference and focusing on positive change in the local communities. We’re proud to support our neighbors with our ALIVE strategy which focuses on providing Access to banking services, Lending within the community, Investing in the community, Inclusion of all, Volunteerism and financial Education.

MISSION: For more than 150 years, First Financial Bank has been understanding needs and offering financial solutions and resources in order to make lives better. Community involvement and support is always at the core of what we do. First Financial has made and continues to make significant investments, including a recent $1 million footprint-wide COVID-19 pandemic relief pledge, with over $40,000 focused specifically within Northwest Indiana. Donation recipients in Northwest Indiana included Lake Area United Way, Food Bank of Northwest Indiana, Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana and the Jasper Newton Foundation. In addition, First Financial also announced its Hardship Relief Program to help consumers, small businesses and commercial clients affected by the Coronavirus.

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Northwest Indiana is home to a wealth of resources to help entrepreneurs start and grow thriving enterprises. However, these resources are not always known to entrepreneurs.

**NWI BizHub** was created to connect entrepreneurs and small businesses to the resources they need to help start, grow and prosper. Through a grant provided by Lilly Endowment Inc., the Lake and La Porte County Community Foundations partnered to explore opportunities on how philanthropy could play a role in fostering economic development in our communities.

Through community engagement and research, entrepreneurship emerged as a priority area where the Foundations could build upon existing efforts. Enhancing the entrepreneurial ecosystem in the region aligned with the priorities in the Ignite the Region: A Regional Strategy for Economic Transformation plan, a plan that the Foundations support and helped to fund.

As part of the regional mission to connect small businesses in Lake, Porter and La Porte Counties to crucial resources, Crown Point Community Foundation, Legacy Foundation, and Unity Foundation of La Porte County, have teamed with the Center of Workforce Innovations and Northwest Indiana Small Business Development Center. Together, the five organizations have partnered to make support resources more visible through an online platform coined **NWI BizHub**.
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Why We Give: At View Outdoor, our goal is to follow the path our founder, Mr. Dean White, paved decades ago by giving back to Northwest Indiana. We have always and will continue to work with the municipalities and service organizations that build the great foundation of this community.

We are a local company that prides itself on supporting these local communities where we, our employees and their families live. By use of outdoor advertising, we are pleased to help our local businesses and organizations bring new opportunities to this ever-growing community we call home.

Crown Point Community Foundation:
View Outdoor Advertising donated billboard space for the Crown Point Community Foundation’s 11th Annual Volunteer Fair this year.

Volunteer Fair and Blood Drive
March 7, 10am-2pm
Crown Point High School
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February 19, 2020 - August 31, 2020

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Crown Point Community Foundation’s 30th Anniversary Celebration Event
Postponed Until 2021

Due to ongoing concerns over the coronavirus, we have made the difficult decision to postpone our 30th Anniversary Celebration Event until 2021. Although we looked forward to celebrating with the community, our first priority is the health, safety and well-being of everyone who planned on attending.
Five Questions for
Greg Forsythe
MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS / INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

What magazines do you subscribe to?
I am a voracious reader, probably helping keep a few hardcopy media companies in business! I subscribe to about two dozen news, business, and lifestyle magazines such as The Economist, Barron’s, Christianity Today, Sports Illustrated, Motor Trend, and Wine Spectator.

What do you like to do in your spare time?
Besides spending time with family, my wife and I enjoy most sports, especially golf and NFL football. We also love to travel, having visited 47 states and six continents, with many more destinations left on our bucket list.

What might people be surprised to learn about you?
I have an adventuresome side most people haven’t seen. For example, I raced motocross as a teenager, and just in the last few years, did a 3-day dirt bike tour through the red rock canyons of Moab, Utah and took my sports car to the limit at the Autobahn Club race track in Joliet, IL. I have zip-lined through the jungle canopy in Costa Rica, piloted a power hang glider off the Napoli coast in Hawaii, and scuba dove coral reefs and shipwrecks in the Caribbean. I recently got around to finally doing my first skydive. I’ve always wanted to climb a mountain like the Grand Teton or Mt. Rainier, but doubt my knees are up to that task anymore.

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What are you most proud of?
I feel more thankful than proud. I’m so thankful for having good parents, a strong faith, and a long marriage to a great wife. Nancy and I do take pride in seeing our kids doing well, and excuse our bias, for giving us such cute grandchildren!

What three personality traits might friends and family use to describe you?
Analytical, independent, and responsible. I am very analytical in my approach to everything. While this is critical to my work, my wife often chides me to relax and “quit trying to fix the world!” I’ve always been independent and self-motivated, traits that have contributed to starting my own businesses and being willing to assume leadership roles on teams and in organizations. As for being responsible, I have always tried to be a reliable person that can be counted on to fulfill commitments and do what they say they will do.

Greg Forsythe is a life-long resident of Crown Point. He attended Purdue University, earning a B.S. in Industrial Engineering, and later received an MBA in Finance from the University of Chicago. Blending his engineering and finance skills, Greg has been an industry pioneer in using quantitative analytics to make investment decisions. Over his career, Greg has founded three investment firms and served as the Global Equity Research Director for Charles Schwab.

Greg and his wife, Nancy, decided long ago that there’s no place they would rather live than Crown Point, even if that meant a commute to Chicago for many years. Both of their families have deep ties to Crown Point and emphasized having a thankful spirit and being generous toward others. Working with the Crown Point Community Foundation has been a great fit with these values. Greg and Nancy established an endowment fund in 2003, and Greg has served on the foundation board since 2004. Greg noted that Crown Point is very fortunate to have a community foundation helping to contribute to the city’s quality of life as well as South Lake County’s.
The Community Scholarship Fund is dependent upon collective giving from individuals, groups, businesses, and the like. Anyone can give to it! The more gifts received, the more scholarships for students attending college or vocational studies can be awarded.

Please JOIN US in supporting our High School Graduates! EVERY dollar counts, and EVERY dollar becomes more powerful when we give together. IT’S EASY TO GIVE! Just mail your check today in the envelope provided in this newsletter, or simply donate online at: thecpcf.org/donate.html

Upcoming Crown Point Community Foundation Events:

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Community Partners are local companies or individuals who join forces with the Crown Point Community Foundation to promote and expand philanthropy, address community issues, and develop nonprofit excellence.