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Rush County Community Foundation

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July 2022

Ahhh summertime and the local livin' is easy. It's that time of year when we all feel a little like a child again. The heat has a way of slowing us down and reminding us of what is important – like spending time with those we love. The [community calendar](#) is full of events if you need some ideas. And [here's where you'll find your RCCF staff](#) this season. We also recommend taking a stroll up Main Street to visit our local businesses and read the posters created by the City of Rushville to learn about some influential Rush County folks. Looking for a unique way to celebrate 200 years of our community? [Get a special bicentennial postal cancellation](#). It's a great time to live life local, friends!

Ripples of Kindness: The Legacy of Helen and Jim Ewing



THE LEGACY OF HELEN AND JIM EWING

Kindness. It always matters. And like the stone that creates ripples when tossed into a pond, its effects can be far-reaching.

Roy Mohr first met Jim Ewing in 1968. Roy was a regular customer at J & H Hardware, the store Jim and his wife, Helen, owned in downtown Rushville. Roy and Jim became better acquainted through their volunteer work with Habitat for Humanity and St. Mary Catholic Church. Twenty years after their introduction, their relationship had grown into a

friendship.

Jim and Helen didn't have children or any family nearby. Roy took it upon himself to offer his help when needed. **When he tossed that stone, he couldn't have imagined the profound effect those ripples would create.**

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2022 EWING FUND IMPACT

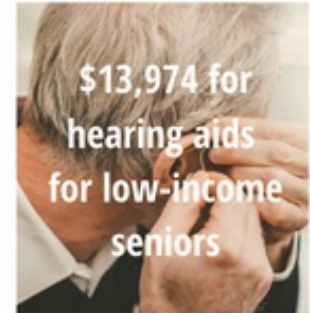
Rush County Community
Assistance Food Pantry



Milroy Community
Food Pantry



Psi Iota Xi
Sorority



\$17,000 in Community Grants Awards



Your gifts to Community Grants Funds are working hard to keep Rush County safe today and for years to come.



MANILLA VOLUNTEER FIRE



RUSH COUNTY 4-H HORSE &

DEPARTMENT: \$7,000

Two sets of turnout gear and boots will outfit Manilla's new firefighters as they work to protect lives.

PONY: \$10,000

New sidewalks around the restrooms, office and concession stand will provide accessibility for all members and their guests.

Grantee Update: The Open Resource



Success in implementing Rush County Broadband Task Force's Digital Inclusion Plan has taken several different forms. With help from the community, specifically a grant from RCCF, [The Open Resource](#) established a Digital Navigator project in 2021.

But success is more than statistics and numbers, it's also personal stories.

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Hear from Digital Navigator, **Ron Shields**, about the ways The Open Resource can help you and anyone in Rush County with technology.

What Will Your Legacy Be?

Whether it's through the family you raise, the gardens you tend, the volunteer work you do, or the financial gifts you make – your legacy is an extension of your love through the hearts you've touched. Leaving a gift to RCCF after your lifetime allows you to touch the hearts of your community forever. That's the advantage of an endowment. And that's the beauty of paying it forward.

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CBAP "All Projects" Meeting
7/12/2022 | 11:15 AM | Rushville's City Center

Grant Applications Due 9/1/2022
[Field of Interest Funds](#) & [Rush County Education Fund \(Thank-a-Teacher\)](#)

ICYMI (In Case You Missed It)

Here are the top stories from last month, including the corrected link for the scholarship celebration... oops.



[Scholarship recipients and celebration](#)



[2022 CIRCLE Fund Grant Announced](#)



[Grantee Update: Milroy Economic Dev Corp](#)

June Tribute Gifts

Each gift you make in memory or in honor of a loved one supports Rush County forever. We are grateful for your kindness and generosity!

In Memory of:
Albert Hodge

John S. Green

Alice Ruth Wiley, Glen Wiley,
Lauren Alice Wiley
Charles Gratzner
Donald "Don" R. Porter
Doug Lowes
James Springmire
James William (Bill) Scott
Joan Bouggy
John Foster

Kathleen (Herrmann) Fayhee
Mary Link
Peggy J. Gardner
Polly Brown
Sue Howard
Thomas Porter

In Honor of:
Willkie Family



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