

NEW WCCF OFFICE LOCATION: 228 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET UPPER SANDUSKY, OH 43351

For many years, Wyandot County Community Foundation – with Sara Lou Brown Binau at the helm – worked out of the Wyandot Chamber of Commerce office in downtown Upper Sandusky. However, with



plans to expand the work of WCCF, we needed a space to call our own. We teamed up with the Wyandot County Visitor's and Convention Bureau, and in October, we moved our offices to the Shawshank Building at **228 South Eighth Street.** We have truly enjoyed our time at the Wyandot Chamber, and we are so grateful they have graciously accommodated us.



Now that we are in our own space, we would love for you to join us at our Open House during the Home for the Holidays weekend – **Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th from 12PM-4PM each day.** We will have a silent auction, cookie decorating, photo booth, a gingerbread house competition and vendors selling Christmas Goodies. **Then on Friday, December 13th we will have our ribbon-cutting!**

Please join us for any and all festivities as we celebrate this new milestone!



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COMING BACK TO WHERE IT STARTED



anielle Brodman Bouillon is a 2013 graduate of Upper Sandusky High School and received the Martha Stephan Weaver & Rita Stephan Stangby nursing scholarship. During high school she became interested in nursing and began volunteering at Wyandot Memorial Hospital. "My love and passion for caring for patients grew each day as I volunteered," Bouillon said.She earned an Associate of Applied Science in nursing and an Associate of Science from Marion Technical College in 2016, a Bachelor of Science in nursing from The Ohio State University in 2017, and just last year graduated from Ohio State with a Master of Science specializing in Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse.

For the past seven years she has worked as a registered nurse, five years in the ICU and two years as an inpatient neurology/neuro intervention nurse practitioner at St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima. Bouillon recently accepted a new job, joining the cardiology team at Wyandot Memorial Hospital. "I am excited to be back at Wyandot Memorial Hospital which is where my nursing career began as a state tested nursing assistant (STNA) on the medical surgical floor in 2013." She is passionate about her new position and is eager to help improve the lives of Wyandot county residents. She hopes to continue her education by obtaining a doctorate in nursing practice in the future.

"The scholarships I received my senior year in high school allowed me the privilege of focusing on the core nursing classes in college. I am very appreciative of the Martha Stephan Weaver & Rita Stephan Stangby nursing scholarship which provided additional scholarship funding when I graduated from Marion Technical College with my RN degree and transitioned to The Ohio State University's Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. This was greatly beneficial as most of my scholarships were already awarded at the time of my third year in college. The Wyandot County Community Foundation provides valuable opportunities by providing Wyandot County residents additional support as we journey through our educational years. I am extremely happy that I'm able to give back to the community." Danielle is the daughter of Eugene and Laura Broadman and is married to Zachary Bouillon.

THE WYANDOT COUNTY IMAGINATION LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The Wyandot County Community Foundation is proud to be a part of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio. 61% of eligible Wyandot County children, birth to age 5 receive free age-appropriate books monthly. The Wyandot County Imagination Library Committee is responsible for enrolling children, verifying addresses and encouraging donations to support one- half of the book

and mailing cost. Last month 787 local children received books at a local cost of \$871.40 or \$1.11 per book.

Consider supporting the children of Wyandot County. Make a gift to WCCF Imagination Library.

- \$55.00 will provide 50 children, books for one month
- \$110.00 will provide 100 children, books for one month
- \$1,320.00 will provide 100 children, books for one year

Write your check to WCCF Imagination Library and mail to PO Box 364 Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351. Thank you for your generosity!



COMMUNITY NEEDS FUND ESTABLISHED

Brent Gottfried created the B. Gottfried Family Community Fund in August 2024. Earnings from his fund will be used to support the Wyandot County Community Foundation Grant Program. His generosity will help WCCF increase the number and size of annual grant awards.

Groups eligible to apply are Wyandot County 501 C 3 nonprofits and governmental units such as schools, classroom teachers, fire departments and libraries. Thank you, Brent, for joining the WCCF Family of Funds.

To learn about Community Funds and the WCCF Grant Program, visit our website at www.wyandotcommunityfoundation.org



WYANDOT CLASSICS AND CRUISERS SCHOLARSHIP

The Wyandot Classics and Cruisers awarded the Wyandot County Community Foundation a portion of their earnings from the Fall Car Show for the purpose of funding scholarships for students who plan to further their education in Automotive Technology. To be eligible, a student must be a resident of Wyandot County, be a Home schooled graduate or a graduate from Carey, Upper Sandusky, Wynford, Mohawk, Riverdale or Ridgedale School Districts. The scholarship will be known as Wyandot Classics and Cruisers Scholarship.

Three scholarships of \$2,000.00 each will be awarded at the end of the 2024/25 school year. The Scholarships shall be awarded to a graduating senior who has been accepted by an accredited Technical School or College and plans to begin a program of study in the next school year. Program enrollment options include:

- Automotive Technology or Automotive Technology Supervision
- High Performance Motorsports Technology
- Collision Repair and Refinishing Technology
- Rod and Custom Restoration Technology
- Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Technology
- Diesel Equipment Technology

Students can pick up an application form and selection guidelines from their school guidance department starting in November 2024.

Thank you Wyandot Classics and Cruisers for making this scholarship possible.





GIFTS OF GRAIN UPDATE

This summer, Wyandot County Community Foundation (WCCF) launched our Gifts of Grain program! Initially we met with a focus group of farmers so we could learn how WCCF could collaborate with them on their hopes and dreams for the future of agriculture in Wyandot County. Before the county fair and harvest, we held a Farmer's Breakfast and invited local farmers to share with them our vision for Gifts of Grain. This meeting yielded great discussion and answered questions for all in attendance.

WCCF has made contact and set up accounts with local grain elevators. In short, farmers can donate bushels of grain (or a certain percentage). The money collected through this program will be used to ultimately benefit Wyandot County agriculture – whether through a grant, a scholarship or FFA sponsorships to name a few. Ultimately this fund will be donor-directed as our farmer focus group will provide feedback and direction.

It's a simple process...

- Deliver your grain to the elevator of your choice.
- Ask the elevator to transfer an amount of bushels or a certain percentage to WCCF.
- WCCF will sign off on the transfer and collect the proceeds.
- We will send you a transaction report for your records.

Leaving you to take advantage of the tax benefits!

The value of the grain will be used to support the future of Wyandot County agriculture. It is an uncomplicated way to make a lasting difference.

Are you interested in donating? Please contact us for more information!



2024 GRANT AWARDS - \$26,955.05





WYANDOT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

Wyandot County Resource Website Pamphlets, Window Clings & Magnets - **\$2055.05**

CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY

Sidewalk at Dog Park Project - \$2600

AXESSPOINTE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of Wyandot County - **\$1000**

WYANDOT SENIOR VILLAGE

Water Fountain for Reflection Garden Project - \$500

WYANDOT SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Gottfried Nature Center Story Stroll - \$3000

THE HUB

Wyandot Community Connections -Adulting 101 Life Classes - **\$3000**

AMERICAN RED CROSS OF NORTH CENTRAL OHIO

Blood Drive Support in Wyandot County - **\$4000**

NO ONE FIGHTS ALONE, INC Embroidered Blankets for Care Bags Project - \$2400

> CAREY EVS MD UNIT OSMOS Devices - \$500

WYANDOT COUNTY EMS New Advanced X Series AED/Monitor - \$3000

> OPEN DOOR RESOURCE CENTER Media Room Project - \$1400

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF NORTH CENTRAL OHIO JA Inspire Support for Carey High School Students - \$1500

> SYCAMORE VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE ClearVue® Laryngoscope- \$2000

GRANT REPORTS

GRANT DOLLARS USED TO PURCHASE MANNEQUINS

Through a 2023 WCCF Community Grant the Wyandot County Historical Society purchased display mannequins for the Museum and Overland Inn. Ronald Marvin Jr., Museum Curator is now able to properly display period dresses, suits, military uniforms, wedding gowns and children's clothing. **Total purchase price was \$1567.00.**



MOHAWK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Mohawk Local Schools held a ribbon cutting ceremony with the Wyandot Chamber of Commerce to celebrate the completion of the district's playaround project which added five new pieces of inclusive playground equipment in the district's interior courtyard area and a smooth rubber surface to the outside playground. The project was a cooperative effort; made possible through several PTO fundraisers, donations from Wyandot County ARC, McCutchenville Grange, Mohawk Service Club, Lions Club, Wyandot County Board of DD and grants from Upper's Winter Fantasy of Lights,



Wyandot County Community Foundation, NCE, ODE, and the Tiffin Charitable Foundation. The next stage of the project is upgrading picnic tables and benches near the outdoor playground. This is not the end for the upgrades though, the district is working to allocate funds for further improvements.





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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

REMEMBER US FOR YEAR-END GIVING

We recently sent out our annual end-of-the-year recap of the important work we accomplished this year! We distributed nearly \$56,000 in scholarships to 33 students, and we funded 13 grants totaling nearly \$27,000! We've also broadened the reach of Wyandot County Imagination Library. *Please help fund our organization so that we can continue "Doing Good. Forever."*



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