

Enriching Life. Strengthening Community.

# The Putnam County Community Foundation

# INSIGHTS

Fall 2016

## Board Member Spotlight



Jeff Blaydes

Jeff graduated from North Putnam High School in 1971 and Purdue University in 1975. He became the first person to graduate from North Putnam and return there to teach.

In 1980, Jeff left his teaching and coaching career to work for the railroad in a managerial position. He stayed with the railroad until his retirement in 2014.

Jeff and his wife Judi have two children: Laura and Brian. Jeff lives at Heritage Lake, and sadly hardly ever gets the time to go fishing! He is involved on several committees at Heritage Lake, works as a consultant for the railroad, and serves on the Grants Committee with the Foundation.

In his spare time, Jeff likes to stay active outdoors and has an avid interest in politics and government on a national, state, and local community level.

## Grants—They're what we do!

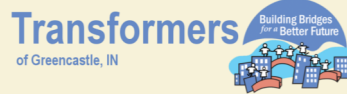
### Grant Spotlight

This year, the Community Foundation has over \$235,000 in unrestricted grant funds to distribute! Over \$183,000 has been awarded so far this year. Currently, the Grants Committee is reviewing fall cycle applications, and we can't wait to find out what projects and programs we will be funding!

### Did you know?

The Community Foundation receives grant requests of \$4 for every \$1 we are able to award.

### Transformers

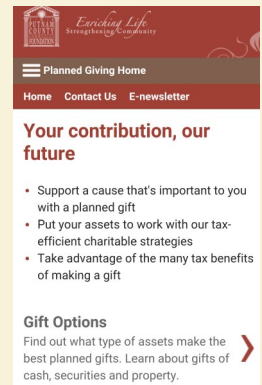


This spring they were awarded \$8000 for anti-poverty programs.

Transformers supports a variety of programs that provide compassionate services to under resourced individuals in Putnam County.

### New Planned Giving Tools and E-newsletter

Putnam County Community Foundation is excited to announce our new planned giving tools and E-newsletter service! Sign up today for up-to-date, helpful information on topics that impact your quality of life, your finances and your legacy. We are pleased to share with you the latest news from Washington, Savvy Living, Personal Planner, gift stories, finance news, and other timely articles. Visit [www.pcfoundation.org](http://www.pcfoundation.org) to sign up today!



### What is a Community Foundation?

The Putnam County Community Foundation seeks to fulfill the needs of the community by:

- Distributing resources through grants to local nonprofits and scholarships to students pursuing higher education.
- Serving as a tool for donors' charitable giving by creating permanent funds.
- Supporting successful programs and funding innovative and creative ideas.
- Protecting the gifts entrusted to us through careful management and wise stewardship.
- Understanding the needs in our community and addressing those needs in a proactive manner because this is our community too.

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