

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 100+ MEN: PUTNAM COUNTY ANNOUNCES 1<sup>st</sup> EVENT OF 2016.

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After awarding an average of \$11,700 each to four Putnam County Charities and the Putnam County Community Foundation in 2015, 100+MWC of Putnam County will be launching their second year on Thursday, April 7 at 5:30 p.m. at the Inn at DePauw. An impressive 119 men participated in 2015.

Scott Davis, the organizations coordinator observed, "We were blessed by the participation last year. These men were excited that their \$100 check would become a significant donation to a 100% Local Charity - four times a year. All while having FUN and without the usual time consuming fund raising." Awards in 2015 were made to Imagination Library (\$11,400), Beyond Homeless (\$11,600), CareNet (\$11,900), and Area 30 Adult Education CNC Program (\$11,900).

Currently the board of 100+ Men is beginning renewal of 2015 members and recruitment of additional men wanting to help the dozens of deserving charities located in Putnam County. The Putnam County chapter is one several 100+ Men Who Care chapters nationally. Following the national model, 100+MEN meets four times a year to award a big check to a Putnam County 501c3 charity.

In addition, a contribution of \$100 is made to the Putnam County Community Foundation which provides organizational support and contributes to growing an endowed community fund. In 2016 the fund is projected to grow to \$37,500 due to the generosity of the Lilly Endowment Lilly VI GIFT Matching Initiative and a foundation matching grant. The endowment will generate earnings for grants to the Putnam County community forever.

Men from all walks of life and different backgrounds are encouraged to combine FUN with their philanthropy by attending Event #5 on April 7th, at the Inn at DePauw. Interested men are encouraged to visit their website [www.100plusmen.com](http://www.100plusmen.com) for application forms by clicking on the "Join Us" icon. Or, any interested guy is encouraged to email Scott Davis at [sldavis705@gmail.com](mailto:sldavis705@gmail.com) or call, [765.653.8663](tel:765.653.8663) Visit 100+ Men of Putnam County's Facebook page for current information.