

Henry County  
Community Foundation

## Community Connections

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PEOPLE WHO CARE WITH  
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March 2026

## Women's History Month Celebrating Women of the Foundation

This Women's History Month, we remember some of the philanthropic women who helped shape the Foundation.

Patty Danielson was an instrumental part of the Henry County Community Foundation, with much of the early Foundation work taking place at her kitchen table. Patty not only offered up her home, but also served as president of the board and chair of the development committee for several years. Her passion and drive helped ensure the future success of the Foundation.



"There's going to be needs in the community that we don't even know about or anybody has ever thought about. Well, the Foundation can meet those needs in years to come."

- Patty Danielson, one of the founders of the Henry County Community Foundation



"I truly believe that if you've been given talent, it's incumbent upon you to return it to your community."

- Judy Melton,  
Past HCCF Board Member and President

As a past president and dedicated volunteer, Judy Melton used her "time, talent, and treasure" to shape the Foundation's voice and success. An English teacher by trade and a community architect by heart, Judy used her gift for words to secure vital grants and produce every formal communication for the Foundation during the early, pivotal years.

Today, her legacy lives on through the Judy Melton Award, honoring those who show that same steady commitment to the Foundation and to Henry County.

## Foundation News

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*February 2026*

# NEW HCCF FUNDS



**BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF HENRY COUNTY  
ENDOWMENT FUND**



NONPROFIT

# INTERNSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

Are you a nonprofit planning to hire  
an intern for summer 2026?  
We can help you pay them!

APPLY NOW



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765-529-2235



The Foundation is pleased to offer this program for 2026. The application will run March 2, 2026 through April 1, 2026. Those chosen will receive funds to hire the intern to run from May 1st, 2026- August 15th, 2026. HCCF will provide funding for 15 hours a week and a minimum hourly rate of \$15.00, with payroll expenses included. A financial report and an outcome report will be required at the completion of the internship.

[Learn More Here](#)

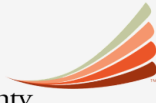
TASC

## Grant Cycle 4

Application Open: Friday, March 6

Due: Friday, April 3

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Any non-profit organization may apply for a TASC grant, provided the grant funds are used for programs/projects benefiting the youth of Henry County, Indiana.  
Grant requests up to \$2500.00.

[Apply Here](#)

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# ROGER AND BARBARA WARD EDUCATION AWARD



For the South Henry School District



- The Roger and Barbara Ward Education Award is a grant for \$1,000.00 to be used for classroom enrichment.
- Applications due: 4/1/2026



HENRY COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**This award was created in memory of Roger and Barbara Ward and is for the teachers within the South Henry School Corporation.**

Barbara Ward, was an educator within the South Henry School Corporation, and Roger Ward, was a farmer and board member of the South Henry School Corporation.

The Roger and Barbara Ward Education Award is a grant for \$1,000.00 to be used for classroom enrichment. This can include but not limited to purchasing of supplies and technology, in addition, may be used for continuing education conferences that pertain to the classroom. It is not to be used for sports or extracurricular activities.

[Apply Here](#)

**Your Community Foundation Connection**

## Staff Highlight: Carrie Barrett, Development Officer

Carrie Barrett's commitment to the community is built on years of hands-on leadership and local advocacy. Having served as the director of New Castle Main Street, she played a key role in supporting local businesses and fostering a more connected downtown. This work sparked a passion for community-driven growth and carried into volunteer service with the Henry County Community Foundation.

[Read more about Carrie Here](#)



## HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

*At the request of family members, the Foundation is honored to accept donations in memory of the following individuals.*



In Memory of:

# Philip L. Borders

July 25, 1935 -

February 7, 2026

Memorial contributions may be given to **Philip and Wilma Borders Named Fund** with the Henry County Community Foundation



## February Memorials

- Dr. Philip L. Borders
- Rickey D. Braden
- Gertrude G. Dellinger
- Donna J. Duff
- Shirley Hinshaw
- Mariah Beth Kwisz
- Bill Lutterman
- Ruth Ann Millikan
- Brice Edward Privett
- Phyllis Gayle Ratliff
- Charlie Riggs
- David A. Saunders
- Bill Smith
- O.B. Smith

## February Honorariums

- Gina Ballard
- Ryan Ballard
- Sherri Bergum
- Scott Frost
- Lenville Gross
- Mary Preble Higgins
- Susie McClure
- Todd Myers
- Dave Nantz
- Susan Neal
- Jane Pidgeon
- Joe Riggs
- Helen Steussy & Henry County RIPS
- Ralph Thompson
- Katie Woods

## GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY WE LOVE

*The following individuals made a contribution during the month of February*

Ballard and Sons Funeral Home  
Carrie and Matt Barret  
Kevin and Cindy Brown  
Anna Brown  
Mike and Patty Broyles  
Maribeth Burton-Taylor  
Amy Carter  
Citizens State Bank  
Ruth Creech  
Chris Dicken  
Draper, Inc. Employees  
Barry and Elizabeth Edstene  
Lesley Eickert  
Elijah and Elizabeth Eley  
Jennifer and Jeremy Fox  
Kevin and Michelle Frazier  
Stephanie Garrett  
Phyllis Grant  
Jaci Hadsell  
Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Inc.  
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Employees

Ashley Huffman  
Dr. John D. Lee  
Kathryn Lorton  
Magna Machine & Tool, Inc.  
Beverly Matthews  
Wylie and Ann McGlothlin  
Eldon and Dorothy Miller  
James Millikan  
Corey Murphy  
New Castle Class of 1963  
Chuck and Vickie Rhodes  
Pamela K. Shorridge-Bond  
Stanley and Diane Smith  
Soros Literary Club  
Mark Taylor  
Todd Thalls  
Gary Thomas  
Paul and Sherry Trainor  
Christopher and Lindsey Wilkey  
Ralph Willis

## Community Events



**2026 Nonprofit Community Fair**

**Showcase. Connect. Impact.**

**Saturday, April 18th  
12 - 3 PM**

**LOCAL NONPROFITS WANTED!**

**Email Krystal Stanich if interested!**

**[krystals@nchcpl.org](mailto:krystals@nchcpl.org)**

NEW CASTLE - HENRY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The poster features a central photograph of three people (two men and one woman) in business attire reviewing documents. The background is split into dark blue and light green sections. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout with bold fonts for emphasis.



## Destination Henry County

Stay up to date on great things happening in our community through this helpful page!

[Find the Facebook page here](#)

### Attention local nonprofits and community event planners -

Do you have an event coming up that you want people to know about?

Send your event information and any additional photos to [amber@henrycountycf.org](mailto:amber@henrycountycf.org) to be included in our e-newsletter.

We want to help spread the word about great things happening in Henry County!

## Your Foundation Staff

**Jennifer  
Fox**

President and Executive Director

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Development Officer

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Bennett**

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Director

**Elizabeth  
Eley**

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Associate

**Amber  
Estelle**

Communication and Donor  
Engagement Manager

**Tara  
Jacobi**

Office Manager and  
Accounting Assistant

The Henry County Community Foundation empowers donors to create a legacy that lasts. As a public trust, we steward permanent endowments that grow over time. By transforming these gifts into grants and scholarships, we meet Henry County's most pressing needs today while securing a vibrant future for generations to come.

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