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**\$787,343 Granted to Local Agencies**

The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne, during the fourth quarter, granted a total of \$787,343 in new awards to nonprofit agencies in Allen County. Selected grants listed below from the Clarke Endowment Fund and the Community Grantmaking Fund include:

**African/African-American Historical Society Museum:** \$10,000 to promote African/African-American heritage and culture in Allen County.

**Allen County Council on Aging Inc.:** \$25,000 to support the care coordination services in response to the needs identified by individuals over the age of 60.

**ARCH Inc.:** \$11,185 to purchase new computers.

**Erin's House for Grieving Children Inc.:** \$30,000 to support services for children who have lost a loved one.

**Fort Wayne Clubhouse Inc. d/b/a The Carriage House:** \$40,000 for programs designed to assist adults with serious mental illness to live independently and work in the community.

**Healthier Moms and Babies:** \$10,000 to promote health education and case management services to high-risk pregnant women to improve the outcome of pregnancy and reduce infant mortality.

**League for the Blind and Disabled Inc.:** \$25,000 for programs that assist individuals with disabilities to acquire the skills to increase independence and to remove architectural, attitudinal, and systemic barriers in the community.

**National League of Cuban-American Community-Based Centers d/b/a Educational Opportunity Center:** \$25,000 to help support English as a Second Language classes, GED preparation classes, computer classes, and after school tutoring classes.

**RSVP of Allen County Inc. d/b/a Volunteer Center @ RSVP:** \$25,000 to assist in providing volunteers to serve in Allen County.

**The Southeast Youth Council Inc. d/b/a Cornerstone Youth Center:** \$10,000 for programs and services supporting 7-12 grade youth in southeast Allen County.

**Unity Performing Arts Foundation Inc.:** \$10,000 to support choral music, dance, drama, creative writing, oratory and instrumental music for young people.

**Volunteer Lawyer Program of Northeast Indiana Inc.:** \$10,000 to support Allen County residents in need of civil legal services and referrals to volunteer lawyers.

Established in 1956, the **Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne** is a public, charitable foundation serving Allen County for more than fifty years. The Community Foundation had assets of \$101.7 million at December 31, 2010, and awarded more than \$8.8 million in charitable grants and scholarships in that year.

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