



WARREN COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

JULY PART 2

*Visit our
website!*



Hello Foundation Friends,

This past weekend the Foundation hosted our annual Street Fair event. This event would not be possible if it weren't for all of the wonderful organizations, groups, churches, and businesses that are willing to have booths. But definitely the event would not be possible without the awesome WCCF staff. I will admit that I do very little, in fact next to nothing to make the street fair happen. Under the leadership of Hannah McGowen, with the help of college interns Nathan Hale, Marissa Rickey, Avery Fowler and Foundation staff Kathy Allen and Linda Brier, the Street Fair was a success! I was very pleased with the organization and planning they put into the event and then for the good fortune of great weather that brought out so many people. We appreciated being able to partner with the Town of Williamsport as they brought in the band Triple Threat to conclude the Street Fair and go on until 9:00. We also appreciate all of the groups who provided school supplies for the local children who attended the event. Over 200 kids came to downtown Williamsport to get school supplies to help them prepare for the year!

This week I attended the Foundation Director Retreat held in West Lafayette. This was the first time in my tenure that a drive of at least two hours was not required to get to the event. While I like staying very busy right here in Warren County, it is always good to get together with other Directors to see what projects they are working on, and to get ideas that might be able to be brought to our community. I also appreciated hearing what the other communities have planned with their GIFT IX Community Support Grants.

Tonight we are hosting a Down by the River music event at the Williamsport Boat Launch as part of our Wabash River Blueway grant. Jon St. Bourbon will be singing and playing guitar from 7-9pm. This is an informal event where you can come for the whole time, or just come for awhile. Bring a lawn chair or come in your golf cart or RZR and watch from there.

Sincerely,
Michele Stucky



APPLY FOR A GRANT

DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION NEED A GRANT FOR A PROJECT?

The Warren County Community Foundation awards Community Grants to groups and organizations in Warren County or who serve Warren County residents. The new grant cycle has just started. If you think your group might be eligible, take a look at our website. There is one online application for projects of \$2,500 or less and one application for projects larger than \$2,500. Click [here](#) to go to the grants page on the Foundation website.



NEWS & UPDATES

2026 LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN

Applications close August 22nd!



Scan the QR code below or
visit the link to apply today!



The 2026 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship deadline is August 22nd!
Apply [HERE](#).



THE 2026 WARREN COUNTY SUMMER STREET FAIR A GREAT SUCCESS!

The 2026 Warren County Summer Street Fair was last weekend! We hosted over 50 amazing local vendors and their unique products and services.

Thanks to the Impact Fund here at the Foundation, we were prepared to supply 300 local elementary aged children with free backpacks! After the event, we tallied that we provided over 200 local children with free supplies. Vendors could opt to bring supplies to donate to children as they went booth to booth. Leftover supplies are being equally distributed to the three elementary schools for the upcoming school year.

Thank you to all of the amazing businesses who donated their services, supplies, time and energy to helping make this event a great one!



COMMON GROUNDS JUNE DONATIONS TO WEST LEBANON BALLPARK

Every month, the donations given at Common Grounds Coffee Co are split between a local organization and coffee shop manager, Lacie Butcher. Last month, those donations were given to the West Lebanon Ballpark. Sports are an important part of our local youth's lives and we are excited to see how this money will positively impact this organization.

July's donations will be given to Heart & Soles, a new program under A Better Way Co-Op dedicated to helping provide local children with much needed shoes.



The Wabash River Blueway is a grant awarded to us along with the Western Indiana Community Foundation during the Lilly Endowment GIFT VIII grant initiative. The goal of this grant is to activate the 74-mile stretch of the Wabash River between Lafayette and Terre Haute through outdoor recreation, public access, and community partnerships. Catch up on all of the already completed projects, and stay tuned to see exciting future projects! Follow the page [here](#).

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WABASH RIVER BLUEWAY HIGHLIGHT

www.wabashriverblueway.org



We are excited about another event we helped make possible with NICHES Land Trust!

"Last weekend, NICHES hosted two immersive outreach events that invited participants to connect with and learn about the natural world that surrounds and sustains us.

At Clegg Memorial Garden, more than 50 participants gathered to observe nocturnal insects at three blacklighting stations, guided by experts from Purdue University's Department of Entomology.

At Whistler-Hare Woods, NICHES Stewardship Director Bob Easter led a creek stomp, where participants explored the preserve's aquatic ecosystems, learned about ongoing habitat restoration efforts, and escaped the summer heat in Big Shawnee Creek. Thank you to the Warren County Community Foundation for supporting this event through the Wabash River Blueway grant!

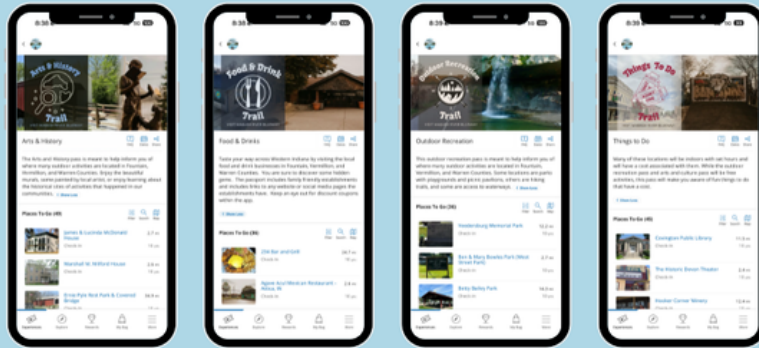
Thank you to everyone who joined us in discovering, exploring, and celebrating these incredible natural spaces! Stay tuned on our website calendar for more upcoming events to dive into nature. In case you missed it, we will be hosting another Nocturnal Insect Blacklighting Event with Purdue Entomology on August 8th at our Frogs' Glory Preserve in Carroll County."

Follow NICHES on Facebook for more updates on the awesome programs and events they offer.



Digital Passports

Embark on a free, new way to discover more about Fountain, Vermillion, and Warren County with our digital passports. Check in at locations to earn points. You can track your progress and plan free family fun adventures!



Have you checked out the free Digital Passports from Wabash River Blueway? This is a fun way to discover the awesome activities, restaurants, and history that Warren, Fountain, and Vermillion Counties have to offer!

You can check-in at each location to earn points for a chance to win a gift certificate. Visit and check-in at 10 locations totaling 100 points. This enters you for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate, or let points accumulate for a chance for a bigger prize drawing! Drawing takes place in July.

Here's how it works:

On your mobile device

Go to: www.wabashriverblueway.org

Go to: Digital Passports

Click 'Sign Up' on 1 of the 4 options (you can add multiple to cart!)

Click 'Checkout' - it's free!

Add your information

Complete order

Click 'Access My Items'

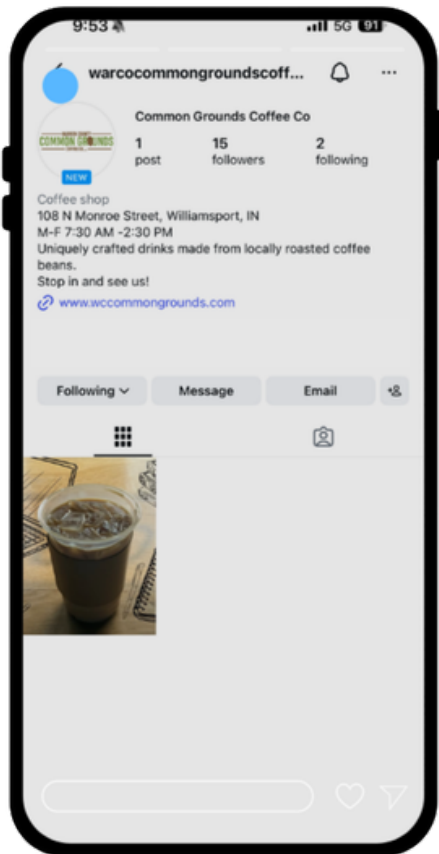
Optional:

After clicking 'Access My Items'

Click the 'Share' button

Find and click the 'Add to Home Screen' option

A 'WCCF Experiences' app will download for easy access to your digital passports



We have finally restarted the Common Grounds Instagram! Send this to your non-Facebook friends so they can stay up to date on all of our goings-on. Profile name: warcocommongroundscoffeeco

Warren County Community Baby Shower

Vendors, education, free small baby items, raffles, and more for new or expecting families in Warren County

***Must be pregnant or have a baby under 12 months ***

Saturday, August 29th 2026
9:00 am - 11:00 am

Williamsport Christian Church
20 E 3rd Street Williamsport, IN 47993

Registration required August 1st 2026



The first 20 to register get a free baby gift!

Questions? Email vitalrecords@warrencounty.in.gov or call 765-764-5855

Make a Difference. 

BECOME A CASA Volunteer

 **CASA of Fountain and Warren Counties**

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) volunteers are everyday people who speak up for children in foster care.

-  Get to know a child
-  Advocate for their best interests
-  Speak up in court to help judges make informed decisions
-  Provide hope, stability, and a brighter future

VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION

 Learn how **YOU** can make a lasting difference.

-  **Monday, August 3, 2026**
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM (Eastern Time)
-  **Saturday, August 22, 2026**
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM (Eastern Time)
-  **Online via Zoom**
(Link provided upon registration)

REGISTER TODAY!

 Scan the QR code or visit: forms.gle/EgcTPQTJ5d5hk8SQA

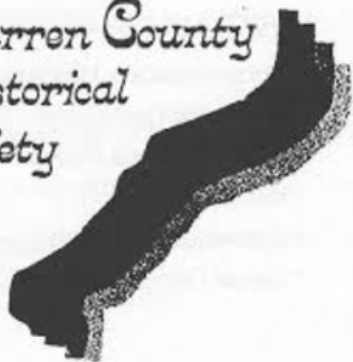
 *Be the voice a child needs.* 

 **EVERY CHILD HAS A STORY. YOU CAN HELP WRITE A BETTER CHAPTER.** 



SAVE THE DATE!

Warren County
Historical
Society



Open Every Friday

10:00-3:00pm

12 Midway Street, Williamsport
Behind Fountain Trust Bank

2026

FOUNTAIN/WARREN COUNTIES SOCIAL SERVICE MEETINGS SCHEDULE

ALL MEETINGS TAKE PLACE 11AM-12:30PM

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LUNCH IS ON YOUR OWN

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT NOHEMI LUGO AT NLUGO@YWCALAFAYETTE.ORG

Down by the River Music Series



July 31st - Jon St.Bourbon
Williamsport Boat Launch
7:00 - 9:00 PM

Sit in your golf cart,
gator, or RZR! Or
bring a lawn chair!

Down by the River

Music Series



August 28th - Crick's Up
Williamsport Boat Launch
6:00 - 8:00 PM

Sit in your golf cart,
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bring a lawn chair!

♪♪ **SAVE THE DATE!** ♪♪

MUSIC
on
Monroe

AUGUST 15TH LOGAN KIRBY

SEPTEMBER 19TH ROLLIN' RIVER



Ura Seeger Auditorium
Upcoming Events



**Oct 24 - Small Town "A John
Mellencamp Experience"**

WILLIAMSPORT AMPHITHEATER

FREE Concert!
Aug 8th Twisted Gold

6:00-8:00 PM

LOCATED BESIDE THE WILLIAMSPORT-
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC
LIBRARY- SPONSORED BY WARREN
COUNTY LEARNING CENTER

**Warren Piece**



Perseid Meteor Shower Watch

— Saturday, August 15, 2026 | 10 pm - 1 am —

What: Join us under a dark summer sky for one of the year's most spectacular celestial events, the Perseid Meteor Shower, and experience those unforgettable "Did you see that?!" moments. (Spoiler: they're not actually shooting stars!) Bring your favorite people, a lawn chair or blanket, and settle in for an evening beneath the stars.

Arrive by 10 PM. Depart anytime. No late entry.

- Upon registration, you'll receive complete event details, including what to bring.

Where: Warren Piece - Navigate to "NICHES Crows Grove Nature Preserve Williamsport, IN"



Pre-registration is required for this event

Made possible through a grant from



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Warren Piece is a community that stewards a hundred-acre piece of land in Warren County, Indiana. This is where people come together to build community and conserve our shared land.

wpconnect.org

**Warren Piece**



Family Campout Weekend

— August 15-16, 2026 | 1 pm on Sat - 11 am on Sun —

What: Join Warren Piece volunteers and other families for a fun tent camping weekend on Big Pine Creek in Warren County! Explore the creek, discover macro-invertebrates, and learn about water quality. Enjoy a creek float, games, hiking, dinner, and a Perseid Meteor Shower program where you'll make a comet and watch for meteors. End the day with a campfire, s'mores, stories, and songs. In the morning we will serve breakfast before we all say goodbye.

- Tents, and sleeping pads are provided if needed
- Pet-free event
- Cancelled in the event of inclement weather
- Upon registration, you'll receive complete event details, including what to bring.

Where: Warren Piece Barn Parking Lot (GPS Coordinates): 40.371622, -87.325870



Pre-registration is required for this event, Ages 6 and older

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COMMON GROUNDS
COFFEE CO., LLC

Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday

7:30am-2:30pm

Closed Weekends



Warren County's New App!

Scan QR Code or Search for 'WarCo INfo' in your app store!

- Access Information
- View Latest Updates
- Receive Notifications
- And more...

SCAN TO DOWNLOAD

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WOMEN'S WELLNESS PROGRAM

Free screenings for uninsured and under insured women in Warren County

We work every day to eliminate inequities in healthcare when it comes to access to vital early detection screenings.

To do this, we promote early screening for breast and cervical cancers among uninsured, under-insured and minority women. Through our funding partners, we facilitate no-cost services to qualified women across Indiana.

Learn more at www.ywcalafayette.org or call (765) 742 4375



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