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Youth Advisory Committee Continues to Create an Impact and Inspire Future Leaders

LANCASTER, Ohio - The Fairfield County Foundation's Board of Trustees and the Youth Advisory Committee of 2021-2022 awarded grants totaling \$15,154 to 10 organizations to benefit youth in Fairfield County.

- **AHA! A Hands-on Adventure, A Children's Museum** for enhancing museum exhibits.
- **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Fairfield County** to purchase supplies for monthly activities with wait-listed Littles.
- **Connexion West** to support their Youth Community Outreach program.
- **Fairfield County 4-H Advisory Committee** for 4-H Livestock Skillathon kits.
- **Fairfield UP, Inc.** to support an expanded mentoring program.
- **Habitat for Humanity of Southeast Ohio** for Project Playhouse.
- **Pickerington Public Library** for *Summer Reading 2022: Making Reading a Daily Habit*.
- **Raising the Next Generation** sponsored by Community Shares of Mid Ohio for their Adulting 101 class.
- **The Rainbow Alliance of Fairfield County** to support LGBTQ youth and family activities.
- **United Way of Fairfield County** to support their Feeding our Future program.

The Fairfield County Foundation Youth Advisory Committee was established in 2018 to empower Fairfield County high school students through leadership and community service. Participants have the opportunity to get involved in projects that support initiatives for youth in their own communities and gain real-world experience, with responsibilities for reviewing submissions, completing site visits and presenting recommendations to the Board of Trustees. The 20-person committee, which changes each year, is made up of juniors and seniors from across the county. Ten of the 11 Fairfield County High Schools were represented in the committee this year.

To learn more about the Youth Advisory Committee, contact Program Officer, Abby King, at 740-654-8451 or aking@fairfieldcountyfoundation.org or visit: <https://www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org/grants/youth-advisory-committee>.

About the Fairfield County Foundation:

The Fairfield County Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit that along with its supporters, helps to sustain and enhance the quality of life and economic viability in our community. Its scholarship program helps to sustain opportunities for local youth to achieve their academic goals. The Foundation was formed in 1989 and grants today continue to support the arts, children's programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics, and more. For more information, call 740-654-8451 or visit www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org.

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