



Gather. Grow. Give.

For Good

Spring 2021

JOURNEY —THE SNYDER'S—

WITH *Generosity*

Harley and Jan Snyder will forever be known as the Foundation's first contributors, officially establishing the Porter County Community Foundation in 1996.

As the Foundation was being formed, it was the Snyders who came forward with the lead gift that would launch the first of many successful challenge initiatives from Lilly Endowment Inc. This gift is just one example of the Snyder's long-standing commitment to generosity.

Harley and a business partner owned the building on Valley Drive that was home to Ivy Tech Community College. With some creative planning, the building was put into a Charitable Remainder Trust naming the Foundation as the beneficiary. After eight years, the Foundation would own the building. By the end of the trust, Ivy Tech was constructing a new campus and the building was sold and the proceeds placed into an endowment fund to support Ivy Tech...**forever**.

"Harley and Jan Snyder are wonderful examples of people who care deeply about our community. Generations of Ivy Tech students will benefit from their generosity."

- Aco Sikoski | Chancellor of Ivy Tech Community College Valparaiso Campus

Coming from simple beginnings, the Snyders met at Valparaiso High School. Upon returning from the Army, Harley joined his father in his real estate and insurance business. Jan attended Valparaiso University and went on to be a kindergarten teacher at Valparaiso Community Schools. As Harley's business grew, he made time to get involved in the community and Jan volunteered with her favorite charities.

The Snyders continue to be interested in the long-term future of Porter County. "We follow the philosophy that to whom much is given, much is required. We are grateful for our blessings and want to share our good fortune—not just financially—through time and talents as well." In addition to their original gift, the Snyders have established named endowment funds in memory of their parents—one benefitting the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana and the other benefitting Opportunity Enterprises. Because Harley and Jan were thoughtful in their planning, their love for our community will last forever.

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"In the time we spend here on earth, I believe we have a responsibility to make a contribution and attempt to make the world a better place by having been there."

- Harley Snyder



Left to Right: Aco Sikoski, Jan Snyder, Harley Snyder

WAYS TO Give

A cash donation is just one way you can make a gift. Here are some other unique ways community members have made a difference in Porter County.

BEQUEST

Jon & Kristine Leetz

Including a charitable bequest in your will is a simple way to make a lasting gift to your community. When you make this gift through your Community Foundation, you can establish a special fund that benefits the community forever and becomes your personal legacy of giving.



CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY

Martha Willis

A Charitable Gift Annuity allows you to arrange a generous gift to your community while providing yourself an income source that you can count on for the rest of your life.



CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST

Harley & Jan Snyder (Cover Story)

A Charitable Remainder Trust allows you to receive income for the rest of your life knowing that whatever remains will benefit your community and the causes you care about.



GIFT OF GRAIN

Tim & Laura Stoner Family

By giving a gift of grain, you avoid including the sale of the grain in your farm income. Deducting the cost of growing the crops typically results in saving self-employment, federal and state income tax. You can benefit even if you take the standard deduction rather than itemizing your deductions.



INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS (IRA) OR 401(K) PLANS

Georgia Bricker

You can name the Community Foundation as a beneficiary of your IRA and/or direct all or a portion of your Required Minimum Distributions (up to \$100,000) as a Qualified Charitable Distribution to any non-donor advised fund.



LIFE INSURANCE POLICY

Larry & Patti McAfee

Life insurance is a simple way for you to give a significant charitable gift with tax benefits that you can enjoy during your lifetime.

PROPERTY/ REAL ESTATE

Dr. John & Linnea Forchetti

Giving real estate through the Community Foundation can help you turn your property into community good. With the help of your Community Foundation, you can use it to fulfill your charitable interests and receive tax benefits.



RETAINED LIFE ESTATE

John Remster

You can use your personal residence, vacation home, or farm land to provide a gift while retaining the right to live in, or use the property, for as long as you wish.



STOCK

Rich & Stacey Schmidt

Everybody wins when you make a gift of appreciated stock to your Community Foundation. Your gains are put to good use. Your gift of stock is reinvested in your community, and it qualifies for an immediate tax deduction based on the full market value.



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John W. Anderson Foundation

Peter G. Horton Charitable Remainder Trust



For more information on these giving options, please call the Foundation at 219.465.0294.

Thank you



John Walsh

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