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2016 GRANT WINNERS - \$181,318

Big Oaks Conservancy Society \$8,400 - to purchase supplies and materials to renovate the roof and windows of the historic Oakdale Schoolhouse

Christian Academy of Madison \$4,000 - to purchase Emergency Heart Start (AED) equipment and training batteries for the school

Developmental Services, Inc. \$3,000 - to implement a partnership for mentoring and instruction between clients and local artists

Dupont-Lancaster Township Volunteer Fire Department \$30,000 - to update the department's turnout gear for volunteers so that they can safely fight fires if the need arises

Friends of the Ohio Theatre \$40,000 - to fund a feasibility study for the theatre to use for renovations and future grant applications and funds to take care of immediate needs

Hanover College \$3,000 - to create an Office of Service Engagement and Experiential Learning, which will match students with nonprofit organizations for hands-on learning and engaged service.

Hanover College Theatre \$700 - to provide free admission to the community during their 2016-17 performance season

Hope Community \$2,900 - to purchase carbon monoxide and smoke alarms for all residential buildings to keep their residents safe

Jefferson County 4-H & Agricultural Association \$20,000 - to renovate the Livestock Show Arena at the Jefferson County 4-H Fairgrounds

Jefferson Co. Southpaws 4-H Dog Club \$500 - to host guest speakers to train students in the program how to be responsible dog owners

Jefferson County Veterans Council \$10,000 - to update the Jefferson County War Memorial on the grounds of the Jefferson County Courthouse to include all veterans who have given the ultimate sacrifice

Lanier Mansion Foundation, Inc. \$20,000 - to renovate the East Wing of the Lanier Mansion State Historic Site

Madison-Jefferson County Animal Shelter \$2,500 - to contribute to the purchase of an animal rescue van that is used by several counties to transport animals to rescues

Ohio Valley Opportunities, Inc. \$5,746 - to replace and purchase computers used in the Jefferson County Head Start Project Engage

River Valley Resources \$11,000 - to support the Helping Hand program to assist jobseekers who may need help with basic needs as they find employment

The Salvation Army \$15,000 - to renovate and upgrade appliances in the community kitchen to help serve more people in need on a daily basis

Second Stories, Inc. \$3,000 - to implement the Earn While You Learn school project to help pregnant teens and families as they prepare for the birth of their child

Southwestern Elementary School \$1,572 - to support a research project studying the connection between motor skills and overall learning and achievement