Youth Philanthropy Highlighted at IPA Conference

Last week, Indiana Philanthropy Alliance (IPA) held its state-wide conference, including a session detailing how providing philanthropic opportunities for younger generations is a key factor in building a vibrant and giving community.

Jill Gordon, YPII Program Director was joined by Eric Hessel, Hendricks County Community Foundation (HCCF), and Margarita White, Noble County Community Foundation (NCCF), in sharing how a foundation can take a leadership role in promoting the voice and choice of younger generations.

Speakers shared how to leverage existing partnerships by helping youth serve as advisers with local nonprofits, along with examples of inter-generational service, and how you can easily implement youth philanthropy concepts into a foundation’s programs.

In particular, Margarita shared about NCCF’s Teens on Board program, which equips high school students to serve on boards for area nonprofits. Eric shared how the mission and vision of HCCF aligns with being a vibrant and giving communities.

There are key entry points within a young person’s life for introducing philanthropic concepts and opportunities. Foundations and youth-serving organizations have a great opportunity to champion this cause and develop the next generation of leaders.

Summer Camps Introduce Students to Philanthropy

Summer camps invoke thoughts of outdoor fun and games, but some students are getting another dose of fun this summer—learning about giving time, talent, and treasure.

At Your School (AYS) will host five, week-long camps with a service project component. Campers...
will be presented two project choices, including nonprofits benefiting groups such as the homeless and the hungry. On the first morning, YPII will conduct half-hour sessions to introduce philanthropy concepts in a fun and interactive way and help campers select their project from the two choices. Campers will continue to learn about the “3 T’s” throughout the week and ultimately end with a field trip to their chosen nonprofit!

AYS estimates that 225 campers will participate in a philanthropic project. The goal is that 75% of campers will report an increase in awareness of philanthropy and 85% will experience a positive emotional impact.

Philanthropy can easily be added into your summer programming this year, whether you are working with students in a camp setting or something less formal. Check out the YPII website for free youth philanthropy resources or contact YPII for information about the presentation outline being used at the AYS camps this summer.

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FREE WEBINAR SERIES

Youth Philanthropy Initiative of Indiana (YPII) and Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy are hosting a FREE webinar series designed to support next-gen leadership and giving. Sessions feature national experts and Lilly Family School of Philanthropy faculty and students sharing research, resources, and examples of classroom-based grantmaking programs.

The series incorporates YPII’s 4-pillar model of Serving, Giving, Leading, and Engaging to highlight the progression of youth taking action and engaging others in their communities. Join us for real-world examples and resources you can integrate into your programs.

Watch the recording of Learning to Give Time, Talent, & Treasure (May 22)
Register for the next webinar Helping Students Learn by Giving (August 28)

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Creative Empathy Infographic
In this infographic, Happify outlines how empathy can change your life, highlighting ways to teach it to younger generations.

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Empathy in a Historical Context
The Renewal Project takes a look at the importance of giving students historical context when teaching about empathy and their role within the world today.

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Youth Philanthropy News

Youth Council Celebrates 10 Years of Grantmaking
The Scott County Community Foundation included present and alumni members in a recent celebration to honor 10 years of grantmaking in the community. Since 2008, the YGC has awarded $48,000 to local nonprofits.

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Four-Year Old becomes Instant "Superhero"
Using the simple phrase "don't forget to show love," a four-year old boy from Birmingham turns into a superhero once a week and hands out food to the homeless.

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Survey Finds Value of Community Service in College Admissions
Forbes Magazine reports on a recent survey of 264 college admission leaders in the U.S. to determine the value of community service, particularly when comparing similar grades and test scores.

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Eight Young Mental Health Activists
Amongst the recent wave of youth activism on a variety of issues, these eight young people have emerged as leaders for mental health by founding nonprofits, holding fundraising drives and organizing campus-wide networks.

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YSA Nearing Pledge Goal for BE FEARLESS BE KIND
Youth Service America is more than 90% to its goal of receiving a half million pledges to BE FEARLESS BE KIND by June 30. With a little more than two weeks left, there's still time to mobilize students to take the pledge and take action.

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Community Foundation Offers Endowment Challenge
To honor its 50th anniversary, the Kosciusko County Community Foundation chose 10 youth-serving organizations to participate in an endowment challenge. Chosen
organizations must raise $10,000 but will then be matched at 4-1, for a total of $50,000.

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