

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Fairfield County Foundation Raises \$190,440 with "31-Hour Give" Event

December 3, 2020 -- LANCASTER, Ohio – The Fairfield County Foundation hosted its annual "Get Your Give On" event this week in conjunction with #GivingTuesday, which takes place annually on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving (in the U.S.) to kick-off the holiday giving season and inspire people to collaborate in improving their local communities.

The Give events began in 2014 and have grown significantly over the years. This year's 31-Hour Give event raised an impressive \$190,440 during the 31-hour time window that began at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, December 2. The Foundation awarded a total of \$31,000 in matching gifts to the funds that received contributions, making the total award to participating funds \$221,440.

"Especially during such a challenging year, it is inspiring and hopeful to see so many people in our community come out to support the 31-Hour Give and our local non-profits," said Fairfield County Foundation Executive Director, Amy Eyman. "We have raised nearly \$685,000 through these events and when you add the Foundation's match, that's more than \$880,000 to support our community. We are incredibly grateful to all of the donors and community members who have participated and worked to raise awareness of this unique annual event."

Non-profits and fund holders were encouraged to secure donations from individuals and have them contribute in-person or online between 8 a.m. on December 2 and 3 p.m. December 3. During the designated 31 hours, the Foundation matched funds on a pro-rata basis. For more information about the 31-Hour Give, visit: www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org.

## 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 about the Foundation, please call 740-654-8451 or visit <a href="https://www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org">www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org</a>.

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