

YSCF

YOUTH ACTION BOARD

Grant Awardee

2023



The 2023 YSCF Youth Action Board (YAB) fundraising effort had an ambitious goal of raising \$5,000 to ensure more mental health professional support at both buildings in the Yellow Springs Schools this year. The board surpassed that ambitious goal with the help of generous Impact Partners raising \$6,600 to date. The year's area of focus was to provide support for Mental Health – specifically, anxiety, depression, and suicide prevention to the youth of Yellow Springs and Miami Township. 100% of the funds YAB raises go directly to the local nonprofit who best meets the focus area goal.

The YAB have seen their peer's mental health deteriorate and was magnified through the pandemic. They believe continued support for this can increase our youth's capacity to thrive physically, intellectually, and emotionally into adulthood.

The YSCF Youth Action Board decided to award a directed grant to the Yellow Springs Schools in support of extending days of mental health care from 2 full days in 2022-23, to 4 full days in 2023-24 at both buildings. The Yellow Springs Schools had already budgeted expanding days for mental health professionals to serve our youth in the 2023-24 school year to 3.5 days, and with the help of the Youth Action Board and matching funds from YSCF, the schools contracted 4 full days for both school buildings.

YSCF Youth Action Board 2022-23

Isabella Beiring '23– Student Facilitator

Aiden Scavone '25

Alisha Cowen '24

Anikin Boden '24

Charles Whitlock '24

Etta Liberato '23

Hannah Parker '26

Isabella Espinosa '27

Isaac Lewis '25

Jia Sundell-Turner '24

Kael Cooney '24

Max Lugo '24

Theo Knickerbocker '23

Melissa Heston - Facilitator, Youth Action Board
Outreach Manager, YSCF

Thank you Impact Partners for 2023

Barb & Rich Bullock

Karen & Matt Denman

Teresa Dunphy & Tommaso Gregor

Jeannamarie Cox & Earl Reeder

Sandy McHugh & Jerry Sutton

Lisa Abel & Lynn Adams

Catherine Anderson

Fred & Joy Bartenstein

Isabella Beiring

Valerie Blackwell-Truitt

Mayor Pam Conine

Chris & Linda Cox

Antonia Dosik & Len Kramer

Matt & Erika Grushon

Donna Haller

Melissa Heston & Mary Kay Smith

Artie & Alisa Isaac

Aida Merhemic & Bob Barcus

Desiree Nickell

Macy & Roger Reynolds

Aiden Scavone

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