

BOONE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES FOUNDATION, INC.

# LEGACY

Winter/Spring 2021



Spring flower bulbs!!! Several days ago I saw flower bulbs successfully struggling to emerge from the dull, dark, bleak winter soil!

Hi. My name is Kim Fortune and I have the pleasure to serve as President of the

Boone County Senior Services Foundation, Inc.

When I saw those flower bulbs, it made me stop and think about how far we have come since last March. We all remember what happened last spring, the horrible Covid Pandemic. Many, including our Seniors, were hit very hard by this pandemic. Non-for-profits like ours also saw a sharp decline in donations.

However, the Boone County Senior Services Foundation continued working hard to grow a fund that supports BCSSI and its programs and services. Last year we were able to grow the fund to \$1.3 million. Our goal is to grow the fund to \$2.5 and we sure could use your help.

Please consider making a donation to the Boone County Senior Services Foundation, Inc. Donations of any amount make a big difference in the life of our Seniors. You might even want to leave something to this organization in your will. Our new Legacy Program will show you how to do this. Contact us for more information.

Enclosed you will find a donation envelope and thank you for your continued support...

*"The agency and staff are masters when it comes to "lifting" others! I take great pride in supporting your good works on a regular basis.*

*Lebanon is so fortunate to have all of you serving us seniors, so in need of the services! May all that is good and worthwhile attach to all of you who serve us so well!" ~Allen Andrews*

*"It's been a trying past year and hopefully this year the virus will soon pass. Thank you for all you do and who you are. Your bag of goodies delivered to me, made my day! I don't know what I would do without your activities and transportation. God bless each and every one of you. Much love and happiness." ~Cherie Daily*

## Thanks to the support of our donors, the Foundation recently gifted \$30,000 to BCSSI.

The money will be used to support the 2021 BCSSI annual budget and several of the agency activities planned for later this year.

This Legacy publication is from the Boone County Senior Services Foundation, Inc. (BCSSF) whose mission is to grow a fund so Boone County Senior Services, Inc. (BCSSI) can continue serving older adults in Boone County.

We will feature testimonies as well as ways you can leave a legacy that will make an impact on Boone County's growing senior population.

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# Charitable Giving with Tax Benefits

Its nearly springtime, and our thoughts turn to flowers and seed catalogs. But first, it's tax-time! Be sure to take advantage of all the benefits available to you as a senior, and consider using a portion of those tax savings to make a charitable gift to BCSSI.

The **CARES Act** of 2020 included an opportunity to claim charitable donations of up to \$300 for a federal income tax credit, even if you don't itemize. For tax year 2021, this credit will increase to \$600 for couples filing jointly. Call us if you need a 2020 giving statement.

Also, COVID **stimulus checks** are not treated by the IRS as taxable income, so no taxes will be due for either 2020 or 2021 tax filings. You can gift these unexpected funds to BCSSI and pay it forward for your community.

Perhaps these two windfall tax credits will allow you to consider supporting BCSSI with a gift to provide services for Boone County seniors. **Cash gifts** make an immediate impact, and will be deductible, up to IRS levels, for 2021.

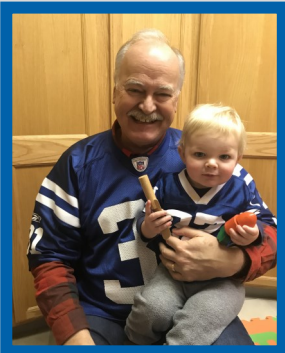
Remember, too, that you can make a **Qualified Charitable Distribution** directly from your IRA and avoid taxation on the withdrawal. The gift amount counts toward your Required Minimum Distribution for the year. Just contact your retirement program advisor to easily set up the transfer to BCSSI.

The COVID pandemic and the recent bitter cold snap have combined to put a real strain on our limited resources as more services are needed. Your support now will be a special blessing!

*(Article written by Perry T. Hammock, CFRE President, Vitruvian, LLC. Perry is a Lebanon native and has consulted with BCSSI and the Foundation on their fundraising goals. Perry has considerable experience mostly from on-the-job training. He spent 33 years at Ivy Tech, helping donors create and sustain caring legacies.)*

## Save The Date:

The Foundation Legacy Dinner will be held Saturday, September 4th at Dull's Tree Farm. More details to come in our next newsletter.



**Plan for your future now! It's never too early to start.**

## LIVING THE GOOD LIFE

**A FREE ZOOM conversation on living and giving with PERRY HAMMOCK!**

**Thursday, March 11th, 11:30a.m.-12:30p.m.**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84268657847?pwd=ZWZMc3poMEIreW1VaytOdnplLWdNQzozOQ>

Meeting ID: 842 6865 7847

Passcode: BCSSI

Contact BCSSI and we will send you the Zoom link via email.

Join the Foundation for a practical ZOOM discussion on ways to live happier by preparing for the unavoidable and accounting for the unthinkable. Whatever your age, situation and obligations may be, there are some simple things you should do to take care of your money, your health, your family and your Legacy.



**BCSSI's Personal Services & Transportation provided essential help to individuals all year long..**

*Personal Services (Homemaker & Attendant Care) 113 Participants 3,447 Units  
Transportation 748 Participants 16,401 Units*

**Just a few of the 2020 BCSSI Highlights**

**An average of 152 Outreach/Check-in Connections were made monthly from March to Dec. via phone calls & cards/notes and more.**



**Even in a pandemic...96 volunteers gave 2,291 hours of their time to BCSSI!**