



Academy and Gymnasium Building Donations To Be Matched

Donations to help with the upkeep of Mooresville's historic Academy and Gymnasium buildings will be matched through a new program from the Community Foundation of Morgan County. The Community Foundation has received a grant from the Lilly Endowment that will match donations (50 cents per \$1 donation) to endowed funds through June 1. Donations to the Academy Building and Gymnasium Building funds will help benefit the ongoing upkeep of these two landmarks, both of which are on the National Register of Historic Places.



The Gymnasium, used today for junior basketball leagues and other Mooresville Schools' programs, was built in 1920

with \$100 donations from 100 Mooresville citizens to create a space for athletic and community events. With ongoing care and maintenance, their dream of providing a place for community activities will continue for generations to come.

The Academy Building is an important part of Mooresville and Indiana history. It 1861 structure originally housed central Indiana's first high school. The Mooresville High School Alumni Association now uses the building as a museum and one-room schoolhouse to help younger generations understand local and Civil War-era history.

Donations to the building help with ongoing maintenance such as painting, foundation repairs and more. Most



recently, funds were used to repair the aging windows on the fronts of both buildings.



Those interested in helping with the upkeep of these historic landmarks may donate to the Community Foundation of Morgan County (11 W. Main St., Mooresville, IN 46158 or www.cfmconline.org for online donations) with the notation of the "Academy Building Fund" and/or the "Gymnasium Building Fund."

For more information, please contact Susan Haynes, Mooresville Schools Communications Director, at 831-0950, ext. 2015 or susan.haynes@mooresvilleschools.org. To learn more about the history of the buildings, visit www.MooresvilleSchools.org and click on "About Us" then "History and Heritage."