**OUR MISSION**
For the Vevay-Switzerland County Foundation to support the community by strategically funding nonprofit organization's activities and projects that directly improve the lives of the citizens in Switzerland County, Indiana.

**OUR VISION**
There are three key areas of interest in grant funding that must be addressed to accomplish the Mission:
I. Human Needs: Strengthen the physical and mental well-being of the citizens of Switzerland County.
II. Preservation: Stress the importance of preserving the artistic, historical, and cultural heritage of our community for future generations.
III. Economic: Promote the overall economic prosperity of Switzerland County, Indiana by investing special projects that encourage community growth.

**STRATEGIC FOCUS**
When evaluating the impact of grant requests, the Foundation looks for opportunities where funds can have the greatest influence while remaining true to our Mission and Vision. The Foundation weighs each grant request on the basis of how well the requesting organization accomplishes one or more of the following factors (not in order of any importance):
• Fills a void or need in the community that is not being served today by any other organization.
• Diversifies and/or increases sources of income than exists today including the matching of other grant opportunities.
• Serves a larger constituency base than the organization currently serves today.
• Increases the efficiency or streamlines operations while reducing operating expenses of the requesting organization.
• Assists in the coordination of activities between two or more organizations, including merger or the sharing of resources where operational synergies exist.
• Promotes the formulation of creative solutions and innovative problem solving or replicates proven "best in industry" strategies to the issues being addressed.
• Creates a significant and positive change in the structural foundation whereby an entity can become self-sufficient or with very limited assistance now or in the future.