



News Release

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Duke Energy Foundation supports preservation of lagoon, wetlands at Indiana FFA Leadership Center

PLAINFIELD, Ind. – The Duke Energy Foundation today awarded the [Indiana FFA Leadership Center](#) a \$10,000 grant to clean and restore the area surrounding a lagoon and wetland at the organization's Trafalgar, Ind. facility.

The funds will support the removal of small trees, stumps, weeds and vines along the lagoon trail and wetland banks, as well as excavation work to install weed barriers to prevent future growth of unwanted plants. These activities will help maintain the integrity of the lagoon and wetland banks and create an environmentally-sound habitat. The project aims to improve water quality, enhance biodiversity, sustain ecological health, and safeguard the lagoon ecosystem for future generations.

"We're pleased to partner with organizations like the Indiana FFA Leadership Center to support meaningful and sustainable projects that make Indiana a desirable and vibrant place to live," said Jean Renk, government and community relations manager at Duke Energy. "Together, we can help protect and restore our natural resources and enhance the quality of life for our customers and communities."

Since 1968, the Indiana FFA Leadership Center has supported the development of young people and adults through leadership workshops, retreats, youth camps and career development events. Their 170-acre facility includes trails, woods, a creek, a large parade field and a low ropes challenge course. In addition to serving FFA member chapters, the Indiana FFA Leadership Center hosts a wide variety of public and private groups.

Duke Energy Foundation

The Duke Energy Foundation provides philanthropic support to meet the needs of communities where Duke Energy customers live and work. The Foundation contributes more than \$2 million annually in charitable gifts to Indiana and is funded by Duke Energy shareholder dollars. More information about the Foundation and its Powerful Communities program can be found at duke-energy.com/Foundation.

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