


# 2010 Annual Report



Forest County Potawatomi  
**FOUNDATION**



# Forest County Potawatomi Foundation Mission Statement



Guided by the Potawatomi heritage,  
the mission of the Forest County  
Potawatomi Foundation is to  
fight poverty, promote economic  
opportunity, strengthen  
communities, and provide an  
example of responsible citizenship  
by assisting charitable organizations.



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# From the Chairman

Over 10 years ago, we founded the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation to give back to the Greater Milwaukee area and Forest County; the land our ancestors called home hundreds of years ago and where our tribal members and businesses still reside today.

While we continually seek to preserve our culture and traditions, it is to the future that the Potawatomi always look.

To date, the Foundation has proudly contributed over \$30 million to charitable causes in both Forest County, the Menomonee Valley and beyond. The recipient organizations tackle the issues that are most important to our tribe and communities everywhere: education, healthcare, programming for youth and the environment. These issues affect us every day and have a profound impact on our future.

By taking on poverty we hope to improve the lives of our neighbors. By enriching education we can help the next generation be more successful than the last. By aiding youth development programs we can keep children safe and engaged. By supporting organizations that expand healthcare access, we offer the most vulnerable, our children and our elders, a chance to live fuller lives. And through efforts to preserve the environment, we hope to ensure nature's beauty can be enjoyed by all of those who come after us.

As you review our annual report, you will see that the organizations we support share this dedication to building a better future. Thank you for being a part of our commitment to build a stronger community, for now and for years to come.

Respectfully,



Forest County Potawatomi Chairman Harold "Gus" Frank

Forest County Potawatomi Chairman  
Harold "Gus" Frank

Photo by *Potawatomi Traveling Times*





## Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center

The mission of the Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center (GLIHC) is to “improve the health, peace and welfare of Milwaukee’s Urban Indian Community.” Since its inception in 1999, GLIHC remains the only multi-tribal American Indian agency in Milwaukee County that addresses the health and social needs of Milwaukee’s American Indian community. GLIHC continues to look for avenues to improve the health, peace and welfare of Milwaukee’s Urban Indian Community. As the only multi-tribal American Indian agency in the area, GLIHC is a community hub for many culturally appropriate and health-promoting activities. GLIHC endeavors to continue current programming and seek ways to expand upon practices that have a successful track record.

## Milwaukee Immediate Care Corporation

For 24 years, Milwaukee Immediate Care Corporation (MICC) has been the only full-time urgent care clinic and one of a handful of primary care practices remaining on Milwaukee’s near north side. Funding support helps the clinic meet its operating costs as it positions during the next year to continue providing medical services and proceed toward the development of an adjacent, prototype inner city pediatric/adolescent primary/urgent care clinic and senior day health center. The majority of patients are poor and the working poor. Most are on Medicaid and Badger Care. As well, some treated are also middle and lower-middle families. Such patients increasingly face challenges of being underinsured (with rising deductibles making access to healthcare problematic) and others uninsured. (Regarding the latter, important provisions in federal health reform will not become effective for at least three years — and still will leave many millions of Americans uninsured.)



**Top** < Susan G. Komen Walk/Run. Photo by Diana L. Drews, executive director of the Southeast Wisconsin Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure  
**Bottom** < A patient at Milwaukee Immediate Care. Photo by Perry Margoles, president of The Milwaukee Immediate Care Center

# Native American

## Ain Dah Ing, Inc.

The Mission of Ain Dah Ing, Inc. (ADI), is to provide post treatment and residential care for chemically dependent Native American individuals 18 years and over. ADI uses standard methods of care for Native Americans in recovery from alcoholism and drug abuse, such as: individual case history, one-on-one counseling, alcohol and drug education, individual treatment planning, group therapy/lecture, self-help meetings, aftercare planning and referral resource network utilization.

## American Indian Chamber of Commerce

the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin's (AICCW) mission is to promote members and affiliates, with an emphasis on American Indian owned businesses, joint ventures and professional associations. The AICCW's specific correlation with the Forest County Potawatomi mission is their focus upon addressing the struggles of American Indian business people throughout the state (both on and off reservations). AICCW work with those who are working to realize their vision of participating in the free enterprise system by providing access to capital, business education resources and economic diversification opportunities resulting in stronger Indian Country communities. Their contributions and impacts are measured in terms of business management technical assistance/education (i.e., capacity building), number of businesses startups and/or expansions, job creation, loans closed, access to securing government contracts and wealth creation over time.



**Top** < Beadwork from the Gises Thunder Collection. Photo by *Potawatomi Traveling Times*



**Bottom** < Kathy Jacobson, Forest County Potawatomi tribal member. Photo by *Potawatomi Traveling Times*

# Youth Development



Youth at YDB participate in drill activities that are characteristic of basic training.

Photo by Youth Development Boot Camp



## King Advisory

The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Back-to-School Festival is an annual event founded in 1995 by 10th District Milwaukee County Supervisor Elizabeth Cogg-Jones. Over the past 15 years, 45,000 book bags filled with school supplies have been distributed to Milwaukee's children. In 2009, over 25,000 people of all ages, with the majority from low-income backgrounds, attended the Festival. A 2009 survey sample revealed the bulk of children receiving book bags reside in the 53205, 53206, 53208 and 53212 zip codes, areas between 50 and 57 percent of children live below poverty.

## Youth Development Boot Camp, Inc.

The Youth Development Boot Camp (YDB) was formally established in 2002, and offers a highly structured, military-based program through which underprivileged and troubled teen boys and girls are taught the benefits of facing and overcoming life's challenges through discipline, determined effort, self-confidence, respect for self and others and civic engagement. Specifically, youth come to YDB's 13-week program through referrals by judges of Milwaukee County, through the initiative of parents due to brushes with the legal system and other self and community-destructive behavior patterns. The program involves a highly regimented schedule of discipline, physical training, community service work, and drill and ceremony activities characteristic of military basic training. The values of honor, courage, and commitment strive to be instilled in participants as these are tools needed to succeed in society as responsible citizens and productive adults. These values are also modeled by their staff at all times. The program provides homework assistance and educational remediation and vocational opportunities for youth and their parents to participate in presentations and lectures by guest speakers including those from law enforcement, social service organizations, and the business community with regard to youth development are provided.

# Arts & Culture

## Marcus Center for the Performing Arts

The vision of the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts provides the setting for outstanding cultural experience, where the arts come to life for current and future generations. As part of carrying out the mission and vision at the Center, they are committed to providing community events that are available to all audiences like the Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration, A tribute to Education (over 14 area school groups are regular participants of this culturally enriching program), and KidZ Days In the City, which is an interactive arts program that is offered free-of-charge with a focus on integrating health and the arts.

## Milwaukee Public Theatre

Milwaukee Public Theatre Ltd. (MPT) is a professional not-for-profit touring company founded in 1974 that increases awareness of current social issues, promotes cultural diversity and provides healing arts resources. The company reaches out to people of all cultures, ages and abilities, and reaches an average of 100,000 people yearly with 800 to 1,200 events, including arts workshops, original theatre works, community celebrations and large-scale parades and pageants. MPT has been working with Native American artists and organizations for over 20 years, including Spotted Eagle High School and the Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center (GLIHC).



**Top** < Dancer at Marchus Center for the Performing Arts Photo by Marcus Center for the Performing Arts

**Bottom** < Painting mural Photo by Tim and Connie Friesen



# Civic & Community



## New Threads

Formally known as CorpCare Distributions, New Threads operates a gift-in-kind program that provides brand-new apparel, footwear, bed and bath and household items to non-profit agencies serving the needs of the poor, the ill, children and seniors, so that they may live more self-sufficient and independent lives.

New Threads link manufacturers and retailers and their surplus products, samples, returns and past season lines with nonprofit social service agencies, schools and faith-based communities. They provide the warehousing, sorting, processing, and distribution services that make all these products usable and available to those who need them.



## House of Peace

The House of Peace (HOP) was established in 1968. HOP is a ministry of the Province of St. Joseph of the Capuchin Order, Inc., and was created to provide the poor with the basic essentials and guidance to improve the quality of life. In the first year, the center provided food to 120 families throughout the year, and toys to 160 families. In 2009-2010, HOP provided services approximately 64,000 times to individuals in need of food, clothes, toys, guidance and educational opportunities.



**Top** < Families receive children's clothing from New Threads. Photo by New Threads

**Bottom** < Photo by WIFACETS

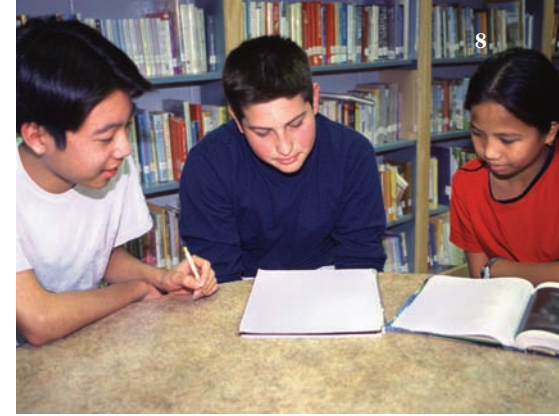




# Education

## Junior Achievement

Junior Achievement (JA) ensures that every child in Wisconsin has an opportunity to obtain an understanding of our free enterprise system. Student participants in the Urban Implementation Program, gain the skills, knowledge, and motivation needed to succeed in our free enterprise system and in life. With a menu of volunteer-based programs, available grades include kindergarten through 12. Young people involved in JA learn by doing. JA's purpose is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy.



## Literacy Services of Wisconsin

The decision to obtain a GED can be one of the most important and life-changing decision an individual can make — it can open the door for new career opportunities, greater pay and even further education. The purpose of the GED Growth Initiative is to increase the number of GED graduates and to better assist individuals prepared to take the GED examination. Literacy Services of Wisconsin has been a nonprofit leader in delivering literacy programs to adults who reside in the Greater Milwaukee area. Many students are disadvantaged and have significant challenges to overcome. Additionally, some have little or negative academic experiences or a learning disorder that has resulted in less than successful educational results. To support these students, they have implemented methods to recognize particular learning challenges and new instructional methods have been introduced to respond to these issues. Students and tutors are energized by the new success they are experiencing with these methods.



**Top** < Students work together in the Junior Achievement Program.

**Bottom** < GED students are getting help from tutors through Literacy Services of Wisconsin.

Photo by Literacy Services of Wisconsin

# Environmental



## Riveredge Nature Center

Riveredge Nature Center, Inc., founded in 1968, is located in Ozaukee County, Wis. Riveredge was one of the first, and today is one of the largest, nature centers in Wisconsin, with a solid reputation for providing innovative, science-based environmental education. Riveredge's primary goal is to increase environmental literacy. Now in its 40th year, they continue to provide high-quality, science-based environmental education programs for schools, improve and expand adult education and family programming, protect and steward their 370-acre natural sanctuary and serve as a resource for scientific research.

## Milwaukee Urban Garden, Inc.

The World Lunchbox (WL), from the Milwaukee Urban Garden, Inc., is an inter-generational curriculum which explores food growth and food preparation with youth of diverse backgrounds. WL will connect youth from different communities throughout Milwaukee to the earth, their ancestral and cultural food heritage, and each other. The curriculum will focus on the stories and profiles of farmers and community gardeners that grow food in Milwaukee, throughout Wisconsin and abroad. While most youth garden curricula address the biological science behind cultivating food, WL seeks to unearth the social science and anthropological history behind crop migration, food production and food preparation.

● ● ● ● ● **Top** < Isabella Daniels, Forest County Potawatomi Mno Keno Ma Gē Wen 2010-11 Jr. Princess, releases sturgeon into Lake Winnebago. Photo by FCP Foundation

**Bottom** < Youth from the Native Studies group of WI FACETS visit an Urban Garden.

Photo by WIFACETS

# Veterans

## Veterans for Peace

Veterans For Peace became a national 501(c)3 veterans organization in 1986. Members are mostly combat veterans of the Vietnam War, but many are also Korean War, Gulf War, and Iraq and Afghanistan War veterans. Milwaukee Veterans For Peace Chapter 102 started a Homeless Veterans Initiative in an effort to help end homelessness among the veteran population in Milwaukee. They have learned what these veterans need and have been able to help over 100 veterans find shelter, medical attention, food, clothing and jobs. They have purchased a van to deliver food throughout the city three times a week, and have recently begun working in partnership with a property owner to provide low-rent housing for homeless veterans.

## Friends of Wisconsin Public TV

Wisconsin Vietnam War Stories and LZ Lambeau™ is inspired by Wisconsin's Native American Tribes who have never forgotten the importance of honoring our warriors. That long and valued tradition of honoring the service and sacrifice of their veterans is a model for everyone, and will be showcased at LZ Lambeau with a ceremonial opening to the event organized Wisconsin Native American Vietnam Veterans. The project includes extensive involvement of Wisconsin's Tribal Veterans Service Officers and Nate Nez, Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs liaison to Wisconsin tribes. Nez has organized a committee of Wisconsin Native American Vietnam veterans from across Wisconsin to participate in the planning, initial listening sessions and ongoing development of LZ Lambeau™. Vietnam veterans from the Ho-Chunk, Oneida, Potawatomi, Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican and the Menominee Nation are actively engaged in this project.

**Top** < Grand opening ceremony. Photo courtesy of the Center for Veterans Issues

**Bottom** < Forest County Potawatomi (FCP) Post 1 Commander J.R. Holmes (left) and FCP Chairman Harold "Gus" Frank (right) at the LZ Lambeau™ event in May 2010. Photo by Linda Sturnot



# 2010 Charitable Giving

## A

Adaptive Community Approach Program, Inc.  
 Adult Learning Center, Inc.  
 Advocates of Ozaukee  
 Afroworld Enterprises LTD  
 AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin  
 AinDah Ing, Inc.  
 Alianza Latina Aplicando Soluciones  
 Alma Center  
 Alston's Preparatory Academy  
 Alverno College  
 Alzheimer's Association  
 American Cancer Society  
 American Diabetes Association  
 American Heart Association  
 American Indian Chamber of Commerce  
 American Indian College Fund  
 American Lung Association  
 American Red Cross  
 Arthritis Foundation  
 Artists for the Humanities  
 Association of Fundraising Professionals  
 Audio & Braille Literacy Enhancement

## B

Badger Association of the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc.  
 Bay View Community Center Milwaukee, Inc.  
 Betty Brinn Children's Museum  
 Big Brothers Big Sister  
 Blackhorse Pride  
 Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee  
 Boys and Girls Clubs of Kenosha  
 Brewer's Community Foundation, Inc.

## C

Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation, Inc.  
 Casa Romero Renewal Center  
 Catherine Marian Housing, Inc.  
 Centro Legal por Derechos Humanos, Inc.  
 Citizen Action of Wisconsin Education, Fund  
 Columbia St. Mary's Foundation, Inc.  
 Common Ground Ministry, Inc.  
 Cops N Kids Reading Center  
 Cultural Alliance of Greater Milwaukee

## D

Daystar  
 Diabetes Research Institute Foundation, Inc.  
 Donors Forum of Wisconsin, Inc.  
 Dr. Terence N. Thomas Scholarship Fund, Inc.

## E

Easter Seals Southeast Wisconsin  
 Epilepsy Foundation

## F

Family House, Inc.  
 Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin  
 Forward Service Corporation  
 Foundation of the WI & Truck Dealers Association  
 Friends of Abused Families, Inc.  
 Friends of Camp Anokijig  
 Friends of Hank Aaron State Trail  
 Friends of Wisconsin Public TV, Inc.  
 Friendship, Inc.  
 Froedtert Hospital Foundation

## G

Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center  
 Goodwill Industries of S.E. Wisconsin  
 Grand Avenue Club  
 Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation  
 Groundworks Milwaukee, Inc.

## H

Heritage Guard  
 Hispanic Chamber of Commerce  
 Historic Concordia Neighbors, Inc.  
 Hmong American Friendship Association, Inc.  
 Hope Network  
 Hope Street

## I

Impact Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse Service, Inc.  
 Indian Council of the Elderly, Inc.  
 Indian Summer

## J

Jewish Family Services  
 Junior Achievement of Wisconsin, Inc.

## K

King Advisory, Inc.

## L

La Casa De Esperanza, Inc.  
 Latino Community Center  
 Layton Boulevard West Neighbors  
 Legal Aid Society  
 Literacy Services of Wisconsin, Inc.  
 Living History Encounter, Inc.  
 Lupus Foundation of America  
 Lutheran Special School

**M**

Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association  
 Make A Difference  
 March of Dimes Southeast Division  
 Marcus Center for the Performing Arts  
 Mashkisibi Bad River Boys & Girls Club  
 Medical College of Wisconsin  
 Menomonee Valley Partners  
 Mental Health America of Wisconsin, Inc.  
 Meta House  
 Midwest Indian Mission, Inc.  
 Milwaukee Ballet  
 Milwaukee Immediate Care Center  
 Milwaukee LGBT Community Center  
 Milwaukee Public Museum  
 Milwaukee Public Theatre  
 Milwaukee Riverkeeper  
 Milwaukee Urban Gardens  
 Milwaukee Urban League  
 Milwaukee Youth Theatre  
 Mount Mary College  
 MPTV Friends

**N**

NAACP Racine, Wisconsin  
 National Association of Social Workers  
 National Indian Child Welfare  
 National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
 Native American Contractors Association  
 Nehemiah Project  
 Neighborhood House of Milwaukee  
 New Beginnings Are Possible, Inc.  
 New Concept Self Development Center, Inc.  
 New Threads  
 Nia Imani Family, Inc.  
 Non Profit Center of Milwaukee

**O**

One Heartland  
 Our Next Generation, Inc.

**P**

Parenting Network  
 Pearls For Teen Girls, Inc.  
 Penfield Children's Center  
 People Helping People  
 Philippine Cultural and Civic Center Foundation  
 Potawatomi Trails Pow Wow  
 Present Music, Inc.  
 Public Policy Forum

**R**

Rebuilding Together Milwaukee  
 Repairers of the Breach  
 RiverEdge Nature Center

**S**

Salvation Army  
 Serenity Inns, Inc.  
 Shee Yee Community of Milwaukee  
 Social Development Foundation  
 Sojourner Family Peace Center, Inc.  
 Southside Organizing Committee, Inc.  
 Spirit Of Sovereignty Foundation  
 St. Catherine Residence  
 St. Francis Parish Province Of St. Joseph Capuchin  
 STD Specialties Clinic  
 Step Industries, Inc.  
 Student Conservation Association, Inc.  
 Summit Education Association, Inc.  
 Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation

**T**

Three Fires Society

**U**

United Community Center  
 United Lutheran Program For the Aging, Inc.  
 United Performing Arts Fund

Urban Ecology Center  
 Urban Economic Development Association

**V**

VE Carter Development Group  
 Veterans For Peace, Inc.  
 Voces De La Frontera

**W**

Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center LTD  
 Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare  
 Wisconsin Alliance for Retired Americans  
 Wisconsin American Legion Foundation, Inc.  
 Wisconsin Association for Student Financial Aid  
 Wisconsin Breast Cancer Showhouse  
 Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
 Wisconsin Community Services  
 Wisconsin Conservatory of Music  
 Wisconsin Covenant Foundation  
 Wisconsin Economic Development Association  
 Wisconsin Emergency Medical Technicians Assoc.  
 Wisconsin FACETS  
 Wisconsin Foundation for Independent Colleges  
 Wisconsin Rural Challenge, Inc.  
 Wisconsin Safety Patrols, Inc.  
 Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative  
 Wisconsin Women's Health Fund  
 WISCRAFT, Inc.  
 Woodland Boys and Girls Club

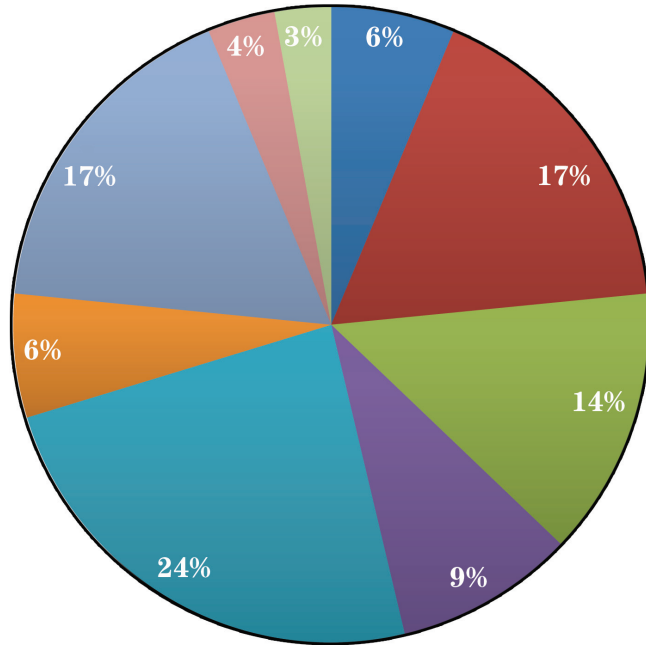
**Y**

YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee  
 YWCA of Greater Milwaukee  
 Youth Development Boot Camp, Inc.

**Z**

ZONTA Foundation, Inc.  
 Zoological Society of Milwaukee

# Funding Percentages and Areas



- Arts & Culture
- Civic & Community
- Education
- Economic Development
- Health & Human Services
- Native American
- Youth Development
- Environmental
- Veterans

## Advisory Board

**Kip Ritchie**, Board Chair, Potawatomi Business Development Corporation  
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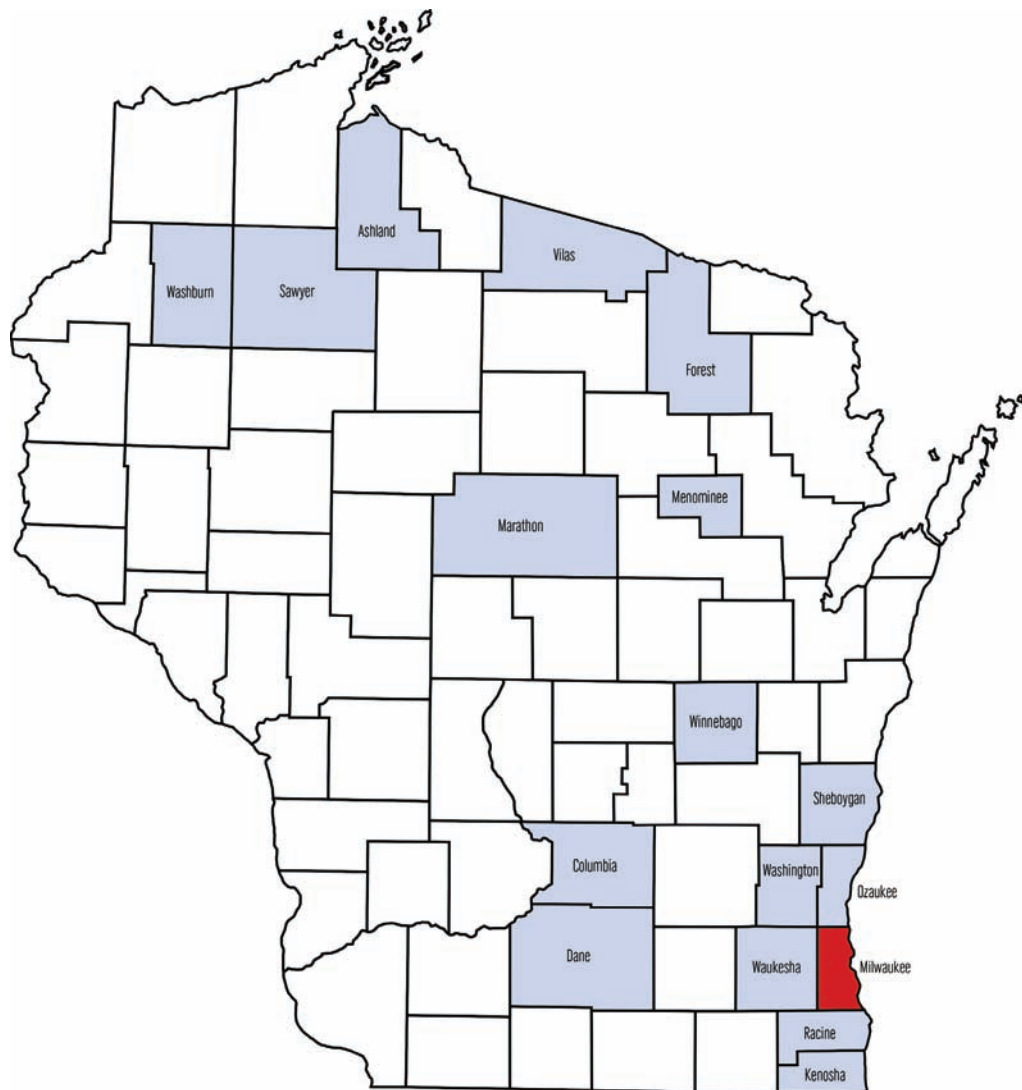
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# Funding Areas of Wisconsin



Milwaukee  
Waukesha  
Washington  
Dane  
Marathon  
Ozaukee  
Ashland  
Menominee  
Kenosha  
Racine  
Sheboygan  
Vilas  
Forest  
Sawyer  
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Winnebago  
Columbia

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