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Local Sports Foundation Announces Five Grant Recipients

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indy Sports Foundation has announced that it will provide financial assistance to five organizations with ties to amateur sports in Central Indiana. The grant recipients include:

1. Oaklandon Youth Organization (teaches sportsmanship and individual goals)
2. PlayBall Indiana, RBI Indianapolis (Reviving Baseball in Inner cities)
3. Franklin Township Lead the Challenge Softball (serves children and young adults with mental and physical challenges through sports)
4. Decatur Central High School & Brownsburg High School (develops mental skills of student athletes to enhance their potential for athletic and academic performance)
5. Kids Racing for Kids (advocates healthy kids to reach out and make a difference for less fortunate kids)

Grant requests can be made online at www.indysportsfoundation.com. The application can be filled out by any person or entity that wishes to request money from the Indy Sports Foundation for a particular purpose that is within the Foundation's mission. The non-profit Foundation's mission is to support amateur sports and its impact and influence on the common good of central Indiana.

The Indy Sports Foundation organizes events for the community which funds its mission. The most notable community event organized by the Foundation is the St. Patrick's Day Celebration which is following one of its greatest years ever and features the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Tent Party, Greening of the Canal and Shamrock Run & Walk. The Foundation also has a sports luncheon series that features the Old Oaken Bucket game, the Indiana Pacers and the Indianapolis Indians.

The Foundation's next event is the "Salute to the Indianapolis Indians" which is a fundraising luncheon on May 5th at the Columbia Club. The Foundation will present Playball Indiana their grant at the luncheon. The event is open to the public and tickets cost \$35. Attendees will hear from the Indianapolis Indians front office about the 2009 season and get a chance to meet a couple of the Pittsburgh Pirates top prospects. All Indy Sports Foundation events are open to the public and additional information can be found at www.indysportsfoundation.com.

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