Consider a **Field of Interest** Fund if you:

- Are passionate about a specific interest area or charitable cause
- Want to learn more about nonprofits and charities in Marion
- Seek expert opinions on community needs and who is addressing them
- Wish to give to multiple organizations and programs

Create a fund for specific causes that are close to your heart. Field of Interest Funds allow you to focus your charitable giving toward an area of interest, while our expertise determines the most effective organizations completing the best work.

Field of Interest Funds offer you the opportunity to support evolving needs and a variety of nonprofits focused on your area of interest. The type of fund allows donors to work closely with our staff and Grants Committee to identify organizations that are making the greatest impact in the area(s) of your choosing.

**Key Benefits**

- Supports your specific area of interest
- Learn more about nonprofit organizations in the Marion area offering programs and initiatives in your chosen field of interest
- Expertise in research and community evaluation to determine needs, opportunities, and effectiveness of local nonprofit programs and initiatives

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**Kathleen E. O’Shea Fund**

Kathy O’Shea loved dance and theater. When she took her final bow in 2012, her husband, John, honored her memory with the creation of the **Kathleen E. O’Shea Fund** through a gift of appreciated stock. Kathy passed at age 69, having fought an 18-year battle with cancer. She loved to dance and perform at the Marion Palace Theatre, as well as direct plays at the couple’s winter home in Florida. Her fund, which received numerous memorial gifts from friends and family, as well as planned gifts from her and John’s estates, makes grants in support of the arts—specifically live theater and dance—that Kathy so dearly loved.