RYAN WHITE LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

No one more than Ryan understood the fear, prejudice, and discrimination suffered by people with AIDS. This fear must be eliminated, and people with AIDS must be treated with the dignity and compassion that all our fellow citizens deserve.

– Jeanne White Ginder  
Mother of Ryan White

The Ryan White Story

Ryan White was a rural Indiana youth who contracted HIV at age 13 from tainted blood products given for his hemophilia. Ryan became the national poster child for HIV/AIDS in the United States after being expelled from school because of his illness. Although the courts ultimately ruled in Ryan’s favor to return to school, he was met with taunts, isolation and unfounded rumors from those in his school and community. After a bullet was fired into the White home in 1987, his family decided to move to another community where he enrolled in Hamilton Heights High School and was welcomed with open arms.

Ryan’s story captured the attention of the media and public and his courage, determination, and positive attitude made him a hero to many. Ryan chose to speak out about the misconceptions about HIV/AIDS and he called for persons with AIDS to be treated with compassion. He died on April 8, 1990. Four months later, the “Ryan White Care Act” – the single largest federal program designed for people with HIV in the United States – was created. This occurred the same month that Ryan would have started his first year as a student at Indiana University-Bloomington.

Twenty years after his death, Ryan White’s legacy continues to live on. In honor of his courage, compassion, and strength, Indiana University’s School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, and the Indiana University Rural Center for AIDS/STD Prevention desires to establish the Ryan White Legacy Scholarship. This scholarship is intended for students pursuing a Master of Public Health degree with preference to students studying AIDS/STD prevention or sexual health. An anonymous donor has agreed to match up to $5,000 raised for this purpose in the hopes of endowing the scholarship and carrying Ryan White’s legacy in to perpetuity at Indiana University.

We hope you will consider a contribution.

Gifts ranging from $10 to $1,000 and beyond are needed to reach the $10,000 goal*. For more information, contact Natalie Kubat at nkubat@indiana.edu or 812-855-7891.

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