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**MCCOY announces grant from the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust**

INDIANAPOLIS – Last month the Marion County Commission on Youth, Inc. (MCCOY) received a grant totaling \$40,000 from the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust to support efforts to prepare young people for the working world and connect them to employment opportunities.

“MCCOY has been reinforcing and initiating a number of efforts in recent years to improve youth opportunities, especially in regards to youth employment,” said John Brandon, president and executive director of MCCOY. “This grant from the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust will allow us to build upon the momentum we’ve already created to provide more resources for families and youth while amplifying our voice in discussions regarding youth employment and other issues.”

“During her career, Nina Mason Pulliam shared her financial success and business leadership skills with many charities. She had a keen awareness of challenges that face our community and would take great pride in the outstanding work being done by organizations like MCCOY,” said Trustee Kent Agness. “Through her Trust, we continue to build on her legacy, which clearly reflects her heart for philanthropy.”

The grant to MCCOY represents one of 29 awarded to organizations in Indiana by the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust during the second of two grant cycles this year. Since the Trust began its grant making in 1998, it has awarded more than \$292 million to 963 organizations in its home states of Indiana and Arizona.

To learn more about MCCOY, visit [www.mccoyouth.org](http://www.mccoyouth.org). For more information about the Trust and its programs, visit [www.ninapulliamtrust.org](http://www.ninapulliamtrust.org).

*The Marion County Commission on Youth, Inc. (MCCOY) is the youth services intermediary for central Indiana whose mission is to champion the positive development of youth through leadership on key issues and support of the youth worker community. MCCOY’s vision is that every young person in central Indiana has opportunities to thrive, learn, engage and contribute.*

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