

## **COMMUNITY EFFORTS IN WEST END & CITY OF CINCINNATI**



The 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of FC Cincinnati is a celebration of our **commitment to excellence – in sport, culture and community. We remain committed to giving back and lifting others** up as we continue to build a world-class club for and by the fans.

**Sport**: We have met and surpassed challenges on the pitch. We have fostered growth and success in top talent, hoisted trophies and remain laser focused on bringing home MLS Cup.

**Culture**: Grounded in our values, devoted to our mission, and dedicated to driving impact, we forge ahead as a team of talented professionals committed to leaving a lasting legacy and being the embodiment of a rising Cincinnati.

**Community**: We strive to unite our community both on and off the pitch, supporting transformational change in the lives of children and those in the West End Community.

We have achieved a great deal but still have so much ground to cover – more championship soccer to play, more room to grow, more opportunities to connect and catalyze change in our community. We've only just begun!



## **COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

- FC Cincinnati Foundation's mission is to improve the lives of children in our region through soccer. We are proud to have reached over 60,000 children in 2025.
- Our CBA with the West End has guided much of our work through FC Cincinnati Foundation.
- We are focused on actively driving community impact and therefore invest most of our funds into programming and in-kind support rather than monetary sponsorship of other events.
- Per our CBA Agreement, we have a Grants Program available which is focused on supporting community building initiatives within the West End Neighborhood.
- We are often able bring third party opportunities to the community as we saw recently with the FIFA visit.







## WEST END GRANT PROGRAM

FC Cincinnati Foundation is pleased to support community building initiatives within the West End neighborhood through our grant program.

Applications are accepted during two periods each year. Organizations selected from applications received March 1-April 30 will receive funding in June.

Organizations selected from applications received September 1-October 31 will receive funding in December.

We encourage all applicants to meet with the West End Community Council for their endorsement.

A minimum of \$100,000 in funding is awarded on an annual basis.

# **EFOUNDATION 2024 IN THE COMMUNITY**

## **60,000+ CHILDREN** supported in our community

#### AVERAGED OVER ONE COMMUNITY VISIT A DAY BY AN FCC PLAYER OR STAFF MEMBER

FCC STAFF COMPLETED 3,433 VOLUNTEER HOURS

#### GENERATING IMPACT THROUGH UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

**650 ATTENDEES** AT SERVED BY THE PROS **125 ATTENDEES** AT LADIES LACE UP

\$375,000 raised to support programs



1 20% SOCCER UNITES VISITS

15% WEST END PRIDE PLAYERS

**10%** YOUTH SOCCER CAMP ATTENDEES **1 25%**STREET TEAM

COMMUNITY VISITS

#### COMMITTED TO CELEBRATING WITH OUR COMMUNITY

Black History Month • D.A.D. Initiative Event • Breaking Barriers Event Asian American and Pacific Islander Month • AAPI Matchday Celebration Juneteenth Block Party • Juneteenth Parade • Juneteenth Matchday Celebration Pride Parade • Pride Matchday Celebration Hispanic Heritage Month • Noche Latina Matchday Celebration Kick Childhood Cancer Month • Kick Childhood Cancer Matchday Awareness Salute to Service Matchday Recognition • Veteran Home Improvement Project

## CONTINUOUS IMPORVEMENT, GROWTH & ATTENTION TO COMMUNITY NEEDS

- Annual effort for continuous improvement of our programs and to extend our reach to more kids in our community, aided by data including Hello Insights (SEL)
- New programs launched since 2024 include:
  - Stay in the Game!
  - Twinning Project
  - Scholarships with the University of Cincinnati





## **ALIGNMENT WITH ACT FOR CINCY**

### **Education Programs**

- Learning is Cool (Honor Roll Rewards)
- Stay in the Game! (Attendance)
- FCC Futures (Career Pathing through Sport)

## Soccer Programs

- West End Pride (Rec Level Soccer)
- Soccer Unites In-School & After-School
- Mini Pitch Locations (7 CRC Sites)





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