



260.212.1235
DonWoodFoundation.org
P.O. Box 25537
10315 Dupont Circle Drive West
Fort Wayne, IN 46825
EIN #82-3518678

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 20, 2022

RICH GRADUATES FROM MUTZ PHILANTHROPIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Danielle Rich, Program Officer for the Don Wood Foundation in Fort Wayne, recently graduated from the Mutz Philanthropic Leadership Institute. The 2022 Mutz graduates were honored at the Philanthropy Leads Dinner at the Indiana Roof Ballroom in Indianapolis where Governor Eric Holcomb and Indianapolis Colts Vice Chair and Owner Kalen Jackson were among the guest speakers.

The Mutz Institute was launched in 2021 by Indiana Philanthropy Alliance and serves to identify and develop transformational philanthropic leaders in Indiana. Rich was one of 23 graduates after being selected through a competitive application process last year.

"I was honored to be included in the Mutz Philanthropic Institute's 2022 cohort," Rich said. "The institute offered opportunities to meet regularly with the IPA leadership and John Mutz. It provided many valuable connections which will enhance my ability to provide effective grants to local partners. The classes offered great networking opportunities with peers and experts in their funding areas, and the speakers offered perspectives from local projects, innovative ideas, community collaborations, and problem-solving."

Rich has been employed with the Don Wood Foundation since June 2021 and had held several roles before being promoted to program officer in September 2021.

"This was a great professional development opportunity for Danielle and we encouraged her to apply," said Executive Director Laura Macknick. "We're excited to have her implement the skills and ideas she learned by participating in the Mutz Leadership Institute."

The Don Wood Foundation serves to align opportunities between students, community, and industry by growing and strengthening the manufacturing sector in the region. To learn more about the Don Wood Foundation, visit their website at www.DonWoodFoundation.org.

###

Pictured is Danielle Rich, program officer at the Don Wood Foundation and 2022 graduate of Mutz Philanthropic Leadership Institute.