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Remembering Kathryn Hunter

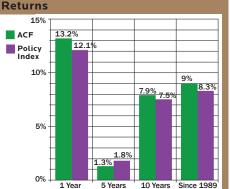
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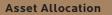
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*The Policy Index is the community foundation's investment benchmark, the allocations of which mirror our targeted asset mix.

See our investment policy statement and management relationships at www.akroncf.org/financials. Life is too short. I was reminded of this when I heard of Kathryn Hunter's passing at the end of last year. She and her family were so proud of her selection as our 2010 Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award recipient.

In the last few months, many of you have made gifts in Kathryn's memory to Akron Community Foundation. We're grateful not only for your generosity but also for her children, who encouraged friends and family to honor her in this very special



way. When I remember Mrs. Hunter, I'll think of family and the hope she brought to countless people who benefited from her selfless gifts of time, talent and treasure. All of us at the community foundation will miss her tremendously.

As the new year arrived, Cindy and I welcomed our first grandchild, a little girl. Rylee Morgan was born Jan. 1, 2013, at 3:11 p.m. I'm certain I've sent photos of this precious darling to at least 1,000 people in my contact list over the past two months. I've already promised myself we'll carve out time to visit Rylee and her parents in Pittsburgh as often as we can. After all, nothing is more important than our children: to love them, teach them and help them remember how important family is in their lives.

I often think of Akron Community Foundation as a family of donors. Each one of you is part of a collective spirit of giving back that touches the lives of those less fortunate in our community. Every day, people approach us with their unique vision for improving the human condition where they live, work and raise their families. How wonderful it is that community leaders came together nearly 60 years ago to create this very community foundation – a place where we can help transform those visions into permanent realities.

Life truly is too short, but you can continue making a difference long after you're gone through a fund at Akron Community Foundation. Call me at 330-436-5622 to find out how we can help you create a legacy that your grandchildren – and even your great-great-grandchildren – will be proud of.

Enjoy the spring season,

John T. Petures Jr. President and CEO

PHILANTHROPIST SPOTLIGHT



CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF KATHRYN HUNTER

Akron lost one of its finest humanitarians in December when Kathryn Motz Hunter passed away after a lifetime of advocacy and philanthropy.

Kathryn was a former board member of Akron Community Foundation and a founding donor of the Women's Endowment Fund. She was also the recipient of the 2010 Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award.

Kathryn was an avid volunteer, serving on the boards of dozens of local nonprofit agencies. But throughout her career as a businesswoman and activist, Kathryn was perhaps best known as a champion for women's empowerment.

A pioneer for local women

Born just one day after Independence Day in 1925, Kathryn was the poster child for the success of independent women. Throughout her life, she flawlessly juggled the demands of home and career, simultaneously serving as a teacher, innovator, business leader, mother, wife, volunteer and philanthropist.

In the 1960s, Kathryn designed a series of classes at the University of Akron to help women enter the workforce. Her first class, "Women: Plan for the Second Half of Your Life," taught women how to translate their skills as wives and mothers into a successful career outside the home. As a result, hundreds of women became financially independent.

An enduring legacy

As the honorary chair of the Women's Endowment Fund's "For Women, Forever" campaign, one of Kathryn's last acts as a philanthropist was a gift that would protect the futures of women and girls for generations to come. Her gift to the endowment campaign leaves a legacy that will endure long after her lifetime of service.

"Mrs. Hunter's legacy will live forever in the grants made possible through her generosity," wrote campaign co-chair Karen Lefton in



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a tribute to Kathryn published in the Akron Beacon Journal. "We will take good care of that gift, invest it wisely, and ensure that interest from it is used to benefit women and girls in our community forever. That is her legacy."

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Since December, nearly 100 people have made gifts to the community foundation and the Women's Endowment Fund in Kathryn's honor. See who gave on pages 8 and 13. View highlights of Kathryn's lifetime of giving at www. akronist.com/Hunter.

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT & DONOR SERVICES STAFF



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SPECIAL GIVING OPPORTUNITY: CHARITABLE IRA ROLLOVER EXTENDED THROUGH 2013

Are you over 70 ½ and want to be tax smart with your IRA? With a charitable rollover, you can avoid paying unnecessary taxes while supporting the causes and nonprofits you love. The Charitable IRA Rollover is a provision that allows individuals age 70 ½ and older to donate up to \$100,000 from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) to public charities without counting the distributions as taxable income. The provision was first enacted in 2006 as part of the Pension Protection Act and was extended for tax year 2013 as part of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012.

The news comes just as 2013 tax deduction limits go down for individuals earning more than \$400,000 per year and couples earning \$450,000 or more. Poised to benefit the most are seniors required to take an IRA payout they don't need.

Leverage your highest-taxed assets

Retirement distributions are some of the most highly taxed forms of income. A charitable IRA rollover can benefit Ohio seniors in two ways:

- By helping you avoid the federal income tax you would normally incur on a payout
- By decreasing Ohio taxable income, thus reducing your state taxes

Why give through Akron Community Foundation?

Unlike a one-time gift to an individual charity, your tax-free charitable rollover to Akron Community Foundation can leave a lasting legacy in the community. The law doesn't permit charitable IRA rollovers to donor-advised funds, but you have lots of other charitable options, including:

- Designated funds, which support a specific nonprofit you love
- Scholarship funds, which fuel the academic endeavors of students at your alma mater or in a chosen field, school or geographic locale
- Field-of-interest funds, which support the community foundation's grant-making to the causes you love
- Unrestricted funds, which meet our community's ever-changing needs

LET US HELP YOU

To learn more about transferring your IRA assets, contact Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Steve Schloenbach at 330-436-5621 or sschloenbach@akroncf.org. Or, to learn more about starting a charitable fund, contact Director of Development Laura Fink at 330-436-5611 or lfink@akroncf.org.

NEW FUNDS



DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

Friebert Family Fund Liesem Family Fund Rice Family Fund Betty A. Sweeney Fund Zeleznik Family Fund

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Tom DeLeone Fund of the Medina County Community Fund*

In honor of former Browns center Tom DeLeone to support the Medina County Community Fund.

Dr. Nasrallah Fund

To support Akron General Medical Center's urology residency program.

Ethel and William A. Singer Fund* To support the Cleveland Eye Bank and Haven of Rest.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Mabel L. Hinkle Scholarship Fund For women residing in Summit or Portage County who are studying business or medicine.

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Herskowitz Family Fund*

FIELD-OF-INTEREST FUNDS

Rev. Dr. Byron Arledge Fund Established by Pastoral Counseling Service of Summit County to support mental health services for children, adults and families.

Donovan Veterans Fund

Established by Harry and Fran Donovan to support education and rehabilitation for veterans.

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Denise M. Graham DCNEO Fund

To support Dancing Classrooms Northeast Ohio's residency program.

*Legacy Funds, or funds that were designed by their founders to grow in perpetuity.

FUND HONORS AKRON UROLOGIST

As one of the most respected urologists in Northeast Ohio, Dr. Phillip Nasrallah has touched the lives of thousands of young people – patients and students alike. In June, he will retire from his position as director of the Akron General Medical Center/NEOMED Urology Residency Program.

To honor Dr. Nasrallah's contributions to the medical community, fellow urologist Dr. Raymond Bologna started a designated fund in his name at the community foundation. The fund will support the urologic residency program Dr. Nasrallah has led for the last 12 years. "We wanted to celebrate Dr. Nasrallah's dedication to the program and mentoring young people," said Mandarin Dague, residency coordinator. "This fund is



an opportunity for people to support future urologic education in his honor."

Honor Dr. Nasrallah with a gift to his fund at www.akroncf.org/ give/NasrallahFund.

FROM THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT STAFF



GRANTEE NEWS



Congratulations to Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates, an Akron **Community Foundation grant** recipient, for having one of its former students speak at the White House. Stephanie Foxworth, a JOG graduate, was a panel presenter at the most recent White House Summit on Financial Capability and Empowerment. After earning her GED with the help of JOG, Stephanie started her own chocolate-covered apple business. Her successful entrepreneurship was featured as a model of financial capability among American youth.

NEW ONLINE GRANT SYSTEM MAKES IT SIMPLE FOR NONPROFITS TO APPLY FOR FUNDING

Nonprofit organizations now have an easier, more convenient way to apply for a grant from Akron Community Foundation. By submitting their proposals online, nonprofits can request funding from the Community Fund or any of the community foundation's initiative funds without the pain and hassle of paper.

The new online system simplifies the application process for nonprofit grant writers and removes the burden of assembling and mailing paper copies. In addition, the system allows nonprofits to view all available competitive funding opportunities, see the status of their application, and submit progress reports.

Exciting new features include the "Save as a Draft" option, which gives applicants the option to save their work and complete the application at their own pace, and "Fax to File," which makes it easy to upload all the electronic documents needed with an application.

Grant-seekers also have the option to print the application questions and gather information away from their computer. This is especially helpful for grant writers who need to collect information from multiple sources or wish to have other staff members answer a particular question.

In addition, the system stores each nonprofit's grant application history, allowing grant-seekers to access information from past applications to complete the form they are currently working on.

Applications open one month prior to the grant deadline. Arts & Culture applications are available now and are due April 1. As always, new applicants – or nonprofits with a new program – should tell us about their program before applying at www.akroncf.org/yourprogram.

For questions about the new online application system, contact:

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LEARN MORE

Watch a video about the new online grant application system and read an in-depth tutorial at www.akroncf.org/howtoapply. There, you can also preview application questions to prepare for upcoming grant cycles.

GRANTS & INITIATIVES

Akron Community Foundation's board ratified grants totaling \$1.85 million during its quarterly meeting Friday, Feb. 22. It approved 20 discretionary, or board-determined, grants totaling \$450,000 for education programs, including \$237,500 for early learning programs. This was the fifth consecutive year Akron Community Foundation's board has given priority to early care and education, bringing total funding for such programs to \$1,129,000 since 2009.

This year, a \$15,000 grant to Greenleaf Family Center will fund a home-based early education initiative for 3- and 4-year-old children in the Akron Public School system. The SPARK program addresses children's educational, developmental and social-emotional needs to remove any non-academic barriers to success. It also empowers parents to become their child's first and most important teacher.

The program's primary goal is to create a smooth transition into kindergarten for children, their parents and the schools.

"Each year, too many children enter kindergarten unprepared to learn, and many will struggle to catch up," said Greenleaf President and CEO Judy Joyce. "By preparing children for kindergarten, we can reduce the risks and costs associated with repeat kindergarteners and increase the chances of producing confident, ready children."

The SPARK program is one piece of the countywide First Things First initiative to create a holistic early care and education plan for Summit County.

Ideally, Joyce said, participants in the SPARK program would also be served by Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority's Early Childhood Initiative and Project GRAD Akron's Bridge to Kindergarten program, both of which received grants from Akron Community Foundation. This cohesive, age-based continuum of services gives young children the best start possible not only in school, but in life.

"By providing these services for the families and school districts in the Akron area, we are linking ready children to ready schools," Joyce said.

See the full list of discretionary grants approved this quarter at www.akroncf.org/educationgrants.

YOUR GRANTS

This quarter, our donor-advised, designated, agency endowment and scholarship fundholders recommended 279 grants totaling \$1,402,022. The following is a sampling of the programs they supported:

Akron Children's Hospital to support the Building on a Promise campus expansion project (\$251,000)

Community Hall Foundation dba Akron Civic Theatre to engage leaders from Summit County's artistic institutions in a plan to promote collaboration and increase audience engagement (\$25,750)

Ohio & Erie Canal Corridor Coalition to support the expansion of the Towpath Trail in the Zoar Village area (\$10,000)

Magical Theatre Company to engage elementary school students in theater by bringing their written stories to life on the stage (\$3,000)

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SNEAK PEEK

Did you know that as a fundholder at Akron Community Foundation, you get special access to our region's



nonprofits? Periodically, the community foundation takes fundholders on behind-thescenes tours of some of greater Akron's most interesting and innovative programs. During these bus tours, you have the opportunity to ask questions of nonprofit leaders and see their programs in action. This can be an excellent resource as you make your grant decisions. To participate in an upcoming tour, call 330-376-8522.

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WOMEN'S FUND NEARS CAMPAIGN GOAL

The Women's Endowment Fund is closing in on its goal of raising \$2.013 million for its 20th anniversary in 2013.

Since kicking off the "For Women, Forever" campaign in March 2012, more than 150 individuals, families and organizations have generously given \$1.75 million to improve the lives of



Honor a special woman in your life by making a gift to the campaign in her name at www.akroncf.org/give/WEFcampaign. Or, make a pledge by calling Laurel Held at 330-436-5612. For more ways to give, visit www.akroncf.org/WEFwaystogive.



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GIFTS TO THE WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Many people made gifts to the Women's Endowment Fund's "For Women, Forever" campaign in memory of Kathryn Hunter, who served as its honorary chair. The campaign aims to raise \$2.013 million by 2013 to support local women and girls forever. Join them in making a gift to the campaign at www.akroncf.org/give/ WEFcampaign.

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WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND BREAKS GRANT RECORD

The Women's Endowment Fund recently awarded \$95,000 to 11 Summit County nonprofit organizations that improve life for women and girls. This is the largest amount awarded in a single year in the fund's 20-year history.

Funding priorities included health and wellness, safety from violence, and economic empowerment for women and girls. This year, a \$10,000 grant to Building for Tomorrow will provide education and support to women with maternal depression in Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority communities.

Research shows that maternal depression significantly affects the bond between a mother and her child. If not addressed, the lack of attachment can negatively impact the child's long-term mental, physical and emotional development. The Women's Endowment Fund grant will provide monthly support groups where women can learn coping strategies and get help from other mothers. Topics discussed in the support groups



More than 40 percent of mothers screened in Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority communities show signs of maternal depression.

range from self-care and time management to budgeting and parenting.

"By improving the mental health of moms in these neighborhoods, the program enriches the lives of entire families and, by extension, the whole community," said Tracy Carter, president of the Women's Endowment Fund. "It's an investment that will pay dividends for years to come."

Other grants this year will help prevent teen dating violence and provide women in poverty with transportation. See the full list of grants awarded at www.akroncf.org/wefgrants.

ODOM FUND AWARDS \$7,500 TO DIVERSITY PROGRAMS

The Vernon L. Odom Fund has awarded \$7,500 to nine Akronarea nonprofits that promote ethnic and racial harmony.

The committee allocated more than 25 percent of the funds to programs that help noncustodial fathers develop healthy relationships with their children.

A \$1,000 grant to Williams Challenge will provide an eightweek skill-building program for men who are transitioning out of the court system or have otherwise been absent from their children's lives. This free program teaches fathers important parenting skills, including punctuality, responsibility and effective communication. It also provides a supportive environment for men who need help finding employment, gaining visitation rights and re-entering society from prison.

According to Williams Challenge CEO Frank Williams, children who grow up without an active father are more likely to live in poverty, use drugs, drop out of school or commit a violent crime. But with the help of programs like the Man 2 Man Fatherhood Building Program, men can stop the cycle of absenteeism and become a healthy influence in their children's lives.

"By equipping men with the skills (they need) to sustain positive relationships with their children, the course of many young lives could be forever altered for the better," Williams said.

Other grants will provide food for hungry students, teach leadership skills to inner-city adolescents, and improve behavioral services for Spanish-speaking families.

See the full list of grants awarded at www.akroncf.org/odomgrants. Or, make a gift to the fund at www.akroncf.org/give/odom.

SAVE THE DATE



Rebuilding the Economy to Last Beyond 2013

March 19, 2013 7 - 9:30 AM Quaker Station at the University of Akron

Rebuilding the economy is on the forefront for 2013. Hear experts talk about low interest rates, high deficits and opportunities of growth on the horizon. Learn more and register at www.uakron.edu/cba/ economy2013.

Community Issues Session: Arts & Culture

May 1, 2013 5 - 6:30 PM Akron Community Foundation

Gain insight into how other communities have shaped their arts and culture landscape and learn about options for promoting our own arts community. Robb Hankins, president and CEO of ArtsinStark, will be the featured speaker. RSVP to 330-376-8522.

Community Fund Grant Deadline

April 1, 2013 Access the application at www.akroncf.org/ communityfundgrants

Akron Community Foundation invites nonprofits to submit funding proposals for enriching arts and culture programs. Learn more about the new online application system at www.akroncf. org/howtoapply.

Meet the Grantmaker

May 15, 2013 8:30 - 11 AM Akron-Summit County Public Library

The next in a series of free training sessions for nonprofits, a panel of three foundations will answer your grant-seeking questions. Presented by Akron Community Foundation and BVU: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence. Register at www.BVUvolunteers.org.

Proposal Writing and Budgeting Basics

April 17, 2013 8:30 - 11 AM Akron-Summit County Public Library

Akron Community Foundation and BVU: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence invite nonprofits to this free training seminar. Presenter David Holmes will give advice on writing grant requests. Register at www.BVUvolunteers.org.

Hudson Annual Golf Open

June 14, 2013 8:30 AM Ellsworth Meadows Golf Course

Tee off to help grow the Hudson Public Schools Endowment Fund, which helps students at Hudson High School pursue a college education. Sponsorships are still available. To learn more or to become a sponsor, call 330-990-1904.

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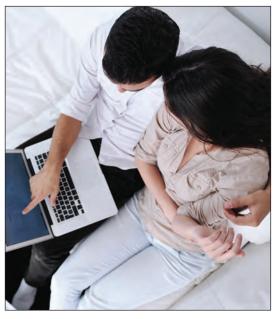
Individuals and businesses who start donor- and corporateadvised funds at Akron Community Foundation can now access their fund and grant-making information 24 hours a day using Donor Central, a customized Web portal available through the community foundation's website.

This new tool enables fundholders to recommend grants anytime, anywhere and learn about funding opportunities relevant to their areas of interest. Fundholders can also view their statements, spendable balance, grant history and donations made to their fund – all with the click of a button.

"Donor Central is user friendly, even for someone with my minimal computer skills," said Eileen Burg, advisor of the H. Peter Burg Fund. "It allows me to see the beauty of endowment and watch my fund grow as donations are made. I also like the ability to email the information to members of my family."

In addition, fundholders can use Donor Central to research the charities that support their favorite causes, allowing them to make informed and timely grant decisions. This new online system leverages the community foundation's nonprofit expertise and helps fundholders direct their grants to programs making the biggest impact.

If you have a donor- or corporate-advised fund and want to take advantage of all Donor Central has to offer, contact Melina Boyce, database and grants



administrator and Jr. system administrator, at 330-436-5616 or mboyce@akroncf.org. She can get you started and answer any questions you may have.