



AKRON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

WELCOME
HOME



2014 ANNUAL REPORT
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On Jan. 10, 2014, an electrical fire destroyed the lobby, board room and development wing of our 345 W. Cedar St. office building. This report offers a glimpse into our transformation from construction zone to **welcome home**. For a video progression, visit www.akroncf.org/Home.

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FROM THE CHAIR & CEO

WELCOME HOME.

It's a sentiment that resonates with generations of Greater Akronites young and old. From lifelong residents who have never strayed far to those who left and came back – to care for aging parents, find employment or otherwise – ours is a community of generosity, hospitality and comfort.

Even if you're miles away, Akron Community Foundation keeps you connected to the people and places that make our community great. And, through your charitable involvement with us, you remain at the heart of the very fabric of a community you once considered – or maybe still consider – to be home.

No matter who you are or where you're from, Akron Community Foundation welcomes you.

This year, thanks to our generous donors and fundholders, Akron Community Foundation also welcomed achievements never before experienced in our 59-year history. Assets reached a high water mark of nearly \$181 million thanks to 3,919 gifts totaling nearly \$20.3 million and investment returns of 13.7 percent net of all fees and cash flows. We also greeted a record 41 new charitable funds started by individuals, families, nonprofits and companies from all walks of life.

In addition, we welcomed more than 150,000 visitors to our great city through our support of the annual Akron Marathon and international Gay Games. We even welcomed back everyone's favorite son, LeBron James. And despite an office fire that displaced our staff for eight months, we were lucky enough to have a window seat to a downtown abuzz with a pride and energy we haven't seen in years.

Today, we are pleased to welcome you back to our permanent home at 345 W. Cedar St. As you'll see, its physical transformation now matches our organizational transformation, which was made possible only thanks to you, the leaders, charitable people and supporters of this fine community. We've built this place to last, and we've built it for you. So come on in, make yourselves at home, and let's continue convening, dreaming and working together to improve this remarkable community we call home.

John T. Petures Jr.
PRESIDENT & CEO

Mark Allio
BOARD CHAIR





BUILD HOME

Everett L. Shumate Fund

“My father wanted all children to graduate from college and experience the world.”

- Minerva Shumate

Everett Shumate had a heart for Hudson.

In the 1930s, he grew up as one of the few African-Americans in the small town. After graduating from Hudson High School, Everett joined his father as an employee of the Peterson Nut Company, and for five years, he worked hard to build a good life for his family in Cleveland. But, his heart longed for home. With the help of some friends, Everett and his wife, Arthurine, built a house on Hudson’s Lincoln Boulevard and laid the foundation for his family’s future.

For 25 years, Everett, or “Mr. Shumate” as he became known, operated the Marathon station in the heart of Main Street. Whether he was fixing a customer’s bike or offering them a lift home, Everett was quick to help and slow to accept repayment. His station was a haven for teens — both the popular and the marginalized — who dropped by for gas or a drink of Coke and conversation. He offered safety and shelter from the storms of life.

While Everett gave so much to Hudson through his business, he always dreamed of a time when every Hudson child could grow up with equal opportunities. In 2013, Everett’s daughter Minerva started the Everett L. Shumate Fund at Akron Community Foundation to continue his legacy of inclusiveness.

Months later, cancer would take Minerva’s life, but her father’s dream lives on through the fund she began in his name.

“My father wanted all children to graduate from college and experience the world,” she said. “This fund ensures a lasting tribute in his name.”



GROW HOME

Cherie & Steve Shechter Charitable Giving Fund

“...this makes it possible
for a family like us to
pass our values on to
the next generation.”

- Steve and Cherie Shechter

Steve Shechter is a lifelong Akronite.

He is also a businessman through and through. Steve comes from a long line of Akron small-business owners. His father and grandfather were grocers on Akron’s South and West sides, and for decades, Steve owned and managed Evans Insurance Agency, a fixture in downtown Akron’s business landscape since 1876.

After 25 years of growing Evans Insurance, Steve recognized what both his father and grandfather before him came to realize: All businesses have cycles. That year, after ensuring his employees were well cared for, Steve sold Evans Insurance Agency to a national insurance brokerage firm. The deal paid dividends – for Steve’s employees, his family and the community.

In selling Evans Insurance, Steve and his wife, Cherie, worked with their financial advisor to leverage a portion of what would likely be the largest influx of income they’d ever experience to start the Cherie & Steve Shechter Charitable Giving Fund, which they established at Akron Community Foundation. In addition to getting a tax break when they needed it, the couple created a means for their family to support the organizations near to their heart, now and long after they’re gone. And, it didn’t take millions to join the ranks of world-renowned philanthropists.

“(Mark) Zuckerberg, Bill Gates, the Knight Brothers: It’s wonderful what those people do, but this makes it possible for a family like us to pass our values on to the next generation,” Steve said.



GIVE
HOME

Mary DiDonato Fund

“I call my mother
‘Mother Teresa’...”

- Mary DiDonato

When Mary DiDonato thinks of home, she thinks of her mother, a kind and caring woman who served others while never asking for anything in return. Mary has many fond memories of her mother’s charity, including how she started every day by serving breakfast to an elderly neighbor with no nearby relatives.

Those nurturing and generous qualities that Mary learned at home permeated her entire life and inspired her nearly 60-year nursing career. From her role as a head nurse at Akron General Medical Center to working alongside a local oncologist, Mary was there to help so many in the community during what were likely their most vulnerable moments.

After two retirements – most recently just a short year ago at age 83 – Mary decided it was time to start giving back in another way. While she continues to volunteer in the medical field, she also wanted to help financially. She had already been donating to some of her favorite organizations on an annual basis, so when her nephew, a financial consultant, told her there was a way to continue that giving while establishing a charitable legacy that would live on forever, she took his advice and established the Mary DiDonato Fund of Akron Community Foundation.

Through her fund, Mary is able to carry on the generosity she learned from her mother by supporting her favorite schools, churches and charities, both now and forever.

“I call my mother ‘Mother Teresa’ because she’s my Mother Teresa,” Mary said. “She was a wise, caring person, and I try to emulate her.”

NEW FUNDS

Home is where the heart is. Most often, it's also where our money is. The following individuals, families and organizations are supporting their favorite causes and charities – here in Greater Akron and across the country – with a charitable fund in their name. And, those funds are being managed right here in their hometown through Akron Community Foundation.

Some fundholders choose to support the arts, education, health and social services locally. Others fund hospitals, churches and alma maters elsewhere in our nation. No matter their charitable focus, we make sure their gifts reach their targets, whatever – or wherever – they may be.

Akron Community Foundation offers a variety of charitable fund options based on your desired level of involvement. Funds can be named for an individual, family, company or organization – or even anonymously – and can create a legacy that will outlive us all. We call it Giving Your Way, and we can help you do it quickly, easily and – yes – locally at Akron Community Foundation. Learn more at www.akroncf.org/GivingYourWay.

DO IT
YOURSELF

DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

A great private foundation alternative, corporate- and donor-advised funds offer individuals, families and companies the greatest latitude in grantmaking. You can recommend grants at any time to any 501(c)(3) nonprofit and engage your loved ones or co-workers in giving.

Albanese Family Fund

Robert W. Briggs Fund

Marilyn Meyers Buckey Family Fund

Costa Family Fund

Kathryn Warther and Thomas William Dindo Family Fund

Donovan Family Fund

 **Thomas L. Gower II Fund** (Est. 2013)

 **Franklin C. and Patricia R. Harrah Fund** (Est. 2013)

Juanita M. Hollis & Margaret L. Seitz Fund for the Support of Individuals with Intellectual & Physical Disabilities
Established with the help of PNC's Barry Hollis

Linda and Peter McDonald Fund

Beatrice K. McDowell Family Fund
Established as part of the FirstMerit Charitable Investment Account

Post-Coleman Fund

Schloenbach Family Fund

Cherie and Steve Shechter Charitable Giving Fund
Established with the help of Dan Riemenschneider, CPA

Bruce & Harriet Smith Foundation Fund

John M. Wilson and Patricia Pacenta Family Fund

Alan J. Woll Family Fund
Established with the help of CPAs Mark Goldfarb and Tom Kotick

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Agency endowment funds offer nonprofits a predictable, stable source of income for their mission. They also offer donors a permanent alternative to annual giving. Nonprofits can request their grants periodically or as needed while the rest of the fund grows in perpetuity.

Aladdin Foundation of Akron Endowment Fund

Arrowhead Primary School Nature Zone Endowment Fund

Family Promise of Summit County Inc. Endowment Fund

Barbara A. Feld Educational Experience Fund

GriefCare Place Inc. Endowment Fund

IBH Foundation Fund
Established with a \$12 million gift, the largest in the community foundation's history

Interval Brotherhood Home Operating Fund

Leadership Akron Alumni Association Endowment Fund

Leadership Akron Operating Endowment Fund

Northern Ohio Railway Museum Endowment Fund


ORMACO Endowment Fund


Stewart's Caring Place Endowment Fund


Stow-Munroe Falls Library Foundation Endowment Fund


DESIGNATED FUNDS

Individuals, families and companies can support one or more of their favorite nonprofits with a designated fund. Grants are made directly to the designated nonprofits, and you can choose to have them paid on a predetermined timeline or when the nonprofit chooses.

 **Mary DiDonato Fund** (Est. 2013)
Established with the help of David Staats, financial consultant, to support six local charities.

 **Harriet and Herb Herskowitz Education Fund** (Est. 2013)
To support the early childhood development scholarship program at the University of Akron's Summit College.

 **Ollie Mueller Fund** (Est. 2014)
To support the Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities.

 **Everett L. Shumate Fund** (Est. 2013)
To support diversity programs for second- and third-graders in Hudson Public Schools.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

With a scholarship fund, you, your school or your company can create a brighter future for area students. A minimum gift of \$25,000 starts your fund. Scholarships will be awarded by the committee of your choosing based on your predetermined selection criteria.

Hudson Fire Department Association Scholarship Fund
To provide scholarships to Hudson High School seniors pursuing a degree in public safety.

FIELD-OF-INTEREST FUNDS

Do you care deeply about a particular issue? A field-of-interest fund awards grants to the most promising programs in your chosen field. Our board and staff will fully vet applicants and award grants that are directly in line with your charitable intent – now and after you're gone.

Stephen A. Comunale, Jr. Family Cancer Foundation Program Fund
To support programs that empower cancer patients and their families while improving their quality of life.

DO IT
WITH HELP

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Unrestricted funds put the full power of the community foundation to work for you. Each quarter, we request applications to meet our community's most pressing needs, needs we monitor and that will certainly change over time. Then, we study, vet and award grants to the nonprofits best equipped to tackle these important issues – and we do so in your fund's name.

DONOR-DIRECTED FUNDS

Akron Community Foundation welcomes highly engaged donors who wish to be deeply involved in their charitable giving by offering donor-directed funds. From the ever-popular **donor-advised** fund to a **designated** or **agency endowment** fund, donor-directed funds allow their donors to give to the causes they care about most – right here in their hometown, or in any “home away from home” they may have in the nation.

DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

Our 136 corporate- and donor-advised funds were established by donors who wish to be fully involved in their grantmaking, supporting causes across town and across the country.

Acorn Fund
Allan Family Fund
Allard Family Fund
Suzanne and Mitch Allen Family Fund
Mark and Michele Allio Family Fund
Sue and Mal Ames Fund
Rennick and Dee Andreoli Family Fund
Howard Atwood Family Fund *(Est. 2009)*
Sandy K. and Mark S. Auburn Fund
Steven Baach Charities Fund
Jody Bacon Fund *(Est. 1999)*
Bailey-Culp Family Fund
Marilyn and Tom H. Barrett Fund
Belair Family Fund
Suzanne C. and Charles L. Bond Family Fund
Charles E. and Mary K. Booth Family Fund
Thomas J. and Megan E. Bruno Family Fund
H. Peter Burg Fund
Cantine-Nora Family Fund
Carlson Family Fund
Cherotti Family Fund
Deborah Ciraldo Memorial Fund
CIU Fund
Hugh Colopy Memorial Fund
Dr. Milton N. Cooper and Family Fund
Robert and Regina Cooper Family Fund
Steven and Melissa Cox Family Fund
Demas Fund
Designated Gift Fund
Jill and Carl Dietrich Fund
Donae's Second Act Fund
Peggy and John Dotson Fund
Else Family Fund
Bonnie L. and Ernest R. Estep Fund
Lorraine G. and Donald R. Fair Fund
Feth Family Fund
Cheryl Anne Fischer Memorial Fund
Friebert Family Fund
Ed and Dorothy Gaffney Family Fund
GAR Fund 2
Jayne E. Garofalo Charitable Fund
Giller Family Fund
Donald L. and Clare G. Glaser Fund

Thomas L. and Margaret M. Gower Fund
Priscilla Graham Fund
Guerrero and Duby Family Fund
Hanselman/Myers Fund
Dorothy Y. and Westi Hansen Fund
Richard W. Hauman Family Fund
Frank D. Heckel Fund
Cathy Hilkert Fund
David & Phyllis Hilkert Fund
Mark Hilkert Fund
Hudak Family Fund
Judith and Clifford Isroff Fund
Dr. Tom and Mary Ann Jackson Fund
Jacobs Family Fund
Herbert A. and Jean S. Jones Charitable Trust Fund
Margaret D. Kaufman Fund *(Est. 1995)*
Bryan and Susan Kinnamon Family Fund
Knight Foundation Donor Advised Fund
Koblenzer Family Fund
Merna and Edward Kormanik Fund
Paul J. and Susan B. Kruder Family Fund
LAD Fund
Lake Pointe Fund
Tom and Jeanne LaRose Fund
Glenn and Karen Leppo Family Fund
Liesem Family Fund
Eleanor and Roger Lindway Family Fund
Robert W. and Paula S. Malone Family Fund
Barbara D. Mathews Ladybug Fund
Medina County Stephen H. and Nancy D. Eibling Fund
Medina County Holland Group Fund
Marc and Sharon Merklin Family Fund
Merryweather Family Fund
Robert A. and Jean C. Meyers Family Fund
Millican Family Fund
The Mitten Fund
Harvey and Kimberly Nelson Family Fund
Gertrude F. Orr Trust Advised Fund
Jan and George Parry Fund
Cindy and John T. Petures, Jr. Family Fund
Peter Piglia Family Charitable Fund
Ernest E. and Mary Kay Poultu Fund

Emma E. & Clarence A. Randall Fund
Rapp/Homestead Fund of Medina County Fund
Read Family Fund
Rice Family Fund
B.W. Rogers Company Fund
Schrank Family Fund
Sandra F. Selby Fund
John and Lorraine Shannon Family Fund
Siess Family Fund
Carl E. Snyder Innovation Fund
SRS Fund *(Est. 1996)*
Barbara Steinkerchner's Giving Legacy Fund *(Est. 2011)*
Strayer Family Fund
Betty A. Sweeney Fund
Tails of HOPE Fund
Three Trees Fund
TJM/VPM Fund
David and Kathryn L. Unger Fund
Urda Fund
Chris and Kathleen M. VanDevere Fund *(Est. 1993)*
Mary Varalli-Perry and John Perry Fund *(Est. 2007)*
David R. and Cheryl L. Venarge Fund
M. Catherine and David C. Vernon Fund
Waite Family Fund
Jerry H. Welty Family Fund
Wilkinson-Gudikunst Designated Family Fund *(Est. 2007)*
Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Fund *(Est. 2010)*
Edith and Milt Wiskind Fund
David L. and Margaret Scott Yeager Fund
Zeleznik Family Fund

CORPORATE-ADVISED FUNDS

Apple Growth Partners Community Outreach Charitable Giving Fund
Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs Fund
Fairlawn Rotary Club Advised Fund
Medical Mutual Community Investment Fund

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Agency endowment funds are established by nonprofit organizations to ensure the permanence of their own charitable mission. More than 60 area nonprofits receive stable income from one or more of our 84 agency endowment funds, allowing their good work to continue forever.

- Akron Community Service Center & Urban League Endowment Fund (Est. 2005)
- Akron Garden Club Endowment Fund (Est. 2003)
- Akron Garden Club Frank Fund (Est. 2003)
- Akron Garden Club Graves Fund (Est. 2003)
- Akron Garden Club Sewell Fund (Est. 2003)
- Akron Marathon Sustainability Fund
- Akron Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund
- Akron Summit Community Action, Inc. Endowment Fund
- Akron-Summit County Public Library Endowment Fund
- Arc of Summit and Portage Counties Endowment Fund
- Autism Family Foundation Fund of Northeast Ohio
- Big Brothers & Sisters of Summit & Medina County Fund
- Black Keys Alfred McMoore Memorial Endowment Fund
- Community Support Services
- Brimfield Historical Society Fund
- Building Fund of Akron Community Foundation
- Cascade Locks Park Association Endowment Fund
- Children's Concert Society of Akron Designated Fund
- Community Hall Foundation Endowment Fund (Est. 1999)
- Akron Civic Theatre
- Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park
- John and Betty Seiberling Scholarship Fund
- Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park Trails Forever Legacy Fund
- East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation Designated Fund
- First Tee of Akron Endowment Fund
- Friends of 91.3 Endowment Fund
- Friends of Akron Public Schools Endowment Fund
- Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Endowment Fund (Est. 2007)
- Gardeners of Greater Akron Endowment Fund
- Denise M. Graham DCNEO Fund
- Dancing Classrooms Northeast Ohio
- Hale Farm and Village Endowment Fund
- Dr. Sandra Kay and Magdalyne E. Hausfeld Living Endowment Fund
- Crown Point Ecology Center
- Health Education Center Endowment Fund
- Kay Hoover Memorial Fund
- Highland Elementary School
- Humane Society Endowment Fund

- Judith Bear Isroff Park Fund
- Kidney Foundation of Medina County Community Fund (Est. 2007)
- Gretchen Laatsch Outstanding Service Award Endowment Fund
- Association of College Unions International
- Ladies Cemetery Association of Cuyahoga Falls Cemetery Endowment Fund
- Ladies Cemetery Association of Cuyahoga Falls Oakwood Chapel Endowment Fund
- Leadership Akron Endowment Fund (Est. 1999)
- Leadership Medina County Fund
- LeRoy United Methodist Church Designated Capital Fund
- LeRoy United Methodist Church Endowment Fund
- LeRoy United Methodist Church Undesignated Capital Fund
- Magical Theatre Company Endowment Fund (Est. 1999)
- MAPS Air Museum Endowment Fund (Est. 2012)
- Barbara Mathews Memorial Endowment Fund of Leadership Akron
- Medina County Arts Council Endowment Fund
- Medina County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Endowment Fund
- Medina Creative Housing Endowment Fund
- Montrose Zion United Methodist Church Permanent Endowment Fund
- Music from The Western Reserve No. 2 Fund
- Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition Endowment Fund
- Ohio Humanities Council Endowment Fund
- Our Lady of the Elms School Teachers Fund (Est. 2006)
- Portage Animal Protective League Endowment Fund
- Progress Through Preservation Endowment Fund
- St. Hilary Parents' Teachers Salary Fund
- St. Hilary Parish Foundation Mary & Charles Booth Community Outreach Fund (Est. 2005)
- St. Hilary Parish Foundation School Endowment Fund
- St. Hilary Parish Foundation School Technology Designated Fund
- St. Hilary School Mary Jean Carroll Endowment Fund of the St. Hilary Parish Foundation
- St. Mary Urban Education Endowment Fund
- St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Hilary Church Endowment Fund
- Society for Handicapped Citizens of Medina County Fund
- Margaret Thorp Crown Point Development Endowment Fund
- Torchbearers Endowment Fund

- Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron Foundation Endowment Fund
- United Way of Summit County Endowment Fund
- United Way of Summit County Facility Fund
- Witan Endowment Fund
- Witan Remembrance Fund
- Metro Parks, Serving Summit County – F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm
- YEPAW Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)

DESIGNATED FUNDS

For donors who wish to support their favorite causes without the work of recommending individual grants, a designated fund provides the right balance of involvement and ease. Our 89 designated funds award grants to their founders' favorite causes in our community and beyond.

- AHOPES Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)
- Arlington Women of the Church of God outreach program
- Akron Digital Media Center Designated Fund
- Akron Men's Chapter No. 36, Izaak Walton League of America Fund
- Andrew Jackson House Student Art Exhibit Fund
- Battered Women's Shelter Endowment Fund (Est. 1999)
- Battered Women's Shelter Operating Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
- Beacon Journal Charity Fund (Est. 1999)
- Beacon of Light Initiatives/Sgt. Brandon Allen Memorial Fund (Est. 2012)
- Woodridge School District
- Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Fund
- Cuyahoga Falls High School football
- Mary K. Booth Endowment Fund of the Women's Endowment Fund (Est. 2011)
- Boy Scouts of America, Great Trail Council Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
- Boys and Girls Clubs Operating Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
- Ann Amer Brennan Fund (Est. 1991)
- BVU: Center for Nonprofit Excellence Endowment Fund (Est. 2000)
- Caliber System Fund (AKA Roadway Services Fund)
- United Way of Summit County
- Oty Capanna Memorial Fund
- St. Paul School's endowment fund
- Margaret T. Carroll Memorial Fund (Est. 1997)
- Center for Learning Fund (Est. 1993)
- Dick and Chris Chenoweth Boys and Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve Fund
- Merit-based scholarships
- Richard Chenoweth Akron Community Service Center & Urban League Fund
- College scholarships
- Children's Ballet Theatre/Paul Daum Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
- Children's Concert Society of Akron Endowment Fund (Est. 1999)
- Christ Child Society of Akron Endowment Fund (Est. 2008)
- Community Hall Foundation Maintenance Endowment Fund (Est. 2001)
- Consortium of Akron Area Catholic High Schools Fund
- Walsh Jesuit High School, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Archbishop Hoban High School and Our Lady of the Elms High School
- Michael Corbett Memorial Fund for Akron Children's Hospital
- Hematology-oncology division of Akron Children's Hospital
- Cornwell Dealers Katrina Disaster Fund
- Cuyahoga Valley Preservation and Scenic Railway Association Fund (Est. 1996)
- Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet Fund (Est. 1989)

- Tom DeLeone Fund of the Medina County Community Fund (Est. 2012)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Akron Christ Child Society (Est. 2005)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Akron Art Museum (Est. 2005)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Akron Children's Hospital (Est. 2005)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Blossom Music Center (Est. 2005)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Old Trail School (Est. 2005)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens (Est. 2005)
- Edward S. Gaffney, Sr., Family Fund for Summit County United Way (Est. 2005)
- Good Neighbors Endowment Fund (Est. 1995)
- Greater Akron Chamber Endowment Fund (Est. 2001)
- Sandra L. and Dennis B. Haslinger Family Foundation Fund
- Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, Saint Lucie Sound passenger coach
- Mabel L. Hinkle Fund
- Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation
- Howland Park Fund
- Glendale Cemetery
- HPSEF Development Fund
- Hudson City School District
- HPSEF Memorial & Tribute Fund
- Hudson City School District
- Hudson School Dorothea Snyder Partners in Education Fund
- Hudson City School District's Innovation in Teaching Program
- Rodney J. Humphrey Memorial Fund (Est. 1997)
- Salvation Army Akron Citadel
- Jacob James Ivancic Huth Memorial Fund
- Green Intermediate School library
- Geraldine Hyser Memorial Fund (Est. 2006)
- Evamere Elementary School reading programs
- Interval Brotherhood Home Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)
- Junior Achievement of Akron Area Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)
- Juvenile Court Fund (Est. 1989)
- Jessie and Abram Kipple Scholarship Fund (Est. 1996)
- University of Akron Foundation
- Knight Foundation Non-Profit Initiative Fund
- BVU: Center for Nonprofit Excellence
- Leadership Akron Endowment Fund (GAR) (Est. 2000)
- Karen C. Lefton Endowment Fund for Survivors of Domestic Violence of the Women's Endowment Fund (Est. 2011)
- Litchfield Fund (Est. 1971)
- Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
- Loyola of the Lakes Jesuit Retreat House, Inc. Endowment Fund (Est. 1998)
- Lynch Fund

- McIntosh-Jackson Fund (Est. 1969)
- Clinton Presbyterian Church
- Metro Catholic Parish School Fund (Est. 1993)
- Metro Parks Youth Fishing Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
- Metro Parks, Serving Summit County
- Charles D. Miller Leadership Fund
- Hudson City School District's leadership development program
- Music from The Western Reserve Fund (Est. 1993)
- Dr. Nasrallah Fund
- Akron General Medical Center's urology residency program
- National Invention Center Fund (Est. 1994)
- Ohio Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Park Endowment Fund (Est. 2009)
- Opportunity Parish Ecumenical Neighborhood Ministry Endowment Fund (Est. 1998)
- Paige Palmer-Ashbaugh Fund for Akron Children's Hospital (Est. 2007)
- Maxillofacial department of Akron Children's Hospital
- Project: LEARN of Summit County Endowment Fund (Est. 1998)
- Robertson-Hoyt Orthopaedic Research and Education Fund
- Summa Health System Musculoskeletal Research Laboratory
- Lillian and William Rosenblatt Fund (Est. 2012)
- Women's Endowment Fund of Akron Community Foundation
- St. Matthew Lutheran Church Benevolent Fund of the Medina County Community Fund (Est. 2006)
- William C. and Elizabeth Brainard Sandwick Fund (Est. 2007)
- Akron Art Museum
- Shaw Memorial Fund (Est. 1955)
- Akron Art Museum
- Bruce and Peggy Silver Fund
- Old Trail School and Millennium Fund for Children of Akron Community Foundation
- Ethel and William A. Singer Fund (Est. 2012)
- Cleveland Eye Bank and Haven of Rest
- Mignon Steere Fund for Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park Environmental Education (Est. 2010)
- Summit Education Initiative Fund (Est. 1995)
- Summit Education Initiative Program Fund (Est. 1997)
- Victory Gallop Inc. Endowment Fund (Est. 2004)
- Volunteer Center of Summit County Endowment Fund (Est. 1996)
- Wadsworth High School/Community Center Campus Pass Through Fund
- Ted and Barb Walter Catholic Education Fund (Est. 2009)
- St. Vincent Elementary School
- Weathervane Community Playhouse Fund (Est. 1993)
- Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Designated Fund (Est. 2011)
- Millennium Fund for Children of Akron Community Foundation and Mobile Meals

DONOR-DIRECTED GRANTS

This year, your donor-directed funds distributed a combined \$4.43 million to organizations near and far. Thank you to the generous individuals, families and companies who awarded grants to the following agencies:

Actors Summit
\$4,200

Adaptive Sports Program of Ohio
\$1,000

Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma Research Foundation
\$2,500

Akron Art Museum
\$15,549

Akron Bar Association Foundation
\$3,250

Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank
\$26,624

Akron Children's Hospital
\$59,959

Akron Children's Hospital Foundation
\$53,000

Akron Civic Theatre
\$93,106

Akron Community Foundation's Akron Marathon Sustainability Fund
\$2,500

Akron Community Foundation's Akron Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund
\$100

Akron Community Foundation's Suzanne and Mitch Allen Family Fund
\$100

Akron Community Foundation's Board of Directors Annual Giving Fund
\$500

Akron Community Foundation's Community Fund
\$665

Akron Community Foundation's Barbara A. Feld Educational Experience Fund
\$33,000

Akron Community Foundation's Good Neighbors Endowment Fund
\$250

Akron Community Foundation's GriefCare Place Inc. Endowment Fund
\$40,000

Akron Community Foundation's IBH Foundation Fund
\$100

Akron Community Foundation's Medina County Community Fund
\$100

Akron Community Foundation's Millennium Fund for Children
\$1,923

Akron Community Foundation's Cindy and John T. Petures, Jr. Family Fund
\$100

Akron Community Foundation's St. Mary Urban Education Endowment Fund
\$2,000

Akron Community Foundation's Stewart's Caring Place Endowment Fund
\$1,000

Akron Community Foundation's Women's Endowment Fund
\$15,827

Akron Community Service Center & Urban League
\$78,700

Akron Garden Club
\$20,667

Akron General Foundation
\$248,850

Akron Independent Film Festival Inc.
\$25,000

Akron Marathon Charitable Corporation
\$12,000

Akron Rotary Camp for Children With Special Needs Inc.
\$12,132

Akron Rotary Foundation
\$750

Akron Roundtable
\$3,225

Akron Zoological Park
\$5,250

Aldea Inc.
\$200

All Faiths Food Bank Inc.
\$250

ALS Association Northern Ohio Chapter
\$2,500

Alzheimer's Association Greater East Ohio Chapter
\$500

Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders Association
\$3,000

Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation
\$500

American Association of University Women
\$1,250

American Cancer Society Inc.
\$4,275

American Diabetes Association Inc.
\$200

American Friends Service Committee
\$650

American Heart Association Inc.
\$7,250

American Legion Department of Ohio Charities Inc.
\$600

American Red Cross
\$5,250

American Red Cross of Summit & Portage Counties
\$2,500

Amherst College
\$3,800

Animal Humane Society
\$2,000

Apollo's Fire The Cleveland Baroque Orchestra
\$600

Arc of Summit & Portage Counties Inc.
\$5,803

Archbishop Hoban High School
\$36,236

Arlington Church of God Inc.
\$1,403

Association of College Unions International
\$400

Autism Society of Greater Akron
\$2,032

Baldwin Wallace University
\$2,500

Ballet Theatre of Ohio
\$17,004

Barberton Community Foundation
\$200

Bath United Church of Christ
\$24,000

Battered Women's Shelter
\$14,418

Beacon Journal Charity Fund Inc.
\$3,755

Beth El Congregation
\$25,000

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Ohio
\$500

Big Brothers & Sisters of Summit & Medina Counties Inc.
\$17,929

Blessings in a Backpack
\$3,650

Bluecoats Inc.
\$2,250

Boy Scouts of America, Great Trail Council
\$30,140

Boy Scouts of America, Greater Cleveland Council
\$750

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve Inc.
\$91,737

Bridge Fund
\$1,000

Brimfield Historical Society
\$57,000

Brooklyn Heights Montessori School
\$4,000

Brunswick County Community Foundation
\$500

Brunswick County Habitat for Humanity
\$1,000

Building for Tomorrow
\$5,000

BVU: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence
\$180,461

Calvary Lutheran Church
\$200

Canton Symphony Orchestra Association
\$200

Cascade Locks Park Association
\$3,000

Case Western Reserve University
\$1,500

Central Fund of Israel – AMITZ
\$2,050

Central Summit County Choral Society
\$250

Central Synagogue Congregation Ahavath Chesed Shaar Hashomayin
\$250

Chicago Public Media Inc.
\$10,000

Child Guidance & Family Solutions Inc.
\$5,000

Children Of Fallen Soldiers Relief Fund Inc.
\$250

Children First Inc.
\$250

Children's Concert Society of Akron
\$19,571

Choate Rosemary Hall Foundation Inc.
\$7,000

Christ Child Society of Akron
\$380

City of Akron
\$25,100

City Club of Cleveland
\$100

City of Wadsworth
\$230,000

Cleveland Clinic Foundation
\$2,500

Cleveland Eye Bank Inc.
\$2,047

Cleveland Leadership Center
\$5,000

Cleveland Modern Dance Association
\$22,940

Cleveland Museum of Art
\$25,000

Cleveland Music School Settlement
\$200

The Cleveland Orchestra
\$20,304

Cleveland Special Events Corporation
\$25,000

Clinton Presbyterian Church
\$6,517

Communities in Schools of Brunswick County Inc.
\$3,000

Community Foundation of Bloomington and Monroe County Inc.
\$1,000

Community Foundation Sonoma County
\$11,000

Community Pregnancy Center Inc.
\$100

Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park
\$13,881

Conservancy of Southwest Florida Inc.
\$5,000

Cornell University
\$200

Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Foundation Inc.
\$700

Crown Point Ecology Center
\$13,827

Cups Cafe Incorporated
\$1,000

Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy
\$25,000

Cuyahoga Valley Preservation and Scenic Railway Association
\$5,153

Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet
\$472

Dancing Classrooms Northeast Ohio
\$5,000

Deette Holden Cummer Museum Foundation Inc.
\$2,500

Diocese of St. Augustine
\$11,000

Doctors Without Borders USA Inc.
\$250

Downtown Akron Partnership Inc.
\$79,560

Dublin School Inc.
\$200

Emerge Ministries Inc.
\$5,000

Emerson College
\$200

Emmanuel Christian Academy
\$5,000

Entrepreneurs Edge Inc.
\$26,850

Fairlawn Lutheran Church
\$600

Faithful Servants Mission Inc.
\$5,500

Family Promise of Summit County Inc.
\$17,300

First Congregational Church of Akron
\$1,000

First Congregational Church of Hudson
\$3,100

First Presbyterian Church
\$1,500

First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs
\$4,000

First Presbyterian Church in the City of New York
\$200

First United Methodist Church
\$16,000

Focused Ultrasound Surgery Foundation
\$650

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinsons Research
\$21,000

Friends of 91.3
\$67,100

Friends of the Library-Ponte Vedra Beach Inc.
\$500

Friends of Medina County Parks Inc.
\$37,000

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio
\$200

Good Neighbors Inc.
\$31,908

Good Samaritan Hunger Center Inc.
\$2,100

Good Shepherd Athletic Club
\$1,000

Goodwill Industries of Akron Inc.
\$5,000

Great Lakes Biomimicry Inc.
\$75,000

Greater Akron Musical Association Inc.
\$7,250

Greater Lansing Food Bank
\$1,000

Green Intermediate School
\$747

Greenleaf Family Center
\$900

Guilford College
\$10,000

H.M. Life Opportunity Services
\$2,000

Habitat for Humanity International Inc.
\$3,000



Grants to Dancing Classrooms are helping create contentedness among fifth- and eighth-grade students by teaching them ballroom dancing.

DONOR-DIRECTED GRANTS

Habitat for Humanity of Lee County Inc.
\$2,000

Habitat for Humanity of Summit County Inc.
\$13,000

Haven of Rest Ministries Inc.
\$23,747

Healdsburg School
\$2,000

Health Education Center of Akron Inc.
\$80,000

Healthnetwork Foundation
\$1,000

Heart to Heart Communications Inc.
\$10,000

Hearbeat at 22
\$1,500

Highland Square Neighborhood Association
\$4,000

Hope Homes Inc.
\$300

Hope Lutheran Church
\$2,000

Hospice of Visiting Nurse Service
\$500

Hudson City School District
\$9,641

Humane Society of Greater Akron
\$18,700

Ideastream
\$1,000

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish School
\$7,000

Indian River Area Library
\$250

Interfaith Alliance Foundation
\$250

International Institute of Akron Inc.
\$7,800

International Soap Box Derby Inc.
\$5,000

International Women's Air and Space Museum Inc.
\$2,500

Interval Brotherhood Homes Corporation
\$8,582

Invent Now Inc.
\$56,935

Jewish Community Center of Akron
\$100

Jewish Community Foundation of Southern Arizona
\$5,253

Jewish National Fund
\$400

Jumpstart for Young Children Inc.
\$500

Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio Inc.
\$7,052

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
\$500

Kansas State University Foundation
\$25,000

Keep Akron Beautiful
\$2,750

Kelly Reeves Memorial Foundation
\$5,000

Kent State University Foundation
\$23,450

Leadership Akron
\$78,500

Leadership Medina County
\$2,391

League of Women Voters of the Akron Area Education Fund
\$500

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation Inc.
\$1,700

Let's Grow Akron Inc.
\$200

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Inc.
\$500

Life Education Fund
\$1,000

The Lippman School
\$1,000

Little Traverse Conservancy Inc.
\$200

The Living Desert
\$500

Love Akron
\$5,500

Loyola of the Lakes Jesuit Retreat House Inc.
\$4,648

Lutheran World Relief Inc.
\$3,000

Magical Theatre Company
\$1,350

Mainstay Life Services
\$1,000

March of Dimes Foundation
\$5,250

Mature Services Incorporated
\$2,000

McDonald Board of Education
\$3,400

McDonald Sideliners Inc.
\$1,000

Medina County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
\$20,280

Medina Health Ministry
\$500

Mercy Medical Center Development Foundation
\$5,000

Metro Catholic Parish School
\$815

Metro Parks, Serving Summit County
\$20,511

Miami University
\$1,000

Milton Academy
\$200

Mobile Meals Inc.
\$1,477

Montville Township Police Department
\$500

Mother Jones
\$250

Mount Holyoke College
\$100

Multiple Sclerosis Foundation Inc.
\$200

Music Associates of Aspen Inc.
\$1,000

Music From the Western Reserve
\$5,046

Mustard Seed Communities Inc.
\$1,000

National Christ Child Society
\$1,000

National Multiple Sclerosis Society
\$200

Naval War College Foundation Inc.
\$200

NIHF-STEM High School – Akron Public Schools
\$10,000

Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation
\$1,000

Northeast Ohio Technology Coalition
\$40,000

Northern Michigan Regional Health System Foundation
\$5,000

Oak Clinic
\$50,000

Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition
\$10,365

Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges Inc.
\$350

Ohio State University Foundation
\$2,200

Ohio University Foundation
\$1,000

Ohio Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park
\$1,771

Old Trail School
\$12,242

One of a Kind Pet Rescue Inc.
\$5,000

OPEN M
\$30,311

Opportunity Partners Inc.
\$2,000

Our Lady of the Elms School – Middle & High School
\$21,136

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church
\$15,000

Our Lady of the Wayside Inc.
\$1,050

Pastoral Counseling Service of Summit County
\$1,500

Paws Assistance Dogs Inc.
\$500

Peninsula Valley Historic & Education Foundation Inc.
\$500

Pennsylvania State University
\$1,000

People for the American Way Foundation
\$250

Phi Delta Theta Foundation
\$36,000

Phi Gamma Delta Educational Foundation
\$200

Phi Kappa Tau Foundation
\$1,000

Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
\$2,853

Population Connection
\$100

Portage Animal Protective League
\$1,884

Portage Country Club Team Member Scholarship Foundation
\$750

Portage Path Community Mental Health Center
\$2,500

Pregnancy Care of Summit County Inc.
\$1,000

Presbyterian Homes and Services
\$2,000

Project GRAD Akron
\$3,500

Project LEARN of Summit County
\$4,762

Project Shoes
\$3,520

Prostate Cancer Foundation
\$4,850

Queen of Peace Radio Inc.
\$500

Resurrection Parish Catholic Church
\$2,000

Riverwalk Jazz
\$20,000

Running For Parkinsons
\$1,000

St. Bernard-St. Mary Parish
\$1,000

St. Hilary Parish Foundation
\$500

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church
\$32,000

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
\$100

Saint Sebastian Catholic Church
\$7,500

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
\$1,000

St. Vincent Catholic Church
\$12,000

St. Vincent Elementary School
\$20,298

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School
\$111,136

The Salvation Army
\$41,880

Scotus Central Catholic High School
\$900

The Seeing Eye Inc.
\$4,000

Seiberling Community Learning Center – Akron Public Schools
\$2,500

Shelby County Historical Society
\$7,500

Shriners Hospitals for Children
\$1,840

Silver Bay YMCA
\$200

Simmons College
\$200

Simon Wiesenthal Center
\$1,800

Smile Train Inc.
\$9,000

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
\$30,000

Sonoma Land Trust
\$100

South Street Ministries
\$3,466

Southport Oak Island Animal Rescue
\$500

Southport Oak Island Interchurch Fellowship
\$1,000

Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens Inc.
\$5,904

Stewart's Caring Place Inc.
\$500

Summa Foundation
\$131,000

Summit County Historical Society of Akron Ohio
\$6,050

Summit Education Initiative
\$346,399

SynHak
\$15,000

Taking Control of Your Diabetes
\$200

Tallmadge City Schools
\$500

Temple Israel
\$1,000

Tides Center
\$100

Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council
\$200

Torchbearers
\$65,000

Trinity Lutheran Church
\$1,150

Trinity Rose Foundation Incorporated
\$200

Truly Reaching You
\$750

Tuesday Musical Association
\$11,700

UCLA Foundation
\$250

Union for Reform Judaism
\$100

United Disability Services Inc.
\$10,000

United Way of Collier County
\$3,000

United Way of Lee County
\$10,000

United Way of South Sarasota County
\$300

United Way of Summit County
\$130,738

University of Akron Foundation
\$146,300

University of Miami
\$5,000

University of Michigan
\$200

University Parish Newman Center
\$16,000

University School
\$10,000

Victim Assistance Program Inc.
\$25,500

Victory Gallop Inc.
\$3,944

The Village Network
\$500

Voolla Inc.
\$20,000

Ralph E. Waite Elementary School PTO
\$500

Walsh Jesuit High School
\$6,136

Wayland Academy
\$4,000

Weathervane Community Playhouse Inc.
\$8,321

Western Reserve Academy
\$200

Western Reserve Historical Society
\$1,500

Western Reserve Land Conservancy
\$50,000

Westminster Presbyterian Church
\$200

WITAN
\$4,755

Women's Auxiliary Board of the Summit County Children's Home Inc.
\$7,000

Women's Help Center Inc.
\$2,500

Wounded Warrior Project Inc.
\$2,250

Yale University
\$250

YMCA of Akron Ohio
\$6,200

Young Concert Artists Inc.
\$200

Young Entrepreneurs Academy Inc.
\$500

Youngstown State University
\$250

Youth Opportunities Unlimited
\$2,500

ZM Family & Life Services Center
\$2,000



Grants to Victory Gallop bring joy to hospitalized children by funding visits from Petie the Pony.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Whether supporting students who excel in academics, the arts or sports, the individuals and organizations that establish scholarship funds at Akron Community Foundation all have one thing in common: They value the pursuit of education. These funds are helping secure the educational future of our hometown students, wherever that future may take them.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Thanks to the 63 scholarship funds you've established through Akron Community Foundation and the Hudson Public Schools Endowment Fund, the following 113 students are pursuing higher education both at home and around the country.

AAUW of Medina County Scholarship Fund

Female nontraditional students in Medina County pursuing higher education
Laurie Beal
Carla Kaczmarek

Acorn Scholarship Fund

Akron Public Schools seniors, particularly visual and performing arts participants
Raven Burdette
Camari J. Lewis
Dannysha Luna
Derek C. Lutz
Zachary R. Spannauer
Andrew Wurtz

Richard L. Averitte Memorial Scholarship Fund

Akron-area seniors who participate in music and social service programs
Tyler A. Hawes

Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund

Cuyahoga Falls High School football players
Luke Ritzinger
Kelcee Webster

Buchtel High School Alumni Assoc. Scholarship Fund

Buchtel High School students, student athletes and post-secondary/technology program participants

Martin O. Chapman Humanitarian Scholarship Fund

Garfield Senior High School graduating seniors
Adam Spisak
Arkeyia Walker

Richard Chenoweth Qualified Designated Scholarship Fund

Summit County students in financial need

Coming Together Diversity Scholarship Fund

Graduates of Akron Public Schools
Roseanna M. Helmick

Michael Corbett Memorial Fund

Students graduating from Cuyahoga Falls High School
Kalan M. Steiner
Colin J. Taylor

Dirk J. Desanzo Memorial Scholarship Fund

High school seniors who are children of Technicote employees
Bryan J. Roth
Leslie A. Rush
Brooke A. Tilley
Mee Vue

Dombo-Fielder Communication Scholarship for Women

Female graduates of Akron public or parochial high schools studying communication

John N. Economou Scholarship Fund

University of Akron students who are committed to the principles of democracy

Margot Eiseman Scholarship Fund

Graduating seniors in Summit County majoring in art or art education, with a strong preference toward a focus in fiber arts
Ruth M. Ackermann

Roland E. Gamble Memorial Fund

Hudson Public Schools students in band, orchestra or choir
Alexander P. Carlson

Ann Lane Gates Scholarship Fund

Project GRAD participants majoring in education at the University of Akron
Mykkia S. Beasley
Deon Coleman

GCEF Scholarship Fund

Gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and/or allied students who live or study in Summit, Medina, Portage or Stark counties

Erwin & Katherine Geis Scholarship Fund

Geis Companies employees and their children
Autumn M. Azar
Ian X. Lashua
Ashley A. Paul
Kamran J. Price
Danielle A. Schillero
Samantha A. Schillero
Vincent S.L. Schillero

Glick-Zedak Scholarship Fund

Former Village Network residents attending a trade school or college
Totyanna Johnson
Ricki Rhea

Hanlon Family Scholarship Fund

St. Sebastian School graduates who will attend St. Vincent-St. Mary High School

Morgan Hasbrouck 4-H Scholarship Fund

Summit or Portage County 4-H members
Jessica Earnest
Mitchell Kisamore

Timothy L. Holston Scholarship Fund

Minority Medina County high school seniors pursuing a degree

Abby Lipply Memorial Scholarship Fund

Hudson seniors who have demonstrated passionate support for a cause or person

Litchfield Community Scholarship Fund

Litchfield Township residents who are graduating from Buckeye High School
Morgan E. Elswick
Caleb J. Kupetz
Austin E. Lepole

Joan Lutz Scholarship Fund

Hudson High School seniors pursuing college or vocational training
Patricia Reed
Ashley Williams

Scott T. Malson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Hudson High School seniors who participated in the Hudson Hawks Youth Football program
Mitchell Schoenman
Brandon White

Marbles Champions Scholarship Fund

Marbles Tournament winners

Frank Meadows Scholarship Fund

Ellet High School seniors
Taylor Wisberger

Medina Sunrise Rotary Fund

Medina County seniors with excellent character, academics and community service
Nicholas Bavaro
Adam B. Holowecky
Ashley T. Lengel
Kouri Weber

North Coast Society Scholarship Fund

North Coast Society Club employees and their children
Nathan M. Fulmer
Justin D. Hamlin
Lauren C. Kingsley
Megan S. McKinley
Adrianna M. Tondi

Northest Ohio RIMS Chapter Scholarship Fund (Est. 2009)

Northest Ohio residents studying risk management

Esther Simonetti Owen Future Educators Scholarship Fund

Akron Public Schools students pursuing an education degree
Susan K. Sedlacko

Anne K. Petry Scholarship Fund (Est. 1997)

Akron Public Schools seniors pursuing a special education degree
Ebony Richmond

Bettie Portwood Summit County Pest Control Association Scholarship Fund

Children of Summit County Pest Control Association members studying entomology
Hunter T. Olds
Tyler D. Olds

Sr. Loretta Rafter Scholarship Fund

H.M. Life Opportunity Services program participants

Carolyn Stokes Reed Scholarship Fund

Akron Public Schools seniors pursuing an education degree

Judith A. Resnik Scholarship Fund of the Women's Network Inc.

Young women pursuing scientific or engineering careers

Ruocco-Hudson Small Group Instruction Scholarship Fund

Special education students at Hudson High School
Patrik Pollock

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

T.K. Seiberling Tennis Scholarship Fund

Tennis camp participants

Joseph P. Siegfert Sr. and Family Fund

Akron Public Schools, Archbishop Hoban High School or Woodridge High School seniors pursuing an elementary education, K-12 physical education or sports management degree at Bowling Green State University

Faye L. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund

Winners of the Cuyahoga Falls-Akron-Barberton Elks Lodge Most Valuable Student Competition
Summer Emich
Krystal Krajcovic
Sophia Senderak
Alycia Stobaugh

John T. and Julia A. Spellman Scholarship Fund

Students who demonstrate ambition and financial need
Mary Bozsik
Andrew J. Brinkerhoff
Aries L. Brown
Shana R. DeBerte
Kristen M. Giaquinto
Daniel E. Kennedy
John L. Krznaric
Tyler C. Severns

Jim Stewart Scholarship Fund

African-American Akron Public Schools students pursuing a degree in math, science or mortuary science

Michelle M. Vasenda Fund

Students pursuing a nursing degree
Molly L. Kohler

David R. Venarge Scholarship Fund

Employees of Akron Paint & Varnish and their children
Terry L. Carpenter II
Christina A. Collart
David J. Cunningham
Paige K. Marty
Kameron A. Murray
Lindsey E. Ritenour
Anna V. Roe
Marissa A. Summers

Witan Presidents' Scholarship Fund

Female University of Akron seniors who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need
Toriene Johnson

Vincent Yambrovich Engineering Scholarship Fund

Buckeye High School seniors pursuing an engineering degree
Colton L. Allgire
Levi T. Dobson
Kelvin L. Knipf Jr.

HUDSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT FUND SCHOLARSHIPS

Marion Albee Scholarship Fund

Seniors pursuing an education degree

Barlow Fund

Students who demonstrate academic ability, leadership and high moral standards
Kelsey Crawford
Justin Gamble
Connie Gan
Kelly Gough
Annie Greer
Trevor Hahn
Darwin Huang
Michael Knoblauch
Grace Lu
Erin Maier
Brian Malerick
Ronit Majumdar
Chase Matecun
Brian May
Madeline Medkeff
Daniel Mummy
Elizabeth Reichart
Sydney Schaefer
Kiersten Schierenbeck
Ben Tiemann
Kacey Turk
Mary Beth Turner
Mark Zubenko
Allison Zullo

Helen Barlow Art Scholarship Fund

Seniors who plan to study drawing, painting or graphic arts

Harry D. Bubb Scholarship Fund

Seniors with the greatest academic improvement between their sophomore and senior years
Will Ennis

Arthur Caniglia Scholarship Fund

Vocational students who plan to attend Kent State University

Scott Case Memorial Fund

Tennis team members
Steven Boslett
Grace Lu

Les Dingleline Memorial Scholarship Fund

Baseball and softball players
Kelly Gough
Brian Malerick

Rosemary Gibbes Memorial Scholarship Fund

Seniors who improve human relations and diversity awareness
Courtney Centrello
Annie Greer

Hudson Bicentennial Scholarship Fund

Students with exemplary community service and at least a 3.0 GPA
Grace Lu

Hudson Fire Department Association Scholarship Fund

Seniors who are children or dependents of active members of the City of Hudson Fire Department pursuing a degree in the field of public safety (police, fire, EMS)

Raymond Marshall Hyser Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Student athletes who display team pride and sportsmanship, and academic and athletic excellence
Brandon White
Alisa Zullo

Pauline Klupinski Memorial Scholarship Fund

Special education students
Patrik Pollock

The Dante B. Lavelli Athletic Academic Scholarship Fund

Senior football players who exhibit leadership
Brian May

Burton D. Morgan Foundation Scholarship Fund

Students who have demonstrated leadership and an entrepreneurial spirit
Annie Greer
Trey Thom

June Young Pak Memorial Scholarship Fund

Seniors on the lacrosse team
Sam Riddell

Stevenson Award Fund

Students who accomplish significant intellectual endeavors beyond the curriculum
Zachary Teed

Local students are following their dreams thanks to scholarship grants totaling \$275,630 to the following institutions:

American Association of University Women, Medina Branch
\$1,852

Ashland University
\$1,000

Bowling Green State University
\$5,500

Calvin College
\$600

Case Western Reserve University
\$1,500

Central Ohio Technical College
\$1,000

Chapel Hill Christian School
\$1,000

Cleveland State University
\$2,000

Columbus College of Art and Design
\$1,250

Duquesne University
\$3,000

Eastern Illinois University
\$1,000

Heidelberg University
\$800

Hudson City School District
\$151,180

Hunter College
\$3,000

Indiana University Bloomington
\$1,000

Indiana University of Pennsylvania
\$1,000

Kent State University
\$15,000

Kent State University, Geauga Campus
\$3,300

Kent State University, Salem Campus
\$1,000

Kent State University, Stark Campus
\$2,000

LIU Global
\$1,000

Malone University
\$5,000

Marquette University
\$1,500

Miami University
\$6,000

Norfolk State University
\$1,000

Northeast Ohio Medical University
\$5,000

Notre Dame College
\$1,000

The Ohio State University
\$8,400

Ohio University
\$500

St. Barnabas Catholic School
\$1,000

Seattle Pacific University
\$1,000

Spelman College
\$2,000

Stark State College
\$500

The University of Akron
\$23,100

University of Cincinnati
\$5,000

University of Colorado Boulder
\$500

University of Kentucky
\$2,000

The University of Toledo
\$4,500

Virginia Military Institute
\$1,000

Walsh Jesuit High School
\$2,000

Washington & Jefferson College
\$1,000

Xavier University
\$4,000



Geis Fund scholarship recipient Kamanan Price is pictured with her mother, Rayelle, and father, Ty, president of CKP Heating & Cooling.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

Whether they're enriching our local arts or education landscape, or they're improving the environment or our economy, our generous discretionary fundholders are helping us accomplish together what we cannot accomplish alone. From **unrestricted** funds, which empower Akron Community Foundation's board to meet the community's emerging needs, to **field-of-interest** funds, which make strategic grants in the fundholder's area of charitable interest, they all work together to improve our overall quality of life, just as our founder, Edwin Shaw, intended.

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS & GRANTS

The following unrestricted funds awarded \$1.88 million in grants this year to meet the emerging needs of Summit County. Each quarter, Akron Community Foundation accepts grant requests for programs in Arts & Culture, Civic Affairs, Health & Human Services, and Education. See how to apply at www.akroncf.org/CommunityFundGrants.

Adam Fund
Jean S. and Thomas J. Amer Fund
Board of Directors Annual Giving Fund
Community Fund
Decker Endowment Fund for Families (Est. 1995)
Charles C. and Dorathea S. Dilley Fund
John L. Feudner Jr. Fund
Frances H. and Paul A. Frank Fund
Gala Fund
Lucille Scott Harris Fund
Harriet and Herb Herskowitz Family Fund (Est. 2012)

Dorothy and Henry Jameson Endowment Fund
Vivienne S. and Russell R. Johnstone Family Fund
Arthur Kelly Fund
John S. Knight Fund
William C. Krisher Fund (Est. 1977)
W. Bishop & Elizabeth C. McIntosh Fund (Est. 1966)
Pat and Alan Ockene Fund (Est. 1996)
Rose Mary Picciotti Fund
Polsky Fund
Helen S. Robertson Fund (Est. 1984)
James G. Robertson Fund

Roush Memorial Fund
Shaw Foundation Fund (Est. 1955)
Richard W. & Charlotte E. Staiger Fund
George Stevens Fund
Ronald L. Stiles Fund (Est. 2004)
Georgia Urda Fund
Emma Vioran Fund
William Wallace Fund
L. Frank & Angela M. Wilson Fund
Muriel A. Zodrow Fund

ACCESS Inc.
To provide housing and assistance to homeless women and children, \$25,000

Akron Area Arts Alliance
For Summit Artspace exhibitions, free arts workshops, public programs and artist receptions, and to improve artists' exhibit walls, \$17,500

Akron Art Museum
To provide operating support for exhibitions, educational programming and artistic collaborations, \$50,000

Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank
To serve an estimated 19.5 million meals to families struggling with food insecurity through direct distribution and food pantry capacity building, \$50,000

Akron Children's Hospital
For the \$170 million expansion to include a new emergency department, neonatal intensive care unit, high-risk infant delivery units and outpatient surgery center, \$25,000

Akron Civic Theatre
For the 2013-14 season of in-house programming, including community-based productions, \$20,000

Akron Community Service Center & Urban League
For operating support to sustain the agency's programs and services to minorities in Summit County, \$20,000

Akron Digital Media Center Designated Fund
To train citizen journalists to share news and information from and about their neighborhoods, \$30,000

Akron Inner City Soccer Club
To support year-round soccer programs for inner-city youth, including free after-school soccer and seasonal camps, \$10,000

Akron International Friendship
For the Know Your Community – Know Your World project, in which international speakers encourage ethnic, cultural and religious diversity among students, \$5,000

Akron Public Schools
To contract with College Now to supplement and improve college readiness programs to support at-risk students pursuing post-secondary education, \$25,000

Akron Regional Development Board Educational Fund
For the HYPE Summit, a conference designed by and for young professionals to attract and engage a new generation of Greater Akron leaders, \$2,500

Akron Rotary Camp for Children With Special Needs Inc.
To construct a new, handicapped-accessible recreation and resource center, including a medical facility for campers, \$20,000

Akron Woman's City Club
For the Coach House Theatre's Elder Theatre Series of four elder-focused plays performed at senior centers and retirement facilities, \$2,500

American Red Cross of Summit & Portage Counties
To provide free transportation to and from medical appointments for Summit County residents without transportation or who cannot afford transportation, \$10,000

Apollo's Fire The Cleveland Baroque Orchestra
For subscription and outreach programs that introduce audiences to neglected masterpieces through fresh interpretations, \$12,000

The Arc of Summit & Portage Counties Inc.
To encourage understanding and acceptance of individuals with developmental disabilities through presentations and simulations in Summit County schools, \$10,000

Asian Services in Action Inc.
For the Ready Program, which helps children for whom English is a second language prepare for kindergarten, \$12,500

Austen BioInnovation Institute in Akron
To encourage students in grades 7-12 to explore higher education and careers in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and medicine through the Austen BioInnovation Academy, \$20,000

AxessPointe Community Health Center
For an integrated health care model that combines primary and behavioral health care to improve outcomes and reduce costs, \$25,000

Ballet Theatre of Ohio
For "Take Me Out to the Ballet," a partnership with Akron Public Schools that brings grade school students to an in-theater performance of "The Nutcracker," \$5,000

Battered Women's Shelter and Rape Crisis Center
To provide crisis intervention and emergency services to victims of domestic violence and rape, \$35,000

Beacon Journal Charity Fund Inc.
To teach third-graders the benefits of oral health through in-class demonstrations where they receive free toothbrushes and other dental health items, \$7,500

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve Inc.
To support after-school and summer programming that focuses on building good character, physical health and academic success in at-risk youth, \$70,000

Bridges Out of Poverty Summit County Collaborative
For the Getting Ahead and Bridges Out of Poverty workshops, \$30,000

Building for Tomorrow
To help parents be their children's first and most important teacher through home visitation, outreach events, and physical and behavioral health services for families living in AMHA housing communities with children under age 5, \$95,000

CASA Board Volunteer Association Inc.
To recruit and train volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in juvenile court, \$10,000

Center for Applied Theatre and Active Culture
For performances, workshops and educational activities during the Balch Street Theatre's 2013-14 season, \$2,500

UNRESTRICTED GRANTS

Central Summit County Choral Society

For the Summit Children's Choir, a vocal and musical education program for local 6-18-year-olds, \$8,000

Child Guidance & Family Solutions Inc.

For the Toddlers and Preschoolers Succeeding program, which teaches childcare providers how to address children with behavioral issues and promote attachment, initiative and self-control in the classroom, \$65,000

Children's Concert Society of Akron

For the In-school Concert Series, which introduces students to diverse types of live musical and performing arts, \$10,000

City of Akron

For the Heinz Poll Summer Dance Festival's 39th year of free dance performances in Akron parks, \$50,000

City of Akron

For the 2014 Neighborhood Partnership Program, which helps residents revitalize and celebrate their community through beautification efforts, festivals, safety programs and more, \$80,000

Cleveland International Film Festival

To bring the 2014 Film Festival to Akron for a third time with screenings at the Akron Art Museum and the Akron-Summit County Public Library, \$5,000

Cleveland Modern Dance Association: DANCECleveland

For BalletX's Akron performance, residency and pre- and post-show receptions and talks, \$10,000

The Cleveland Orchestra

For the 2013 Blossom Music Festival and the Sound for the Centennial Campaign, \$35,000

Cleveland Restoration Society Inc.

For the Akron Heritage Home Program, which provides low-interest loans and expertise to help low- and moderate-income homeowners upgrade their older homes, \$7,500

Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park

For general operating support to implement strategic programming for adults, families and volunteers, \$20,000

CORE Furniture Bank

To provide donated furniture to needy families in Summit County, \$5,000

Crown Point Ecology Center

For the Watershed Improvement Project, which helps sustain and grow Crown Point's programs by improving access to water, reducing soil erosion and expanding growing capacity to include year-round food production, \$10,000

Cuyahoga Valley Art Center

To replace a 21-year-old roof at the Cuyahoga Falls facility, \$5,000

Cuyahoga Valley Preservation and Scenic Railway Association

For alternative transportation, as well as educational and recreational rail trips through the Cuyahoga Valley National Park and the Ohio & Erie Canalway, \$10,000

Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio

For Dancing Wheels, a physically integrated dance company, to perform "The Story of You: Understanding Disability" in Akron schools during Disability Awareness Month, \$2,500

Downtown Akron Partnership Inc.

To beautify, recruit and retain business, and to support activities and events in downtown Akron, \$10,000

East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation

To protect the home, health and safety of low-income homeowners and homeowners with disabilities through one-time emergency home repairs, \$15,000

First Book

To purchase new, age-appropriate books for children from birth to age 18, \$7,000

First Glance Student Center Inc.

To provide support, guidance and training in all areas of parenting for young moms and dads through the Teen Moms program, \$10,000

The Foundation Center Cleveland

To encourage philanthropy and connect nonprofits to the resources they need to be effective, \$2,500

Freedom House for Women Inc.

To offer intervention services to prevent residents currently under eviction from becoming homeless, \$10,000

Friends of Metro Parks

To provide overnight camping experiences to urban children within the Summit County Metro Parks, \$10,000

Fund for Our Economic Future

To strengthen Northeast Ohio's economic competitiveness, \$33,000

Gay Community Endowment Fund

For Gay Games 9, an international sporting event that drew approximately 20,000 people and created \$57 million in economic impact for the community, \$35,000

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio

For a high-adventure, physically demanding Challenge Course at Camp Ledgewood that will include ropes courses, ziplines and climbing walls, \$15,000

Greater Akron Musical Association Inc.

For a summer music camp, youth orchestra coaching, Concert for Kids series and the annual Gospel Meets Symphony production at E.J. Thomas Performing Arts Hall, \$35,000

Greenleaf Family Center

For the SPARK program, which prepares 3- and 4-year-olds for kindergarten through home visitations that address children's educational, developmental and social-emotional needs and encourages parents to become their child's first teacher, \$15,000

GroundWorks Dancetheater

For performances, workshops, master classes and open rehearsals at the University of Akron and Akron-Summit County Public Library, \$10,000

Habitat for Humanity of Summit County Inc.

For neighborhood revitalization initiatives, including home construction and deconstruction, homeowner education and home repair for low-income families, \$10,000

Hattie Larlham Foundation

For vocational training for adults with developmental disabilities to help them secure employment and become financially self-sufficient, \$20,000

He Brought Us Out Ministry

For the 7th Annual Keepers of the Art Music Showcase at Lock 3, \$10,000

Humane Society of Greater Akron

To provide medical treatment, rehabilitative services, and daily care for abused or abandoned companion animals and injured strays throughout Summit County, \$7,500

The Illusion Factory

For theater productions that stress children telling the truth, including "The Untold Story of the Three Little Pigs," "The Lincoln Project," and "The Emperor's New Clothes," \$10,000

Info Line Incorporated

For the Emergency Food Line, which provides low-income and at-risk individuals and families with referrals to area food pantries, \$20,000

Institute for Conservation Leadership

To create a report on the local food network and recommend priorities to strengthen the local food system, \$20,000

International Institute of Akron Inc.

To teach refugees within their first 90 days of arrival in the U.S. how to navigate the health care system, make medical appointments and use public transportation to ensure long-term, self-managed health, \$18,000

International Soap Box Derby Inc.

To support the All-American Soap Box Derby and the Gravity Racing Challenge, which uses hands-on activities to engage young people in science, technology, engineering and math, \$15,000

Interval Brotherhood Homes Corporation

To measure sobriety outcomes based on abstinence from drug and alcohol use; employment or school enrollment; safe, sober housing; and no new criminal justice system involvement, \$10,000

Jewish Family Service of Akron Ohio

To prevent the eviction of seniors in subsidized housing through counseling, care management and tenant education, \$5,000

Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio Inc.

For the More than Money program, which teaches third- through fifth-grade students in Akron Public Schools about earning, spending, sharing and saving money, \$10,000

Keep Akron Beautiful

For the 2013-14 urban beautification program, which provides professionally designed flowerscapes in public flower beds, medians and downtown planters, \$10,000

Leadership Akron

For the 31st annual orientation retreat, which introduces class members to top community leaders, \$12,500

Magical Theatre Company

To engage young people in the arts through after-school classes, workshops, summer camps and age-appropriate on- and off-site performances, \$10,000

Master Singers Inc.

For the all-volunteer, non-audition chorale's 2013-14 concert season, \$5,000

Mature Services Incorporated

To provide essential in-home assistance, including personal care, laundry and cleaning services, to low-income seniors who live alone without regular family support or other community assistance, \$10,000

Mental Health America of Summit County Inc.

To provide education, advocacy and support to parents of minor children with severe emotional disorders through the PEERS project, \$12,000

Mobile Meals Inc.

To provide meals and supplements to children, disabled individuals and elderly people who cannot afford them, \$35,000

National Society to Prevent Blindness Inc.

To provide eye care to medically indigent children and adults, \$10,000

Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition

To create the Summit County Trails Virtual Visitors Center, a comprehensive online resource about hiking and bicycling trails in Summit County, \$10,000

Ohio Shakespeare Festival

For the 2013 summer season of plays performed on the grounds of Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens, \$8,000

OPEN M

For the free clinic, which offers integrated medical, dental, eye and behavioral health care to uninsured and underserved residents, \$15,000

Oriana House Inc.

To reduce recidivism by hiring a full-time re-entry liaison who will connect inmates to community resources before they are released into Summit County, \$20,000

Partnership for the Minority Business Accelerator

To provide intensive mentoring and training to minority business owners, \$20,000

Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio

To provide low-income women at the Akron Health Center with long-acting reversible contraception, \$15,000

Portage Path Community Mental Health Center

To upgrade to an integrated electronic health record system, \$20,000

Project GRAD Akron

For the two-week Bridge to Kindergarten school readiness summer camp, \$25,000

Project LEARN of Summit County

To recruit and train volunteers for the GED and English as a Second Language classrooms to help improve outcomes on the new and more rigorous GED test, \$20,000

Project RISE, Akron Public Schools

For the Performing Arts Can Teach (PACT) program, which offers homeless children and families access to the arts, \$9,000

Rebuilding Together Summit County Inc.

To provide critical home repair services to needy individuals, \$15,000

Red Company real.edge.dance

To support the modern dance company's third season of local performances and outreach, \$5,000

Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens Inc.

For operating support, \$40,000

Summa Health System

For the Lay Navigation Program, which helps refugees and immigrants overcome barriers to health and services, \$10,000

Summit County Family & Children First Council

To enhance the First Things First community developmental screening project by incentivizing day cares to recruit parents to complete the Ages & Stages Questionnaires for their children, \$20,000

Summit County Fatherhood Initiative

To help men become better fathers and mentors through educational programs, \$20,000

Summit County Historical Society of Akron, Ohio

For John Brown House and Summit Hall of Honor open houses and events, \$10,000

Summit Education Initiative

To create consistent measurement tools for out-of-school providers to align their outcomes with the countywide Cradle to Career effort, \$35,000

Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates

To provide school- and community-based dropout prevention and recovery programs to disadvantaged Summit County youth ages 16-21, \$10,000

Tuesday Musical Association

For the 2013-14 opening night concert featuring Cantus, an all-male vocal ensemble, \$10,000

United Disability Services Inc.

To provide individuals with severe disabilities with assessments, vocational counseling, training and supportive services to help them secure unsubsidized employment, \$15,000

University of Akron Foundation

For the 2014 BEST Medicine Engineering Fair, which encourages students to pursue a career in the biomedical engineering and medical science fields, \$5,000

Veggie U

To teach third-graders in Akron Public Schools about healthy lifestyles by providing them with gardening kits, \$10,000

Verb Ballets

For Summit County performances at such venues as the Akron Civic Theatre, Heinz Poll Summer Dance Festival and Tuesday Musical Association, \$4,000

Victim Assistance Program Inc.

To provide 24-hour support and advocacy for victims of crime and trauma, \$20,000

Victory Gallop Inc.

To provide therapeutic horseback riding to individuals with behavioral challenges and life-threatening illnesses, \$5,000

Weathervane Community Playhouse Inc.

For the 2013-14 season, \$10,000

Western Reserve Historical Society

For educational programming at Hale Farm & Village, \$10,000

Western Reserve Land Conservancy

For a city-wide survey and comprehensive inventory of residential structures to help city officials identify where demolition will have the greatest ability to reduce crime and restore property values, \$15,000

Western Reserve Public Media

For cultural arts and performance programming on Western Reserve PBS, \$15,000


Youth Excellence Performing Arts Workshop


To introduce urban youth to the arts while developing leadership, teamwork and performance skills through the 2013 summer workshop, \$15,000

Last summer, a grant to the Ohio Shakespeare Festival brought local productions of Shakespearean classics to Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens.

FIELD-OF-INTEREST FUNDS

The following field-of-interest funds are meeting the ever-changing needs of our community in their founders’ chosen areas. We welcome their generosity and passion for supporting a wide range of causes in Summit County.


 **Alcohol/Drug Abuse Prevention Partnership Program Fund** *(Est. 1991)*
Drug and alcohol abuse prevention programs for school-age children and their parents

 **Allio Memorial Fund** *(Est. 2011)*
Children’s programs

Rev. Dr. Byron Arledge Fund
Mental health services for children, adults and families

V.E. (Tom) Atkins Fund
Programs for underprivileged children

 **Beacon of Light Initiatives/Wings of Eagles Fund** *(Est. 2012)*
Organizations that assist members of the Marine Corps through scholarships and educational programs

 **Lisle M. Buckingham Endowment Fund** *(Est. 1988)*
Causes and organizations Lisle M. Buckingham supported during his lifetime

Dick and Chris Chenoweth Fund
Human services programs, and primary and secondary education

 **Child Care Leadership Fund** *(Est. 2009)*
Advanced child care leadership programming and training

Children’s Literacy Fund
Children’s literacy programs

Craine’s Cholangiocarcinoma Crew Fund
Research for cholangiocarcinoma, a rare cancer of the bile duct


Donovan Veterans Fund
Education and rehabilitation programs for veterans

Lisette Ertel Fund
Health and civic causes

H.A. Flannery Family and James R. Flannery Family Fund
Hospitals and public institutions of learning

Food Pantry Capacity Fund of Akron Community Foundation
Infrastructure support for the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank’s distribution partners in Summit County

 **GAR Foundation Fund for Dance in Summit County** *(Est. 1998)*
Dance programs in Summit County

 **C. Colmery Gibson Polsky Fund** *(Est. 1990)*
Health care, the arts, and civic and educational causes

Lillian D. and Lincoln H. Gries Fund
Music, health and children’s programs

Hermine Z. Hansen Fund
Public health institutions

Kathleen Joyce Fund
Children’s programs


 **John S. and James L. Knight Foundation Fund for Dance in Summit County** *(Est. 1999)*
Dance programs in Summit County

Maggie & Jerry Lippman Tikkun Olam “Repair the World” Fund
Health and human services programs, and programs addressing homelessness

Bruce Mansfield Fund
Drug and alcohol abuse prevention and treatment programs

Virginia Crawford Frazier Moore Wheeler & Martin Fund
Cemetery maintenance


John A. McAlonan Fund
Causes originally supported by the John A. McAlonan Trust

 **Marissa Alexandra Norwood Legacy of Kindness Charitable Giving Fund** *(Est. 2010)*
Programs for children and families with chronic illness, victims of domestic violence, and animals

Ohio Charitable Fund
Barberton nonprofit organizations and those serving Summit County


Parent Coalition Heritage Fund for Adults with Special Needs

Organizations that improve life for adults with developmental disabilities, including those that train residential providers

 **Preservation of the Abolitionist Movement Fund** *(Est. 2007)*
Programs and projects that honor John Brown’s impact on abolitionism

Sanatorium Contingent Fund
Programs that prevent and treat diseases, and those that teach children personal hygiene and respect for their bodies

Rosalie and Cecil Smith Fund
Spaying and neutering of feral animals

 **Jane Snow Fund for Hunger** *(Est. 2008)*
Hunger and nutrition programs for Summit County women

Jean P. Stevens Fund
Music, art, dance, theater and civic causes

Strongsville Women’s League Edna Brun Fund
Educational programs in Strongsville

Strongsville Women’s League General Fund
Programs that benefit Strongsville

Summit Portage Area Health Education Fund
Educational programs that promote collaboration among health professionals in Summit and Portage counties

William C. and Betty J. Zekan Fund
Local health and civic causes



Grants to Crown Point Ecology Center taught children the basics of organic gardening and helped to buy seeds, supplies and fertilizer.

This year, your field-of-interest funds awarded \$541,362 to organizations that enrich all corners of Greater Akron – from putting food on the tables of hungry residents to beautifying the neighborhoods we call home.

ACCESS Inc.
\$15,250
Actors Summit
\$2,500
Adaptive Sports Program of Ohio
\$7,000
Akron Area Arts Alliance
\$10,000
Akron Civic Theatre
\$1,000
Akron Art Museum
\$10,500
Akron Bar Association Foundation
\$1,000
Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank
\$10,000
Akron Children’s Hospital
\$1,000
Akron Community Foundation’s Akron Digital Media Center Designated Fund
\$12,500
Akron Community Foundation’s Designated Gift Fund
\$500
Akron Community Foundation’s HPSEF Memorial & Tribute Fund
\$1,070
Akron Community Foundation’s Medina County Community Fund
\$500
Akron Community Foundation’s YEPAW Endowment Fund
\$250
Akron General Foundation
\$1,000
Akron Public Schools
\$2,500
Akron Regional Development Board Educational Fund
\$3,500
Akron Rotary Camp for Children With Special Needs Inc.
\$11,500
Akron Roundtable
\$2,125
Archbishop Hoban High School
\$2,500
Bluecoats Inc.
\$250
Boy Scouts of America, Great Trail Council
\$13,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve Inc.
\$1,200
Building for Tomorrow
\$10,000
BVU: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence
\$1,000
CASA Board Volunteer Association Inc.
\$10,000
Case Western Reserve University
\$10,000
Catholic Charities Community Services Corporation
\$10,000
Child Guidance & Family Solutions Inc.
\$10,000
Children’s Concert Society of Akron
\$3,000
Christ Child Society of Akron
\$10,000

City of Akron
\$2,000
Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park
\$500
Crown Point Ecology Center
\$10,000
Cuyahoga Valley Preservation and Scenic Railway Association
\$10,000
Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet
\$5,000
Feeding Medina County
\$500
First Friday Club of Greater Akron
\$500
First Presbyterian Church
\$5,000
The Foundation Center Cleveland
\$250
Friends of Historic Glendale Cemetery
\$10,000
Friends of Metro Parks
\$3,000
Furnace Street Mission
\$10,000
GASP: Guardians Advocating Child Safety and Protection
\$1,000
Good Neighbors Inc.
\$10,000
Goodwill Industries of Akron Inc.
\$1,000
Greater Akron Musical Association Inc.
\$10,000
Habitat for Humanity of Summit County Inc.
\$10,000
He Brought Us Out Ministry
\$10,000
Humane Society of Greater Akron
\$7,500
International Soap Box Derby Inc.
\$10,000
Interval Brotherhood Homes Corporation
\$10,000
Invent Now Inc.
\$10,500
Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio Inc.
\$10,000
Leadership Akron
\$1,000
LEAVE A LEGACY Summit, Portage, Medina
\$1,500
Let’s Grow Akron Inc.
\$10,544
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society – Northern Ohio
\$250
Longwood Manor Historical Society
\$500
Mature Services Incorporated
\$11,000
Military Aviation Preservation Society
\$10,000
Millworks Gallery Inc.
\$20,000
Mobile Meals Inc.
\$12,000
Mound Hill Cemetery
\$573

FIELD-OF-INTEREST GRANTS

Muscular Dystrophy Association
\$250
Northeast Ohio Council on Higher Education
\$500
Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition
\$100
Ohio Presbyterian Retirement Services
\$1,000
One of a Kind Pet Rescue Inc.
\$10,000
OPEN M
\$10,000
Pathway to Independence Inc.
\$2,500
Philanthropy Ohio
\$5,500
Project LEARN of Summit County
\$10,000
Rape Crisis Center
\$500
Kelly Reeves Memorial Foundation
\$500
The Salvation Army
\$1,000
South Akron Youth Mentorship
\$250
Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens Inc.
\$1,000
Stewart’s Caring Place Inc.
\$2,000
Summa Health System
\$2,000
Summit County Historical Society of Akron Ohio
\$3,500
Summit County Public Health
\$750
Summit Education Initiative
\$1,500
Summit Food Policy Coalition
\$10,000
Tuesday Musical Association
\$5,000
United Disability Services Inc.
\$2,000
United Way of Summit County
\$3,500
University of Akron Foundation
\$36,000
Victim Assistance Program Inc.
\$10,250
Walsh Jesuit High School
\$10,000
Western Reserve Historical Society
\$10,000
Williams Challenge
\$750
Woodridge Local Schools
\$1,000
YMCA of Akron Ohio
\$11,250

INITIATIVE FUNDS

Akron is home to many passionate people, and when those people rally around a common cause, great work can be done to improve our community. From empowering women and girls to advocating for LGBT equality, our initiative funds were started by residents who welcomed the opportunity to address a geographic- or issue-specific need.

Thanks to the following six initiative funds, \$289,810 in grants is improving the lives and hometowns of residents throughout our community.

GAY COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND

The Gay Community Endowment Fund celebrated a groundbreaking year, awarding a record \$131,925 in grants to local programs that positively impact the LGBT community. A significant portion of this grant total supported the fund's \$100,000 commitment to the Gay Games, which welcomed athletes to Northeast Ohio in August 2014. The Gay Community Endowment Fund accepts grant applications Aug. 15-Sept. 15. For more information or to view the application questions, visit www.akroncf.org/applyGCEF.

Actors Summit

For productions of the critically acclaimed "My Mother's Lesbian Jewish Wiccan Wedding" during the Gay Games, \$3,000

Akron Area Arts Alliance

For a real-time digital and online photography exhibit that captured the community pride sparked by the Gay Games, \$5,000

Akron Independent Film Festival Inc.

For screenings of LGBT-inclusive films the week before and during the Gay Games, \$1,000

CASA Board Volunteer Association Inc.

For an equality training seminar that educates volunteer court advocates about placing children with same-sex foster or adoptive parents, \$2,000

Child Guidance & Family Solutions Inc.

To develop marketing materials for the agency's school-based adolescent outreach program targeted toward LGBT youth, \$5,000

Cleveland Special Events Corporation

For events held in Akron and Summit County as part of the 2014 Gay Games presented by the Cleveland Foundation, \$85,000

Community AIDS Network

For the Teen Pride Network, a collaboration with the Akron chapter of PFLAG that offers positive social support and activities for LGBT youth who feel isolated in their school, home or community, \$2,600

Community AIDS Network

For a one-day conference at the University of Akron that explores LGBT issues in sports and culture, with a particular focus on LGBT elder, youth and transgender issues, \$5,000

Community Health Center

To increase outreach to the LGBT community and educate the agency's substance abuse counselors about the specific needs of LGBT clients, \$2,500

Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park

For a special "Music in the Meadow" concert in the national park for Gay Games participants and the general public, \$5,000

Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio

For an LGBT awareness and inclusiveness program for small business and nonprofit government professionals held in the weeks leading up to the Gay Games, \$3,725

Fair Housing Contact Service Inc.

To provide remediation to LGBT individuals who have faced discrimination by housing providers, \$2,000

Fusion Magazine

For Kent State University's award-winning, student-produced publication, which strives to unify people of different backgrounds and orientations, \$500

Jewish Family Service of Akron Ohio

For counseling and support groups for LGBT senior citizens, \$4,000

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays in Northeast Ohio Inc.

For the Teen Pride Network, a collaboration with Community AIDS Network that offers positive social support and activities for LGBT youth who feel isolated in their school, home or community, \$2,600

Verb Ballets

For the creation of LGBT-themed dance performances that increased public awareness and excitement about the Gay Games, \$3,000

MEDINA COUNTY COMMUNITY FUND

From Hinckley to Brunswick and from Westfield to Wadsworth, the Medina County Community Fund is committed to enhancing the quality of life for Medina County residents. This year, 14 local organizations will continue improving the cultural, educational, health and civic well-being of the county thanks to \$27,000 in grants from the fund. The Medina County Community Fund accepts grant applications Jan. 30-March 1. For more information or to view the application questions, visit www.akroncf.org/applyMCCF.

Alternative Paths Inc.

For educational materials that aim to prevent suicide and encourage intervention, \$2,000

Brunswick Educational Fund

For the Brunswick Schools Video Program, in which student "backpack journalists" create print, Web and video stories about community initiatives for broadcast by Northeast Ohio media outlets, \$3,500

INITIATIVE FUNDS & GRANTS

Cornerstone of Hope

For grief care services in Medina County, \$2,000

Cornerstone Wellness Center Inc.

For Recipes for LIFE, a program to engage at-risk youth in social skills, life skill practice and drug prevention, \$1,500

Easter Seal Society of Northeast Ohio

To provide testing, therapy and educational materials for a speech and language program, \$1,000

Feeding Medina County

For a collaboration with the Medina County Juvenile Courts that teaches troubled teens to plant and grow fresh produce for distribution to needy residents, \$1,000

Kidney Foundation of Medina County Inc.

For renal patient services, \$1,500

Medina County Arts Council Inc.

To support free concerts by Medina County performers, \$1,000

Medina Creative Housing Inc.

To purchase equipment for the training and observation room at the therapeutic horseback riding arena that serves residents with disabilities, \$2,500

Newbridge Place

For an employment and volunteer program for mentally ill adults in Medina County, \$3,000

Oasis of Hope Pregnancy & Parenting Support Center

For a phone system, computers and software, and other business technologies to better assist clients, \$4,000

Ohio Regional Music Arts Cultural Outreach

For the third annual Jazz Under the Stars concert series, \$1,500

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church

To make energy efficiency improvements to transitional housing units, \$1,500

Young Life Greater Akron

For Capernaum, a program at the Medina campus that imparts socialization and integration skills to young adults and teens with disabilities who are residents of Medina, Wadsworth and the surrounding area, \$1,000

INITIATIVE FUNDS & GRANTS

MEDINA COUNTY WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Women are at the heart of Medina County's close-knit communities, and grants from the Medina County Women's Endowment Fund ensure those women and their children are uplifted. This year, the fund awarded grants totaling \$9,100 to programs that help women and children grow educationally, physically, emotionally, socially, artistically and personally. The Medina County Women's Endowment Fund accepts grant applications from Jan. 30-March 1. For more information or to view the application questions, visit www.akroncf.org/applyMCWEF.

Catholic Charities Community Services Corporation

To provide Child Assault Prevention workshops to elementary students in Medina County, \$3,000

Feeding Medina County

To grow produce for distribution and work with the juvenile court community service program in a community garden, \$2,000

Mobile Meals Inc.

For nutrition education and healthy meals for women and children in need, \$600

RePlay for Kids

To purchase toys and materials to produce adapted toys for children with disabilities, \$1,000

Society for Handicapped Citizens of Medina County Inc.

To develop a sitter training program for caregivers of children with developmental disabilities in Medina County, \$1,500

Suicide Prevention Education Alliance

For a Medina County high school education program, Recognizing Teen Depression and Preventing Suicide, \$1,000

MILLENNIUM FUND FOR CHILDREN

Thanks to gifts from thousands of Akron Beacon Journal readers and Akron Community Foundation supporters, the lives of Akron's smallest residents are changed through the Millennium Fund for Children. This year, the fund awarded \$41,935 to 26 small but mighty grassroots children's programs in the area. The Millennium Fund for Children accepts grant applications Aug. 1-Sept. 1. For more information or to view the application questions, visit www.akroncf.org/applyMillennium.

ACCESS Inc.

To provide meals, clothing and school supplies for children living at the shelter, \$2,000

Aladdin Foundation of Akron

To purchase window air conditioning units for families with premature infants or children with chronic respiratory illnesses, \$1,000

Autism Society of Greater Akron

For a multi-sensory story time program at the library for children with disabilities, \$1,345

Caring for Kids Inc.

To purchase holiday and birthday gifts for children in foster care, \$1,900

CASA Board Volunteer Association Inc.

For the CASA Holiday Toy Shop, which provides gifts to abused and neglected children in the Summit County court system, \$1,000

Children's Concert Society of Akron

To help children from low-income families attend the Concert Hall Series, \$1,500

Christ Child Society of Akron

To provide essential newborn items and child safety literature to mothers of at-risk babies, \$2,000

Community Pregnancy Center Inc.

To purchase formula for the Feeding Hungry Children program, \$2,000

Cuyahoga Valley Youth Ballet

To help children from low-income families attend live dance performances at the Akron Civic Theatre, \$1,500

First Congregational Church of Akron

For the Peanut Butter & Jelly Outreach Program at Mason Community Learning Center, which provides students in need with food for the weekend, \$2,000

Good Neighbors Inc.

To purchase toothpaste and toothbrushes for children in need, \$1,000

GriefCare Place Inc.

For the Growing Through Grief Kids' Camp, which helps children and teens cope with the loss of a loved one through art, music and therapeutic peer activities, \$2,000

Here's Hope Horse Farm

For the 2014 summer therapeutic riding program for children with special needs, \$2,000

The Illusion Factory

For free live theater performances for children in need, \$1,975

Mental Health America of Summit County Inc.

To provide martial arts classes for children with severe behavioral disorders while their parents attend support group meetings, \$1,000

Mobile Meals Inc.

To provide medically prescribed supplements to children in need, \$2,000

OPEN M

For an early childhood education program that prepares children from low-income families for kindergarten and assesses them for developmental delays, \$2,000

Pajama Program, Eastern Ohio Chapter

To purchase books and cold-weather pajamas for children in need, \$1,000

Rape Crisis Center

For the Tina Project, which helps prevent teen dating violence by educating middle and high school students about healthy relationships, \$2,000

RIGHT – Residents Improving Goodyear Heights Together

For a student learning project at Seiberling Community Learning Center in which students build a greenhouse with recycled plastic bottles and learn to grow their own fruits and vegetables, \$2,000

Ritzman Community Learning Center, Akron Public Schools

For the "Are You Longer Than a Third Grader?" project, where students use the measurement skills they've learned in the classroom to measure live animals at the Akron Zoo, \$875

Shelter Care Inc.

For independent living classes and art programs that focus on developing positive coping mechanisms and responsible behavior in neglected youth, \$1,840

South Street Ministries

To support math and reading tutoring and health education programming for youth in the Summit Lake neighborhood, \$2,000

Stewart's Caring Place Inc.

To purchase materials for the digital art therapy program for teens with cancer, \$2,000

Victim Assistance Program

For the "Kids Need a Firm Foundation" picnic for children who have witnessed or been victims of violence, \$1,000

Weathervane Community Playhouse Inc.

To provide theater class scholarships to children from low-income families, \$1,000

VERNON L. ODOM FUND

Home should be a place of harmony, and the Vernon L. Odom Fund promotes ethnic and racial harmony in our collective home of Greater Akron. This year, the fund awarded \$7,800 in grants to programs that improve life in local minority communities. The Vernon L. Odom Fund accepts grant applications Nov. 15-Dec. 15. For more information or to view the application questions, visit www.akroncf.org/applyOdom.

100 Black Men of Greater Akron Inc.

For the 100 Leadership Academy, a mentoring program for minority youth that teaches financial literacy, self-respect and positive decision-making skills, \$1,000

Akron Inner City Soccer Club

For a year-round, after-school soccer program for inner-city youth, \$1,000

Akron International Friendship

For the Know Your Community – Know Your World program, in which diverse speakers teach students about the importance of ethnic, cultural and religious diversity, \$500

Fathers and Sons of Northeast Ohio

For fatherhood education classes that help non-custodial fathers be an active parent in their children's lives, \$900

Jewish Community Center of Akron

For the Girls on the Run program to mentor at-risk girls at Glover Community Learning Center using fitness training and discussions about personal values, respect and self-worth, \$500

Law and Leadership Institute

For a college preparatory program for students in Akron and Barberton that helps at-risk and minority youth graduate from high school, get accepted into college, and choose a professional career path, \$1,000

OPEN M

For a mentoring program that helps young men from inner-city neighborhoods succeed in school, find employment and make healthy choices, \$500

Summit County Youth Employment for Success

For a money management workshop that equips at-risk teens to build a solid financial future through budgeting, saving and avoiding debt, \$500

Urban Vision

For an incentive program that allows youth participants to purchase school supplies and holiday gifts with the "dollars" they've earned through good behavior, attendance and grades, \$1,000

Williams Challenge

For a fatherhood education and mentoring program that gives at-risk and absent fathers the support they need to develop positive relationships with their children, including help applying for employment and gaining visitation rights, \$900

WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants from the Women's Endowment Fund are opening doors of opportunity for women and girls all over Summit County. This year, the fund awarded \$72,050 in grants to programs that promote the health and wellness, safety, and economic empowerment of our community's mothers and daughters. The Women's Endowment Fund accepts grant applications Oct. 15-Nov. 15. For more information or to view the application questions, visit www.akroncf.org/applyWEF.

ACCESS Inc.

To provide reliable used cars to women transitioning out of homelessness so they can find employment and become economically self-sufficient, \$10,000

Asian Services in Action Inc.

To provide culturally sensitive support groups and domestic violence education to Hmong women in Akron, \$5,000

Bridges Out of Poverty Summit County Collaborative

To provide Bridges Out of Poverty's "Getting Ahead" program to women in transitional housing at ACCESS, Legacy III, Harvest Home and Freedom House for Women, \$10,000

Building for Tomorrow

To raise awareness about maternal depression, and to provide education and support to mothers in Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority neighborhoods, \$10,000

Collaborative Against Human Trafficking of Summit County

For the Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution (SOAP) Project, which distributes bars of soap with the National Human Trafficking Hotline phone number to high-risk motels in Summit County and educates cleaning staff about reporting suspicious behavior, \$3,550

Community Legal Aid Services Inc.

For the HEAL Program at Summa Women's Health Center, which helps patients address non-medical barriers to health, including economic instability, insecure housing, threats to physical safety, and poor access to education, \$10,000

gHealth Solutions

To mentor female entrepreneurs and help them launch their own businesses in the technology, retail and service industries, \$2,500

Jewish Community Center of Akron

For the Girls on the Run program to mentor at-risk girls in high-poverty neighborhoods using fitness training and discussions about personal values, respect and self-worth, \$5,000

Legacy III Inc.

To provide transitional housing and case management for homeless women recovering from addiction, \$6,000

Ruling Our eXperiences Inc.

For an empowerment program at Green Middle School that helps girls develop their self-worth and offers a supportive environment to address issues of bullying, sexual violence, peer pressure and body image, \$5,000

Shelter Care Inc.

For the Wonder Women program, which helps at-risk girls at the Safe Landing Youth Shelter learn healthy behaviors and positive decision-making skills, \$5,000

Fathers in our community are becoming more involved in their children's lives thanks to the Summit County Fatherhood Initiative and the Vernon L. Odom Fund, which made two grants this year to support the initiative's fatherhood education classes and mentoring programs.

GIVE YOUR WAY

A remarkable number of people who don't consider themselves wealthy can make a big impact through Akron Community Foundation. We offer the highest possible tax deduction of any nonprofit and accept gifts from the simple to the complex: from public securities to closely held stock, and retirement assets to real estate. So, it's not a matter of if you give, only when.

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Are you prepared to commit \$5,000 to start your charitable legacy now? Giving now may be for you, especially if you:

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See all your options for Giving Now at www.akroncf.org/SmartGivingNow.

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We understand legal and financial advisors are vital to your planning. For years, we have worked with the region's top advisors to help you find the giving vehicles that work best for you. We have Charitable Giving Accounts at nearly all of the local banks, and our Professional Advisor Council helps us provide useful tools so your advisors can maximize your charity and tax benefits through Akron Community Foundation.

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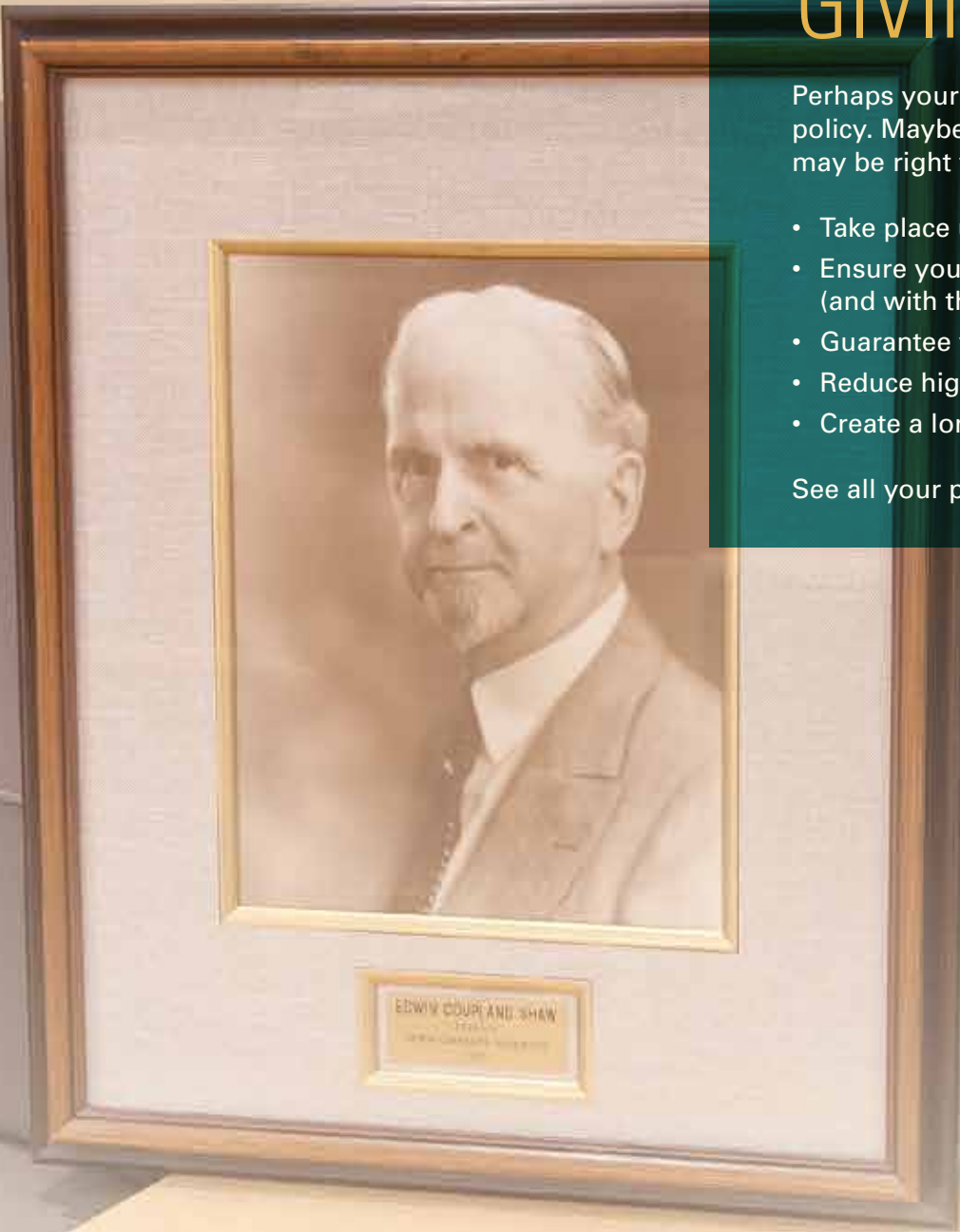
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47TH BERT A. POLSKY
HUMANITARIAN AWARD
Rennick Andreoli

Rennick Andreoli has built his business on making others feel at home.

As president of RDA Hotel Management Company and the owner, operator and renovator of more than 30 hotel properties over the years, he has devoted his career to ensuring visitors to Akron are well cared for. It's no surprise he applied that same sensibility to his charitable endeavors.

When Rennick saw the conditions that children with disabilities experienced at Akron Rotary Camp, he took action. He rallied friends, employees and vendors to raise \$3.5 million to renovate the camp's facilities. He even helped build the camp's Hilton for Kids, an homage to RDA's Hilton Akron/Fairlawn, the longest continuously owned and managed Hilton franchise in the country. Now, like Hilton patrons, Rotary Camp visitors also have a comfortable place to rest their heads.

In addition to having built a Habitat for Humanity home, Rennick has focused his efforts on helping several local charities, including the Stephen A. Comunale, Jr. Family Cancer Foundation, the Humane Society of Greater Akron, and – of course – the Akron Rotary Foundation: all causes he supports through the Rennick and Dee Andreoli Family Fund of Akron Community Foundation.

At the Oct. 14 event honoring him, Rennick sought to inspire philanthropy among attendees, so he distributed more than 500 of his own \$20 bills and asked guests to support one those three favorite causes or to give it to the charity of their choice. Attendees responded resoundingly, doubling Rennick's original gift to help local charities. In all, the event brought in more than a quarter million dollars.

It is for these reasons and more that Rennick received the 47th Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award. His faith in people, his community service, and his tireless devotion to family and community truly exemplify Bert A. Polsky's selfless dedication to Greater Akron.

**Those who purchased tickets to the 2014 Polsky Award event will be listed in the 2015 annual report.*


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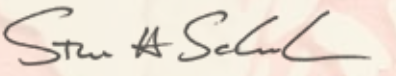
This year, Akron Community Foundation was home to unprecedented growth thanks to you, our generous donors and fundholders.

Together, we welcomed a record 41 new funds to our family, including the largest single gift in our history – \$12 million – to establish the IBH Foundation Fund. This gift, when combined with thousands of others from other charitable individuals, families and organizations from all walks of life, totaled almost \$20.3 million. With our prudent investment, these gifts grew assets by nearly \$31 million, bringing the total philanthropic capital of your community foundation to a record \$181 million.

Our investment policy of preserving capital, promoting long-term growth and minimizing undue risk has withstood market conditions year after year. For the year ending March 31, 2014, our investment return net of all fees and cash flows totaled 13.7 percent, bringing our average annualized net return to an impressive 9.3 percent since the portfolio’s inception in 1988.

We thank you for choosing Akron Community Foundation to house your charitable dollars. We promise to always do so prudently and transparently so they will grow over time to improve our collective quality of life, now and forever.


Paul Belair
TREASURER


Steven H. Schloenbach
VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

YEAR IN REVIEW

Assets:
\$181 MILLION

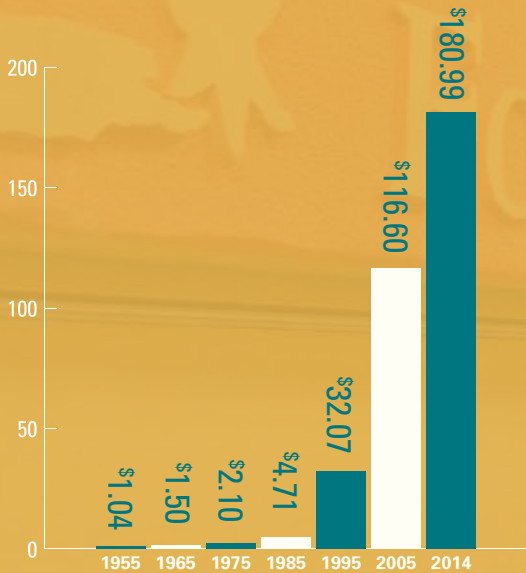
Asset Growth:
20.5%

Investment Performance:
13.7%

Gifts:
\$20.3 MILLION

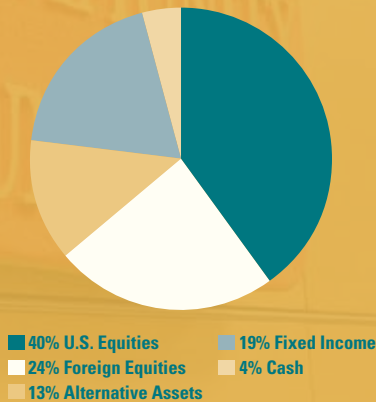
Grants:
\$7.5 MILLION

Operating Costs:
1.1%

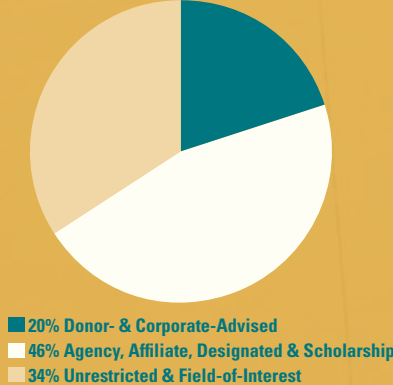


HISTORICAL ASSET GROWTH (in millions)

ASSET ALLOCATION 2014



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Akron Community Foundation is audited on an annual basis by Brockman, Coats, Gedelian & Co. Get our most recent audited financial statements, Form 990s, investment and spending policies, and a wealth of other financial information at www.akroncf.org/financials.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (in thousands)

ASSETS	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2013
Cash and cash equivalents	\$7,737	\$7,097
Investments (at fair value):		
U.S. government and agency obligations	11,741	10,596
Corporate bonds	7,143	7,117
Other fixed income	12,906	9,774
U.S. equity securities	67,676	56,011
International equity securities	35,714	27,684
Alternative investments	24,527	17,828
Real estate held for investment	552	667
Total investments	160,259	129,677
Trust accounts:		
Third party trusts	10,936	10,468
Pooled life income fund receivable	149	150
Total trust accounts	11,085	10,618
Contributions receivable — net	861	1,203
Accrued investment income	171	196
Prepaid expenses	81	51
Land and land improvements	344	344
Building and equipment:		
Building and equipment	615	1,676
Less accumulated depreciation	(194)	(658)
Building and equipment — net	421	1,018
Cash value of life insurance	27	26
Total Assets	\$180,986	\$150,230
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$499	\$501
Grants approved for future payment	658	540
Funds held as agency endowments	21,149	6,337
Total liabilities	22,306	7,378
Net assets	158,680	142,852
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$180,986	\$150,230

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (in thousands)

REVENUES, GAINS AND SUPPORT	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2013
Contributions received	\$20,261	\$7,438
Investment income	3,858	3,264
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of assets	17,237	9,065
Less amounts held for agency endowments:		
Contributions	(12,922)	(785)
Investment income	(390)	(127)
Net depreciation (appreciation) in fair value of assets	(2,026)	(392)
Total less amounts held for agency endowments	(15,338)	(1,304)
Gain on disposal of real estate held for investment	0	0
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	0	0
Total Revenues, Gains and Support	\$26,018	\$18,463
EXPENSES AND DISTRIBUTIONS		
Grants and other distributions	\$7,545	\$7,594
Administrative expenses	1,958	1,790
Building impairment due to fire	571	0
Investment expenses	642	544
Less amounts held for agency endowments:		
Grants and other distributions	(359)	(332)
Administrative expenses	(111)	(55)
Investment expenses	(56)	(18)
Total less amounts held for agency endowments	(526)	(405)
Total Expenses and Distributions	\$10,190	\$9,523
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$15,828	\$8,940
Net assets, beginning of year	142,852	133,912
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$158,680	\$142,852

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Thank you to the community leaders who generously gave of their time to serve on Akron Community Foundation’s board of directors from April 1, 2013, to March 31, 2014.


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