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On display throughout Akron Community Foundation's building are works by talented local artists, including this photograph by Dan Rowland. For information about the artists we feature, contact Chris Miller at cmiller@akroncf.org or 330-436-5627.

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By John T. Petures Jr.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO

Time flies when you're having fun. We've all heard the saying, and it recently came to mind as I celebrated my 14th anniversary with Akron Community Foundation on May 1. I must admit, it's been a remarkable and inspiring journey, seeing and experiencing the thoughtful generosity of the Summit and Medina county communities and our residents' commitment to uplifting this place where we live, work and raise our families. This past fiscal year brought the establishment of a record 57 new fund relationships, nearly \$20 million in new contribution revenue, \$13.5 million in grants and distributions into our community, and philanthropic assets of nearly \$280 million. Thank you, everyone!

As of this writing, we continue to grow weary but respect the caution surrounding what we all hope is the end of the COVID-19 pandemic. Over these past two years, we've seen such an extraordinary resolve to endure and survive, reflect and move forward, and demonstrate this remarkable human spirit of giving back when it's needed most. It seems we can finally take a breath and look ahead to some return to normalcy in our personal and professional lives.

It doesn't hurt to look back sometimes, as well. My wife, Cindy, and I were reminiscing with friends recently about years gone by, when our children were young. We shared a laugh talking about how technology has come so far, remembering how we would stop at a rest stop pay phone to enter some incredibly long code

(46 numbers, I recall) just to access long-distance service. What's the saying? "We've come a long way, baby." We certainly have, as many of us have gotten more comfortable with new and emerging technologies that allow us to connect immediately with our family, friends and colleagues, day or night. While virtual is not always optimal, we've made it work and have managed to move our lives and organizations forward.

I am truly excited, though, that we are planning to meet again (in person!) for the first time since 2019 to celebrate our annual meeting on July 12 and our Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award honoree on Oct. 11 at the Hilton Akron/Fairlawn.

This new year also corresponds with Akron Community Foundation embarking on its next five-year strategic plan and our continued commitment to embracing and enhancing the work of charitable people who make a permanent commitment to the good of our community. We'll remain devoted to our stewardship efforts with individuals and families, while fostering a more inclusive, just and equitable community. You can read more about our areas of focus, strategies and tactics at www.akroncf.org/StrategicPlan.

As you settle into summer, I hope you'll get out there and say hello to friends and neighbors you haven't seen for several years. And I hope to see you soon, too. 🌳

BACK & FORTH

SOCIAL SHOUTOUTS

Leadership Akron

@leadershipakron

Thank you to John Garofalo and Karen Hrdlicka of Akron Community Foundation for leading Junior Leadership Akron's final program day of the year, Philanthropy Day! The students learned about grantmaking and had the opportunity to decide, as a class, how to distribute funds to three area nonprofits.

Everyday Akron

@EverydayAkron

Tonight I made my way down to the @akroncivictheatre for Akron Community Foundation's Leading with the Arts program. As an artist, it's awesome to see all the collaborations going on in the city and how organizations are coming together through the Akron Cultural Plan.

The Well Community Development Corporation

@thewellakron

A sincere thank you to Akron Community Foundation's Women's Endowment Fund for their generous gift toward our Career Development Program. Their contribution allows us to continue to support women achieving economic mobility and career advancement.

Harmony House Inc.

@akronharmonyhouse

Harmony House has partnered with the Akron Public Schools College & Career Academies to offer educational career pathways for students interested in the social service field. We are excited to continue our partnership with these students through their middle school experience. #APS #AkronCommunityFoundation



Karen (Hrdlicka), thanks for leading a great (Institute for Emerging Philanthropists) class today! What a great way to spend a Friday morning surrounded by people excited about philanthropy and making the world a better place. I'm really grateful to be included in this wonderful group and look forward to the classes and discussions to come!

Andy Little

Fundholder and Institute for Emerging Philanthropists Class Member

Thank you so much for your continued support of Limitless Ambition. Your support will allow us to continue to make an impact on the next generation of young girls in our community.

Alicia Robinson
Limitless Ambition

ACF continues its work as a difference-maker in our community... making lives better, helping those in need. Thank you.

Jody Miller Konstand
ACF Board Member

I am writing with a heart full of gratitude for the generous grant you afforded OPEN-Bees in 2021. From the bottom of my grateful heart, thank you so very much for your generosity. May all of your good that you continue to do come back to you in abundance.

Christy Matthey
OPEN-Bees

Thank you for having me on the panel for the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists alumni meeting. We very much appreciate their support of the food bank. It was great to hear about other important work happening in our community - I learned a lot!

Sylvia Krebs
Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank

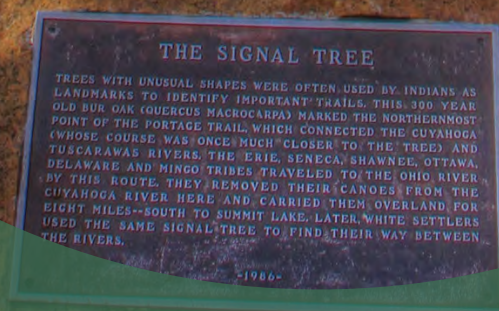
Thank you, ACF, for acknowledging this special fund (Summit County Police & Fire Community Engagement Fund) and posting the photo of Lt. Mike Miller and friends. In addition to being the Akron Police Department's outstanding spokesperson, he is leading a team of officers who will be recruiting for officers to add to our professional, community-oriented ranks.

Sylvia Trundle
ACF Board Chair and Retired Police Captain

Talk To Us! Do you have a note of appreciation you'd like to share? Perhaps a photo of the good work our grantees and fundholders are doing in the community? Send it to Michelle Nissel, Development & Marketing Assistant, Akron Community Foundation, 345 W. Cedar St., Akron, OH 44307 or mnissel@akroncf.org. Submissions may be edited for length and clarity.

New To Our Family

NEW FUNDS







During the second half of fiscal year 2022 (Oct. 1, 2021 - March 31, 2022), we were pleased to welcome 38 new funds established by charitable individuals, families and organizations throughout Greater Akron.

Donor-Advised Funds

Akron's Next Generation Fund
Arriba y Adelante Fund
Boldt Family Fund
Rick E. Briggs Spirit in the Sky Fund
Elizabeth Brumbaugh and Gregory Hackett Charitable Fund
Compass Fund
Grateful Heart Fund
Patricia Hansel Donor Advised Fund
Paige and Bill Hoover Charitable Fund
Hrdlicka-Jones Family Fund
Kleckner Family Fund
Konsen Family Fund
Kroskey Family Fund
Mahesh Family Fund
Thomas and Laura Navin Fund
Vicki Merzweiler Perfect Fund
Josh Richardson Fund for Mental Health
Ryan and CJ Greater Good Fund
Jay and Marilyn Stitz Fund
Stormer-Kelly Family Fund
Strauss Family Fund
Toth Family Fund
Treier Family Fund
Troyer Fund
Grace Wakulchik Family Fund
Harold A. White Family Fund
John D. Zoilo Fund

Designated Funds

-  **Dr. Ram and Padma Bandi Family Designated Fund**
Established to support the Bath Community Fund of Akron Community Foundation
-  **Carr Family Fund**
Established to support the Stow Schools Foundation, Woodridge Foundation and Northampton United Methodist Church
-  **Barbara Krans Jenkins Memorial Fund**
Established to support the arts department at Akron Public Schools, particularly through the purchasing of art supplies
-  **Phyllis Behrle West Fund**
Established to support the Women's Endowment Fund of Akron Community Foundation

Agency Endowment Funds

-  **Barbara Becker Endowed Chair Fund (Cleveland Jazz Orchestra)**
Cleveland Jazz Orchestra Endowment Fund
Jobs for Ohio's Graduates Endowment Fund
Keep Akron Beautiful Forever Endowment Fund

Scholarship Funds

- Leppo Group Employee Scholarship Fund**
Established to provide scholarships for Leppo Group employees and their children who are pursuing a STEM, business, IT or technical degree
- Daniel C. McClelland Commitment to Community Scholarship Fund**
Established to provide scholarships for Chardon High School seniors who demonstrate service to others and to the community

Board Discretionary Funds

John and Betty Dalton Fund

 *Permanently endowed funds*

Professional Advisor Partners

Thank you to the following accountants, attorneys and financial advisors for helping their clients achieve their charitable goals with a fund at Akron Community Foundation from Oct. 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022:

Tyler Amos *Charles Schwab*
Christopher Benko *Apple Growth Partners*
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James Lanham *Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston*
Cindy Mitchell *Bober Markey Fedorovich*
Michael A. Sweeney *Brouse McDowell*

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6 TYPES OF FUNDS

Do It Yourself

Donor-Advised Funds

A great private foundation alternative – you choose the grants

Designated Funds

Support one or more of your favorite organizations

Agency Endowment Funds

A predictable stream of income for your nonprofit

Do It With Help

Scholarship Funds

Fund students' education in your or a loved one's name

Field-of-Interest Funds

Permanently advance a cause or causes you're passionate about

Board Discretionary Funds

Meet the community's ever-changing needs

Thank you to the more than 780 fundholders who have trusted Akron Community Foundation to steward and grow your philanthropic dollars. Summit and Medina counties are stronger and more vibrant thanks to the \$13.5 million you invested back into the community this year.

OUR FUNDS

ADVISED FUNDS

Acorn Fund
 Addicott-Albanese Family Fund
 Allard Family Fund
 Suzanne and Mitch Allen Family Fund
 Mark and Michele Allio Family Fund
 Ham and Beth Amer Fund
 Sue and Mal Ames Fund
 Rennick and Dee Andreoli Family Fund
 Antalvari Family Fund
 Apple Growth Partners Community Outreach Charitable Giving Fund
 Rev. Dr. Byron Arledge Fund
 *Howard Atwood Family Fund (Est. 2009)
 Sandy and Mark Auburn Fund
 Steven Baach Charities Fund
 Tom, Mary and Becky Babcox Family Foundation Fund
 Bachmann Family Fund
 Bruce S. and Sandra S. Bailey Family Fund
 Bailey-Culp Family Fund
 Marilyn and Tom H. Barrett Fund
 Barsella Family Fund
 Edward and C. Georgene Bayer Fund
 *Beacon of Light Initiatives/Wings of Eagles Fund (Est. 2012)
 Belair Family Fund
 Suzanne C. and Charles L. Bond Family Fund
 Charles E. and Mary K. Booth Family Fund
 James D. and Mary Jo Boyes Fund
 Brauning Family Endowment Fund
 Rob and Alyssa Briggs Fund
 Brockman Family Fund
 Russell Brode Charitable Fund
 Brown Family Foundation Fund
 Thomas, Ani & Lucca Bruno Family Fund
 Marilyn Meyers Buckey Family Fund
 Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs Fund
 *Lisle M. Buckingham Endowment Fund (Est. 1988)
 H. Peter Burg Fund
 Whitt and Ann Butler Family Fund
 Alice J. Caniglia Fund
 Cantine-Nora Family Fund
 Caritas Tzedakah Fund
 Carlisle and Troiano Family Fund
 Carlson Family Fund
 Michael James Carmack Family Fund
 Linda and Jared Chaney Family Fund

Dick Chenoweth Fund for Experiential Education
 Cherotti Family Fund
 *Child Care Leadership Fund (Est. 2009)
 Michael and Susan Ciccolini Family Charitable Fund
 Deborah Ciraldo Memorial Fund
 CIU Fund
 Colantone Family Fund
 Colby Wayne Enterprises Fund
 Hugh Colopy Memorial Fund
 Stephen A. Comunale, Jr. Family Cancer Foundation Program Fund
 Rebecca D. and William H. Considine Family Fund
 Kathryn Cooper Memorial Fund
 Dr. Milton N. Cooper and Family Fund
 Robert and Regina Cooper Family Fund
 Delcinia Chrisella Costa Memorial Fund
 Steven and Melissa Cox Family Fund
 Craine's Cholangiocarcinoma Crew Fund
 DAF23 Fund
 Dawley Family Fund
 Demas Fund
 Demboski Robinson Family Fund
 Dana Pulk Dickinson Fund
 Anthony and Jane DiDonato Fund
 Jill and Carl Dietrich Fund
 Kathryn Warther and Thomas William Dindo Family Fund
 Donae's Second Act Fund
 Donovan Family Fund
 Donovan Veterans Fund
 Dot Org Solutions Fund
 Dougherty Family Fund
 Bud and Barbara Dunaway Family Fund
 Jim and Ann Durr Family Fund
 Eaton Family Fund
 Elise's Corner Fund
 Else Family Fund
 Emma and David Family Fund
 Bonnie L. and Ernest R. Estep Fund
 Chaker J. Fadel Fund
 Lorraine G. and Donald R. Fair Fund
 Fairlawn Rotary Club Advised Fund
 Farver Family Fund
 Feth Family Fund
 Peter, Suzanne and Jackson Fielder Charitable Fund
 Fighting For Alyssa - FFA Fund

Fir Hill Fund
 Susan Flowers Family Fund
 Charlie Fortney Memorial Fund
 Friebert Family Fund
 Ed and Dorothy Gaffney Family Fund
 Bennett L. and Linda D. Gaines Fund
 GAR-Donor Advised Fund
 GAR-Islands Fund
 John F. and Jayne E. Garofalo Charitable Fund
 Thomas and Anita Gedelian Family Fund
 Rita and David George Family Fund
 Gerstenmaier Family Fund
 Mark and Patty Gibbs Family Fund
 Donald L. and Clare G. Glaser Fund
 Don and Lynne Gordon, Jr. Fund
 *Thomas L. Gower II Fund (Est. 2013)
 Thomas L. and Margaret M. Gower Fund
 Graham Family Fund
 Priscilla Graham Fund
 Greene Family Fund
 Guerrero and Duby Family Fund
 Halkovich Family Charitable Fund
 Hanselman/Myers Fund
 *Franklin C. and Patricia R. Harrah Fund (Est. 2013)
 Hart Family Fund
 Richard W. Hauman Family Fund
 Hauser Family Fund
 Haws Falasco Family Fund
 Frank D. Heckel Fund
 Hendryx Family Fund
 Jennifer Hendryx Legacy Fund for Breast Cancer Research
 Cathy Hilkert Fund
 David & Phyllis Hilkert Fund
 Mark Hilkert Fund
 N.L. Hillery Fund
 Juanita M. Hollis & Margaret L. Seitz Fund for the Support of Individuals with Intellectual & Physical Disabilities
 Home For All Community Fund
 Homestead Insurance Agency Inc. Fund
 Hood Family Fund
 Hudak Family Fund
 The David and Margaret Hunter Fund
 Huntington-Akron Foundation Sustainability Fund
 IMAJIN Family Fund
 Immel Family Fund

Judith and Clifford Isroff Fund
 Dr. Tom and Mary Ann Jackson Fund
 Frances M. James Fund
 Steve Johnson and Laurie Zuckerman Family Fund
 Jones Family Foundation Fund
 Jones Family Fund
 Jones Group Interiors Charitable Fund
 Herbert A. and Jean S. Jones Charitable Trust Fund
 Juve Family Fund
 Kanfer Family Fund
 Katz and Kittens Fund
 *Margaret D. Kaufman Fund (Est. 1995)
 Kihn and Verse Family Fund
 Bryan and Susan Kinnamon Family Fund
 Knight Foundation Donor Advised Fund
 Knoll Family Fund Promoting Civility and Acts of Kindness
 Tom and Ginny Knoll Family Fund
 Koblenzer Family Fund
 Paul J. and Susan B. Kruder Family Fund
 Kuczynski Family Fund
 L4 Project Fund
 Labuda Family Fund
 Lake Pointe Fund
 Tom and Jeanne LaRose Fund
 Glenn and Karen Leppo Family Fund
 Lawrence and Christine Levey Family Fund
 Liesem Family Fund
 Linberger Family Fund
 John and Regina Lindeman Family Fund
 Eleanor and Roger Lindway Family Fund
 Andrew and Emily Little Family Fund
 Michael and Lisa Little Family Fund
 David and Janice Logsdon Charitable Fund
 Loveless Family Fund
 Bill and Anne Lowery Family Fund
 William and Angela Lowery Family Fund
 MAH Fund
 Robert W. and Paula S. Malone Family Fund
 Manby Family Giving Fund
 Pamela and Neal Marks Family Fund
 Michael J. Marz Charitable Fund
 Mascio-Medzie Family Fund
 Mastrojohn Davids Fund
 Masuoka Family Fund
 Barbara D. Mathews Ladybug Fund
 Maxen Family Fund
 Beatrice K. McDowell Family Fund
 Medical Mutual Community Investment Fund
 Medina County Stephen H. and Nancy D. Eibling Fund
 Medina County Holland Group Fund
 Medina Sunrise Rotary Community Fund
 Marc and Sharon Merklin Family Fund
 Merryweather Family Fund
 Robert A. and Jean C. Meyers Family Fund
 Danielle and Chris Miller Family Fund
 Sally A. Miller and Joseph G. Miller Family Foundation Fund
 Millican Family Fund
 Barbara Marie and Marilyn S. Minney Fund
 The Mitten Fund

Robert A. Moore Excellence in Education Family Fund
 George Nahmi Family Fund
 Naomi & Cassie CIRCLE Fund
 Harvey and Kimberly Nelson Family Fund
 Charles and Sherrylyn Neubert Family Fund
 Newkome and Saunders Family Fund
 Northeast Ohio Spay and Neuter Foundation Fund
 *Marissa Alexandra Norwood Legacy of Kindness Charitable Giving Fund (Est. 2010)
 Gertrude F. Orr Trust Advised Fund
 Jan and George Parry Fund
 Paul Davis Akron Fund
 Charles and Patricia Perrin Family Fund
 Cindy and John T. Petures, Jr. Family Fund
 Peter Piglia Family Charitable Fund
 Post-Coleman Fund
 William and Ginny Post Family Charitable Fund
 Poured Love Foundation Fund
 Ernest E. and Mary Kay Pouttu Fund
 *Preservation of the Abolitionist Movement Fund (Est. 2007)
 Prezioso Family Fund
 Mark and Claire Purdy Fund
 Emma E. & Clarence A. Randall Fund
 The Read Family Fund
 Sally D. Read Fund
 Scott T. Read Family Fund
 Redmond Family Foundation Fund
 Remington Family Fund
 Rice Family Fund
 Joan Rog – Friend of Wildlife Fund
 Richard and Alita Rogers Fund
 Kathy Moses Salem Philanthropic Fund
 Schloenbach Family Fund
 Steven Schmidt and Richard J. Krochka Family Fund
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 Seagren Family Fund
 Brian J. Sebastian and Mary A. Sebastian Memorial Fund
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 John and Lorraine Shannon Family Fund
 Shapiro Family Fund
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 Steven and Dr. Kathy Shoemaker Fund
 Siddall Family Fund
 Richard Siess Family Fund
 Siff Family Fund 1
 Siff Family Fund 2
 Silver Bullet Fund
 Cynthia L. Slezak Fund
 Bruce & Harriet Smith Foundation
 The J.M. Smucker Company Advised Fund
 The J.M. Smucker Company Mental Health Initiative Fund
 Mark and Katie Smucker Family Fund
 Snell Family Fund
 Carl E. Snyder Innovation Fund

Christopher and Tracy Soulsby Donor Advised Fund
 *SRS Fund (Est. 1996)
 Steere Family Fund
 *Barbara Steinkerchner's Giving Legacy Fund (Est. 2011)
 Strayer Family Fund
 Strongsville Women's League Charitable Fund
 Summit Portage Area Health Education Fund
 Summit Sustainable Future Fund
 Amy Jo and Roger Sutterluety Fund
 Betty A. Sweeney Fund
 Synergy Talton Endowment Fund
 Tails of HOPE Fund
 Team Awesome Sauce Family Fund
 Tifft Family Fund
 Sylvia Trundle – This Town is My Town 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
 Von Zastrow Family Fund
 Jean P. Wade Fund
 Waite Family Fund
 Anonymous Giving by Laura L. Wallerstein Fund
 Leo G. Walter III and Mary Ann Walter Family Fund
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 Waternish Fund
 M.A. Watkins Fund
 Joseph R. and Candi S. Weber Family Fund
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 Jerry H. Welty Family Fund
 Jeff and Missy Wert Family Fund
 Weschler Family Fund
 Ted and Mary Ann Williams Fund
 Jack Andrew Wilson Fund for Mental Health
 John M. Wilson and Patricia Pacenta Family Fund
 *Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Fund (Est. 2010)
 Wilt Family Fund
 Edith and Milt Wiskind Fund
 Alan and Janice Woll Family Fund
 Merle and Nancy Worman Fund
 Tawnia Wright Legacy Fund
 David L. and Margaret Scott Yeager Fund
 Zeleznik Family Fund
 Steven and Wendy Zimmerman Fund

DESIGNATED FUNDS

*Cynthia Hurd Abell Memorial Fund (Est. 2014)
Bath Community Fund of Akron Community Foundation
 *AHOPES Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)
Arlington Women of the Church of God outreach program

Our Funds (Cont.)

- Akron Digital Media Center
Designated Fund
- Andrew Jackson House Student Art
Exhibit Fund
- *Sandy and Mark Auburn Designated
Fund (Est. 2020)
United Way of Summit and Medina
- *Jody Bacon Fund (Est. 1999)
*Women's Endowment Fund of
Akron Community Foundation*
- *Battered Women's Shelter Endowment
Fund (Est. 1999)
- *Battered Women's Shelter Operating
Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
- *Beacon of Light Akron Public Schools
Fund (Est. 2016)
- *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
program*
- *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)
*Vernon L. Odom Fund of Akron
Community Foundation*
- *BVU: Center for Nonprofit Excellence
Endowment Fund (Est. 2000)
- Caliber System Fund (AKA Roadway
Services Fund)
United Way of Summit and Medina
- Oty Capanna Memorial Fund
*University of Akron's College
of Engineering*
- *Margaret T. Carroll Memorial
Fund (Est. 1997)
*Women's Endowment Fund of
Akron Community Foundation*
- Dick and Chris Chenoweth Boys and Girls
Clubs of the Western Reserve Fund
- Richard Chenoweth Akron Community
Service Center & Urban League Fund
- *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)
Akron Civic Theatre
- Consortium of Akron Area Catholic
High Schools Fund
*Archbishop Hoban High School, Our Lady
of the Elms High School, St. Vincent-St.
Mary High School, and Walsh Jesuit
High School*
- Michael Corbett Memorial Fund for Akron
Children's Hospital
*Pediatric hematology/oncology
professional development*
- Cornwell Dealers Katrina Disaster Fund
Hurricane relief programs
- *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)
- *Mary DiDonato Fund (Est. 2013)
*Catholic Charities Community Services
Corporation; Stephen A. Comunale, Jr.
Family Cancer Foundation; Our Lady of
the Elms, Dominican Sisters of Peace;
St. Paul Catholic Parish; and the University
of Akron Foundation*
- *Donovan Legacy Fund (Est. 2020)
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- *Embracing Futures Inc. Charity
Fund (Est. 1999)
- Emmanuel Christian Academy Legacy Fund
- *Mark and Margee Frey Fund (Est. 2016)
*Bath Community Fund of Akron
Community Foundation*
- *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
Akron Christ Child Society (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)
- *GAR Foundation Endowment Fund for
Akron Urban League (Est. 2020)
- *Good Neighbors Endowment
Fund (Est. 1995)
- Grace House Legacy Fund
Grace House Akron
- Denise M. Graham DCNEO Fund
Dancing Classrooms Northeast Ohio
- *Greater Akron Chamber Endowment
Fund (Est. 2001)
- Sandra L. and Dennis B. Haslinger
Family Foundation Fund
*Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad's Saint
Lucie Sound passenger coach*
- *Harriet and Herb Herskowitz
Education Fund (Est. 2013)
*University of Akron's early
childhood development program*
- Mabel L. Hinkle Fund
NEOMED Foundation
- *Michael Hohman Fund for
Homeless LGBTQ Teens (Est. 2019)
*Gay Community Endowment Fund of
Akron Community Foundation*
- *Claudia Mendat Hower Revere Teacher
Initiatives Fund (Est. 2016)
Revere Local School District
- Howland Park Fund
*Glendale Cemetery and parks on
West Market Street*
- 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
- *Rodney J. Humphrey Memorial
Fund (Est. 1997)
Salvation Army Akron Citadel
- *Margaret Watts Hunter Tuesday Musical
Guitar Scholarship Fund (Est. 2015)
- 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)
- Akron Men's Chapter No. 36,
Izaak Walton League of America Fund
Summit Metro Parks youth fishing programs
- *Jefferson Fund (Est. 2014)
*Canine Companions for Independence,
Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland
Pops Orchestra, Grand Valley Public
Library, Henderson Memorial Public
Library, Kingsville Public Library, Orwell
North Presbyterian Church, Rock Creek
Public Library, and University Hospitals
Health System*
- *Junior Achievement of North Central
Ohio Fund (Est. 1997)
- *Juvenile Court Fund (Est. 1989)
Summit County Juvenile Court
- *Jessie and Abram Kipple Scholarship
Fund (Est. 1996)
University of Akron Foundation
- Knight Foundation Non-Profit
Initiative Fund
BVU: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence
- *Pearl Leeper Korman and Sandy Korman
Auburn Fund (Est. 2016)
*Women's Endowment Fund of
Akron Community Foundation*
- *John Kutuchief Fund (Est. 2016)
*Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio and
Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron*
- *Barbara McIntosh Latchic Fund (Est. 2020)
*Akron Summit Community Action Head
Start program, the Community Fund of
Akron Community Foundation, Sigma Chi
Foundation and Visiting Nurse Service*
- *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)

*Howard E. Leisinger Tuesday Musical Viola Scholarship Fund (Est. 2019)
 *Blaize Lishewski Memorial Fund (Est. 2018)
IBH Addiction Recovery
 *Litchfield Fund (Est. 1971)
Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
 *Loyola Retreat House, Inc. Endowment Fund (Est. 1998)
 Lynch Fund
St. Vincent de Paul Parish School
 *McIntosh-Jackson Fund (Est. 1969)
Clinton Presbyterian Church
 *James F. McKinnon Champion Fund (Est. 2015)
The Paul Schulte Foundation
 *Metro Catholic Parish School Fund (Est. 1993)
 *Metro Parks Youth Fishing Endowment Fund (Est. 2006)
Summit Metro Parks Foundation
 Charles D. Miller Leadership Fund
Hudson City School District
 *Modibo Mutton Hill Endowment Fund for the Summit County Historical Society (Est. 2019)
 *Ollie Mueller Fund (Est. 2014)
Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities
 *Music from The Western Reserve Fund (Est. 1993)
 Dr. Nasrallah Fund
NEOMED urology residency program
 *National Inventors Hall of Fame, Inc. Fund (Est. 1994)
 Herbert and Dianne Newman Fund
Akron Art Museum
 Northeast Ohio Healing Arts Alliance Fund
 *O Family Designated Fund One (Est. 2020)
Allegro Foundation, Battered Women's Shelter, Hattie Larlham Center for Children with Disabilities, The Ohio State University Foundation, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
 *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
 Benjamin E. Parke Memorial Fund
Wadsworth City School District
 *Mary Beechy Pfeiffer MHS Student Foreign Travel Fund (Est. 2014)
Medina City School District
 *Project: LEARN of Summit County Endowment Fund (Est. 1998)
 *Reach Opportunity Center at Summit Lake Endowment Fund (Est. 2015)
 Robertson-Hoyt Orthopaedic Research and Education Fund
Summa Health's Hoyt Musculoskeletal Research Laboratory

Richard S. and Alita A. Rogers Designated Fund
Art Resources Transformations
 *Lillian and William Rosenblatt Fund (Est. 2012)
Women's Endowment Fund of Akron Community Foundation
 *St. Matthew Lutheran Church LGL Samaritan Fund of the Medina County Community Fund (Est. 2006)
 *William C. and Elizabeth Brainard Sandwick Fund (Est. 2007)
Akron Art Museum
 T.K. Seiberling Tennis Fund
Akron Public Schools tennis program
 *Shaw Memorial Fund (Est. 1955)
Akron Art Museum
 Cherie and Steve Shechter Designated Fund
Akron Rotary Foundation, Cleveland Museum of Art, and Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
 Everett L. Shumate Fund
Hudson City School District diversity programs
 Bruce and Peggy Silver Fund
Millennium Fund for Children of Akron Community Foundation and Old Trail School
 *Ethel and William A. Singer Fund (Est. 2012)
Cleveland Eye Bank and Haven of Rest Ministries
 Sojourner Truth Project – Akron Fund
Creation, installation and maintenance of a Sojourner Truth statue in Akron
 *James E. Sovacool, Jr. Fund (Est. 2020)
Akron Snow Angels, Friends of Camp Christopher, St. Vincent de Paul Parish, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, and the Touchdown Club Foundation of Greater Akron
 *Mignon Steere Fund for Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park Environmental Education (Est. 2010)
 Stewart's Caring Place Legacy Fund
 Summit County Police & Fire Community Engagement Fund
Safety Forces Support Center
 *Summit Education Initiative Fund (Est. 1995)
 *Summit Education Initiative Program Fund (Est. 1997)
 Summit Metro Parks Foundation Designated Scholarship Fund
 *TLC Jeremiah 29:11 Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Urban League scholarship program
 *Victory Gallop Inc. Endowment Fund (Est. 2004)
 *Volunteer Center of Summit County Endowment Fund (Est. 1996)
United Way of Summit and Medina
 *Leo and Mary Kay Walter, Jr. Fund (Est. 2019)
St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Foundation

*Ted and Barb Walter Catholic Education Fund (Est. 2009)
St. Vincent de Paul Parish School
 *Weathervane Community Playhouse Fund (Est. 1993)
 *Wilkinson-Gudikunst Designated Family Fund (Est. 2007)
The College of Wooster, Kent State University Museum, St. Cloud Citizens Foundation, Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens, Summit County Historical Society, and Trinity Lutheran Church
 *Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Designated Fund (Est. 2011)
Millennium Fund for Children of Akron Community Foundation and the Mobile Meals program of Family & Community Services
 *Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Last Dollar Scholarship Fund (Est. 2016)
Kent State University Foundation
 Windham Brick by Brick Designated Fund
Windham Exempted Village School District
 Henry C. Young Fund
University of Akron's Henry C. Young Jr. Intellectual Property Law Scholarship Fund

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

3R Fund
3R Foundation (Reentry, Reconnect and Restoration)
 ACCESS Endowment Fund
 Akron Art Museum Endowment Fund
 Akron Civic Theatre Legacy Fund
 Akron Garden Club Endowment Fund
 Akron Garden Club Frank Fund
 Akron Garden Club Graves Fund
 Akron Garden Club Sewell Fund
 Akron Marathon Sustainability Fund
 Akron Rotary Foundation Fund
 for the benefit of the Akron Rotary Camp
 Akron Roundtable Endowment Fund
 Akron Snow Angels Endowment Fund
 Akron Soul Train Endowment Fund
 Akron Summit Community Action, Inc. Endowment Fund
 Akron-Summit County Public Library Endowment Fund
 Akron Zoological Park Endowment Fund
 Aladdin Foundation of Akron Endowment Fund
 Arc of Summit and Portage Counties Endowment Fund
 Arlington Church of God Endowment Fund
 Arrowhead Primary School Nature Zone Endowment Fund
 audiochuck Endowment Fund
The Porchlight Project
 Autism Society of Greater Akron Endowment Fund
 Big Brothers & Sisters of Summit & Medina County Fund
 Black Keys Alfred McMoore Memorial Endowment Fund
 Community Support Services

Our Funds (Cont.)

Blick Clinic Endowment Fund
 Brimfield Historical Society Fund
 *Wiley A. Bucey Sr. and Mary C. Bucey
 Endowment Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 CASA Endowment Fund
 Cascade Locks Park Association
 Endowment Fund
 Celebrate Children Endowment
 Fund of the Children's Concert
 Society of Akron
 Children's Concert Society of Akron
 Designated Fund
 *Coleman Professional Services Endowment
 Fund for Mental Health and Addictions
 Recovery (Est. 2017)
 Community AIDS Network/Akron Pride
 Initiative Fund
 *Community Hall Foundation
 Endowment Fund (Est. 1999)
Akron Civic Theatre
 Community Partnership of Summit County
 Endowment Fund
Summit County Community Partnership
 Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National
 Park John and Betty Seiberling
 Scholarship Fund
 Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley
 National Park Trails Forever Legacy Fund
 Judge Patricia A. Cosgrove Legal Aid Fund
Community Legal Aid
 Countryside Conservancy Fund – In Memory
 of Darwin Kelsey
Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy
 Cuyahoga Valley Career Center Education
 Development Fund
 Dennis & Holly Endowment Fund for
 Creativity at Magical Theatre Company
 East Akron Neighborhood Development
 Corporation Designated Fund
 Family & Community Services
 Endowment Fund
 Family Promise of Summit County Inc.
 Endowment Fund
 Barbara A. Feld Educational Experience Fund
Tuesday Musical Association
 *Mary Jane Finley-Camp Endowment Fund
 of Battered Women's Shelter (Est. 2018)
 *Mary Jane Finley-Camp Endowment Fund
 of Humility of Mary Housing (Est. 2018)
 First Tee of Akron Endowment Fund
 *Free Clinic of Medina County
 Endowment Fund (Est. 2020)
 Friends of Akron Public Schools
 Endowment Fund
 Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public
 Library Endowment Fund
 The Friends of The Summit
 Endowment Fund
 The Friends of The Summit Operating
 Reserve Fund
 Gardeners of Greater Akron
 Endowment Fund
 Girls on the Run Northeast Ohio
 Endowment Fund

Good Samaritan Hunger Center
 Endowment Fund
 GriefCare Place Inc. Endowment Fund
 Hale Farm and Village Endowment Fund
 Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary
 Endowment Fund
 *Mary and Roy Hartz Opportunity and
 Advancement Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 Hattie Larlham Endowment Fund
 Dr. Sandra Kay and Magdalyn E. Hausfeld
 Living Endowment Fund
Crown Point Ecology Center
 Health Education Center Endowment Fund
Health Education Center of Akron
 Heart to Heart Communications
 Endowment Fund
 *Jim K. and Jim H. Heilmeier Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 *Robert and George Heyburn Youth
 Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 Kay Hoover Memorial Fund
Highland Elementary School
 Humane Society Endowment Fund
Humane Society of Summit County
 IBH Foundation Fund
 International Soap Box Derby
 Endowment Fund
 Interval Brotherhood Home Operating Fund
 Judith Bear Isroff Park Fund
Keep Akron Beautiful
 Junior Achievement of North Central
 Ohio Endowment Fund
 Junior League of Akron Endowment Fund
 Keep Akron Beautiful Endowment Fund
 *Kidney Foundation of Ohio
 Community Fund (Est. 2007)
 *Kathy and Doug Kohl YMCA Mission
 Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 Gretchen Laatsch Outstanding Service
 Award Endowment Fund
Association of College Unions
International
 Leadership Akron Alumni Association
 Endowment Fund
 *Leadership Akron Endowment
 Fund (Est. 1999)
 Leadership Akron Operating
 Endowment Fund
 LeRoy United Methodist Church
 Designated Capital Fund
 LeRoy United Methodist Church
 Endowment Fund
 LeRoy United Methodist Church
 Undesignated Capital Fund
 *Longwood YMCA of Nordon Hills
 Fund (Est. 2021)
 Love Akron Network Endowment 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
 Medina Youth Lacrosse Association
 Endowment Fund
 *Mobile Meals Endowment Fund (Est. 2017)
 Montrose Zion United Methodist Church
 Permanent Endowment Fund
 Myers Foundation New Music Fund
Tuesday Musical Association
 NAMI Summit County Endowment Fund
 *Noah Society Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 Northern Ohio Railway Museum
 Endowment Fund
 Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition
 Endowment Fund
 One-In-Six Foundation Endowment Fund
 Operation Homes Medina County
 Endowment Fund
 ORMACO Endowment Fund
 *Our Lady of the Elms School
 Teachers Fund (Est. 2006)
 PBS Western Reserve Endowment Fund
 Peninsula Foundation Endowment Fund
 Portage Animal Protective League
 Endowment Fund
 *Bob Powell Endowment Fund for
 Coleman Professional Services (Est. 2018)
 Progress Through Preservation
 Endowment Fund
 RAHAB Endowment Fund
 *Bert Rayl Family Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 Rec2Connect Foundation Endowment Fund
 Ruth Renner-Percy Memorial
 Endowment Fund
Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad
 *Galen J. Roush Memorial
 Endowment Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 *Marilyn Sue Sahli Riverfront YMCA
 Fund (Est. 2021)
 *Marilyn Sue Sahli YMCA Scholarship
 Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
 St. Hilary Parents' Teachers Salary Fund
St. Hilary Parish Foundation
 *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 de Paul Society at St. Hilary
 Church Endowment Fund

*Thomas E. Seibold Memorial Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
Society for Handicapped Citizens of Medina County Fund
South Akron Youth Mentorship Endowment Fund
Stewart's Caring Place Endowment Fund
Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Foundation Endowment Fund
Marilyn Stroud Music Alive Program Endowment Fund
The Friends of The Summit
Summit Artspace Endowment Fund
Summit County Historical Society Endowment Fund
Summit County Sports Hall of Fame Endowment Fund
Summit Metro Parks Foundation Endowment Fund
Margaret Thorp Crown Point Development Endowment Fund
Crown Point Ecology Center
Torchbearers Endowment Fund
Towpath Trail Endowment Fund
Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition
Tri-County Independent Living Center Endowment Fund
Truly Reaching You Endowment Fund
Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron Foundation Endowment Fund
United Way of Summit County Endowment Fund
United Way of Summit County Facility Fund
Valor Home of Summit County Endowment Fund
VANTAGE Aging Endowment Fund
Victim Assistance Program Endowment Fund
Village of St. Edward Future Fund
Warriors' Journey Home Ministry Endowment Fund
West Akron Baseball League Endowment Fund
*Jack Wilson Memorial Fund (Est. 2021)
Akron Area YMCA
Witan Endowment Fund
Witan Remembrance Fund
Summit Metro Parks – F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm
*YEPAW Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)
YMCA General Endowment Fund
Akron Area YMCA

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

AAUW of Medina County Scholarship Fund
Female nontraditional students in Medina County
Richard L. Averitte Memorial Scholarship Fund
Akron-area seniors who participate in music programs

Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund
Cuyahoga Falls High School senior football players, cheerleaders and band members
Ciearra Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund
Firestone CLC seniors who have participated in an athletic program and demonstrate financial need
Buchtel High School Alumni Assoc. Scholarship Fund
Buchtel CLC students, student-athletes, and post-secondary/technology program participants
Martin O. Chapman and Roberta M. Chapman Humanitarian Scholarship Fund
Garfield High School seniors who demonstrate academic or vocational excellence and community service
Jim Chenot Rock and Recovery Scholarship Fund
Akron Public Schools seniors, with a focus on raising awareness for substance abuse and recovery challenges
Richard Chenoweth Qualified Designated Scholarship Fund
Summit County students with financial need
Tara Lynn Clossman Memorial Fund
Akron Public Schools students pursuing a degree in education or dance
Coming Together Diversity Scholarship Fund
Akron Public Schools seniors
Michael Corbett Memorial Fund
Cuyahoga Falls High School seniors, with priority given to students who have encountered adversity
Dirk J. Desanzo Memorial Scholarship Fund
Children of Technicote employees, with priority given to those studying chemistry or science
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 fine art or art education, with a strong preference toward a focus in fiber arts
Roland E. Gamble Memorial Fund
Hudson High School seniors in band, orchestra or choir
Ann Lane Gates Scholarship Fund
Project GRAD participants majoring in education
GCEF Scholarship Fund
LGBTQ+ and allied students who live or attend school in Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit or Wayne counties
Erwin & Katherine Geis Scholarship Fund
Employees and their children of Geis Companies, Wild Eagle and Metropolitan at The 9, as well as the company's subcontractors and vendors
Glick-Zedak Scholarship Fund
Former Village Network residents

Hanlon Family Scholarship Fund
St. Sebastian Parish School graduates who will attend St. Vincent-St. Mary High School
Morgan Hasbrouck 4-H Scholarship Fund
4-H members in Summit and Portage counties
Timothy L. Holston Scholarship Fund
Minority seniors at Medina High School with financial need
Italian American Professional and Business Club Scholarship Fund
High school seniors of Italian-American descent in Summit County
Abby Lippy Memorial Scholarship Fund
Hudson High School 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
Joan Lutz Scholarship Fund
Hudson High School seniors with financial need
Kate Lieberth Lytton Education in Dance Fund
Aspiring young dancers from Summit County
Scott T. Malson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Hudson High School seniors who participated in the Hudson Hawks Youth Football program
Marbles Champions Scholarship Fund
Akron District Marbles Tournament winners
Frank Meadows Scholarship Fund
Ellet High School seniors with a history of community service
Medina Sunrise Rotary Fund
Medina County seniors with excellent character, academics and community service
*David and Sandra Nedoh Scholarship Fund (Est. 2017)
Wadsworth High School seniors who demonstrate academic achievement and financial need
*Northeast Ohio RIMS Chapter Scholarship Fund (Est. 2009)
Northeast Ohio residents studying risk management
Esther Simonetti Owen Future Educators Scholarship Fund
Akron Public Schools seniors pursuing an education degree
*Anne K. Petry Scholarship Fund (Est. 1997)
Akron Public Schools seniors pursuing a special education degree
Bettie Portwood Summit County Pest Control Association Scholarship Fund
Children of Summit County Pest Control Association members studying entomology
Project Ed Bear Inc. Scholarship Fund
Childhood cancer survivors who live in Northeast Ohio
Sr. Loretta Rafter Scholarship Fund
H.M. Life Opportunity Services program participants

Our Funds (Cont.)

Judith A. Resnik Memorial Fund
Akron Public Schools seniors pursuing a degree in mathematics, science or an allied field

Judith A. Resnik Scholarship Fund of the Women's Network Inc.
Female Akron Public Schools students pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, mathematics or an allied field

Karl J. Roden Memorial Scholarship Fund
Winners of the East Central Ohio Mensa essay contest

Coach Terry Ross Achievement Scholarship Fund
Football recipients of the Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund

Joseph L. Ruby Student Scholarship Fund
Students pursuing a career in gerontology, social work, nursing or a related field who live or attend school in Portage, Stark, Summit or Wayne counties

Vincent R. Sandridge Employee Caring Fund
Sandridge Food Corporation employees and their children

Joseph P. Siegferth Sr. and Family Fund
Akron Public Schools, Archbishop Hoban High School, or Woodridge High School seniors who will be attending Bowling Green State University to study elementary education, K-12 physical education, or sports management

Faye L. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund
Winners of the Cuyahoga Falls-Akron-Barberton Elks Lodge Most Valuable Student Competition

John T. and Julia A. Spellman Scholarship Fund
Summit County seniors who demonstrate ambition

Jim Stewart Scholarship Fund
African-American Akron Public Schools seniors pursuing a degree in math, science or mortuary science

Strongsville Women's League Edna Brun Scholarship Fund
Strongsville High School students

Norma B. Summerville Scholarship Foundation Fund
Female graduates of Akron Public Schools who demonstrate academic achievement and financial need

Summit County Master Gardeners Scholarship Fund
Summit County residents who are pursuing a degree in horticulture, agriculture or a related field

Summit County Sports Hall of Fame Bruce Buchholzer Scholarship Fund
High school senior student-athletes in Summit County

Eugene and Arlene True Memorial Scholarship Fund
Cleveland Punch and Die Company employees and their spouses, children and grandchildren

Michelle M. Vasenda Fund
Nursing students who have a significant history of volunteering with a cancer-related organization

David R. Venarge Scholarship Fund
Akron Paint & Varnish employees and their family members

Richard S. Wagner Memorial Swimming Scholarship Fund
Firestone CLC seniors who have participated in the swimming and diving program

Edith Wiskind English Literacy Scholarship Fund
Summit County seniors pursuing a degree in English

Witan Presidents' Scholarship Fund
Nontraditional female seniors at the University of Akron

Woman's Club of Hudson Scholarship Fund
Hudson High School seniors who demonstrate financial need

Anthony Wunderle Memorial Scholarship Fund
Cancer survivors and family members of cancer patients

Vincent Yambrovich Engineering Scholarship Fund
Buckeye High School seniors pursuing an engineering degree

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

Helen Barlow Art Scholarship Fund
Seniors who plan to study drawing, painting or graphic arts

Kenneth Blower Memorial Scholarship Fund
Seniors pursuing a degree in scientific areas of study, including engineering, environmental studies, medicine and biology

Harry D. Bubb Scholarship Fund
Seniors with the greatest academic improvement between their sophomore and senior years

Arthur Caniglia Scholarship Fund
Vocational students who plan to attend Kent State University

Scott Case Memorial Fund
Senior tennis players

Les Dingleline Memorial Scholarship Fund
Senior baseball and softball players

Rosemary Gibbes Memorial Scholarship Fund
Seniors who improve human relations and diversity awareness

Hudson Bicentennial Scholarship Fund
Students with exemplary community service and at least a 3.0 GPA

Hudson Fire Department Association Scholarship Fund
Seniors who have a parent serving on the Hudson Fire Department and are pursuing a degree in public safety

Raymond Marshall Hyser Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund
Senior athletes who display team pride and sportsmanship, as well as academic and athletic excellence

Pauline Klupinski Memorial Scholarship Fund
Senior special education students

Dante B. and Joy W. Lavelli Athletic Academic Scholarship Fund
Senior football players who have demonstrated leadership skills

Burton D. Morgan Foundation Scholarship Fund
Seniors with an entrepreneurial spirit and leadership skills

June Young Pak Memorial Scholarship Fund
Senior lacrosse players

Stevenson Award Fund
Seniors who have accomplished a significant extracurricular achievement

FIELD-OF-INTEREST FUNDS

Akron Community Cemetery Preservation Fund
Historic gravesite restoration and public cemetery beautification in Coventry Township

*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

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

Bath Community Fund
Programs that preserve Bath Township's historical and environmental legacy and meet community needs

*Center for Learning Fund (Est. 1993)
Education programs

Dick and Chris Chenoweth Fund
Human services and education programs

Children's Literacy Fund
Children's literacy programs

Elise's Corner Field of Interest Fund
Research to identify treatments, therapies, and ultimately a cure for Alexander disease and other leukodystrophies

Lisette Ertel Fund
Health and civic causes

Evant Fund
Programs for people with developmental disabilities

H.A. Flannery Family and James R. Flannery Family Fund
Human services and education programs

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

Gay Community Endowment Fund
*Programs that advance a lived equality for all
LGBTQ+ people in Greater Akron*

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

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

Hermine Z. Hansen Fund
Public health institutions

HSC/Summit County Community
Health Fund
*Research to identify and advance solution
models to the opioid addiction crisis in
Summit County*

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

Merna and Edward Kormanik Fund
*Programs that provide food, shelter,
clothing and services to the
underprivileged*

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

Bruce Mansfield Fund
*Substance abuse prevention and treatment
programs*

Virginia Crawford Frazier Moore Wheeler &
Martin Fund
Cemetery maintenance

Medina County Community Fund
*Programs that improve the quality of life for
all Medina County residents*

Medina County Women's Endowment Fund
*Programs that create opportunities for the
educational, physical, emotional, social,
artistic and personal growth of women
and children in Medina County*

*Millennium Fund for Children (Est. 1999)
*Programs that improve the lives of children
throughout the Akron Beacon Journal /
Beaconjournal.com's audience
coverage area*

*Vernon L. Odom Fund (Est. 1993)
*Programs that promote diversity and enrich
the quality of life within local minority
communities*

Ohio Charitable Fund
Barberton nonprofit organizations

Parent Coalition Heritage Fund for
Adults with Special Needs
*Organizations that improve life for adults with
developmental disabilities, including those
that train residential providers*

*Daniel L. and Sherida L. Pohl
Fund (Est. 2014)
Children's programs

The Safety Fund
Safety education programs in Summit County

Sanatorium Contingent Fund
Health causes

Schrank Family Fund
Programs for children and young adults

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

Summit County Opioid Healing Fund
*Organizations that serve Summit County
residents impacted by the opioid epidemic*

Dr. Kenneth F. Swanson Fund for the Arts
Music and fine art programs

Andrea Rose Teodosio Memorial Fund
*Programs that assist the underprivileged
and elderly, address environmental issues,
and promote community service
and education*

Women's Endowment Fund
*Programs that improve the health and
wellness, safety, and economic
empowerment of women and girls in
Summit County*

William C. and Betty J. Zekan Fund
Health and civic causes

BOARD DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

Adam Fund

Akron Community Foundation's
Discretionary Fund

Lou Albertson Endowment Fund

Jean S. and Thomas J. Amer Fund

Betty R. Axline Fund

Board of Directors Annual Giving Fund

Community Fund

Community Response Fund for Nonprofits

*Decker Endowment Fund for
Families (Est. 1995)

Charles C. and Doratheia S. Dilley Fund

John L. Feudner Jr. Fund

Frances H. and Paul A. Frank Fund

Gala Fund

Dorothy Y. and Westi Hansen Fund

Lucille Scott Harris Fund

*Harriet and Herb Herskowitz
Family Fund (Est. 2012)

Institute for Emerging Philanthropists

Alumni Endowment Fund

Institute for Emerging Philanthropists Fund

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)

John A. McAlonan Fund

*W. Bishop & Elizabeth C. McIntosh
Fund (Est. 1966)

Burton D. Morgan Foundation Fund

*Pat and Alan Ockene Fund (Est. 1996)

On the Table Impact Fund

Howard and Margaret Palmer Fund

Rose Mary Picciotti Fund

Polsky Fund

Proactive Grantmaking Fund

Professional Advisor Council Fund

*Helen S. Robertson Fund (Est. 1984)

James G. Robertson Fund

Bud and Susie Rogers 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

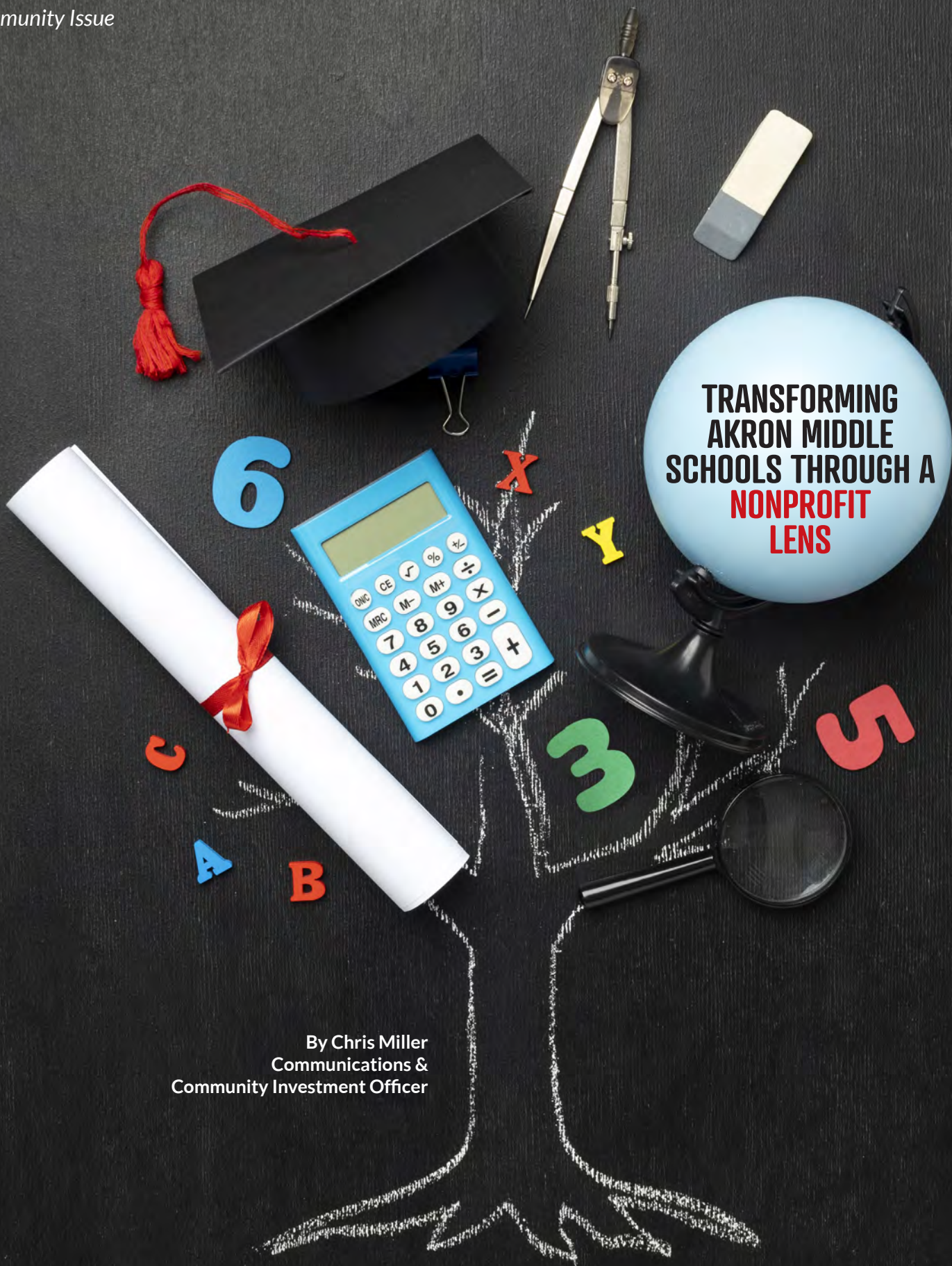
William Wallace Fund

Orpha and Howard Wellock,
Parents of Cheryl Wellock Fund

L. Frank & Angela M. Wilson Fund

Muriel A. Zodrow Fund





**TRANSFORMING
AKRON MIDDLE
SCHOOLS THROUGH A
NONPROFIT
LENS**

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This September, Akron Public Schools (APS) will welcome educators and administrators from all over the country to learn more about an innovative model it launched here in 2017: the College & Career Academies of Akron. The academies are composed of numerous career pathways – from business and health care to engineering and music – which students can explore with the goal of graduating employed, enrolled, enlisted or pursuing entrepreneurship. Many students are even earning industry credentials or college credit for their chosen fields while still in high school.

The fall event, called Akron in Action: A Ford NGL Experience, will showcase Akron's success with the academies, providing other districts with a high-level view of the systemic change taking place within Akron Public Schools, along with demonstrating the extensive and deep engagement of the business, nonprofit and philanthropic communities that make up this educational model. One of those engaged partners is Akron Community Foundation, which has been instrumental in the more recent transformation of Akron's middle schools to this College & Career Academies of Akron (CCAA) model.

"As a member of the Akron in Action Steering Committee, I have seen how transformational this model is and how collaborative our community has been to make this change for our students," said John Garofalo, vice president of community investment for Akron Community Foundation. "Akron in Action is our way to show districts from all over the U.S. what worked for us and how this model can transform a community."

There's a reason for interest from other school districts in the country: The academies model has led to higher graduation rates and industry credential attainment for APS, even amid the pandemic. And while the community foundation has supported the academies transformation from the beginning, it has made a focused commitment to be a critical partner in the transformation of Akron's middle schools.

A BLUEPRINT FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

"The vision to build college and career readiness into the entire K-12 framework at APS was in place since day one," said Rachel Tecca, assistant superintendent and chief of leadership and learning for Akron Public Schools. "We want students to be independent and envision a future for themselves. This requires a long runway of exploration, experiential learning and discovery."

"ACF, a long-term partner of Akron Public Schools, assumed the large role as community convener for our middle school academies," said Tecca. "When we think about the middle school CCAA experience, we want our students to find their passion and interests, and understand that it is important to be a contributing member of their communities. ACF has helped build the infrastructure to allow our students to explore the needs in their communities and the nonprofits that provide assistance for those needs."

To reinforce its commitment to the academies model, Akron Community Foundation funded the creation of a new position, the Middle School CCAA Partner Liaison. This led to the hiring of former APS employee Darlene Shuler, whose job involves meeting with area nonprofits to find partners for APS middle schools. Through these partnerships, students learn about giving their resources – like time, talent and treasure – to causes they care about, along with exploring possible career paths in nonprofits.

AKRON IN ACTION: A FORD NGL EXPERIENCE

The College & Career Academies model, which has been implemented by public school districts around the country, was created by the philanthropic arm of Ford Motor Co.

Called the Ford Next Generation Learning (NGL) Academy, these academies "center the focus on transforming teacher learning, transforming student experience, and transforming business and civic engagement," said Rachel Tecca, assistant superintendent and chief of leadership and learning for Akron Public Schools. "School districts that are designated Ford NGL communities are able to customize the framework by following the Ford NGL roadmap."

"Akron Public Schools is in the fifth step of this roadmap, which involves paying it forward. That's why APS is hosting this fall's Akron in Action. It's a benefit for our district to share with other districts across the nation, while allowing us to be transparent about what is working and what is not working so we can continue to improve the educational experience for our students," Tecca added.

For more information about the College & Career Academies of Akron, visit <https://ccaa.akronschools.com>.

So far, 53 partnership agreements have been signed between APS and local nonprofit organizations.

“As the partner liaison, I wish I’d had an opportunity to learn about philanthropy during my middle and high school years,” said Shuler, who works out of Akron Community Foundation’s office. “What a game changer for the future of our students and families and the communities we live in.”

Although her position is relatively new, Shuler’s experience with the College & Career Academies traces back six years, when she was the program manager for College and Career Services. She also served as co-chair for APS College and Career Exploration Tactical Team, helping to design what is now the working model used by the school system.

“I’m extremely excited to be a part of this middle school transformation and see the transformation continue to grow and come full circle from six years ago,” Shuler said. “Students having an opportunity to learn about nonprofit organizations, through the lens of community awareness and service learning, will have a lasting impact on their future career goals and how students see themselves supporting the community in which they live.”

“Our partnership with ACF has made a huge impact in the middle school academies in a short amount of time,” said Tecca. “We already have over 50 middle school partners. It’s been outstanding.”

NONPROFIT ENGAGEMENT

Though the middle school partnerships with nonprofits are just starting, several agencies have already begun programming with the students, like ACCESS Inc., an Akron-based homeless shelter for women and children, which



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EXPLORE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AT CHILD GUIDANCE

worked with students from Miller South School for the Visual and Performing Arts.

“In our first session, students participated in a roleplay activity in order to understand the firsthand perspective of people experiencing homelessness and looking for housing,” said Jackie Hemsworth, executive director of ACCESS Inc. “Each student received an identity and had to search for a place to live. Every seven minutes constituted a new day, and after a couple of challenging days, some students sat on the floor and gave up. They said it was impossible. It was an enlightening experience that was well received.”

“The experience was valuable for the students,” Hemsworth said, adding, “It is important that middle school-age students interact with and learn about social issues, because we are all part of the community and contribute to its greater good. Students this age truly are interested

and have a lot to contribute.” Along with connecting students to the community, “this is a great time to plant the seeds about careers in nonprofit work,” she added.

Child Guidance & Family Solutions (CGFS) is in the pilot year of a program with Jennings CLC, said President & CEO Karen Talbott. “This year we have participated in several ways, including being part of the Exploring Clubs at Jennings, where our staff members provided hands-on education about their roles to middle school students,” said Talbott. “The most exciting engagement we have had this year involved Jennings coming on site to our CGFS office in Akron to explore our unique building and learn about different careers within the mental health field.” She said the program has done so well, they’ve had to divide the sixth-grade students into two separate days, each featuring 50 students.



APS STUDENTS VISIT ACCESS, INC.

“Many students don’t think about what nonprofit organizations are, what they do, and why they do it,” Talbott added. “This is an opportunity to share with them that nonprofit organizations are community-owned resources and operate solely for the benefit of the community’s well-being.”

But the learning doesn’t just go one way. These nonprofits said they’ve learned a lot organizationally from these partnerships already. For ACCESS, “Working with students has helped us to expand our thinking around who is hearing our messaging and who makes an impact in our community,” said Hemsworth. “We really believe that it is a multigenerational strategy that will help move our community forward in the right direction.”

Talbott said this partnership can offer a way for agency staff to gain a fresh perspective. “Working in the mental health field can be challenging,” she added.

“With this partnership, our staff members can reconnect with their passion for helping others through sharing with students the reasons they chose to work in this field and why they continue to love what they do. It is refreshing for them to revisit what ignited this passion from the beginning and remembering the good they are doing in helping serve others.”

CREATING CHANGE AGENTS AMONG STUDENTS

While academics remain at the forefront of school priorities, the College & Career Academies model has produced peripheral benefits, such as building empathy and helping students understand the delicate issues that impact many people in our community, even their peers.

Another benefit is CCAA students are often easily identifiable by their remarkable professionalism. A recent example of this, said Tecca, is after conducting interviews for Rotary Club

scholarships, one of the interviewers noted how well all 40 students could speak articulately about their pathways and their benefits.

“That’s the kind of feedback I like to hear,” Tecca added. We also had a recent APS graduate speak at the March demonstration event. She detailed her experience with the College & Career Academies and how it helped her plan for a career after high school. She accepted a job at Akron Children’s Hospital and currently receives full tuition reimbursement to pursue her degree while employed.”

Talbott pointed to another possible benefit of CCAAs: students having more focus and direction. “Having a more clearly defined future direction is one of the goals encapsulated in APS’ Portrait of a Graduate, and these career exploration opportunities pave the way for increased clarity once the students reach high school and beyond,” she said.

This experience will help shape these young people in unique ways, said Shuler, the Middle School CCAA Partner Liaison. “Not every student will want to work at a for-profit organization, but they see themselves as giving back to their community through service learning and being a change agent, and nonprofit organizations provide students with that knowledge and opportunity,” she said.

“And even if working for a nonprofit is not in their future, understanding the complexities of our community will hopefully have positive long-term effects for these students,” said Garofalo. “We hope it will help instill in them the value of giving back.”

Nonprofits interested in participating in the middle school academies can contact Darlene Shuler at das18572@apslearns.org.



FUNDS & INITIATIVES

BATH COMMUNITY FUND

Bath Community Fund announced 21 grants totaling \$50,000 this past December. This latest round of grants marks the largest amount awarded in a single year and brings the fund's cumulative grantmaking total to more than \$150,000 since it was created in 2014. Congratulations to the advisory board members, volunteers and donors who helped the fund reach this tremendous milestone! For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/BCFgrants.

Bath Community Fund will host its 2022 annual meeting on Aug. 18 at Hale Farm & Village. The event celebrates Bath Community Fund's impact in the community and recognizes its most recent grant recipients. To receive an invitation, sign up for the fund's e-newsletter at www.akroncf.org/BCFnews.

Applications for the fund's next round of grants are due Oct. 1. Apply online starting Sept. 1 at www.akroncf.org/applyBCF.

GAY COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND

In March, the Gay Community Endowment Fund announced its fourth round of impact grants to programs that create safer environments for LGBTQ+ youth, combat phobias of the LGBTQ+ community, and support mental health and suicide prevention programs for LGBTQ+ people. Among this year's recipients is the Akron AIDS Collaborative, which received a \$7,500 grant to support the Bayard Rustin LGBTQ+ Resource Center. This new

community collaboration provides emergency housing referrals, job readiness training, mental health counseling, and other comprehensive support services for LGBTQ+ people of color throughout Summit County. Altogether, the fund awarded \$60,000 to local nonprofit organizations this year. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/GCEFgrants.

On June 3, the Gay Community Endowment Fund hosted its 2022 annual celebration, "exhALE: Advancing Lived Equality." Proceeds from the event benefited the GCEF Scholarship Fund, which awards academic scholarships to LGBTQ+ and allied students in Greater Akron. Planning is also underway for the 21st annual Sugar Plum Tour of Holiday Homes on Sunday, Dec. 4. To receive event news and updates, sign up for the fund's e-newsletter at www.akroncf.org/GCEFnews.



Finally, congratulations to advisory board member Jacob Nash, who was honored by Cleveland Magazine as a 2021 Community Leader of the Year. Jacob was recognized for his work with Margie's Closet, a nonprofit thrift boutique he and his wife, Erin, founded to provide affordable clothing to transgender and nonbinary youth and adults.

To learn more, visit www.akroncf.org/CLEAwards. Congratulations, Jacob, and thank you for all you do to empower the local LGBTQ+ community!

MEDINA COUNTY COMMUNITY FUND

The Medina County Community Fund will announce its 2022 grant awards at its annual Spark Hope event on June 23. The event will honor the fund's co-founders, Nobby Lewandowski and Jack Holland, and proceeds will support the fund's grantmaking to programs that improve the quality of life of all Medina County residents.

To increase its grantmaking impact, the Medina County Community Fund recently created the Pillars of Giving Circle. Donors who join this giving circle receive special recognition at the fund's annual meeting and advance communications about its latest news. For more information, visit www.akroncf.org/POG.

MEDINA COUNTY WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

The Medina County Women's Endowment Fund supports programs that create opportunities for the educational, physical, emotional, social, artistic and personal growth of women and children in Medina County. Since its establishment in 1998, the fund has grown to nearly \$500,000 and awarded more than \$240,000 in grants. This year, the Medina County Women's Endowment Fund continues to grow its impact in the community through the Legacy Tree of Giving. Donors to this strategic giving circle have pledged to give at least \$1,000 each year to increase the fund's grantmaking to programs that meet the growing needs of women and children in Medina County. To learn more about the Legacy Tree of Giving, visit www.akroncf.org/LTOG.

MILLENNIUM FUND FOR CHILDREN

In December, the Millennium Fund for Children awarded 24 grants totaling \$40,300 to children's programs throughout Greater Akron. This newest round of grants provided winter coats for children in foster care, purchased school supplies for students at Innes CLC, and supported theater program scholarships for children from low-income families, among other initiatives. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/MillenniumGrants.

Created in 1999 as a partnership between the Akron Beacon Journal and Akron Community Foundation, the Millennium Fund for Children has since grown to nearly \$1.3 million and awarded almost \$900,000 in grants to grassroots children's programs. Applications for the fund's next round of grants are due Sept. 1. Apply online starting Aug. 1 at www.akroncf.org/applyMillennium.

VERNON L. ODOM FUND

This spring, the Vernon L. Odom Fund awarded 10 grants totaling \$9,300 to programs that promote diversity and enrich the quality of life within local minority communities. Several of this year's grants supported programs that prepare students for higher education, including workshops that introduce Black middle school students to STEM careers. Other grants awarded this year will help single fathers develop stronger relationships with their children, provide groceries to immigrants in the North Hill neighborhood, and empower Black women to overcome obstacles to their re-entry in the community. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/OdomGrants.

WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

On March 9, more than 400 guests joined the Women's Endowment Fund in celebrating women's philanthropy at the fund's virtual "For Women, Forever" event. This year's event featured a keynote address by Julie Boland, U.S. Chair and Managing Partner and Americas Managing Partner-Elect of Ernst & Young LLP. The fund also honored Dr. Sandy Auburn with the seventh annual Judith A. Read Tribute Award for Service & Advocacy for Women.

That evening, the fund announced \$204,000 in grants to programs that uplift, empower and educate local women and girls. These awards bring the fund's cumulative grantmaking total to more than \$1.9 million. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/WEFgrants. Applications for the fund's next round of grants are due Nov. 1. Apply online starting Oct. 1 at www.akroncf.org/applyWEF.

This spring, the Women's Endowment Fund raised nearly \$50,000 through its annual "Who Is Your SHero?" campaign. The campaign celebrates inspiring women who have made a significant impact through their personal and professional achievements. Meet this year's SHero ambassadors and learn more about the campaign at www.yourshero.org.



JUDITH A. READ TRIBUTE AWARD
RECIPIENT DR. SANDY AUBURN



SHERO COURTNEY JOHNSON-BENSON

STUDENTS

▶ On The Move

In fiscal year 2022, Akron Community Foundation funds awarded 235 scholarships totaling \$476,859 to students who are pursuing their educational dreams at home and across the country.



AAUW of Medina County Scholarship Fund

Sarah Bullington, Cuyahoga Community College
 Jeanne Merchant, Cleveland State University
 Aneta Mullins, Cuyahoga Community College

Acorn Scholarship Fund

Macara Hitchcock, Kent State University
 Allan Thomas, The Ohio State University

Richard L. Averitte Memorial Scholarship Fund

Sofia Davis, Ohio University
 Casey Ha, Kent State University (Stark Campus)
 Garrett Persinger, University of Alabama

Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund

Christian Casto, The University of Akron
 Amanda Forester, Kent State University
 Donovan Mills, Hiram College

Martin O. Chapman and Roberta M. Chapman Humanitarian Scholarship Fund

Omarion Gibson, The University of Akron

Richard Chenoweth Qualified Designated Scholarship Fund

Jaret Barclay, Hiram College
 Jorie Capper, The Ohio State University
 Ravyn Carter, The University of Akron
 Anna Gray, The University of Akron
 Jocelyn Hujar, Michigan State University
 Madison Johnson, Bowling Green State University
 Madison Kaufman, The University of Akron
 Edwin McDonnell, Kent State University
 Da'Veonna Nash, University of Mount Union
 Josue Panchana, The University of Akron
 Alexis Robles, Kent State University
 Maney Vene, The University of Akron
 Wan Yu, The Ohio State University

Tara Lynn Clossman Memorial Fund

Arisa Holcomb, The University of Akron

Coming Together Diversity Scholarship Fund

Jamil Wright, The Ohio State University

Michael Corbett Memorial Fund

Laura Kupper, The University of Akron
 Joseph Medkeff, West Liberty University

Dirk J. Desanzo Memorial Scholarship Fund

Alec Kristian, Miami University

Margot Eiseman Scholarship Fund

Meghan Vieltorf, Columbus College of Art and Design

Roland E. Gamble Memorial Fund

Nathan Herchl, Ohio University

Ann Lane Gates Scholarship Fund

Star Griffin, The Ohio State University

GCEF Scholarship Fund

Moira Armstrong, Kent State University
 Brooklynn Campbell, The University of Akron
 May Cheline, Kent State University
 Shawn Schreckengost, Kent State University

Erwin & Katherine Geis Scholarship Fund

Jillian Chapman, The University of Akron
 Calvin Dempsey, Benedictine High School
 Nathaniel Jones, Shawnee State University
 Regan Krist, College of Charleston
 Sydney Lienert, Indiana University Bloomington
 Sophia Martin, Holy Family School
 Juliana Michael, Kent State University
 Carson Miller, Ohio University



Jacob Paltani, The Ohio State University
 Erin Stock, Kent State University
 Joseph Stock, Archbishop Hoban High School
 Hilary Woytek, Padua Franciscan High School

Hanlon Family Scholarship Fund

Owen Denowski, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School
 Angelo Puglia, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School

Morgan Hasbrouck 4-H Scholarship Fund

Maria Lonneman, Kent State University
 Isabelle Puleo, University of Mount Union

Abby Lippy Memorial Scholarship Fund

Natalie Brown
 Nathan Herchl, Ohio University

Litchfield Community Scholarship Fund

Gabrielle McDonald, Grand Canyon University
 Kara Sexton, Cuyahoga Community College & Ohio Christian University
 Autumn Sims, Ashland University

Joan Lutz Scholarship Fund

Alyssa Rightnour, Ohio University
 Jackson Vogel, Northwestern University

Kate Lieberth Lytton Education in Dance Fund

Karli Czartoszewski, Ballet Metropolitan Inc.
 Madison Epps, Nan Klinger Excellence in Dance
 Kennedy Gordon, The University of Akron Dance Institute
 Ariana Moneskey-Jones, Chautauqua Institution
 Layla Motley, Chautauqua Institution
 Noria Nuru, The University of Akron Dance Institute

Scott T. Malson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Johnathan Heisa, The Ohio State University
 Adam Oscarson, Mercyhurst University

Marbles Champions Scholarship Fund

Kathryn Lively, Marietta College

Frank Meadows Scholarship Fund

Reagan Dudones, The University of Akron
 Haley Goff, Youngstown State University

Medina Sunrise Rotary Fund

Olivia Clady, The Ohio State University
 Chloe Cleland, Converse University
 Carlos Levine, Bowdoin College
 Emily Winnicki, The College of Wooster

Esther Simonetti Owen Future Educators Scholarship Fund

Arisa Holcomb, The University of Akron

Sr. Loretta Rafter Scholarship Fund

Ashlie Ferich, Stark State College

Judith A. Resnik Memorial Fund

Gabriel DiFiore, The Ohio State University
 Jason Do, The University of Akron
 Joseph Gorsuch, The Ohio State University
 Chase Mizell, SUNY Cobleskill
 Chika Nkwocha, The Ohio State University
 Milan Radonjich, The Ohio State University
 Helen Trujillo, Case Western Reserve University
 Camryn Woodley, Muskingum University

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

Breya DeGraffinreed, University of Michigan
 Anne Harris, Ohio Northern University
 Sydney Moshier, West Virginia University
 Anisha Rai, The University of Akron



Scholarships (Cont.)

Joseph L. Ruby Student Scholarship Fund

Lauren Wendt, The University of Akron

Vincent R. Sandridge Employee Caring Fund

Hope Conrad, Kent State University
Nathan Conrad, Vincennes University
Amanda Day, Baldwin Wallace University
David Dikic, Ohio Northern University
Taylor Howman, Ashland University
Joseph Hubert, Bethany College
Hannah Ihrig, Eastern Michigan University
Reagan Karns, Kent State University
Taylor Laveira, University of Arizona Global Campus
Ashley Leatherman, The University of Akron
Rowan McDonald, Appalachian State University
Helaina Novak, The University of Akron
Mark Ogden, Illinois Central College
Jacob Persic, University of Cincinnati
McKenzie Taylor, Bowling Green State University
Chelsey Webb, The College of Wooster

Joseph P. Siegfert Sr. and Family Fund

Arisa Holcomb, The University of Akron
Jocelyn Hujar, Michigan State University

Faye L. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund

Anne Hart, University of Dayton
Sarah Holmes, Baldwin Wallace University
Bennett Miller, The Ohio State University
William Thompson, Gannon University
Haley Vasko, The University of Akron

John T. and Julia A. Spellman Scholarship Fund

Jeremy Dang, Youngstown State University
Helen Gao, University of Maryland, Baltimore
Leah Hall, Bowling Green State University
Olivia Litvin, The Ohio State University
Ryan Persinger, Bowling Green State University
Anisha Rai, The University of Akron
Jamil Wright, The Ohio State University

Strongsville Women's League Edna Brun Scholarship Fund

Samantha Hepp, Case Western Reserve University
Julia Hogg, Furman University
Emma Platten, Ohio University

Norma B. Summerville Scholarship Foundation Fund

Aunique Blackwell, Columbus State Community College
Ashanti Brooks-Donnie, Kent State University
Brea DeGraffinreed, University of Michigan
Destiny Druso, The Ohio State University
Kendell Faircloth, The Ohio State University
Helen Gao, University of Maryland, Baltimore
Audrey Hartman, University of Mount Union
Grace Kosco, The College of William & Mary
Mar Lin, The Ohio State University
Amber Long, The University of Akron
Ti'Yarine Maera, The University of Akron
Julia Mitchell, The George Washington University
Da'Veonna Nash, University of Mount Union
Chika Nkwocha, The Ohio State University
Helen Trujillo, Case Western Reserve University
Wendy Vargas, The University of Akron

Eugene and Arlene True Memorial Scholarship Fund

Charles Baker, The University of Akron
Brooke Brodie, Grove City College
Rhett Brodie, The University of Akron

Michelle M. Vasenda Fund

Suzanna Vang, The University of Akron



Richard S. Wagner Memorial Swimming Scholarship Fund

Abigail Kmet, The University of Findlay

Edith Wiskind English Literacy Scholarship Fund

Maeve Gaffney, Trinity College Dublin, The University of Dublin

Witan Presidents' Scholarship Fund

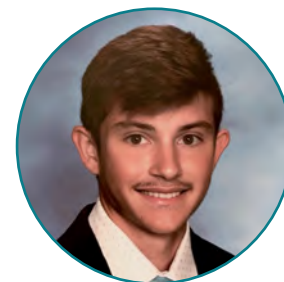
Lauren Jeunnette, The University of Akron

Woman's Club of Hudson Scholarship Fund

Owen Edwards, University of Cincinnati
Cole Osburn, Kent State University

Anthony Wunderle Memorial Scholarship Fund

Joshua Ferry, Cleveland State University
Davida Pantuso, Kent State University
Panagiotis Tsarouhas, The University of Akron



HUDSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT FUND RECIPIENTS

Marion Albee Scholarship Fund

Mackenzie DeWitt, The Ohio State University
Lilyanna Sutphin, Kent State University

Barlow Fund

Brenna Beucler, Samford University
Ainsley Blue, The Ohio State University
Ruby Corpus, Muhlenberg College
Jacob Cox, Northwestern University
Mackenzie DeWitt, The Ohio State University
Samantha Dragar, Duquesne University
Colin Fitz, Kent State University
Annie Galat, DePaul University
Sydney Gallagher, Kent State University
Macy Gasser, University of Kentucky
Mikala Goodloe, Case Western Reserve University
Trinity Goodloe, Case Western Reserve University
Caroline Groff, University of South Carolina
Emmaline Hannan, John Carroll University
Nathan Herchl, Ohio University
Ashley Hoeh, Miami University
Luke Imes, The Ohio State University
Charlotte James, Kent State University
Ricky Jia, University of Michigan
Sydney Jones, Ohio University
Hanna Killeen, The Ohio State University
Yeji Kim, Yale University
Grace Koennecke, Ohio University
Andrew Layton, The Ohio State University
Patrick Li, University of North Carolina
Chris Lipczynski, Miami University
Amanda Liu, The Ohio State University
John Main, The Ohio State University
Joseph Margida, Bowling Green State University
Boston Meeker, Miami University
Cecily Merrick, The Ohio State University
Tyler Miller, Denison University
Hazuki Nakamura, The Ohio State University
Gabriella Offredo, The Ohio State University
Adam Oscarson, Mercyhurst University
Andrew Oscarson, Indiana University
Jacob Paltani, The Ohio State University
Mary Bridget Perez, Kent State University
Payton Polak, Savannah College of Art and Design
Spencer Pulte, The Ohio State University
Kevin Reiman, Ohio University
Alyssa Rightnour, Ohio University
Kaitlyn Roegner, Georgia Institute of Technology
Caitlyn Rosenberg, University of South Florida
Madison Roukey, Bucknell University
Kayla Roumie, Temple University
Grace Safarz, University of Cincinnati
Hannah Savarino, Kent State University



Laurel Seberg, University of Georgia
 Jordan Seiple, Kent State University
 Emma Silverman, University of Florida
 Isabella Spalding, Kent State University
 Lily Swain, Dickinson College
 Matthew Taylor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Cole Tremmel, University of Cincinnati
 Aryan Tyagi, The Ohio State University
 Jackson Vogel, Northwestern University
 Jacob Weiner, Carnegie Mellon University
 Katherine Wen, The Ohio State University
 Abigail Young, The Ohio State University
 Abbi Zahn, The Ohio State University
 Alexander Zito, Kent State University
 Sophia Zulantz, Kent State University

Kenneth Blower Memorial Scholarship Fund

Alyssa Bezdek, Marquette University
 Mikala Goodloe, Case Western Reserve University

Harry D. Bubbs Scholarship Fund

Jacob Cox, Northwestern University

Arthur Caniglia Scholarship Fund

Colin Fitz, Kent State University
 Riley Gaynor, Kent State University

Scott Case Memorial Fund

Asher Chluda, University of Dayton
 Laura Nijhuis

Les Dingledine Memorial Scholarship Fund

Madison Roukey, Bucknell University
 Corey Strazek, Ohio Wesleyan University

Hudson Bicentennial Scholarship Fund

Mikala Goodloe, Case Western Reserve University
 Katherine Wen, The Ohio State University

Raymond Marshall Hyser Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Emmaline Hannan, John Carroll University
 Matthew Mehelic, Cleveland State University

Pauline Klupinski Memorial Scholarship Fund

Molly Bacon, Kent State University

Dante B. and Joy W. Lavelli Athletic Academic Scholarship Fund

Jacob Paltani, The Ohio State University

Burton D. Morgan Foundation Scholarship Fund

Patrick Li, University of North Carolina

June Young Pak Memorial Scholarship Fund

Matthew Mehelic, Cleveland State University
 Adam Oscarson, Mercyhurst University

Stevenson Award Fund

Boston Meeker, Miami University

STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS

Thank you so much for the scholarship! This money will go a long way when paying for tuition and books. I'm so grateful to have the support of community organizations like yours.

Brooklynn Campbell
GCEF Scholarship Fund



Thank you so much for choosing me to be the recipient of the 2021 Richard S. Wagner Memorial Swimming Scholarship! I am so grateful for this honor and know that this will help me with my college expenses. The Akron Firestone Swim Team has made such a positive impact on my life and has ingrained my love for swimming. I am looking forward to continuing my swimming at the University of Findlay.

Abigail Kmet
Richard S. Wagner Memorial Swimming Scholarship Fund



The Kate Lieberth Lytton Education in Dance scholarship will have a huge impact on myself and my family. This scholarship will allow me to keep dancing this summer without stress or financial issues for my family. For me, this scholarship is an important step in my dance journey that motivates me and will make me work even harder.

Ariana Moneskey-Jones
Kate Lieberth Lytton Education in Dance Fund



Start A Scholarship! Build a brighter future for local students by starting a scholarship fund in your family's or organization's name. To learn more, contact Margaret Medzie, vice president and chief development officer, at mmedzie@akroncf.org or 330-436-5610.

Class Two of the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists (Pictured L to R): Scott Read, Class Advisor; Tim Able; Sandy Parker; Kevin Kroskey; Kimberly Young; Andy Little; Karen Hrdlicka, Director of The Center for Family Philanthropy at Akron Community Foundation; and Michael Little. Not Pictured: Jon Steven Antalvari Jr., Erin Johnson and Dannika Stevenson



NOTEWORTHY

SECOND CLASS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR EMERGING PHILANTHROPISTS GRADUATES

Congratulations to the graduating members of this year's Institute for Emerging Philanthropists class! Offered through The Center for Family Philanthropy at Akron Community Foundation, the Institute teaches participants evidence-based methods of practicing strategic philanthropy, while connecting them with a network of highly motivated charitable professionals. Congratulations to the nine individuals who worked diligently during this seven-session program to identify their personal philanthropic goals, and thank you for the \$45,000 you awarded in grants. We're grateful to all of you for making what we know will be a lifelong commitment to improving our community.

ACF CELEBRATES STAFF PROMOTIONS, ADDITIONS

Congratulations to Cristina González Alcalá, Ph.D., and Debra Hoffman on their recent promotions!

Cristina, who was promoted to Director of Community Investment, joined the foundation in October 2019 to cultivate relationships with local nonprofits and manage our quarterly Community Fund grantmaking process, assisting our board of directors in awarding and evaluating quality grants. Most recently, she helped the community investment staff and board committee complete a racial equity impact assessment on our grantmaking process.



Deb, who joined the foundation's team in August 2019, was recently promoted to Affiliate Fund Engagement Manager. In her new leadership role, Deb will be responsible for planning and overseeing the work of the foundation's seven affiliate funds, whose mission is to make grants and raise endowment funds to impact specific geographic and interest areas.



We're also excited to welcome two new staff members to our team.

Olivia Eastly joins the foundation as our new Marketing & Communications Coordinator and is primarily responsible for providing marketing support to our affiliate funds. Olivia previously worked as a digital strategist for a political advocacy agency based in Washington, D.C. She has a bachelor's degree in public relations from Kent State University.



Michelle Nissel comes to the foundation after working as a virtual assistant for multiple entrepreneurs and agencies. As our Development & Marketing Assistant, she will provide administrative support for both departments. Michelle has a bachelor's degree in human resources management from Western Governors University.



ACF BOARD, PROFESSIONAL ADVISOR COUNCIL MEMBERS HONORED

Congratulations are in order for the following board and council members who have been recognized for their dedication to the betterment of our community.

Board member and Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro is the recipient of two recent awards: the Bernard I. Rosen Community Service Award from Victim Assistance Program and the H. Peter Burg Award from the Greater Akron Chamber. One of our newest board members, Theresa Carter, was honored with the Read Family Friend of Young Leaders Award from Torchbearers this spring.

And Jesse Hurst, Professional Advisor Council member and CEO of Impel Wealth Management, was recently recognized on Crain's Cleveland Business's list of 2021 Notable Wealth Managers. As a member of our Professional Advisor Council, we've seen firsthand how Jesse skillfully uses philanthropy to meet his clients' financial and charitable goals.

Congratulations on these well-deserved honors!

PRESIDENT AND CEO AMONG REGION'S MOST INFLUENTIAL LEADERS

Congratulations to our president and CEO, John T. Petures Jr., for being named one of the 500 most influential leaders in the region by Cleveland Magazine for a second year.

To see the full list, visit www.akroncf.org/Cleveland500.



FUND AWARDS SECOND ROUND OF ADDICTION-RELATED GRANTS

The Summit County Opioid Healing Fund, established by the Opiate Abatement Advisory Council using settlement funds from Summit County's federal opioid trial, awarded \$260,000 in grants during its second round of funding in March, bringing total funding to \$600,000. Grants from this fund support nonprofits or programs that are not currently funded by the Summit County ADM Board, along with programs that offer peer support services, recovery-oriented services, and community-based recovery events. Summit County Council also approved providing an additional \$250,000 to the fund to

continue offering these grants to organizations on the front lines of the opioid epidemic. For more information about the programs that received funding, visit www.akroncf.org/SCOHgrants.

AKRON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION INCLUDES FRIENDS OF ACF

Akron Mayor Dan Horrigan appointed board member Ernie Pouttu as an honorary chair of the Akron Bicentennial Commission, which is responsible for planning the city's bicentennial celebration in 2025.

Additionally, our most recent Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award recipient and former board member, Dave Lieberth, will serve as the commission's executive secretary.

Congratulations and thank you both for helping our city celebrate 200 years!

EVENTS

ACF ANNUAL MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 12 | 5:30-7 P.M. HILTON AKRON/FAIRLAWN

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