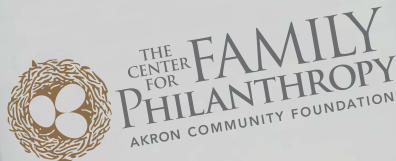


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Seen on Cedar Street

On display at Akron Community Foundation are works by talented local artists like Jennifer Worden, whose art titled "Ledges" can be seen in our lobby. Many of the pieces are available for purchase by contacting De Shawn Pickett at dpickett@akroncf.org or 330-376-8522.

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FAMILIALTIES

By John T. Petures Jr.

By their very nature, community foundations are place-based.

It makes sense – we even have the word community in our name. For nearly 65 years, Akron Community Foundation has been embracing and enhancing the permanent philanthropy of individuals, families and businesses who continue to give back and uplift all of us, both now and forever. It's a proud legacy that links us to some of Akron's earliest founding families, who came here long before the idea of a community foundation was first dreamed of and championed in 1955.

When we consider our heritage, nothing connects us more intimately and passionately to this place we call home than our families. Generations of Akronites have stayed here, moved back, or reflect fondly on what a generous and caring community we have in Greater Akron and Summit County. As someone who has spent time in three different states in my nearly 40-year professional career, I have come to love this special place. The people of our community treasure their roots, solve problems, and genuinely strive to improve the human condition around them.

It's this spirit that drives Akron Community Foundation's decision to create The Center for Family Philanthropy, a first in

the region. On May 16, more than 800 of you joined us at the University of Akron's E.J. Thomas Hall, where we welcomed Emmy Award-winning musician and philanthropist Peter Buffett (son of famed investor and businessman Warren Buffett) for a performance celebrating familial ties and giving back as we formally announced the establishment of our new center.

Our commitment to family philanthropy will also include investing in the physical expansion of our headquarters here in Akron to create a welcoming and unique resource center for the families we serve. This new space will allow multiple generations of family members to build a lasting legacy of giving and preserve the proud tradition of philanthropy that has become a hallmark of our community.

I am so grateful for our board of directors, family ambassadors and donors, whose shared vision and dedication have made the center possible. I also applaud our staff, who have worked tirelessly over the last year to research best practices from other family philanthropy centers across the country. We welcome those continued and growing relationships with families and their professional advisors as we work to become our community's leading resource for charitable giving. 🌱

BACK & FORTH

FROM FACEBOOK

Open Arms Adoptions

@OpenArmsAdopt

Our new program, KST by Adoption, focuses on Keeping Siblings Together when they are matched with their forever family. Thank you to Akron Community Foundation for helping us bring this program to the Akron area!

Valor Home

@valor.home

Thank you to Akron Community Foundation for hosting the Summit County Sexual Assault Coalition meeting this month. We were able to pass out our brochures and volunteer opportunities to community partners!

IBH

@IBH.Recovery

Thank you to Akron Community Foundation for awarding IBH Addiction Recovery Center with a \$10,000 grant to track the long-term, post-treatment success of clients who have completed our residential substance abuse treatment program. We share your investment in our community. #recovery #substanceabuse

VANTAGE Aging

@VANTAGEAging

Thank you, Akron Community Foundation, for supporting our mission to help older adults remain independent at home and active in the community! These resources will help us provide behavioral health and home wellness services to more people in Summit County. #PositiveAging



Literacy coaching at Ledgerview Elementary School

Thank you for awarding us with funding to continue our work in reading with school districts for the 2019-2020 school year. We are excited to begin working with the teachers at Dunbar Primary School in Tallmadge next year, and I have already been chatting with the assistant principal about areas where we could support the teachers. I am grateful for your partnership in our mission to increase literacy in Summit County!

Shelley Houser, Ph.D.

The University of Akron Center for Literacy

I would like to thank you again for the invite to the Millennium Fund for Children donor's event. It was a joy to hear from the recipients about the great things they do with the grants they receive from the fund. It inspired me to not only make another donation to the fund, but to also make a mention in the Kenmore Chamber of Commerce's newsletter about the Millennium Fund for Children. I hope it introduces a few more people to this wonderful endeavor and brings more donations for future grants.

John Buntin Jr.

Kenmore Comics & Games

Kudos to Melina (Boyce) for assisting me quickly, painlessly and professionally on a matter that would have otherwise been most difficult. Also, I was on your online system (for fundholders) this morning! Wow. What an amazingly user-friendly tool.

Mike Baach

Fundholder

Donna (Coury), what an incredible way to kick off our new Center for Family Philanthropy. Peter Buffett totally exceeded my expectations. I'm sure our entire community will be buzzing for a long time about last night's program.

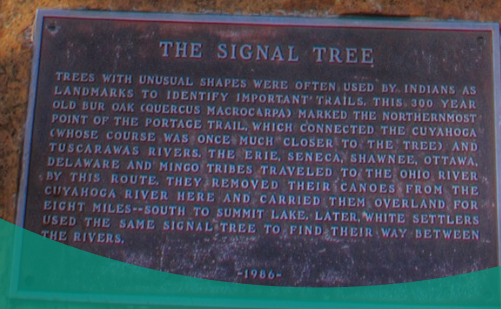
Bill Steere

Board Member

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 Kristen Ashby, Research & Communications Specialist, Akron Community Foundation, 345 W. Cedar St., Akron, OH 44307 or kashby@akroncf.org. Submissions may be edited for length and clarity.

NEW TO OUR FAMILY

NEW FUNDS



During the second half of fiscal year 2019 (Oct. 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019), we were pleased to welcome 24 new funds established by charitable individuals, families and organizations throughout Greater Akron.

Donor-Advised Funds

Ham and Beth Amer Fund
Caritas Tzedakah Fund
Carlisle and Troiano Family Fund
Charlie Fortney Memorial Fund
Mark and Patty Gibbs Family Fund
Hendryx Family Fund
Kihn and Verse Family Fund
Knoll Family Fund Promoting Civility and Acts of Kindness
L4 Project Fund
Manby Family Giving Fund
Robert A. Moore Excellence in Education Family Fund
Mark and Claire Purdy Fund
Steven and Dr. Kathy Shoemaker Fund
Henry C. Young Fund

Designated Funds

Emmanuel Christian Academy Legacy Fund
Blaize Lishewski Memorial Fund
Established to support IBH Addiction Recovery Center
Peter Piglia Designated Fund
Established to support St. Vincent-St. Mary High School

Agency Endowment Funds

Mary Jane Finley-Camp Endowment Fund
of Battered Women's Shelter
Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library
Endowment Fund
Medina Youth Lacrosse Association Endowment Fund
Myers Foundation New Music Fund
Established to support Tuesday Musical Association
West Akron Baseball League Endowment Fund
Western Reserve Public Media Endowment Fund

Field-of-Interest Funds

Evant Fund
*Established to provide services to the developmentally disabled
community in Summit County*

 *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, 2018, to March 31, 2019:

Steven Cox Roetzel & Andress LPA
Chad Immel Edward Jones
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Brad Schlang Cedar Brook Group

Are you an advisor? Learn how we can assist you at www.akroncf.org/Advisors.



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

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

DO IT WITH HELP

Learn more about your fund options at www.akroncf.org/FundTypes.



Thank you to the more than 640 fundholders who have trusted Akron Community Foundation to steward and grow your philanthropic dollars. Greater Akron is stronger and more vibrant thanks to the \$10.9 million you invested back into the community this year.

ADVISED FUNDS

Acorn Fund
 Addicott-Albanese 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
 Apple Growth Partners Community Outreach Charitable Giving Fund
 Rev. Dr. Byron Arledge Fund
 *Howard Atwood Family Fund (Est. 2009)
 Sandy K. and Mark S. Auburn Fund
 Steven Baach Charities Fund
 Tom, Mary and Becky Babcox Family Foundation Fund
 Bruce S. and Sandra S. Bailey Family Fund
 Bailey-Culp Family Fund
 Marilyn and Tom H. Barrett 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
 Rob and Alyssa Briggs Fund
 Brockman Family Fund
 Brown Family Foundation Fund
 Thomas, Ani & Lucca Bruno Family Fund
 Marilyn Meyers Buckley Family Fund
 Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs Fund
 *Lisle M. Buckingham Endowment Fund (Est. 1988)
 H. Peter Burg Fund
 Alice J. Caniglia Fund
 Cantine-Nora Family Fund
 Carlson Family Fund
 Michael James Carmack Family Fund
 Linda and Jared Chaney Family Fund
 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
 Costa Family Fund
 Steven and Melissa Cox Family Fund
 Craine's Cholangiocarcinoma Crew Fund
 DAF23 Fund
 Demas Fund
 Demboski Robinson Family Fund
 Dana Pulk Dickinson 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
 Peggy and John Dotson Fund
 Dougherty Family Fund
 Bud and Barbara Dunaway Family Fund
 Jim and Ann Durr 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
 Suzanne and Peter Fielder Charitable Fund
 Fighting For Alyssa - FFA Fund
 Fir Hill Fund
 Friebert Family Fund
 Ed and Dorothy Gaffney Family Fund

Bennett L. and Linda D. Gaines Fund
 GAR-Donor Advised Fund
 GAR-Islands Fund
 Jayne E. Garofalo Charitable Fund
 Thomas and Anita Gedelian Family Fund
 Rita and David George Family Fund
 Gerstenmaier Family Fund
 Giller Family Fund
 Donald L. and Clare G. Glaser Fund
 *Thomas L. Gower II Fund (Est. 2013)
 Thomas L. and Margaret M. Gower Fund
 Priscilla Graham Fund
 Guerrero and Duby Family Fund
 Halkovich Family Charitable Fund
 Patricia Hansel Fund
 Hanselman/Myers Fund
 Dorothy Y. and Westi Hansen Fund
 *Franklin C. and Patricia R. Harrah Fund (Est. 2013)
 Hart Family Fund
 Richard W. Hauman Family Fund
 Hauser Family Fund
 Frank D. Heckel Fund
 Jennifer Hendryx Legacy Fund for Breast Cancer Research
 Cathy Hilbert Fund
 David & Phyllis Hilbert Fund
 Mark Hilbert Fund
 Juanita M. Hollis & Margaret L. Seitz Fund for the Support of
 Individuals with Intellectual & Physical Disabilities
 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
 Jacobs Family Fund
 Frances M. James Fund
 Steve Johnson and Laurie Zuckerman Family Fund
 Jones Family Fund
 Jones Group Interiors Charitable Fund
 Herbert A. and Jean S. Jones Charitable Trust Fund
 Kanfer Family Fund
 Katz and Kittens Fund
 *Margaret D. Kaufman Fund (Est. 1995)
 Bryan and Susan Kinnamon Family Fund
 Kisling, Nestico & Redick Fund
 Knight Foundation Donor Advised Fund
 Tom and Ginny Knoll Family Fund
 Koblenzer Family Fund
 Paul J. and Susan B. Kruder Family Fund
 Kuczynski Family 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
 John and Regina Lindeman Family Fund
 Eleanor and Roger Lindway Family Fund
 David and Janice Logsdon Charitable Fund
 Bill and Anne Lowery Family Fund
 William and Angela Lowery Family Fund
 MAH Fund
 Robert W. and Paula S. Malone Family Fund
 Michael J. Marz Charitable Fund
 Mascio-Medzie 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
 Sally D. Miller Fund
 Millican Family Fund
 The Mitten Fund
 George Nahmi Family Fund
 Harvey and Kimberly Nelson Family Fund
 Newkome and Saunders Family 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
 Ernest E. and Mary Kay Pouttu Fund
 *Preservation of the Abolitionist Movement Fund (Est. 2007)
 Preziuso Family Fund
 Emma E. & Clarence A. Randall Fund
 Read Family Fund
 Scott T. Read Family Fund
 Real Estate Community Cares 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
 Schrank Harkey Fund
 Seagren Family Fund
 Brian J. Sebastian and Mary A. Sebastian Memorial Fund
 Sandra F. Selby Fund
 Shaffer-Totaro Fund
 John and Lorraine Shannon Family Fund
 Shapiro Family Fund
 Cherie and Steve Shechter Charitable Giving Fund
 Siess Family Fund
 Siff Family Fund 1
 Siff Family Fund 2
 Silver Bullet Fund
 Cynthia L. Slezak Fund
 Bruce & Harriet Smith Foundation
 Snell Family Fund
 Carl E. Snyder Innovation 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
 Amy Jo and Roger Sutterluety Fund
 Betty A. Sweeney Fund
 Tails of HOPE Fund
 Three Trees Fund
 Tifft Family Fund
 TJM/VPM 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
 Waite Family Fund
 Anonymous Giving by Laura L. Wallerstein Fund
 Leo G. Walter III and Mary Ann Walter Family Fund
 Eric Michael Ward Fund for Wadsworth Against Substance Abuse
 Joseph R. and Candi S. Weber Family Fund
 Scott and Margaret Weiner Family Fund
 Jerry H. Welty Family Fund
 *Wilkinson-Gudikunst Designated Family Fund (Est. 2007)
 Ted and Mary Ann Williams Fund
 John M. Wilson and Patricia Pacenta Family Fund
 *Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Fund (Est. 2010)
 Edith and Milt Wiskind Fund
 Alan J. Woll Family Fund
 Merle and Nancy Worman 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
Akron Digital Media Center Designated Fund
Andrew Jackson House Student Art Exhibit Fund
*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. Odum 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 County
Oty Capanna Memorial Fund
St. Paul School's endowment fund
*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
*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; St. Paul School; and the University of Akron Foundation
*Embracing Futures Inc. Charity Fund (Est. 1999)
*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)
*Good Neighbors Endowment Fund (Est. 1995)

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
*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)
*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
*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 Retreat House, Inc. Endowment Fund (Est. 1998)
Lynch Fund
St. Vincent Elementary 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
Charles D. Miller Leadership Fund
Hudson City School District
*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
*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
*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
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
*Mignon Steere Fund for Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park Environmental Education (Est. 2010)
Summit County Police & Fire Community Engagement Fund
Furnace Street Mission
*Summit Education Initiative Fund (Est. 1995)
*Summit Education Initiative Program Fund (Est. 1997)
Summit Metro Parks Foundation Designated Scholarship Fund
*Victory Gallop Inc. Endowment Fund (Est. 2004)
*Volunteer Center of Summit County Endowment Fund (Est. 1996)
United Way of Summit County
*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)
Mobile Meals program of Family & Community Services and the Millennium Fund for Children of Akron Community Foundation
*Robert E. and Judy Everett Wilson Last Dollar Scholarship Fund (Est. 2016)
Kent State University Foundation

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

ACCESS Endowment Fund
Akron Art Museum Endowment Fund
Akron Community Service Center & Urban League Endowment 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 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
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
Blick Clinic Endowment Fund
Brimfield Historical Society Fund
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

* Permanently endowed funds

Community Partnership of Summit County Endowment Fund
Summit County Community Partnership
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 John and Betty Seiberling Scholarship Fund
 Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park Trails
 Forever Legacy Fund
 Countryside Conservancy Fund-In Memory of Darwin Kelsey
Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy
 Cuyahoga Valley Career Center Education Development Fund
 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 Humility of Mary Housing (Est. 2018)
 First Tee of Akron Endowment Fund
 Friends of Akron Public Schools Endowment Fund
 The Friends of The Summit Endowment Fund
 The Friends of The Summit Operating Reserve Fund
 Gardeners of Greater Akron Endowment Fund
 GriefCare Place Inc. Endowment Fund
 Hale Farm and Village Endowment Fund
 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
 Kay Hoover Memorial Fund
Highland Elementary School
 Humane Society Endowment Fund
Humane Society of Summit County
 IBH Foundation Fund
 Interval Brotherhood Home Operating Fund
 Judith Bear Isroff Park Fund
Keep Akron Beautiful
 Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio Endowment Fund
 Keep Akron Beautiful Endowment Fund
 *Kidney Foundation of Ohio Community Fund (Est. 2007)
 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
 Dennis & Holly Endowment Fund for Creativity at
 Magical Theatre Company
 *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
 *Mobile Meals Endowment Fund (Est. 2017)
 Montrose Zion United Methodist Church Permanent Endowment Fund
 NAMI Summit County Endowment Fund
 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)
 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
 Ruth Renner-Percy Memorial Endowment Fund
Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad
 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 DePaul Society at St. Hilary Church Endowment Fund
 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
 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
 Witan Endowment Fund
 Witan Remembrance Fund
Summit Metro Parks – F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm
 *YEPAW Endowment Fund (Est. 1997)

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

AAUW of Medina County Scholarship Fund
Female nontraditional students in Medina County
 Acorn Scholarship Fund
Akron Public Schools seniors with financial need, particularly visual and performing arts participants
 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
 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
 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
 Dombro-Fielder Communication Scholarship for Women
Female students from Akron public or parochial high schools who plan to study 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 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 study in Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit and Wayne counties

Erwin & Katherine Geis Scholarship Fund
Geis Companies employees and their children
 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 Businessmen's 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 graduating 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
 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
 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
 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 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
Employees of APV Engineered Coatings and their spouses, children and grandchildren

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. Bubbs 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

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

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 Tikun 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/Ohio.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 causes

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

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

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

Jean S. and Thomas J. Amer Fund

Betty R. Axline Fund

Board of Directors Annual Giving Fund

Community Fund

*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

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)

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

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

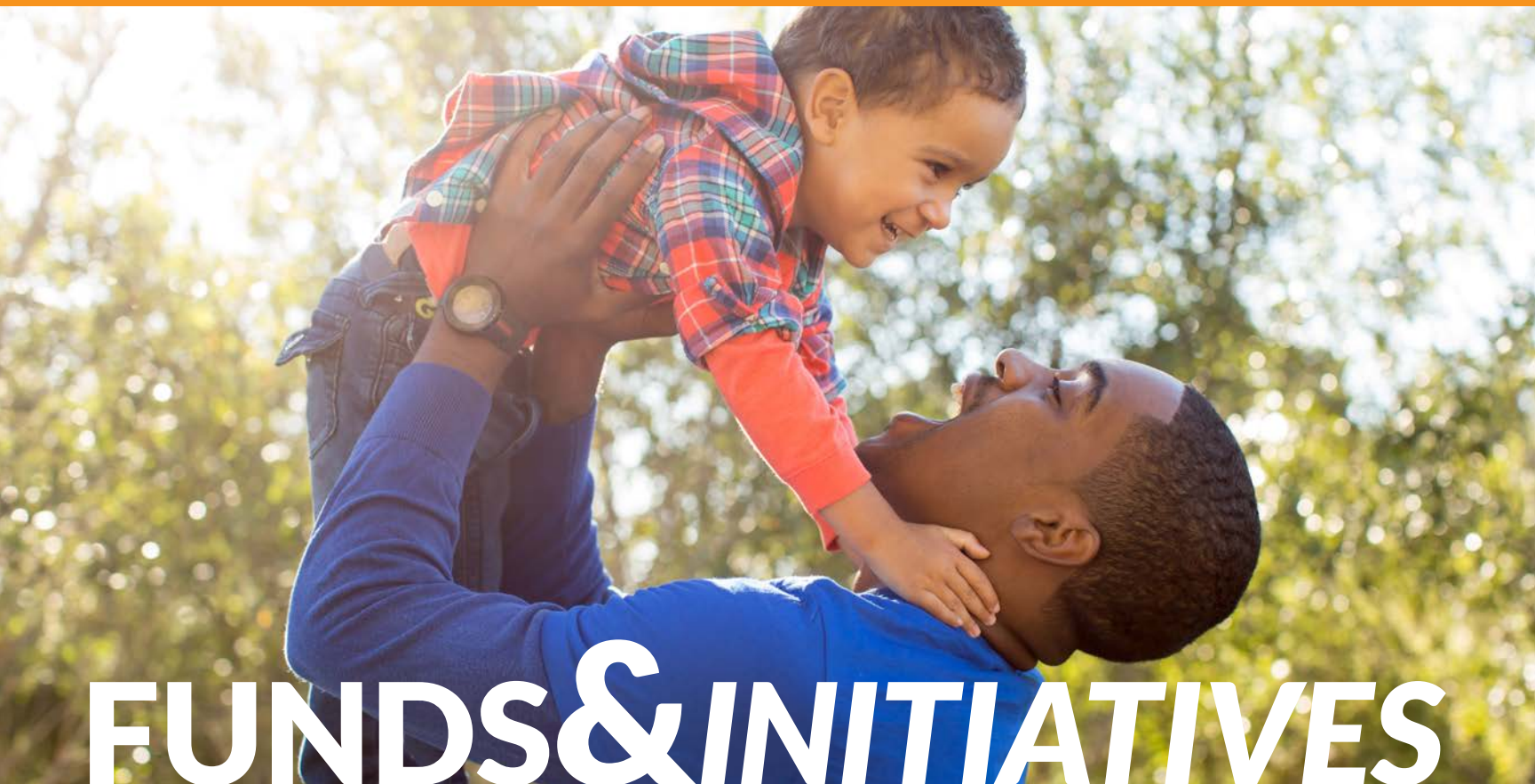
Orpha and Howard Wellock, Parents of Cheryl Wellock Fund

L. Frank & Angela M. Wilson Fund

Muriel A. Zodrow Fund

* Permanently endowed funds





FUNDS & INITIATIVES

BATH COMMUNITY FUND

On May 2, supporters of Bath Community Fund gathered at Hale Farm & Village for the fund's 2019 annual meeting. The event celebrated Bath Community Fund's impact in the community and recognized its most recent grant recipients. The fund awarded 10 grants totaling \$19,800 last year, bringing its cumulative grantmaking total to nearly \$50,000 since it was founded five years ago. Recent grants have supported the construction of an additional restroom at Bath Community Park and provided food for Revere students in need, among other projects.

At the meeting, outgoing advisory board chair Jody Miller Konstand was recognized for her visionary role in founding and growing the fund. "It was a labor of love," Konstand said. "What we've been able to do together is extraordinary."

This spring, Bath Community Fund is offering residents the opportunity to honor special women in their lives with a gift to the fund's "200 Years – 200 Women" campaign. The campaign commemorates Bath's bicentennial by honoring women who have made a positive impact in the community. Women who are honored will receive a card informing them a gift was made in their name, and donors who give at least \$1,000 will receive a special pin. Learn more at www.akroncf.org/200Women.

Bath Community Fund will award its fourth round of grants this year. Applications 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 first 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. Altogether, the fund awarded \$55,050 to local nonprofit organizations this year, reaching a new grantmaking milestone of more than half a million dollars since it was established in 2001. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/GCEFgrants.

Tickets will soon be on sale for the fund's 2019 annual celebration, which will take place Thursday, Aug. 1, at the Akron Civic Theatre. Proceeds from the event benefit the GCEF Scholarship Fund, which awards academic scholarships to LGBTQ+ and allied students in Greater Akron. Also, stay tuned for information on the Sugar Plum Tour on Sunday, Dec. 8. Learn more at www.gaycommunityfund.org.

Finally, congratulations to GCEF emeritus advisory board member Steve Schmidt, who recently received the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drum Majors Award for his work in co-founding the Gay Community Endowment Fund. The awards are presented annually by Mothers on a Mission to community leaders who embody the ideals of Dr. King, including equality and human rights.



MEDINA COUNTY COMMUNITY FUND

The Medina County Community Fund will present its 2019 grant awards at its annual Spring into Summer event on June 27. The event will feature delicious hors d'oeuvres and signature summer cocktails. Proceeds support the fund's grantmaking to programs that improve the quality of life for all Medina County residents. Recent grants have provided culinary training for people recovering from addiction, transportation for impoverished residents, and musical education for local students. Learn more and purchase tickets at www.akroncf.org/SpringintoSummer.

MEDINA COUNTY WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

On June 13, the Medina County Women's Endowment Fund will host its signature Seasons of Giving event to celebrate philanthropy in Medina County and honor women who are extraordinary role models for giving to others. This year's featured speaker is eight-time Emmy Award-winning news anchor Romona Robinson. The fund will also welcome Judge Jennifer Hensal of Ohio's Ninth District Court of Appeals as its event emcee. That evening, the fund will announce and recognize its 2019 grant recipients. Guests will enjoy heavy appetizers, cocktails, and the chance to mingle with Medina County's most influential business leaders and philanthropists.

Proceeds from Seasons of Giving support the Medina County Women's Endowment Fund's mission of providing grants to nonprofits that create opportunities for the educational, physical, emotional, social, artistic and personal growth of women and children. Learn more and purchase tickets at www.akroncf.org/SeasonsofGiving.



MILLENNIUM FUND FOR CHILDREN

In 2018, the Millennium Fund for Children awarded 31 grants totaling \$43,750 to children's programs throughout Greater Akron. This latest round of grants purchased warm winter pajamas for children in foster care, supported theater class scholarships for children in need, provided trauma counseling for Bhutanese refugee students, and more. Created in 1999 as a partnership between the Akron Beacon Journal/Ohio.com and Akron Community Foundation, the Millennium Fund for Children has since grown to more than \$1 million and invested more than \$750,000 into local children's causes.

Applications for this year's grants are due Sept. 1. Apply online starting Aug. 1 at www.akroncf.org/ApplyMillennium.



VERNON L. ODOM FUND

In March, the Vernon L. Odom Fund awarded \$8,750 in grants to programs that promote diversity and enrich the

quality of life within local minority communities. Several grants supported mentoring programs that help at-risk fathers develop healthy relationships with their children, including classes designed to help fathers secure employment, gain visitation rights and navigate the court system. Other grants awarded this year will support year-round soccer programs for inner-city youth, introduce minority students to STEM careers, and build positive relationships between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/OdomGrants.

WOMEN'S ENDOWMENT FUND

More than 500 local leaders celebrated uplifting women and girls in Summit County during the Women's Endowment Fund's "For Women, Forever" annual dinner on March 5. The event featured a keynote address by GOJO Executive Chair Marcella Kanfer Rolnick, who shared her family's journey of becoming one of the world's most recognized inventors of hand hygiene solutions. The Women's Endowment Fund also honored founding mother Norma Rist with the fourth Judith A. Read Tribute Award for Service & Advocacy for Women.

That evening, the fund announced \$180,000 in grants to programs that improve the health, safety and economic empowerment of local women and girls. These awards bring the fund's total grantmaking to more than \$1.3 million in its 26-year history. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/WEFgrants.



Photo by Shane Wynn

During the month of April, the Women's Endowment Fund celebrated the accomplishments of local SHEroes – inspiring women who have made a significant impact on Greater Akron through their personal and professional achievements. Community members were encouraged to honor their SHEroes by making a gift in their name to the Women's Endowment Fund.

For the third consecutive year, the Women's Endowment Fund utilized a group of SHEro ambassadors to leverage their personal and professional networks to help with fundraising efforts. Each of these SHEro ambassadors pledged to raise \$1,000 for the campaign. Altogether, this year's "Who Is Your SHEro?" campaign raised approximately \$40,000 for the fund. See a full list of donors at www.akroncf.org/SHErogifts.

In fiscal year 2019, Akron Community Foundation funds awarded \$421,312 in scholarships to 188 students who are pursuing their educational dreams at home and across the country.

STUDENTS

➡ On The Move



AAUW of Medina County Scholarship Fund

Jeanne Merchant, Cleveland State University
Susan Toth, The University of Akron

Acorn Scholarship Fund

Mary Grace Corrigan, Baldwin Wallace University
Jordan Euell, Kent State University
Brandon Ferguson, The University of Akron
Macara Hitchcock, Kent State University
Brittany Mosley, The Ohio State University
Nathanael Stauffer, The University of Akron
Allan Thomas II, The Ohio State University

Richard L. Averitte Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kofi Boakye, The University of Akron

Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund

James Bentley Jr., Ohio Wesleyan University
Samuel Forbes, Heidelberg University
Andrew Goodrich, The University of Akron
Sarah Nichols, The Ohio State University

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

Monique Martin, Kent State University

Richard Chenoweth Qualified Designated Scholarship Fund

Kofi Boakye, The University of Akron
Ryan Davis, The Ohio State University
Dustin Franklin, The University of Akron
Leah Hall, Bowling Green State University
Shyann Harvey, The University of Akron
Brennen Harwell, Walsh University
Jillian Kane, Kent State University
Marissa McKinney, Kent State University
Tabitha Meers, The University of Akron
Mariah Muhammad, The Ohio State University
Olivia Myers, The University of Akron
Daphnie Neal, Kent State University (Stark Campus)
Amanda Novak, Cuyahoga Community College
Tree Paw, The University of Akron
Ryan Persinger, Bowling Green State University
Sandra Spellman, Kent State University (Geauga Campus)
Selena Turner, Heidelberg University

Coming Together Diversity Scholarship Fund

Jillian Kane, Kent State University

Michael Corbett Memorial Fund

Tyler Ulbricht, The University of Toledo

Dirk J. Desanzo Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kayla Connelly, Walsh University
Mara Johnson, Indiana State University
Mitchell Monnin, The University of Dayton
Madeline Spence, Indiana University

Dombo-Fielder Communication Scholarship for Women

Olivia Blay, The Ohio State University
[Katherine Hickman, The University of Akron](#)
Macara Hitchcock, Kent State University
Janelle Perry, Central Michigan University

Margot Eiseman Scholarship Fund

Halle McHenry, The University of Akron

Roland E. Gamble Memorial Fund

Alexander Dyer, Miami University

Ann Lane Gates Scholarship Fund

DeAnna Green, Kent State University
Emma McCann, The University of Akron
[Ja'Sean Smith, The University of Toledo](#)

GCEF Scholarship Fund

Kate Croteau, Kent State University
Jennifer Mills, The University of Akron
Anton Van De Motter, The University of Maryland

Erwin & Katherine Geis Scholarship Fund

Molly Boyle, Gilmour Academy
Alyssa Card, Kent State University
Daniel Moore, Kent State University
Colton Murray, The University of Cincinnati
Madison Oplinger, Kent State University
Joseph Stock, St. Hilary School
Nathaniel Torres, St. Edward High School

Hanlon Family Scholarship Fund

Thomas Gupta, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School

Morgan Hasbrouck 4-H Scholarship Fund

Emma Urban, Kent State University (Geauga Campus)

Litchfield Community Scholarship Fund

Tori Gezymalla, Cuyahoga Community College
Nicholas Scandlon, The University of Akron
Jacob Walker, Lorain County Community College

Joan Lutz Scholarship Fund

Mary Korane, The University of Akron
Nicole Neifert, The Ohio State University
Maria Zou, Brown University

Scott T. Malson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Patrick Burdett, The Ohio State University
Anthony Rightnour, The Ohio State University

Marbles Champions Scholarship Fund

Kaitlyn Hicks, Stark State College

Frank Meadows Scholarship Fund

Cassandra Dario, The University of Mount Union
Dustin Franklin, The University of Akron

Medina Sunrise Rotary Fund

Sarah Bihn, Kent State University
Grace Conrad, Kent State University
Isabella Field, The Ohio State University
Bethany Yu, Baldwin Wallace University

Esther Simonetti Owen Future Educators Scholarship Fund

Kofi Boakye, The University of Akron
Reasmey Keo, The University of Akron

Bettie Portwood Summit County Pest Control Association Scholarship Fund

Ashley Ross, The University of Akron

Judith A. Resnik Memorial Fund

John Bowen, The University of Akron
Joseph Gorsuch, The Ohio State University
Ruthanne Hawks, The University of Akron
Jacob Koehler, Ashland University
Adwoa Odoom, Cleveland State University
Nyna Sayarath, The Ohio State University
Camryn Woodley, Muskingum University



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

Anne Harris, Ohio Northern University

Joseph L. Ruby Student Scholarship Fund

Julie Barzal, The University of Akron

Vincent R. Sandridge Employee Caring Fund

Jordan Brichford, Kent State University

Ellyn Hodges, Ohio State ATI

Ashley Leatherman, The University of Akron

James McCormick, Cuyahoga Community College

Taylor Nielsen, Cuyahoga Community College

Jeffrey Ogden, Taylor University

Rachel Pearce, Cuyahoga Community College

Shawn Tahajod, The University of Akron

McKenzie Taylor, Bowling Green State University

Shelby Warner, Baldwin Wallace University

Kayla Weinman, The University of Akron

Faye L. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund

Patrick Potoczak, The University of Michigan

Justin Tinker, Stanford University

John T. and Julia A. Spellman Scholarship Fund

Avery Bable, Ohio University

Leah Hall, Bowling Green State University

Madeleine Peck, The University of Cincinnati

Ryan Persinger, Bowling Green State University

Daniel Tassiello, The Ohio State University

Kelly Weitzel, Kent State University



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 Vice President and Chief Development Officer Margaret Medzie at mmedzie@akroncf.org or 330-436-5610.

Strongsville Women's League Edna Brun Scholarship Fund

Alexandra Rodriguez, Carnegie Mellon University

Hannah Tulloch, The University of Western Ontario

Norma B. Summerville Scholarship Foundation Fund

Zoe Bagal, Bowling Green State University

Brooke Keller, The University of Akron

Jan Leuanglitthidet, The University of Akron

Mar Lin, The Ohio State University

Amber Long, The University of Akron

Dameona Meriweather, The Ohio State University

Julia Mitchell, The George Washington University

Effie Montgomery, The University of Akron

Mary Nicodemus, The University of Akron

Tree Paw, The University of Akron

Destiny Starks, Stark State College

Lindsey VonStein, The University of Akron

Eugene and Arlene True Memorial Scholarship Fund

Tristen Hodgkinson, Youngstown State University

Michelle M. Vasenda Fund

Miranda Wood, Cleveland State University

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: JULIE BARZAL

As a recipient of the 2018-2019 Joseph L. Ruby Student Scholarship, I wanted to thank you from the depths of my heart for funding this scholarship. I am humbled and honored by this gracious gift, which will allow me the opportunity to complete my educational journey as a graduate social work student and be the first in my family to secure a master's degree.

Few realize my beginnings, but I was once a single, teenage mother with little hope of attending college at all. Recognizing the importance of an education for not just my children but myself as well, I enrolled as an adult learner in a field near and dear to my heart: social work. Albeit a struggle, I started the long and financially strenuous trek of going back to college with three school-aged daughters at home.

It was at that time when I took on a part-time position as a home health aide, working in geriatrics. Quickly I learned what vulnerabilities existed in this population, but I also learned how resilient older adults could be, regardless of their sometimes dire circumstances. I knew then that my social work educational goals would be centered on this growing, vulnerable population.

Fast forward to today, and I have a newfound hope in my heart and a newly delivered focus that is driving me into my final semester of graduate school at The University of Akron School of Social Work. I hope to protect the geriatric population not just locally, but statewide as well. I also hope to possibly secure my doctorate in social work in an effort to someday teach at the collegiate level and educate others on the critical needs of older adults.

Once again, thank you all for the vote of confidence and the honor of receiving the Joseph L. Ruby Student Scholarship. I am committed to my education and to the social work field, and I am one step closer to a reality that I once thought was only a dream, thanks to your continued generosity and this scholarship. – Julie Barzal, The University of Akron



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Anna Burr, Baldwin Wallace University
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Matthew Lipczynski, The Ohio State University
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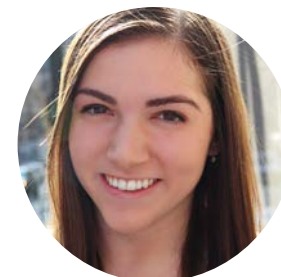
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ALL IN THE *Family*

By Tracy Burt



EVERYONE HAS A STORY TO TELL. The stories of donors at Akron Community Foundation are as unique as the people who tell them. A second-generation business owner who was taught early on to help those less fortunate. A retired nurse whose desire to give started from observing the good works of her mother, who was always willing to lend a hand to friends and neighbors in need. A family honoring a son or daughter lost too soon by giving back to the causes they championed during life.

Yes, their stories and circumstances may be unique, but a common element weaves through nearly every one of them: the importance of familial ties.

THE TRANSFER OF WEALTH

Over the next decade, experts estimate that nearly \$10 billion will transfer from one generation to the next in Summit and Medina counties. With baby boomers thinking about their family's financial future, it's also an opportune time for them to think about how this shift in wealth can affect their community as a whole, specifically through philanthropy.

Akron Community Foundation's president and CEO, John T. Petures Jr., talked about this transfer of wealth with

Adam Burroughs of Smart Business Magazine for the April Akron/Canton issue.

"If (Akron Community Foundation) were to secure 5 percent of that \$10 billion in funds that were established here — not 50 percent, 5 percent — we're talking about ballpark \$537 million worth of assets, added to a community foundation that already has \$200-plus million in assets," Petures said to Burroughs. "Keep doing the math: 5 percent is the payout annually for distributions. Ready for the number? \$27 million worth of grantmaking in a single year."

While these specifics are just hypothetical, the potential for the community is very real. But as Smart Business stated, "Those figures only materialize in nonprofit coffers if the ACF and its wealth-transferring fundholders can make the case to Gen-Xers and millennials — many of whom are leaving to live elsewhere — that they should give part of that wealth back to the community, the community in which that wealth was likely generated."

And with many donors attributing their charitable inclinations to parents and grandparents, it's time for that torch to pass on teaching philanthropy.

AKRON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION VS. THE LARGEST WEALTH TRANSFER IN U.S. HISTORY

The cover of the April 2019 issue of Smart Business magazine in Akron/Canton featured Akron Community Foundation President and CEO John T. Petures Jr. Read more about the importance of the shift in wealth from baby boomers to future generations and the potential effect it could have on the local community. www.akroncf.org/SBN





THE CENTER FOR FAMILY PHILANTHROPY

For more than six decades, Akron Community Foundation has helped the community's most generous individuals, organizations and families give back to the causes they care about.

That won't change. What has changed is how the foundation evolved its offerings to best serve the local philanthropic community.

"We've softened policies in the past decade so that donors have a local place to turn to for their strategic philanthropy, one that understands their needs and the needs of the community," said Petures. "Fundholders are allowed to assign successor advisors to their fund, we've created a simple process for converting private foundations to donor-advised funds, and we allow advisors to continue managing their client's funds when possible."

And recently, as the community foundation noticed the increasing importance of family involvement in philanthropy, it expanded its services once again. In summer 2018, the foundation announced the creation of The Center for Family Philanthropy.

"When we began discussing a new strategic plan for the community foundation, the topic of creating a structured family philanthropy center continually emerged," said Akron Community Foundation board member and fundholder Bill Steere. "It truly just felt like a natural progression of the services the foundation already provides."

While many larger community foundations like those in Boston, Pittsburgh and Houston have centers of this nature, The Center for Family Philanthropy at Akron Community Foundation is the first for a mid-sized foundation – and the first in the region. Though the center is a natural progression for the foundation, it involves the expansion of staff, services and space.

One of the first steps was hiring a director for the center, Donna M. Coury, J.D., who joined the foundation in May 2018. She has been working with similar centers nationwide to learn best practices and how – when fitting – to bring those offerings to the region.

One program that was an immediate fit for Akron was the creation of a next generation philanthropic training program called the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists [see page 20 for the inaugural class listing].

The institute will provide a structured six-month curriculum for Akron's next generation of donors, including ways to focus their charitable values and goals, evaluate causes and charities strategically, and work with advisors to determine the best charitable donations for their situation.

"Many people think about planning for their financial future, but the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists will help them prepare for their charitable future, as well," Coury said. "Learning to give more strategically will allow our participants to give in a manner more closely aligned with their values and enable their charitable giving to have a greater impact on the issues and causes they care about most over the course of their



lifetimes. Not only will they learn about the community and philanthropy, I think they're going to learn a lot about themselves, as well."

A COMMUNITY RESOURCE

The Center for Family Philanthropy is more than just an idea to discuss with donors. Akron Community Foundation recently began a \$1.65 million expansion and renovation at its headquarters, which will include the creation of the physical home for The Center for Family Philanthropy.

"We've toured centers across the nation to assist us in developing a space that will provide a comfortable environment for our families to hold charitable family discussions, as well as a place that will provide a history on family giving in our region for future generations," said Coury.

Included in the center is a library where the community foundation will keep historical documentation of giving – records that future generations will be able to reference and will serve as a reminder of their family's charitable values.

"One of the most important parts of what we do as a community foundation is ensuring that charitable legacies live on long after our donors are gone," said Petures. "The Center for Family Philanthropy, and all it encompasses, is one of the most significant ways we'll accomplish that for years and years to come." 🌱

More details on the expansion of Akron Community Foundation's office are on the back cover of this magazine.

FAMILY TRADITIONS

Local families, like those pictured below, have been working with Akron Community Foundation for years to develop a strategic approach to their family's charitable giving.

The Tiffts established a donor-advised fund after the sale of their "first child," a business focused on clinical research and trials. Now, their family gives to separate causes, together. "My husband, myself and our three children all have strong, independent personalities and interests," Victoria Tifft said. "This (donor-advised fund at Akron Community Foundation) gives us the opportunity for everybody to pursue what interests them. Read more: www.akroncf.org/Tiffts



The patriarch of the Schrank family, Ed, encouraged his daughter and grandson-in-law to establish their own family legacies with donor-advised funds at Akron Community Foundation. Read more: www.akroncf.org/Schrank



After raising their children comfortably in the suburbs, the Venarges wanted to ensure their family values of hard work and charitable giving didn't end with them. "Our donor-advised fund enables us to share with our children and grandchildren how we feel about Akron," said Cheryl Venarge. "Discussing (funding options) with them brings us together as a family to help others." Read more: www.akroncf.org/Venarges



ENGAGING & INSPIRING TOMORROW'S PHILANTHROPISTS

Today

An integral component of Akron Community Foundation's mission to promote philanthropy in the community is not just supporting those who are currently giving, but empowering the community's future philanthropic leaders.

Through the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists, the community foundation will do just that. This structured six-month program will connect emerging community leaders to one another, to the community and to their own charitable values.

Participants in the institute are exposed to the critical needs of the community and taught innovative, evidence-based methods of practicing strategic philanthropy, while connecting with a network of highly motivated professionals who have a desire to improve our community.

The program will begin in fall 2019 and the following are the 18 inaugural class members:



Michael Allio *Aspiring Do-gooder - L4 Project*

Why do you want to participate in the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

I possess the commitment to make a difference yet, I also understand that I require a deeper understanding of the technical elements of building and supporting the needs of our community.



Kelli Crawford-Smith *Communications Director - City of Cuyahoga Falls*

What makes Akron unique?

The Greater Akron area is composed of collaborative change-makers who are unafraid to offer up and bring together their respective talents to collectively move the region forward.



Sawyer Dawley *Sales Assistant - Graphic Communications*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

There is so much opportunity out there in the world, and sometimes financial support is the only missing element to real greatness being achieved. I am very eager to meet as many people as I can and look under every rock to find where I can help.



Rosheadra Edwards *Lead Contractor Administrator - FirstEnergy Corp.*

Why do you want to participate in the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

As I grow and become more stable in life, I feel like I need to learn more about how to help others. I'm a service-oriented individual and would love to learn how to perfect my skills.



Ramona Hood *Vice President, Operations, Strategy & Planning - FedEx*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

I feel an obligation to provide my time, talent and treasure back to society. The gift of philanthropy allows my family and me to learn and to give while trying to make a difference in our community.



Chad Immel *Financial Advisor - Edward Jones*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

I feel it's important to simply give back. I've been blessed, and I feel it's my duty to pay it forward.



Matt Jentner *Vice President & CFO - The Jentner Corporation*

Why do you want to participate in the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

I would like to learn more about evaluating charitable organizations and developing tools for passing the Jentner family's charitable legacy on to future generations.



Andrew Lamb *Financial Advisor - Wells Fargo Advisors*

What makes Akron unique?

I have lived in Akron since I was born. I have always loved all that Akron has to offer its residents. Akron has one of the greatest community support systems, and the amount of giving I see from the public is like no other place.



Margaret Ann Leppo *Facility Owner & Manager - Crooked River Ranch*

What are you hoping to learn as a student of the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

I am hoping to learn about the needs of our community and the best, most effective ways to help with these identified issues. I am also hoping to pass on what I learn to my family so that we can formulate a family plan to commit to bettering our community.



Leia' Love *Owner - Leia' Love Hair & Nail Salon*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

I've grown to realize that we are all one mishap away from being in a difficult situation. For that reason, I believe in giving my time, resources and service to help those in need. As an African-American entrepreneur who cares about our community, it is very important that I show that black people are not only the recipients of philanthropy, but are givers as well.



Bill Lowery II *Realtor - Stouffer Realty*

What are you hoping to learn as a student of the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

How to best leverage philanthropy to make a lasting impact in the focus areas that interest me most and to get exposure to other nonprofit organizations.



Tucker Marshall *Vice President, Finance - The J.M. Smucker Company*

Why do you want to participate in the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

I am interested in understanding and learning how to develop an approach to sustained giving based on personal passions and interests.



Brynn Allio Popa *SVP, Strategic Initiatives & Engagement - Greater Akron Chamber*

What makes Akron unique?

Akron is big enough to matter and pay attention to from an economic and city perspective, but small enough to truly be able to make an impact as an individual, especially at a younger age. The pride of the people here is unmatched and it's evident every day that people here want one another to succeed and will help them along the way. Oh, and Swensons is definitely the best burger joint...ever.



Frank Shotwell *Regional Sales Manager - The J.M. Smucker Company*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

It enables me to support positive and meaningful change within the community, its people, and institutions/organizations in line with my values and interests. It's about giving back and serving others, which countless people have done for me along the way.



Lara Steere *Board Member - Access Inc.*

Why do you want to participate in the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

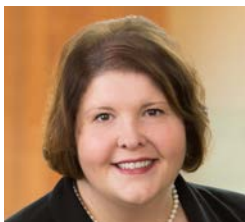
I would love the opportunity to learn more about other charitable organizations and to meet others who are passionate about improving our community.



Marcy Venarge *Controller - APV Engineered Coatings*

Why do you want to participate in the Institute for Emerging Philanthropists?

I would love to learn more about the needs of the Akron area and how I can be a part of the future of giving. Akron has been supported for years by a great group of philanthropists, but we have to be ready to pass that torch to a new group of leaders. I'd love to be a part of this transition and to be able to share what I learn with others in my network of potential leaders.



Laura Wallerstein *Attorney/Shareholder - Roetzel & Andress*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

Philanthropy provides an opportunity for me to share my many blessings with others who may be less fortunate.



Ebony Yeboah-Amankwah *VP, Deputy Gen. Counsel, Corp. Secretary & Chief Ethics Officer - FirstEnergy Corp.*

Why is philanthropy important to you?

I believe I am a steward of resources. I have been provided more than I need with an expectation that I understand, engage and provide to those in need. I love philanthropy because it provides an active and engaged way of giving back. I would like to learn more about it and how to be more efficient and effective.

On Thursday, May 16, Akron Community Foundation welcomed more than 800 guests to E.J. Thomas Hall to launch its new charitable resource, The Center for Family Philanthropy, with “A Concert & Conversation with Peter Buffett,” son of business magnate Warren Buffett. For more photos of the event, visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/AkronCommunityFoundation.



Musician, author and philanthropist, Peter Buffett



Crowd at the VIP reception prior to concert



More than 800 guests attended the concert



Event sponsor PNC enjoyed a private backstage meet and greet with Buffett

Guests enjoyed an exclusive meet and greet with Peter Buffett on Wednesday, May 15, at the home of Virginia Addicott, President & CEO of FedEx Custom Critical.



John T. Petures Jr., Dr. Rachel Talton, Olivia Demas, Paula & Rob Malone



Stephen Strayer, Virginia Addicott, Peter Buffett, Donna M. Coury, John T. Petures Jr. and Margaret Medzie



Ilene Shapiro, Mark Allio, Katie & Mark Smucker



ACF AWARDS \$300K IN NEW GRANT CYCLES

Major renovations to the Akron Civic Theatre, a training facility for commercial driver's license seekers, and building improvements for agencies combating homelessness were just a few of the 27 grants totaling \$250,000 that were awarded during Akron Community Foundation's first-ever capital grant cycle in December. The capital grants will be awarded every two years and will address needs like building renovations and equipment improvements that strengthen the missions of local nonprofits.

Among the organizations receiving capital funding was the Akron Civic Theatre, which was awarded \$25,000 for its \$8.5 million renovation that encompasses upgrades to the Grand Lobby, a new box office, an outdoor deck and giant video screen, and the creation of an additional performance venue. The theater's improvements are tied to a larger \$42 million redevelopment plan known as the Bowery Project, which will revitalize a section of buildings along South Main Street in downtown Akron.

Another capital grant was awarded to Stark State College to support the construction of a new training facility for students seeking commercial driver's licenses. The college created this new training program in response to the high regional demand for commercial truck drivers, coupled with the impending workforce shortage projected over the next decade. For a complete list of capital grants awarded last year, visit www.akroncf.org/CapitalGrants2018.

Akron Community Foundation also announced its first round of On the Table Community Impact Awards grants. Following last fall's On the Table Greater Akron event, local nonprofits were invited to apply for grants to support new projects and actionable ideas that emerged from their On the Table conversations. In total, 26 nonprofits received \$50,000 in funding for these projects.

Among the initiatives that received grants were projects that bring diverse cultures together over multilingual meals, programs that educate employers about re-entry hiring practices, and community-wide art displays that showcase minority artists. Funded programs will benefit communities throughout Summit and Medina counties, including Cuyahoga Falls, Kenmore, Fairlawn and Wadsworth. For a complete list of grants, visit www.akroncf.org/OntheTableGrants.



Photo by Shane Wynn

The community foundation also released the results from the 2018 event. See the highlights at www.onthetableakron.com/results.

On the Table Greater Akron will be held this year on Thursday, Oct. 3. More information will be coming later this summer. Be one of the first to receive updates by registering for our e-news at www.akroncf.org/Enews.

ACF CEO RECOGNIZED FOR LEADERSHIP

John T. Petures Jr., president and CEO of Akron Community Foundation, was included again in the Cleveland Magazine Power 100: Leaders of Northeast Ohio list this year. He was recognized along with a few of our fundholders and past Polsky Award recipients: Virginia Addicott, president and CEO, FedEx Custom Critical; Bill Considine, CEO emeritus, Akron Children's Hospital; and Chuck Jones, CEO, FirstEnergy Corp.

Petures is also being honored with a Smart 50 Award from Smart Business, recognizing the top executives of the 50 smartest companies in the Northeast Ohio region for their ability to effectively build and lead successful organizations. He will be honored at an event on June 27 at the Executive Caterers at Landerhaven. Thank you all for your leadership in our community!



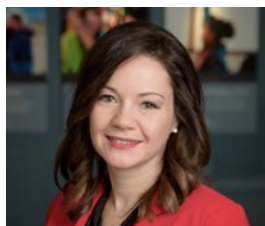
STAFF MEMBER PROMOTED TO VICE PRESIDENT

We're happy to announce that Tracy Burt has been promoted to Vice President of Marketing & Communications at the community foundation. Tracy, who leads our ever-growing marketing, advertising and PR efforts, has been with the department for more than six years, nearly two of those as senior director. Her strategies and leadership have helped elevate our brand and continue to reach new audiences. Congratulations, Tracy!



ACF MAJOR GIFTS OFFICER ACHIEVES CFRE CERTIFICATION

Congratulations to Renee Scherick, Akron Community Foundation's major gifts officer, for achieving her Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) certification. The CFRE is the world's only accredited certification program for philanthropic fundraising professionals and sets the standard for ethical fundraising. Renee's continued education will be a valuable asset to our initiative funds as they build their endowments through strategic donor cultivation and stewardship. Congratulations, Renee!



ACF BOARD, COUNCIL MEMBERS RECEIVE HONORS

Akron Community Foundation board member Kimberly Haws Falasco was recently recognized on Forbes' 2019 Best-In-State Wealth Advisors list. Falasco serves as a director and branch manager for Baird in Akron, where she focuses on helping women and couples reach their financial goals.



In addition, two of Akron Community Foundation's Professional Advisor Council members were selected for the esteemed list. Both Thomas Clark and Jesse Hurst were ranked as one of the top 100 wealth advisors in the state of Ohio. Thomas is a managing director and investment officer at Wells Fargo Advisors in Akron. Jesse is the founder and president of Impel Wealth Management in Cuyahoga Falls.

Another board member, Sylvia Trundle, received a community service award from the Cuyahoga Falls Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

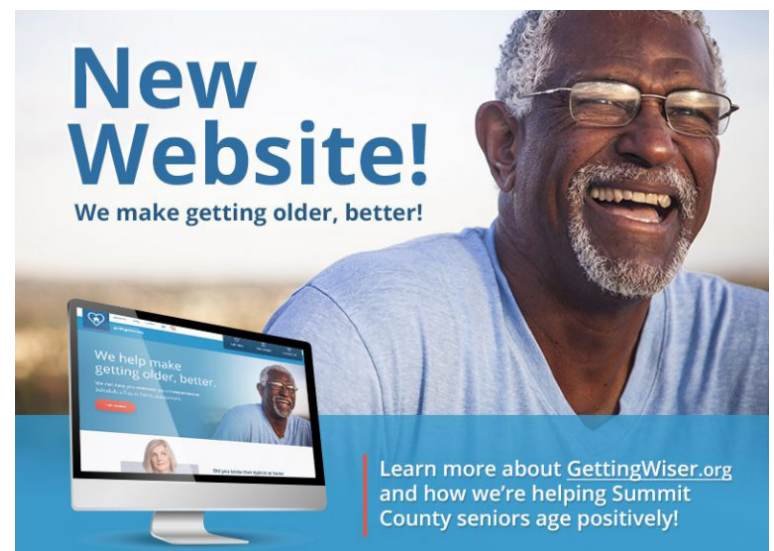
Congratulations on these well-deserved recognitions!

NEW SUPPORT GROUP SERVES FAMILIES IMPACTED BY ADDICTION

Last year's On the Table Greater Akron initiative inspired an avalanche of follow-up conversations, ideas and projects. One of those new projects is Keys to Parenting Again, a support group for grandparents, aunts, uncles and other stand-in caregivers of local children whose families have been affected by the opioid epidemic in Summit County. Hosted by Keys to Serenity, the group meets the second Tuesday of every month at the American Red Cross in Akron. For more information, contact Keys to Serenity at 330-730-0864 or keystoserenityohio@gmail.com.

HELPING VULNERABLE RESIDENTS MAKE WISE CHOICES

In October, the Summit Senior Coalition announced the launch of GettingWiser.org, a comprehensive resource site for Summit County seniors and people with disabilities. Part of an initiative funded by Akron Community Foundation, the new site empowers underserved residents to make informed choices in the areas of health and financial management, home assistance, transportation, future planning, and volunteer services. Visitors to the site receive free access to topical articles, event information, and community resources on aging and caregiving. For more information, visit www.gettingwiser.org.



New Website!
We make getting older, better!

Learn more about GettingWiser.org and how we're helping Summit County seniors age positively!

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NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

➔ ACF ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, June 25, 5:30 p.m.

Please join Akron Community Foundation for our 64th annual meeting at the Hilton Akron/Fairlawn. The meeting will start with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar, followed by the program at 6:15 p.m. The event is free, but registration is required. Please reserve your seat by Friday, June 14, at www.akroncf.org/AnnualMeeting or by contacting De Shawn Pickett at dpickett@akroncf.org or 330-376-8522.

➔ CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE & FAMILY PHILANTHROPY SEMINAR

Tuesday, Sept. 17, 5 p.m. | Wednesday, Sept. 18, 7:30 a.m.

Save the date for a family philanthropy seminar on Tuesday evening for our fundholders, professional advisors and their clients. On Wednesday, a continuing education course will be offered for advisors on topics ranging from philanthropic legacy planning to tax-efficient wealth transfer strategies. Look for an evite later this summer. For more information, contact Laura Fink at lfink@akroncf.org or 330-436-5611.

➔ ON THE TABLE GREATER AKRON

Thursday, Oct. 3

Join thousands of diverse residents in discussing how we can make our community stronger, safer and more dynamic during our third consecutive On the Table Greater Akron event. Information collected from these conversations provides

insight into Greater Akron's most pressing needs and helps shape the future of our region. Interested in hosting or joining a conversation this year? Visit www.onthetableakron.com to register.

➔ BERT A. POLSKY HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Tuesday, Oct. 15, 6 p.m.

Save the date for this year's Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award dinner. The recipient will be announced in late June, and tickets will go on sale at the end of August. For sponsorship information, contact Margaret Medzie at mmedzie@akroncf.org or 330-436-5610.

➔ SEI 2019 SCHOOL READINESS SUMMIT

Friday, Oct. 18, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Akron Community Foundation is sponsoring the breakfast keynote speaker at Summit Education Initiative's annual School Readiness Summit at the John S. Knight Center. Robert Putnam, Harvard professor and author of "Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis," will speak about the deepening economic and educational divide that affects our children's education. Registration for the event will open in July. For more information, visit www.seisummit.org/ready4school19.

To make sure you're invited to future Akron Community Foundation events, sign up for our emails at www.akroncf.org/Enews.

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