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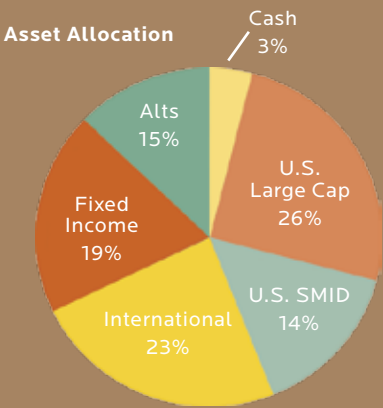
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Nearly
\$185 Million in assets



Akron Community Foundation

3.2% Quarterly net return

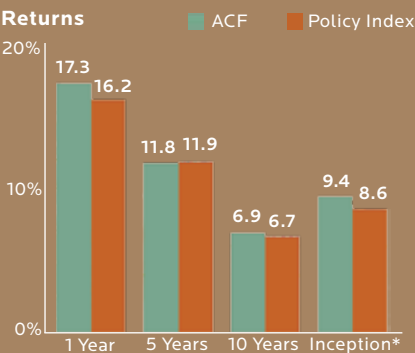
6.9% 10-year net return

9.4% Avg. annual net return*

Policy Index**

3.5% Quarterly net return

6.7% 10-year net return



*Our investment policy was established in 1989. See our investment policy statement and management relationships at www.akroncf.org/financials.

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

PRESIDENT & CEO

Not a day goes by that I'm not asked about Akron Community Foundation's move back to its permanent office at 345 W. Cedar St. It's hard to believe, but eight months have passed since the devastating fire in the lobby of our building. And while all of the employees are ready to return, most excited about the move back is De Shawn Pickett, whose work station was completely destroyed in the fire. She'll be at her brand new spot in the lobby, welcoming everyone back, very soon. Although we've enjoyed our temporary digs overlooking Lock 3, trust me when I tell you, there's no place like home.



Although fire recovery has brought its share of personal and professional challenges, we've used it as a time to visualize, design and construct a warmer, more welcoming entry point for donors, fundholders, current and past board leaders, and members of the community who are interested in making a permanent philanthropic commitment for the good of greater Akron and Summit County. It's exciting to finally see our vision for this vital community space take shape. Our choices of flooring, wallpaper, countertops, paint colors and furniture are beginning to fill the canvas that for most of this year has been a barren construction site. You've probably heard me say on more than one occasion, "Your community foundation is built to last!" Thanks to Amer Insurance, Paul Davis Restoration and SoL Harris/Day Architecture for helping us create a space to match.

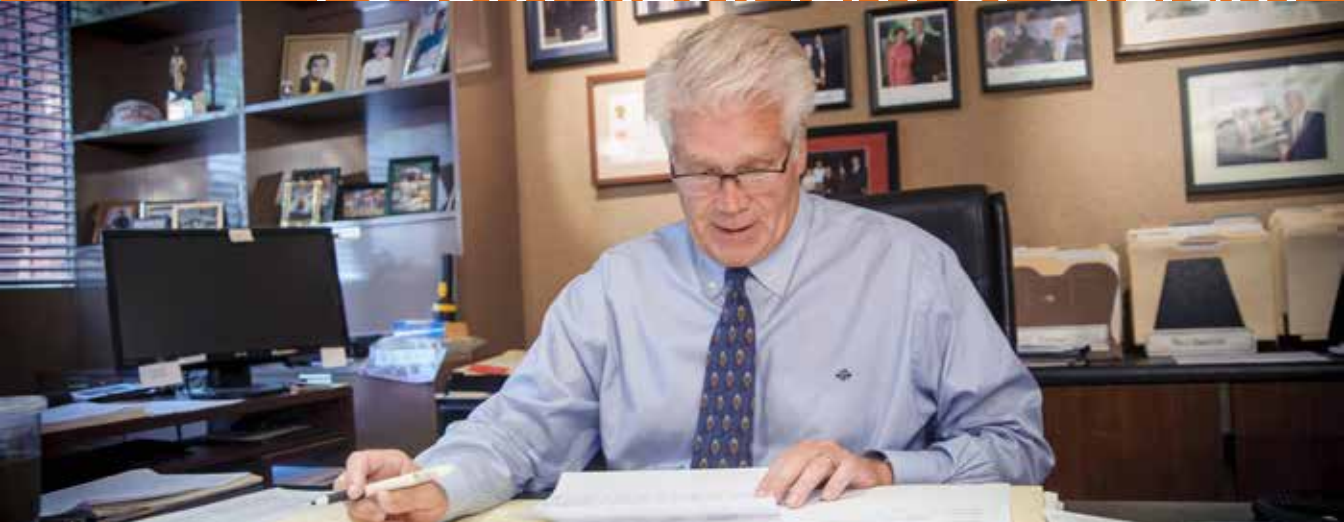
This physical transformation of Akron Community Foundation's headquarters coincides with the strongest period of growth — in both new funds and contributed dollars — we have experienced in our nearly 60-year history. Our board and staff have created a more donor-centric organization, and we continue to provide vital linkages that connect the permanent philanthropy of our fundholders with pressing needs in our community.

We are so grateful for the many ways all of you have embraced our work and offered encouragement, and we look forward to re-opening our doors in mid-November. Your hospitality and generous spirits have inspired us. What a great hometown this is. WAY TO GO, AKRON!

John T. Petures Jr.
President and CEO

WE'RE GOING HOME! Akron Community Foundation's office will be closed Nov. 3-7 as we relocate back to our permanent home at 345 W. Cedar St. We will reopen Monday, Nov. 10, at 9 a.m. Thanks for your continued patience.

POLSKY RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT



FUNDHOLDER, POLSKY WINNER LEADS BY EXAMPLE

When it comes to philanthropy, Rennick Andreoli is most certainly his mother's son.

An immigrant from Mexico, his mother, Emita, led by example, Rennick said. Whether working with the Bath community volunteers or just giving a hand-up to someone in need, her passion was for people more so than causes. Rennick maintains her personal approach to this day. "She taught me about giving back and what it means to get involved," he said.

As president of RDA Hotel Management Company, which operates a variety of properties, including the longest continuously owned and managed Hilton franchise in the country, Rennick has built connections ranging from contractors to international business executives, granting him the unique ability to bring together resources others cannot. It comes in handy, whether he's installing a new hot water tank for a down-on-his-luck employee or building a Habitat for Humanity home for a needy family. When it comes to philanthropy, "it's not just writing a check," he said.

This personal approach is why, when friends Nick and Ruthie George introduced Rennick and his wife, Dee, to Akron Rotary Camp, Rennick's heart ached seeing campers with disabilities spend their summers in run-down cabins. So he did what he does best: He got involved. And he got others involved, too. Together, they raised \$3.5 million to completely rebuild the camp's facilities.

Friends, business partners, suppliers, contractors and even his employees got their hands dirty. It's part of the collaborative culture Rennick strives to build.

"The people we hire (at RDA), the people we recruit, they're all giving," he said. "They might not be able to write the big checks, but it's all the little things they do. They give of their time."

LEAVING A LEGACY

In 2006, Rennick and Dee started a charitable fund at Akron Community Foundation to support their most beloved causes, including Akron Rotary Camp. "The greatest joy we have is giving back to humanity. We want our philanthropic work to not

be the only thing that defines us, but certainly to be one of the most important," he said.

Also, through a bequest in their will, the Andreolis are part of Akron Community Foundation's Edwin C. Shaw Society, a group whose personal charitable wishes will be carried out in their name forever, even after they are gone. "I know of no better steward of our life's work than Akron Community Foundation," Rennick said.

For his board service, volunteerism, collaboration, and unique, personal brand of philanthropy, Rennick will be honored with the Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award on Oct. 14. But what many might view as the culmination of a lifetime of giving, Rennick views as just the beginning.

"I was fortunate enough to get this award at a young enough age that I can, hopefully, continue inspiring people. It's a lot of responsibility ... but it's a privilege," he said.

Hear Rennick and Dee discuss philanthropy, charitable legacy and Akron Rotary Camp at www.akroncf.org/Andreolis.

NEWS FOR GIVING



STOCK GIFTS OFFER BIG IMPACT

After several years of a bull investment market, appreciated securities are at their highest market value in recent times. With year-end giving season approaching, savvy investors are finding that now is the perfect time to leverage their long-term appreciated securities for charitable gifts. Securities can be much more tax-beneficial than gifts of cash and can be processed just as quickly and easily if given through Akron Community Foundation.

Giving an appreciated security like stock is cost-efficient, according to Dale Koblenzer, Merrill Lynch financial consultant and former Akron Community Foundation board member. “By giving away noncash assets, you don’t hurt your cash position and you also avoid subsequent taxes on the gains. In addition, when making a large gift of securities, you can carry over the tax benefit for up to five consecutive years,” he said. For the greatest impact, many people donate their older holdings to take advantage of greater gains, Dale added.

While gifts of stock can be beneficial to the donor, not all charities can easily or readily accept them. Recent financial regulations have made it harder for charities to maintain contribution accounts with banks and brokerages, especially if they don’t have frequent transactions. In such cases, donors can give to, or start, a charitable fund at Akron Community Foundation to make grants to those charities. Or, if you need time to decide which charitable causes you wish to support, you can establish a donor-advised fund, which is the giving vehicle of choice for Dale and many of his clients.

“A donation to a single charity is done once and it’s over. By donating through Akron Community Foundation, you can create a fund that pays out to multiple charities over many years,” Dale explained.

Regardless of how you choose to give, “it’s always a good time to be philanthropic,” Dale said. But for those considering giving stock, the timing has never been better. “Valuations today are high in relation to where they’ve been. The wealth effect that’s been created during the past five years is significant, and tax laws are still beneficial for giving and creating charitable funds. With changing legislation and rules governing nonprofits, there’s always a chance that could change in the future depending on the mood of the federal government.”

Considering making a gift of stock? Talk to your advisor, or call Akron Community Foundation at 330-376-8522. Or, read more about this and other tax-wise giving options at www.akroncf.org/smartgivingnow.

WE’RE MOBILE



DonorCentral – the service you use to make grants from and keep tabs on your donor-advised fund – now offers better mobile access for users on the go.

While not all functionality is available on DonorCentral Mobile, you can now see fund and gift summaries, read the most recent community foundation news, and make grants – right from your smartphone. Tablets will continue to have access to the full DonorCentral site.

More information about DonorCentral Mobile is available at www.akroncf.org/DonorCentral.



Photo: Yellow Creek in Bath Township

NEW FUND TO SUPPORT BATH

Bath Community Fund was established at Akron Community Foundation in June 2014 by a group of forward-thinking residents who wanted to create an enduring source of support for the community they live in and love.

The mission of Bath Community Fund is to strengthen the community for current and future generations by providing leadership, fostering collaboration, and creating a legacy of charitable giving. It will improve the quality of life of the citizens of Bath Township through charitable grantmaking to qualified nonprofit organizations that enhance the cultural, educational, health and civic well-being of the Bath community. That could include, but is not limited to, the more than 60 nonprofits located in Bath, ranging from churches, scout troops and neighborhood associations to civic, business and sports organizations.

The fund got its start when seven couples collectively donated \$10,000 to establish the fund.

“There had been discussions about creating a community fund in Bath for years, and earlier this year, a group of us started researching what it would take,” said Nadine Clar, president of the Bath Homeowners Association and a member of Bath Community Fund’s advisory board. The group decided that becoming an affiliate of Akron Community Foundation was the best way to protect and grow the fund’s assets.

Since then, many Bath residents have stepped forward to help grow the fund as founding donors to achieve the initial endowment goal of \$250,000 by Dec. 31, 2014.

Bath Community Fund is seeking additional founding donors. For more information, contact Jody Miller Konstand, advisory board chair, at 330-618-4477 or jmkmedia@msn.com.

NEW FUNDS

Bath Community Fund

Established to strengthen the Bath community for current and future generations.

Jefferson Fund

Donor-advised fund established with the help of David Staats, senior vice president of wealth management at UBS.

Manby Family Fund

Donor-advised fund established by William Manby Sr., owner of Manby Financial Strategies, and his wife, Sally.

Daniel L. and Sherida L. Pohl Fund*

Field-of-interest fund established by the Pohls to support children’s initiatives.

Woman’s Club of Hudson Scholarship Fund

To financially assist qualifying Hudson City School graduates in their continuing academic study or vocational training.

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

MEMORIAL & TRIBUTE GIFTS

May 1, 2014 – July 31, 2014

MEMORIAL GIFTS TO:

Akron Community Foundation for:

Francia A. Albrecht by

Barbara Ann Hudak

Mary Ann Jackson

Lola Rothmann

Sue & Mal Ames by

Walter Doyle

Richard Averitte by

Yvonne Averitte

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Terry Veney

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Janet Zaucha

Emily Ziegler

Fred & Sandy Ziegler

Phillip George by

Bruce & Sandy Bailey

Thomas Good by

John Wilkinson

Miriam Grace by

Bober, Markey, Fedorovich & Co.

Anna R. Gudikunst by

John Wilkinson

Earl & Marie Gudikunst by

John Wilkinson

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John Wilkinson

Kathleen Hamlin by

Barbara Ann Hudak

James Hartenstein by

Don & Lorraine Fair

Delphina Iemma by

Barbara Ann Hudak

Mrs. Margaret "Peg" Jackson by

Barbara Ann Hudak

Angie Kariotis by

Elena Economou

Helen Manos by

Elena Economou

Georgina D. Reffner by

Marc & Sharon Merklin

Marsha Skorman by

Barbara Ann Hudak

Barbara L. Steinkerchner by

Patrick & Nancy Roberts

Lauren Steinkerchner

Betty Wilkinson by

John Wilkinson

Byron Wilkinson by

John Wilkinson

George & Ruth Wilkinson by

John Wilkinson

Ruth I. Wilkinson by

John Wilkinson

Akron Garden Club Endowment Fund for:

William Archer by

Robin & Michael Hardman

Joseph Chase by

Bryan & Susan Kinnamon

Kate Hamlin by

Dick & Judie Bigelow

Josephine Brookhart

Robin Hardman

Rose Miller

Akron Garden Club Graves Fund for:

Kate Hamlin by

Margot Schroder

Akron Garden Club Sewell Fund for:

Kate Hamlin by

Elaine & Kris Fiocca

Beacon of Light Initiatives/Sgt. Brandon Allen Memorial Fund for:

Brandon Allen by

Vivian Allen

Cynthia Hensley

Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Endowment Fund for:

Oscar Babbitt by

Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls
Public Library, Akie Gabbas,
Tyler Pigott and Barb Beiling

Josephine Bolognue by

Fran Waybright

Donald Fisk by

Barbara Beiling

Gardeners of Greater Akron Endowment Fund for:

Jack Brillhart by

Henry B. Ball Jewelers West

Kate Hamlin by

Bryan & Susan Kinnamon

Medina County Women's Endowment Fund for:

Irene Becker by

Ann Cole

Clara Gorfido by

Ann Cole
Nancy Margo by
 Ann Cole
Helen Smith by
 Ann Cole
Virginia Woodford by
 Ann Cole
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 Raymond Kuehn
 Molly & John Logan
 William & Barbara Mansfield
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 Gerald & Yolanda Reeves
 James M. Rothgery & Cynthia M. Suchan
 Alfred Eugene Shumate
 Dr. Sarah E. Shumate
 Anna & Vic Simpkins
 Bruce & Harriet Smith
 Martha Stoner
 Al & Cherie Thomas

St. Mary Urban Education Endowment Fund for:

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Bellett by
 Dolores Bellett

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Akron Community Foundation for:

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 Kathryn Booth

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 Frederick & Margaret Lombardi
 Vivian Celeste Neal
 Mrs. George T. Parry

Eileen Burg by
 Amy Burg Cole

Dr. & Mrs. Ernest Estep by
 Chris & Ami Cline

Guido & Rose Margida by
 John Wilkinson

Medina County Branch AAUW by
 Doris K. Christy

James M. Parry by
 Mrs. George T. Parry

The Philpott Rubber Company by
 Lucy & Dan Sondles

David & Betty Wilkinson by
 John Wilkinson

Akron Garden Club Endowment Fund for:

Kyra Bosnik by
 Sherrie Kimberly

Jan Parry by
 Sherrie Kimberly

Elizabeth Sheeler by
 Patricia Quirk

Dianne Squire by
 Sherrie Kimberly

Akron-Summit County Public Library Endowment Fund for:

Akron-Summit County Public Library by
 Michael & Janet Pera

Fairlawn-Bath Branch Library by
 Elizabeth Brainard Sandwick

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Mary K. Booth by
 Kathryn Booth
 Susan & Michael Pallini

Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Endowment Fund for:

Book sale volunteers by
 Carole Jegley

Robert & Marjorie Farrell by
 Barbara Beiling

Willow Hagedorn by
 Margaret Gabriel

Bruce Hill by
 Barbara Beiling

Ladies in the back room by
 Margaret Gabriel

Amelia Newberry by
 Judy Cohen-Baer
 Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library

Gay Community Endowment Fund for:

Grace Krochka by
 Richard Krochka

Elizabeth (Libby) Wilson by
 Dr. Steven Schmidt

Medina County Women's Endowment Fund for:

Michelle Berens by
 Ann Cole

Rosa Owens by
 Julie Owens

Susan Ponting by
 Julie Owens

Virginia Ritchie by
 Ann Cole

Millennium Fund for Children for:

Kim Nott by
 Akron Community Foundation's Discretionary Fund

Olive Yohey by
 Akron Community Foundation's Discretionary Fund

Lillian and William Rosenblatt Fund for:

Laurie Zuckerman by
 Ruthie George

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SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS



Photo courtesy of Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund

SCHOLARSHIPS TOTAL \$333,401

From Sept. 1, 2013, to Aug. 31, 2014, 153 students received a total of \$333,401 in scholarship awards. Akron Community Foundation scholarship funds awarded \$175,051, and the Hudson Public Schools Endowment funds awarded \$158,350. Congratulations to all of this year's recipients.

ACF RECIPIENTS

AAUW of Medina County Scholarship Fund

Sarah Burgett
Karen Knerem

Acorn Scholarship Fund

Raven Burdette
Bichelle Jeffries
Dannysha Luna
Derek C.w Lutz
Zachary R. Spannbauer
Matthew Williams
Andrew Wurtz

Richard L. Averitte Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ashton Blake
Randy J. Roland

Black Tiger Gridiron Alumni Club Scholarship Fund

Elijah Forbes
Mike Kaser
Luke Ritzinger
Rachel Souders

Martin O. Chapman Humanitarian Scholarship Fund

Toni McDowell
Chance Pluck

Richard Chenoweth Qualified Designated Scholarship Fund

Laylaa AbdoulKarim
Alyse K. Bachmann
Jarred R. Bell

Alesia M. Bradford
John J. Burnette
Brandyn A. Costa
Shamari D. Fields
Tannya L. Forcone
Matthew B. Geer
Dukula M. Katel
Erin L. Kiley
Payton T. Lloyd
Megan L. McGonigal
Olivia M. Myers
Peter P. Nguyen
Annie Reid
Randy J. Roland
David E. Smethers II
Travon S. Terrell
Cara L. Walton
Kevin D. Williams
Joseph R. Zazo

Coming Together Diversity Scholarship Fund

Travon S. Terrell

Michael Corbett Memorial Fund

Jillian R. Leiter
Kalan M. Steiner

Dirk J. Desanzo Memorial Scholarship Fund

Kellie K. Holt
Mitchell C. Monnin
Leslie A. Rush
Brooke A. Tilley

Dombo-Fielder Communication Scholarship for Women

Jada Davis
Bichelle Jeffries
Estefania Vallejo Montes

Margot Eiseman Scholarship Fund

Ruth M. Ackermann

Roland E. Gamble Memorial Fund

Yi Wei

Ann Lane Gates Scholarship Fund

Teaira M. Parker

Erwin & Katherine Geis Scholarship Fund

Gabrielle M. Azar
Ian X. Lashua
Shelby F. Mackey
Samantha A. Schillero
Vincent S.L. Schillero
Sarah M. Soboslay

Glick-Zedak Scholarship Fund

Totyanna Johnson
Eulisa Moore

Hanlon Family Scholarship Fund

Sydney Powell
Faith Williams

Morgan Hasbrouck 4-H Scholarship Fund

Ashley Conger
Jacqueline Moss
Rachel Park

Abby Lipply Memorial Scholarship Fund

Derek Moran
Heather Neifert

Litchfield Community Scholarship Fund

Veronica R. Bagley
Ariel Bryant

Morgan E. Elswick
Erica A. Fauver
Caleb J. Kupetz
Austin E. Lepole
Alexander S. Wilk

Joan Lutz Scholarship Fund

Allison Baylor
Patricia Reed

Scott T. Malson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Michael Cavoli
Jared P. Hoffman

Marbles Champions Scholarship Fund

Amy Fox
Alexa Norton
Monica Tannhof

Frank Meadows Scholarship Fund

Matthew B. Geer

Medina Sunrise Rotary Fund

Rebecca Arnold
John DiGiacobbe
Rachel Horvath
Sierra Pickett
Jeffrey Rolland

North Coast Society Scholarship Fund

Alexis L. Dorr
Andrew F. Ferrell
Nathan M. Fulmer
Eric P. Kingsley
Megan S. McKinley
Keriann Napora
Madison E. Ranney

Esther Simonetti Owen Future Educators Scholarship Fund

Kaleigh Herring

Anne K. Petry Scholarship Fund

Dorthea Bloch

Bettie Portwood Summit County Pest Control Association Scholarship Fund

Ashley M. Ross

Ruocco-Hudson Small Group Instruction Scholarship Fund

Nicholas A. Brumbaugh
Paige M. Kelly
Nolyn L. Martz

Faye L. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund

Summer Emich
Krystal Krajcovic
Sophia Senderak
Alycia Stobaugh

John T. and Julia A. Spellman Scholarship Fund

Michaela C. Blom
Mary Bozsik

Shana R. DeBerte
Daniel E. Kennedy
Olivia M. Myers
Tyler C. Severns

Michelle M. Vasenda Fund

Cassandra Thacker

David R. Venarge Scholarship Fund

Christina A. Collart
David J. Cunningham
Rachel M. Hindinger
Paige K. Marty
Kameron A. Murray
Kelli R. Phillips
Lindsey E. Ritenour

Witan Presidents' Scholarship Fund

Tracey Bowman
Toriene Johnson

Vincent Yambrovich Engineering Scholarship Fund

Colton L. Allgire
Lucas A. Bryant
Levi T. Dobson
Kelvin L. Knipl Jr.
George M. Rusinko

HUDSON RECIPIENTS

Marion Albee Scholarship Fund

Sean Fay

Barlow Fund

Elizabeth Bashian
Courtney Bellish
Michael Cavoli
Alice Chen
Kenneth Farmer
Audrey Fetsko
Michael Gaffney
Daniel Joseph
Kathryn Maggio
Scott Mougey
Heather Neifert
Abdurrahman Zeyd Ozgur
Kristine Perez
Jessica Robbins
Dalton Rowell
Paul Shortman
Riley Skinner
Natalie Stiles
Carolyn Turkaly
Emily Weber

Helen Barlow Art Scholarship Fund

Deidre Harding

Harry D. Bubb Scholarship Fund

Matthew Flowers

Arthur Caniglia Scholarship Fund

Jacob Myers
Sydney Vargo

Scott Case Memorial Fund

Connie Chen
Jack Graham

Les Dingledine Memorial Scholarship Fund

Joseph Cahill
Erika Howard

Rosemary Gibbes Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Hudson Bicentennial Scholarship Fund

Johanne Egeland

Hudson Fire Department Association Scholarship Fund

Tyler Behm

Raymond Hyser Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Allison Baylor
Scott Mougey

Pauline Klupinski Memorial Scholarship Fund

Nicole Means

Dante B. Lavelli Athletic Academic Scholarship Fund

Ben Hart

Burton D. Morgan Foundation Scholarship Fund

Georgia Lindner

June Young Pak Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jacob Jesionek
Scott Mougey

Stevenson Award Fund

Heather Neifert

IN MEMORIAM



On June 23, Hudson Public Schools Endowment Fund lost a friend and long-standing leader to cancer. Minerva Shumate was a lifelong Hudson resident and 15-year board member who was passionate about helping every Hudson High School graduate pursue post-secondary education.

Last year, she established a fund at Akron Community Foundation in the name of her father, Everett L. Shumate. Its mission is to encourage inclusion, diversity and tolerance among Hudson second- and third-graders. To give in her memory, visit www.akroncf.org/give/ShumateFund.

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT



Photo: Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

YOUR GRANTS

This quarter, your donor-advised, designated, agency endowment and scholarship funds made 359 grants totaling \$1,901,501. The following is a sampling of the programs you supported:

Art Sparks

To support a dance and music kindergarten readiness program, \$5,000

Blessings in a Backpack

To provide backpacks containing food for the weekend to at-risk students in the Green Local School District, \$3,400

Cleveland Clinic Foundation

To support cholangiocarcinoma research at the Taussig Cancer Institute, \$15,000

Fisher House of Greater Cleveland Inc.

To support the construction of the Greater Cleveland Fisher House, which offers free lodging to the families of hospitalized veterans, \$10,000

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

To support Parkinson's research, \$10,000

Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens Inc.

To support the summer intern program, \$6,000

University of Akron Foundation

To support the News Outlet Project, which gives students the opportunity to produce stories for regional and statewide media partners, \$20,000

CIVIC AFFAIRS GRANTS TOTAL \$460,000

On Friday, Sept. 12, Akron Community Foundation's board of directors approved grants totaling \$2.36 million, including \$460,000 in discretionary, or board-directed, grants for civic programs.

Three of the civic affairs grants will help local nonprofits achieve their capital campaign goals. Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad received \$15,000 this quarter, with \$5,000 of the grant being designated for its campaign to retrofit a locomotive with technology that will reduce emissions by up to 80 percent and diesel fuel costs by at least 60 percent. This campaign is part of the organization's 10-year plan to retrofit its entire locomotive fleet.

The Jewish Community Center of Akron also received a \$20,000 grant to improve its facility. The grant will support the agency's \$1.75 million Make A Splash campaign to replace the 40-year-old roof and surrounding structure of the indoor pool, as well as improve the surrounding areas.

Another capital grant will help the Ronald McDonald House of Akron expand its facility from 20 to 60 rooms. The Ronald McDonald house aims to raise \$10 million to provide a temporary home and respite to even more families whose children are receiving medical treatment at Akron Children's Hospital.

"These capital grants are a vitally important part of our grantmaking," said Steve Strayer, chairman of the Community Investment Committee. "They help community organizations make the necessary improvements to ensure they can serve their communities in safe and enhanced facilities."

Other grants awarded during the civic affairs cycle will improve the residences of homeowners in need; find homes for formerly abused and neglected animals; and attract visitors, residents and businesses to downtown Akron.

To see a full list of the civic affairs grants, visit www.akroncf.org/CivicAffairsGrants.

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WEF Bus Tour

Oct. 2, 2014

12:45 PM

Child Guidance & Family Solutions

Get a behind-the-scenes look at Shelter Care, ACCESS and Legacy III — just a few of the exciting programs the Women's Endowment Fund supports. RSVP to Renee Scherick at 330-376-8522 or rscherick@akroncf.org.

MCWEF Festival of Trees

Nov. 6, 2014

6 PM

Weymouth Country Club

Join the Medina County Women's Endowment Fund for a festive evening of dinner, live and silent auctions of designer-decorated trees, and much more. Register online at www.akroncf.org/FestivalofTrees.

Polsky Humanitarian Award Dinner

Oct. 14, 2014

6 PM

Hilton Akron/Fairlawn

Akron Community Foundation board and staff will honor the extraordinary humanitarian efforts of Rennick Andreoli. Tickets for the dinner are currently sold out. For more information, contact De Shawn Pickett at 330-376-8522 or dpickett@akroncf.org.

"Welcome Home" Open House

Dec. 5, 2014

9:30-11:30 AM

345 W. Cedar St., Akron

Join the board and staff of Akron Community Foundation as we celebrate our grand re-opening and dedication. Watch your email for more details. If you haven't yet registered for our e-news, visit www.akroncf.org/enews.

Community Issues Session

Oct. 29, 2014

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Akron Urban League

Hear about the successful Bridges Out of Poverty program at our next issues session. Wine and cheese will be served at 5 p.m., and the hour-long program will begin at 5:30 p.m. RSVP to Kim Nott at 330-376-8522 or knott@akroncf.org.

GCEF Sugar Plum Tour

Dec. 7, 2014

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Locations around Akron

Get in the holiday spirit with a tour of festively decorated homes. More details about the annual tour and patron party benefiting the Gay Community Endowment Fund can be found at www.sugarplumtour.org.



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AROUND AKRON

Akron Community Foundation fundholders, staff and grantees in action



Akron Community Foundation celebrated a record growth in both funds and assets at its annual meeting on July 8.

Top Right: Board member Tommy Bruno and ACF staffer De Shawn Pickett pose for a picture.

Bottom Right: New board members Mark Krohn, Dee Lowery and Mike Zeleznik were introduced at the meeting.

Bottom Center: Dr. Cynthia Capers and board member Vivian Neal catch up before the meeting begins.

Left: ACF staff goofs off for a good cause at Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank's Operation Orange volunteer day on Sept. 5.



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