

# EASTERN WEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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**What's  
Your  
Passion?**

**21<sup>st</sup> Annual Report To The Community**

## WHAT'S YOUR PASSION?

What's that one cause that compels you to action, that motivates you to give as generously as you can, that inspires you like nothing else in this world?

Perhaps it's a love for children, or animals, or the arts, or helping our veterans, or feeding the hungry. Perhaps you received assistance at some point in your life, from a teacher or pastor, or through a scholarship or support organization, and your great desire is to pay that assistance forward. Or perhaps your dream is to honor a loved one by leaving a legacy in his or her name. Maybe you have a specific, favorite charity that has enriched your life — perhaps a beloved church, an alma mater, or a favorite park or historic site. Or maybe there is one organization — or several — tackling an issue that particularly touches your heart. At the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation, our community is our passion, and our commitment is to helping donors with whatever their charitable interests might be.

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation is a means, not an end. We help philanthropists in Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire and Hardy counties leave a legacy to support the causes that inspire them. We help donors identify their charitable goals, understand local needs, and create customized, perpetual funds to support our community today, tomorrow, and forever.

On the pages that follow, we recognize and thank our donors and remember the people they honored or memorialized with their giving. Every single name in this report has a story to tell, a story of generosity and love, and a passion to help others. We are delighted to share with you some of our favorite stories and photographs and only wish we had room to print all the amazing stories of compassion and inspiration that we see every day.

What's your story? What's your passion? What legacy for our community do you wish to leave behind you?

*Thank you to Dorothy Hester and Lorelei Costa for these beautiful words.*

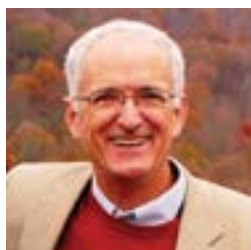
## Greetings,

We often talk about our Partners in Philanthropy here at the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation. Usually we are referring to our corporate sponsors who help underwrite our annual programs, or to our donors and the charities we serve. But Partners in Philanthropy can also be our contemporaries at more than 700 community foundations in America that help each other in so many ways.

This year's Outer Banks Community Foundation annual report was all about passion and we were so impressed with what they had to say that we asked if we could borrow some of their work. The following, paraphrased to reflect our region, speaks volumes about all community foundations.



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**Our Mission** is to improve the quality of life for all people in Eastern West Virginia. The Community Foundation embraces the concept that people working together can make a difference. We seek a common philosophy whereby people recognize, understand, and act upon the benefits philanthropy brings to our community. We build permanent endowment, offer maximum flexibility to our donors, meet high professional standards, promote effective and efficient grantmaking, and strengthen charitable organizations in our community.

**What is the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation?**

- We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a collection of charitable funds established by donors to improve the quality of life in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.
- We receive charitable gifts, work with families, individuals, businesses, other nonprofits, attorneys and estate and financial planners to devise plans to ensure a donor's charitable contributions are used to the fullest extent and for maximum benefit.
- We place those gifts into endowed funds, manage the assets for long-term growth, and award grants and scholarships from the investment gains.
- We offer several types of funds to help donors achieve their charitable goals while also meeting community needs.
- Our volunteer board and three staff members are committed to understanding donor needs, representing their charitable interests, expertly handling complex gifts, wisely managing charitable funds and leveraging a wealth of community knowledge to increase charitable impact.
- We are not a cause, but rather a causeway, serving as a collaborator between philanthropists, nonprofits and other funding organizations across the community.



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# What's Your Passion?

Generous donors established the following charitable funds at the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation since we published our 20th Anniversary Report to the Community last spring. These funds were created to help assure future support for a wide variety of nonprofit organizations and charitable causes. One of the great things about our Community Foundation is that we can assist donors who are passionate about everything from supporting higher education to assisting with spay and neuter programs, providing affordable healthcare to championing youth programs, and awarding scholarships to keeping a community clean. We can help YOU create a perpetual endowment to support whatever charitable cause is your passion.

Give us a call today at 304-264-0353 to learn more, or visit our website at [EWVCF.org](http://EWVCF.org).

## OUR NEW FUNDS

Blue Ridge Community and Technical College  
Foundation Fund 2015  
Don and Polly Roach "Friends of Animals" Free Spay &  
Neuter Fund 2015

Stefani A. Pierson Fund for Charitable Giving 2015  
Baker Family Fund 2015

Campaign Against Litter Fund 2015

Berkeley County Community Impact Fund 2015

Morgan County Community Impact Fund 2015

Hampshire County Education Fund 2015

Hardy County Community Foundation Heritage Fund 2016

Tallent Charitable Fund – Shell Agreement 2016

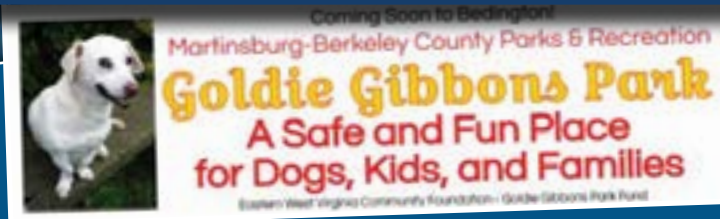
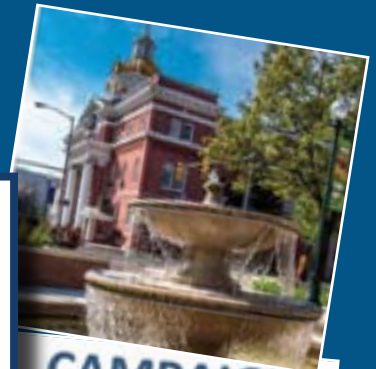
Palmer Family Fund 2016

Goldie Gibbons Park Fund 2016

South Jefferson Ruritan Club Scholarship Fund 2016

John L. Burkett, III Memorial Fund 2016

Eastern Panhandle CARE Fund 2016



*Creating a fund in your Community Foundation is economical and easy. Donors receive prudent fund management, generous tax advantages, and access to a committed staff with knowledge of the community and the charities in our area. We handle administrative responsibilities, file necessary tax returns, evaluate charities, and monitor changes in the community to help you achieve your charitable vision. A wide variety of endowed funds can be created with a lump-sum gift of as little as \$5,000. Here are the basic steps for creating a fund.*

## 1. Define your charitable and financial objectives

Consider how you want your gift to be used and how much you and other family members would like to be involved in making grant recommendations. You may have a favorite charity you want to support, or be passionate about youth and education programs, or want to provide scholarships to area students.

## 2. Select the type of fund that matches your charitable interests.

### *Agency Fund*

Charities often wish to create endowments in perpetuity to benefit their mission and purpose. The Community Foundation provides an excellent vehicle to ensure endowed gifts are prudently invested and managed for long-term growth. Nonprofit organizations that establish an agency-endowed fund often create campaigns to encourage other donors to help build the funds. Agencies may elect to receive annual distributions or simply allow the endowed fund to grow until a need arises.

### *Designated Fund*

A donor designates a specific charity or any number of nonprofit organizations to benefit from this type of endowed fund. Annual distributions will be made to each named charity based on the guidelines established by the donor at the time of the gift. Should a designated nonprofit organization cease to exist at any time in the future, the Community Foundation has the flexibility to reallocate grants to another agency that most reflects the donor's original vision.

### *Donor Advised Fund*

Provides a donor or donors with the opportunity to recommend charitable distributions to favorite nonprofit organizations, schools, and churches for general support or specific programs. Grants can be awarded throughout the year from a donor-advised fund and the Community Foundation staff is here to help with recommendations based on current pressing needs.

### *Field-of-Interest Fund*

Allows a donor to target an area of need rather than a specific charity. The Community Foundation will make grants to those organizations most effectively serving the people and causes you want to help—youth programs, the elderly, homelessness and hunger, arts and cultural organizations, education, the environment, historic preservation, and recreation are all examples of causes a field-of-interest can address.

### *Scholarship Fund*

A donor may choose to dedicate a fund's purpose entirely to helping students study and advance their education. The minimum endowment for scholarship funds is \$10,000. Annual scholarships generally range from \$500 to \$5,000 and are awarded based on the criteria established by the donor. We currently offer scholarships based on financial need, academic achievement, major field of study, community service, and wide range of other services. The Community Foundation works with area school staff, community volunteers, and our Board of Directors to review student applications, conduct interviews and award scholarships to deserving students.

### *Community Fund / Community Scholarship Fund*

A field of interest fund where multiple donors work together to create a Fund and then serve as grant-making advisors. Giving Circles and Memorial Scholarships often fall into this category.

### *Unrestricted Fund*

The most flexible of all our endowed funds, an unrestricted one is able to address the areas most critical needs annually. For instance, after a natural disaster, nonprofit organizations that provide food and shelter would receive grants from an unrestricted fund. The Community Foundation currently has one unrestricted fund covering our entire region as well as individual County Community Endowment Funds for each of the five counties – Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire, and Hardy. Donors who are interested in providing funding for unrestricted grant-making may contribute to one of these existing funds or establish a new named fund.

## 3. Determine which asset you will use in creating your fund -

Gifts of cash, securities (publicly traded or closely held), personal property, or real estate can be accepted by the Community Foundation to set up a fund. Assets with a low cost basis are often wise choices, since they offer maximum tax advantages. You pay no capital gains tax and receive a favorable income-tax deduction. You may also wish to review assets inside your retirement plan for possible charitable use. At all times, we work closely with your accountant and attorney to ensure your charitable wishes are clearly understood and applied.

## 4. Choose a name for your fund -

Many donors choose a family name, but you can use any name that is meaningful to you.

## 5. Make your gift to the Community Foundation

While your gifts to establish a fund will be commingled with other Community Foundation assets to maximize investment returns, income and appreciation are tracked and tied to your fund, benefiting your fund for its growth and charitable grant-making.

## 6. Plan a gift through your Will -

We can help provide appropriate language to make sure your Will meets legal and tax criteria.

From here on, your charitable vision is nearly worry-free. The Community Foundation takes care of government filings, grant paperwork, auditing and accounting. Most importantly, you will have joined with hundreds of other local donors who have created a personal legacy that is true philanthropy.



# A PASSION FOR BERKELEY COUNTY

## BONNIE AND BILL STUBBLEFIELD

Call it fate or just plain good luck, but Bonnie and Bill Stubblefield couldn't be happier to call Berkeley County home. They loved the people and landscape right from the start, a chance visit prompted 30 years ago by a classified ad Bonnie saw in a Washington newspaper. It was a turning point, back then – not unlike a recent decision earmarking \$500,000 to help keep local roadsides litter free and clean.

Their decision to establish an endowed fund with the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation - to create the Campaign Against Litter Fund - is a way to help maintain the area's natural beauty while also empowering residents to make a difference. It's the right thing to do for their Eastern Panhandle home, both agree, especially due to the love they have for their adopted home. "She knew I was a frustrated farmer at heart, and after we spent a little time here I was also so impressed with the warmth of the people as well as the beautiful land," he said with a smile. It was clearly the right place, and they purchased land in 1987 overlooking the Potomac River.

At the time, both held senior positions with the federal government, so it took a little while to make the move from Potomac, Maryland. While they originally used the property for weekend retreats, it eventually became their full-time residence. Once they'd retired and began to put down roots, there was no stopping them. Bill recently completed a six-year term on the Berkeley County Council, while both he and Bonnie have also actively volunteered with several civic organizations. "It was easy to come here and feel at home," he said.

They are also co-founders of Berkeley Community Pride, an anti-littering group that has worked to reduce litter, encourage community recycling and promote the education of youngsters about the responsible use of natural resources. It now focuses primarily on providing recycling collection sites to community members, and has recycled more than 325 tons of paper and cardboard since 2005. "This has been our passion, and we have done several things to try to do something about the roadside litter problem here. We envision this as a more hands-on approach that will be sustainable since there is money available to keep it going," he said. Thanks to the endowment, the couple anticipates that a minimum of \$25,000 will be available annually to arrange and maintain roadside pick-up five days a week for approximately seven months of the year. Efforts will be focused on the most heavily littered roads in the county, with an emphasis on those having the greatest need to be cleaned every two to three weeks as the program gets under way. It may be possible for local youth groups, such as Boy Scouts, to help with this cleanup work. Additionally, the couple hopes funding will also be available to give to churches that have youth also willing to help in this way.

Part of the overall goal is to "change the culture about how the community looks at their home," she said. "The goal really is to change behavior patterns, and we think it will help to have a visible presence of picking up litter along our public roads for generations to come," he said.

"We wanted to move forward with this now because the greatest visual blight on our county is roadside litter, and the situation is getting worse all the time," he said. Setting an example on their own country road is already yielding good results. Since they routinely pick up trash as soon as it appears, there has been less thrown out and others seem to be appreciating the litter-free roadside in their community, he said. And partnering with the foundation also makes sense, since the couple is hoping others who share this interest will also contribute to the endowment, she said.

"It's a wonderful community organization that allows citizens throughout the community to leave a legacy for all kinds of good things. In our case we wanted to give something back to the community, and believe this is a good way to make that kind of investment in the future," she said.

*Special Thanks to Jenni Vincent of Hedgesville, West Virginia for writing this profile of Bill and Bonnie Stubblefield. Jenni was recently honored by the West Virginia Press Association with two first place awards, one for "Best News Feature" and another for "Best In-Depth or Investigative Reporting." Both awards were presented for her investigative reporting on the heroin epidemic in the Eastern Panhandle. Jenni is the editor of the online news service WeHeartWestVirginia.*



## LEGACY SOCIETY

Legacy Society members are helping us build charitable endowments tomorrow by making a planned gift today. Recording one's charitable intentions also serves as a guidepost for family and friends, thereby establishing a simple way for loved ones to support nonprofit organizations and charitable causes which are near and dear to you. Please consider adding your name to this group by becoming a member of our Legacy Society today.

**Helen Jackson Bowser**  
**Walter and Mary Jo Ziler Brown**  
**John and Jaqueline Burkett**  
**Linda Case**  
**David and Dana DeJarnett**  
**Jerry L. Derflinger**  
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**Lacy and Linda Rice**  
**Doug and Joan Roach**  
**Scott and Linda Roach**  
**Steven M. and Tina F. Roach**  
**Jennifer Roberts**  
**Myrtle J. Schneiderhan**  
**Elizabeth Shade**  
**Lester A. and Janet I. Smith**  
**Jane P. Snyder**  
**William L. and Bonnie M. Stubblefield**  
**Michael Barry Tallent**  
**Paul and Lisa Welch**  
**Michael and Susan Hawkens Whalton**  
**John S. Wharton**  
**Helen Mae Wolford**  
**Gretchen Wurzburg**  
**Robert B. Yoe**

## SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS IN PHILANTHROPY!

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation enjoys the support of many businesses in the area. Our Partners in Philanthropy contribute amounts ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,500 per year and these funds pay for the Scholars & Donors Reception where we recognize area students who are receiving scholarships, our Mini-Grants to Teachers Reception in the fall, and this year's Emeritus and Nonprofit Leaders Luncheon.

Our Partners in Philanthropy also fund challenge grants to help build the endowments of local nonprofit agencies, Community Workshops & Nonprofit Training programs, and new unrestricted county-based Community Funds.

Total contributions from our Partners in Philanthropy amount to nearly \$25,000 annually and these funds are vital to the success of our many community outreach programs.

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# MONEY MATTERS

Community Foundations help donors support favorite charitable causes and nonprofit organizations by creating permanent endowments that will last forever. Whatever your passion — be it your alma mater, a local theatre or arts organization, daycare or recreation center, historical society or social services, education or recreation, youth or senior citizen program — a gift to the community foundation can make your generosity go on in perpetuity. By establishing an endowed fund or adding to an existing one, donors can continue a tradition of giving long after they are gone.

We’ve all heard about the power of compounding and this organization thrives by focusing on long-term growth and awarding grants to charities from a portion of the investment gains. We keep our costs low to grow the funds and award grants back to the community. Last year alone, with assets of just over \$18 million, we awarded \$575,676 in grants and scholarships, and attracted \$906,835 in donations to support existing funds or establish new ones at the foundation.

To support the operations of the Community Foundation, each endowed fund is charged 1% annually, which covers approximately 60% of our annual expenses. Additional operating income is derived from corporate sponsorship from our Partners in Philanthropy program along with contributions from several generous individuals. Our operating expenses in 2015 were \$243,280 and we ended the year with a small surplus that was used for making grants, creating new funds, and building reserves.

### 2015 Summary Financial Statement

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation’s auditor, Yount Hyde & Barbour, PC, has issued a clean opinion on the financial statements ended December 31, 2015. You are welcome to download our 2015 audited financial statements and IRS Form 990 from our Website at [www.EWVCF.org](http://www.EWVCF.org).

Total Assets .....	\$18,408,265
Contributions to the Community Foundation.....	\$ 906,835
Grants and Scholarships Awarded .....	\$ 575,676
Operating Expenses .....	\$ 243,280

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The average annual rate of return on the investments held by the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation for three years was 6.11%, five years was 6.13%, seven years was 9.7%, and ten years was 5.55%. Considering the wide market fluctuations in recent years and the Great Recession of 2008, these returns are better than expected, exceeding our peers and the benchmarks we use to track performance.

**Special Thanks to our Investment Advisors for providing outstanding services at a greatly reduced fee of 35 basis points — just over 1/3 of one percent annually.**

**Bert McEldowney and Susan Cassidy of BB&T Retirement and Institutional Services**  
**Leslie Crabill of BCT—Bank of Charles Town**  
**Keith Unger and James “Rusty” Hudnall of City National Bank**  
**Tom Peterson and Chenoa Everett of CNB Bank**  
**Matt Kradel and Scott Rush of First United Bank & Trust**  
**Adam Stewart of United Brokerage Services, Inc.**  
**Ned Worthington and Matthew Humphrey of United Wealth Management.**



Our 21st Annual Report to the Community recaps the Community Foundation's many accomplishments of the past year with stories and photos highlighting our donors, students, grantees, and other nonprofit organizations. Distilling everything down to just 36 pages is difficult and we always struggle with what makes the cut. Although 2015 was a banner year, we got so busy at the beginning of 2016 that we decided to push back publication of our Report to the Community so that we could include some of the more important moments of this year as well.

In early spring, the new Martinsburg High School sign on South Queen Street was completed thanks to a grant from the W. Randy Smith Family Fund. Our field-of-interest funds presented more than \$100,000 in youth and education grants to teachers and nonprofit organizations in the Eastern Panhandle. And at the same time, we awarded \$93,000 in scholarships to college-bound high school students from Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire, and Hardy counties.

This summer, with a challenge grant from Randy Smith and the generous support of nearly 100 friends/donors, we raised over \$35,000 to help our flood-ravaged neighbors in Southern West Virginia. Our Strategic Planning Committee began creating a framework for where we want to be in the year 2020 and Paul Daugherty of Philanthropy West Virginia was the keynote speaker at our Emeritus Council and Nonprofit Leaders Luncheon. Paul talked about the generational transfer of wealth that is happening in West Virginia and helped us identify potential legacy donors.

In the early fall months, newly established charitable funds helped grow our total endowed assets to over \$20 million and increase our grantmaking capabilities substantially. Investment markets have also been extremely positive during the first three quarters of 2016.

A final thank you, as we go to press, to our tremendous board of directors, and especially our officers who have gone above and beyond to make the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation a great nonprofit organization and wonderful place to work.



# AGENCY ENDOWED FUNDS

Helping Nonprofit Organizations Build Permanent Endowment

*Nonprofit organizations can establish an Agency Fund at the community foundation. It's a simple and efficient way to build an endowment — and help create sustainability — for your nonprofit organization. The community foundation's experienced staff can also help your organization develop a campaign to grow your endowment.*

**Berkeley County Historical Society Legacy Fund**—Founded in memory of long-time director Don Wood, this fund supports Historical Society research programs.

**NEW Blue Ridge CTC Foundation Endowment Fund**—The board of the Blue Ridge CTC Foundation established this fund to generate financial support for the college's annual operations and programming.

**Camp Frame 4-H Fund**—The 4-H Board established this fund with a legacy gift to build an endowment to provide annual funding for Camp Frame in Berkeley County.

**Community Networks, Inc. Endowment Fund**—Provides support for Community Network's Bethany House, which assists low income families, women and children.

**For the Kids, By George Children's Museum Endowment Fund**—Established with the 2014 Solomon Fine Memorial Fund Grant for Outstanding Community Service, this fund will provide distributions to the museum to support operations.

**Friends of Senior Life Services of Morgan County Endowment Fund**—Established with help from the Charity Challenge grant and matching Senior Life Services donors, this fund benefits the Berkeley Springs-based group.

**Robert L. Hawvermale Sr. Saint Mark's Episcopal Church Camp Fund**—Created by St. Mark's Church and the Hawvermale family, this fund supports youth programs at Peterkin Camp in Romney, WV.

**Hospice of the Panhandle Endowment Fund**—Our very first agency endowed fund helps offset Hospice expenses by providing resources for care givers, patients and families.

**Jefferson County 4-H Foundation Fund**—This fund was established by the 4-H Foundation with the generous support of dozens of contributors.

**Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks and Recreation Fund**—Created by the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks & Recreation Board, this fund supports its countywide public recreation programs.

**Martinsburg-Berkeley County War Memorial Park Fund**—This fund provides distributions to underwrite programs and aid in the restoration and upkeep of War Memorial Park.

**Mountain Heart Foundation Fund**—This fund provides scholarships for Eastern Panhandle children with heart conditions to attend this special West Virginia camp.

**Old Opera House Theatre Endowment**—Created with assistance from the 2009 Charity Challenge and matching gifts from Old Opera House donors, this fund benefits the Charles Town-based community theatre.

**Panhandle Home Health Endowment Fund**—Distributions help offset annual expenses as Panhandle Home Health fulfills its mission to provide quality health care services in the comfort of patients' homes.

**Shepherdstown Day Care Endowment Fund**—Shepherdstown Day Care Center serves many at-risk and in-need children from our community with distributions from this fund.

**Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church Fund**—Created by the leadership of the Church, this fund serves as an endowment to support the church's work in the community.

**United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Community Safety Net Fund**—The fund assists families who face an immediate crisis and are unable to meet their basic needs, such as food and shelter.

**United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Endowment Fund**—This fund was established to help offset the costs of day-to-day operations of the United Way in an effort to ensure donors' gifts are maximized to meet critical needs.

**United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Independent Seniors Endowment Fund**—This fund provides senior citizens with services and opportunities to attain a decent quality of life and be safe, healthy and engaged.

**United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Strong Families Endowment Fund**—This fund helps families meet their full potential by acquiring the skills and securing the resources to meet their housing, health and other basic needs.

**United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Thriving Children Endowment Fund**—This endowment fund ensures that children and youth enjoy normal growth in emotional, educational and social competencies.

**WV-20021 AFJROTC Angels Fund**—This fund provides Jefferson High School with resources to promote education and Jr. ROTC student advancement.



*Establishing a Designated Fund allows you to support the good work of one or many specific charities — the Boys & Girls Club, a senior center, a favorite theatre or museum, Hospice, or virtually any nonprofit organization. Because it's given through your Community Foundation, your gift provides the organization you select with annual funding and prudent investment.*

**EWVCF Administrative Endowment Fund**—Distributions from this fund help offset the annual operating expenses of the Community Foundation — our own endowment for the future.

**Ambrose Park Children's Garden Fund**—This fund was created to help provide financial support for the new Children's Garden in Ambrose Park next to the Wurzburg Dog Park in Martinsburg.

**Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County Fund**—A planned gift by Helen Jackson Bowser, this designated fund benefits the Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County.

**Berkeley Arts Council Endowment Fund**—This donor-designated fund supports the operations of the Berkeley Arts Council, which serves Martinsburg and Berkeley County.

**Boys and Girls Club of the Eastern Panhandle Fund**—Established 10 years ago to provide general support to this group, which offers safe-haven, programs, clubs, recreation and activities to many area youth.

**Boys and Girls Club of Morgan County Gail A. Shade Fund**—This fund supports the Morgan County facility in honor of 2004 Spirit of the Panhandle volunteer Gail Shade, who helped to create the club.

**NEW John L. Burkett, III Memorial Fund**—Established by Mr. Burkett's parents to support the United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Strong Families Endowment Fund.

**CASA of the Eastern Panhandle Fund**— This charity serving abused and neglected children in the Eastern Panhandle will forever benefit from the generosity of Tari Hampe-Deneen.

**C-CAP Loaves and Fishes Fund**—Established by Trinity United Methodist Church to support this organization serving Berkeley County residents with rental assistance, financial management and general aid.

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## 4-H FUNDS

In 2008, the Jefferson County 4-H Foundation established a fund to support 4-H programs. We'd like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their generous contributions:

Woody & June Adams, Bank of Charles Town, Bardane Community Center, F. Kenneth & Gay F. Barron, Keith & Laura Berkeley, John "J.P." & Donna Burns, Edgar Drew Conklyn & Ida Albin Conklyn, Mrs. "Lulu" Jack Catrow, Charles Town Lions Club, Charles Town Moose Lodge #948, F&M Bank WV (BB&T), L. Elmer, Hazel M. Hendricks, Robert A. & Pauline S. Hockensmith, Mary Frances Hockman, H.M. "Marty" & Carol Kable, Margaret "Sugie" Jamison, Jefferson County 4-H Leaders, Jefferson County CEOs, Jefferson County Fair, Jefferson County Farm Bureau, Jefferson Security Bank, Todd Kable, Dr. Dale Keyser, W.H. Knobe's Sons, Marion Myers, South Jefferson Ruritan, Emmert Moler, Jr, Robert W. & Rubye C. McCormick, D.L. & Tara Morgan Family Scholarship, Annabelle & Charles W. Osbourn, Ridge Runner's 4-H Club, Cynthia Kay Russell, J. Edward & Louise Saville, Robert R. & Mary Rogers Smith, James W. & Mary B. Staley, George E. Tabb, Sr. & Dorothy Tabb, Jim & Anne J. Tabb, Lyle C. Tabb, Florence Ann Vickers, Mary Catherine Vickers, and William E. "Pete" Walker.



The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation was entrusted with a 2007 legacy gift used to establish the Camp Frame 4-H Fund. Annual distributions from the fund will support Camp Frame programs and provide financial resources for future generations of 4-H campers for years to come.



## DESIGNATED FUNDS

### **Charles Town Rotary J.B. Smith**

**Memorial Fund**—Established by the Charles Town Rotary in memory of J.B. Smith, this fund benefits Jefferson Memorial Park and high school baseball in Jefferson County.

### **Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic**

**Fund**—Katharine Costea named the Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic as her endowment beneficiary to support its commitment to provide medical care to those in need.

### **Eastern Panhandle Young Life**

**Endowment Fund**—Young Life is a national organization dedicated to reaching out to school-aged youth with faith-based gatherings, activities and programs.

### **Endowment for Special Needs—**

This fund supports the Hedgesville based Groves Center, which provides training and occupational involvement for special needs adults.

### **First Presbyterian Church Angel**

**Fund**—Created by Phil Seibert so the leaders of the church can help individuals and families in our community who suffer from catastrophic and unexpected events.

### **NEW Goldie Gibbons Park Fund—**

Established by Virginia Gibbons to honor her mother Goldie by providing resources to help create a community dog park in Bedington, West Virginia.

### **Habitat for Humanity Endowment**

**Fund**—Launched by C. David and Barbara L. Miller to provide annual general operating support to assist the tri-county chapter build housing for those in need.

### **George W. and Holly Woods**

**Hancock Memorial Fund**—Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Fund—Mr. Hancock honored his wife's memory and their faith by creating this organizational endowment fund to benefit Martinsburg's Mt. Zion United Methodist Church.

### **Healthy Smiles Dental Health Fund—**

Created by Dean and Betty Russell and their friends to address dental health needs, including some 10,000 Medicaid children needing dental service in the tri-county area.

### **Jefferson County Public Schools**

**Fund**—Supports the advancement of public education K–12 programs in Jefferson County.

### **Junior Mentoring Program (JUMP) of the Eastern Panhandle Fund—**

Multiple donors established this endowment to benefit this organization that matches high-risk and at-need children with volunteering adults.

### **James E. Keel Jefferson County**

**Community Ministries Fund**—This fund provides a perpetual funding source for the Jefferson County Community Ministry, serving those in need with clothing, a food pantry and other aid.

### **Floyd and Mike Kursey Fund—**

Named 2011 Spirit of the Panhandle, Floyd and Michaela "Mike" Kursey's fund benefits Hospice of the Panhandle.

### **Larry Lower Morgan County Food**

**& Farms Association Fund**—Morgan County's 2013 Spirit of the Panhandle winner established this fund to support the local farm and food movement.

### **Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission**

**Fund honoring Bill and Libby Crowe**—Established by an anonymous donor to pay tribute to Pastor and Mrs. Crowe by providing financial resources to support the Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission.

### **Arthur H. Miller Fund—**

Created by bequest, Arthur Miller designated his fund to provide annual grants to benefit Berkeley County Senior Services.

### **Ginnie Molnar Fund for Special**

**Athletes**—Spirit of the Panhandle Ginnie Molnar designated this fund to provide annual support to Special Olympians in Berkeley County.

### **Pat & Bev Murphy Boys & Girls Club**

**Arts Fund**—Pat Murphy designated his Spirit of the Panhandle Fund to support art programs at the Boys & Girls Club in Martinsburg.

### **Norborne Preschool/Sarah Steptoe**

**Charitable Fund**—Established in honor of one of the founders and long-time champions of Norborne Preschool to provide resources to assist in operating this highly respected organization.

### **Ron Nordeen/Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers**

**Fund**—Conrad C. Hammann, Sr., established this in honor of Ron Nordeen, to provide caregiving for elderly, homebound and needy citizens in Jefferson County.

### **Patient Care of Hospice Fund—**

Betty Jo Stout requested that distributions from this fund help financially needy patients under the care of Hospice of the Panhandle.

### **Potomac Valley Audubon Society**

**Fund**—2004 Spirit of the Panhandle Jean Neely established this fund to provide annual support to the Potomac Valley Audubon Society and its programs.

### **Reliving History Fund —**

Established to enrich and support the restoration, preservation and interpretation of Eastern Panhandle historic sites such as the Peter Burr House.

### **Steven M. and Tina F. Roach Camp**

**and Mission Fund**—This fund supports Young Life, St. Luke's United Methodist Church and Otterbein United Methodist Church mission trips for youth.

### **Rosabell and James Roman Fund—**

Rosabell Roman, honored as a Spirit of the Panhandle, designated her fund to benefit her church, Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Martinsburg.

### **Myrtle Schneiderhan Fund—**

This legacy fund supports the programs and services provided by Trinity Episcopal Church in Martinsburg.

**Ernie Schrider and Friends Fund—**

Named a 2009 Spirit of the Panhandle, Ernie Schrider designated his fund to equally benefit Morgan County Starting Points and the American Cancer Society.

**Betty L. Severson Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Fund—**

Named a 2009 Spirit of the Panhandle honoree, Betty Severson shaped her fund to benefit Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of Shepherdstown.

**Shenandoah Women's Center Fund—**

Created in honor of 2005 Spirit of the Panhandle Ruth Veach, this fund supports the critical day-to-day work of the Shenandoah Women's Center.

**NEW Tallent Family Charitable Fund—**

Established through a charitable remainder trust to support Hospice of the Panhandle charity care.

**Trinity Episcopal Church Angel Fund—**

Founded by Phil Seibert, this fund allows the leaders of the church congregation to help individuals and families in need from our community.

**Trinity Episcopal Church Fund—**

Bonn "Buzz" Poland established this shell agreement in his estate plan to provide future funding for Trinity Episcopal Church in Martinsburg.

**Trinity Lutheran Church Needmore Cemetery Fund—**

Trinity Lutheran Church established this for maintenance, repair and upkeep of Berkeley County's Needmore Cemetery in Arden.

**Dan VanBellegheem Fund—**Spirit of the Panhandle honorary fund supports programs offered by Good Shepherd Interfaith Caregivers and the Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic.

**The George Washington Chair of Living Ethics at Shepherd University—**

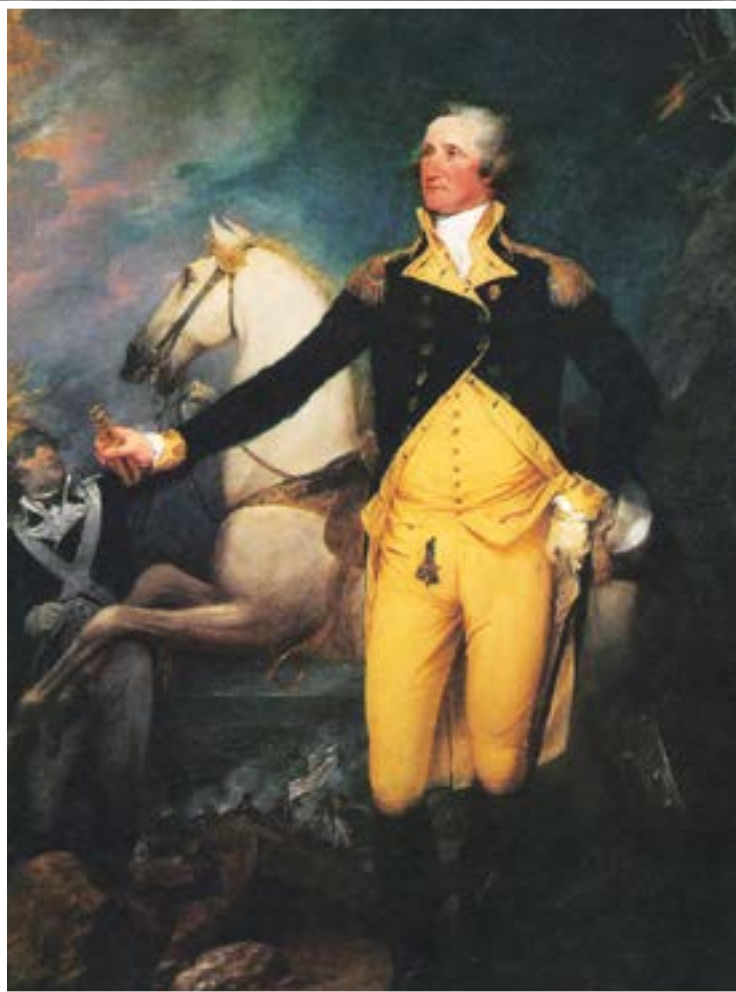
Created to support ethics studies and endow a Community Ethics Chair at Shepherd University.

**John S. Wharton Fund—**

First United Bank and Trust converted Mr. Wharton's charitable trust to a fund that benefits Hospice of the Panhandle, Junior Mentoring Program (JUMP), Martinsburg Public Library, Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, Shawnee Girl Scouts Council, Shenandoah Area Council Boys Scouts of America, and Shenandoah Women's Center.

**Helen Wolford Humane Society Fund—**

This fund helps Berkeley County Humane Society offset expenses of providing care for animals waiting to be adopted.

**George Washington Living Ethics**

George Washington and his family were instrumental in settling our region; their ideals and ethics intermingled with their neighbors, and helped shape our nation. West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle remains a living legacy and a guiding light for our region and our nation.

In 2002, Dr. Donald Patthoff created the George Washington Chair of Living Ethics Fund in order to endow a Community Ethics Chair for Shepherd University. Until the fund reaches \$300,000 in total endowment (the minimum necessary to support an Ethics Chair), periodic grants are made to Shepherd University for programs and projects that explore and nurture the character of our communities as embodied by our nation's first president.

# FAQS ABOUT CREATING A DONOR ADVISED FUND

## Can I make a grant outside of Eastern West Virginia?

Yes. Please be sure to give us ample time to perform due diligence on charities new to the Community Foundation.

## Can I give to my church or children's school?

Yes. Places of worship and education institutions are charitable. So are grants that lessen the burden of government through poverty abatement and community improvement.

## Can I recommend grants and be anonymous to the public?

Yes. The Community Foundation will protect the anonymity of its donors. Please be sure to let us know of your wishes.

## Can I recommend grants in memory or in honor of someone?

Yes. Include this information with your grant recommendation.

## Can I make a grant to a charity if I serve on it's board?

Yes, as long as you do not make an advanced pledge or receive personal benefit from the grant.

## Can I fulfill a pledge to give to a charity?

No. Memberships, pledges, sponsorships, tickets as well as gifts that provide a personal benefit to your or your family cannot be made.

## Can I recommend multi-year grants?

Yes. The Community Foundation will consider such requests. But, don't overextend your fund's resources.

## Can staff provide assistance with grant ideas and research on area charities?

You learn as much as you wish about our community and its charities. We can help you in a number of ways. Please call us.

## When and how much can I add to my donor advised fund?

Most funds are set up so that you or anyone may add any amount at any time, including gifts of stock, real estate, insurance, and other forms of giving.

## Is there a limit to how many grants I can recommend in a year?

No. However, a minimum grant of \$100 is suggested.

## ADVANTAGES OF A DONOR ADVISED FUND OVER A PRIVATE OR CORPORATE FOUNDATION

Organization	Established	Not Established
Tax Exempt	501 (c) (3)	Not Established
Funds Required	As little as \$5,000	Experts recommend at least \$5 to \$10 million
Donor's Role in Selecting Grants	Donor, family, his/her committee recommends grants	Donor specifies grants
Tax Deductibility	Maximum	Limited
Cash Gifts	Deduct 50% AGI	30% AGI
Long Term Appreciated Securities	Deduct 30% AGI	20% AGI
Federal Approvals/ Restrictions	No payout requirement. federal excise taxes.	Requires 5% payout annually. 1% or 2% excise tax. Greater incidence of field audits. Must prepare tax return.
Language for Making Gifts and Creation of Funds	In Place	Must Create
Office/ Staff/Accounting	In Place	May need to obtain
Officer Liability	Covered	May need to obtain

## Transferring a Private Foundation or Trust Fund

Existing private foundations or charitable trust funds can be easily transferred to a named endowment fund within the Community Foundation, greatly reducing administrative overhead, while maintaining key elements of donor involvement and long-term, legacy vision. The disadvantages of private foundations or trusts— excise fees, administrative fees, lesser tax benefits, and due diligence administration— cause many to seek a more flexible alternative in the Community Foundation

## Corporate Giving Funds

Corporations are often overwhelmed with requests for charitable gifts. Many corporations across America look to their local community foundation for a simplified, focused giving program, administered by Community Foundation staff. A corporation can establish a named fund and set up specific guidelines for grant making. Or, it may elect to give the Community Foundation full discretion over disbursements.



*A Donor Advised Fund allows you to make a gift to the Community Foundation and remain actively involved in suggesting uses for your gift. You can work with the Community Foundation staff to suggest ongoing uses for the fund — targeting the issues you care about most. Grant awards are issued to charities in the name of the fund (or anonymously if you prefer). It's a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving.*

**Austin Family Fund**— Honored as a 2007 Spirit of the Panhandle awardee, Bonnie Austin created this fund to benefit the tri-county community.

**Berkeley County Industrial Park Development Fund**—Annual distributions support economic development, job creation, workforce development, business recruitment and creation, and employability training initiatives.

**Berkeley County Reads Fund**— Established to help Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Library system offset costs of construction of new facilities and repairs to existing ones.

**Boehm Family Fund**—Jeff and Denise Boehm established this fund to support religious organizations, charitable causes, and education opportunities in and around the Eastern Panhandle.

**Borger Family Fund**—This fund was established with donations honoring EWVCF Past President Stew Borger for his years of service to the Community Foundation.

**Linda Case and John Rayburn Family Fund**—This fund supports charitable programs that address conservation, environmental stewardship, historic preservation and human welfare programs.

**City National Bank Charitable Fund**— City National Bank established this fund to provide employees with an opportunity to recommend grants in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Diane M. and James W. Dailey II Fund**—Provides grants to area charities that serve poverty-based populations, educational programs and economic development in distressed areas.

**DeJarnett Family Fund 2014**— David and Dana DeJarnett joined EWVCF's Legacy Society with this shell agreement that can be activated with a gift to the foundation at any time.

**NEW Eastern Panhandle CARE Fund**—The Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic established this fund to support other nonprofit organizations in the region that provide quality health care services to those who cannot afford to pay.

**Executive Director Fund**—Amy Owen established this fund, which is advised by the Community Foundation's executive director to benefit Eastern Panhandle programs and charities.

**NEW Gabe's Gift Memorial Fund**— This seed fund was established in memory of Gabe Bauserman, who lost his life while riding his bike near his home in Jefferson County in the summer of 2014.

**Glenna Merica Grove Fund**— This namesake fund enlists family members to serve as the advisors, in order to recommend grants that will benefit nonprofit organizations in the tri-county area.

**Home Hill Charitable Fund**—This fund was created by Margaret Drennen to support a broad range of charitable programs in Jefferson County and the Eastern Panhandle.

**Kreinik Family Fund**—Animal rights, advocacy and rescue are some of the causes supported by Herb and Betty Kreinik with annual distributions from this fund.

**McMillan Family Fund**—Established by Bob and Tia McMillan, this fund allows family members to recommend grants to benefit charities of interest.

**Robert W. and Gina M. Miller Fund**—This donor-advised fund was created to award grants to nonprofit organizations and charitable causes in the tri-county area.

**Morgan County Youth Fund**— Established by Tom and Virginia Seely to support educational, athletic, social, civic and community activities for children in Morgan County.

**Owen Family Fund**—Created in honor of Amy Owen's 10 years of service as Executive Director of the Community Foundation, this fund awards grants to various programs in the region.

**NEW Palmer Family Fund** — Two generations of the Palmer Family in Martinsburg established this fund to support West Virginia nonprofit organizations.

**Roger and Wanda Perry Fund**— This fund provides the Perrys with the opportunity to recommend grants for charitable programs and activities in Jefferson County.

**NEW Stefani A. Pierson Fund for Charitable Giving**—Established in loving memory of Stefani by her family and friends to support nonprofit youth programs in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.

**Restorative Justice Fund**—This fund was established by an anonymous donor to help fund restorative justice initiatives intended to address substance abuse in the Eastern Panhandle.

**NEW Doug and Joan Roach Charitable Fund**—The Doug and Joan Roach Visionary Fund will finance this to award grants to faith-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations serving the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.

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# DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Building a tradition of Legacy Giving for generations to come

**NEW Doug & Joan Roach Visionary Fund**—Assets of this fund are invested for long-term growth for 30 years, then one-third of the Fund will be transferred to the Doug & Joan Roach Charitable Fund to begin awarding grants.

**Joan Roach Volunteer Fund for the Needy**—Friends and colleagues established this donor-advised fund to honor Joan's volunteer work with faith-based charitable programs in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Scott and Linda Roach Fund**—This family-oriented fund awards grants to nonprofit organizations and charitable causes that serve local needs throughout the Panhandle.

**Shenandoah Community Health Endowment**—Established to promote and support health-care services in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

**Desiree Shields Fund**—Established in memory of Desiree Shields, who died in an automobile accident, her legacy fund is advised by her mother, Darlene Truman.

**Stephen G. Skinner Family Fund**—Created primarily to help fund West Virginia nonprofit organizations that provide services to at-risk families and economically disadvantaged citizens.

**W. Randy Smith Family Fund**—Mr. Smith created his family fund to benefit a wide range of nonprofit organizations, from recreation to public safety, in Berkeley County.

**Social Change Fund**—An anonymous donor in our community established this fund to benefit area charities.

**Solomon Fine Memorial Fund**—This Community Fund awards an annual grant to a charitable, religious or civic organization in Berkeley County in recognition of outstanding work and leadership.

**SPARC Foundation Fund**—Founded by Bill and Barbara Scott, this fund is dedicated to encouraging human development among youth and families in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Arnie and Becky Stotler Fund**—Named 2011 Spirit of the Panhandle, the Stotlers created this fund to aid charities serving Morgan County.

**Strauch Family Fund**—This fund was established by Dr. Robert S. Strauch to support the arts, culture and education in the region.

**Thornton Family Charitable Fund**—Established by friends of Larry Thornton upon his retirement from City National Bank, the fund was fully endowed with a gift from Larry and Pam in late 2013.

**Two Rivers Giving Circle Fund**—Annual contributions by members of the giving circle build endowment and award grants to charities that focus on historic preservation and area conservation.

**Van Order and Barney Family Fund**—Great Cacapon residents Anne Barney and Stephen Van Order established this fund to support a number of favorite charitable causes, including ones in Morgan County.

**Paul and Lisa Welch Fund**—Paul and Lisa Welch established the fund primarily to support nonprofit organizations in Shepherdstown, Jefferson County and throughout the Eastern Panhandle.

**Bill and Nancy White Charitable Fund**—Donors Bill and Nancy White and their daughters, Ashley and Amy, as advisors to this fund which primarily supports educational programs in the Eastern Panhandle.

**NEW Valerie Wilbur Health Policy Fellowship Fund**—Grants from the fund are awarded to nonprofit organizations that specialize in programs for frail, disabled and chronically ill persons who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid.

**Geri Wissinger Fund**—Created by her sister in memory of the late Geri Wissinger, the fund supports wildlife refuges and birding sanctuaries.

**Wurzburg/Hill Family Church Fund**—Thanks to the generosity of Gretchen Wurzburg, four churches in the Martinsburg area will benefit from this fund.

**Wurzburg/Hill Family Fund**—Charitable organizations providing recreational programs in Berkeley County receive grants from this fund, which is advised by Travis and Scarlett Hill.

**June Zimmerman Health and Fitness Fund**—This fund provides grants to promote exercise and health in our community.



*By establishing a Field-of-Interest Fund, you can target your gift to address needs in an important and specific area of community life: Arts. AIDS. Aging. At-risk youth. Historic Preservation. Conservation. You identify your personal interest area when making your gift; our board awards grants to community organizations and programs that are making a difference in the area you select. Your gift stays flexible enough to meet community needs in your interest area — even as they change over time.*

**NEW Campaign Against Litter Fund**—This fund was established by Bill and Bonnie Stubblefield to help cover the cost of a keenly focused litter pick-up program in Berkeley County.

**Endowment for the Arts**—The Shepherdstown Rotary Club helped seed this fund that supports arts and cultural programs in the Eastern Panhandle.

**EWVCF Endowment for Recreation**—Created with collective gifts, this field-of-interest fund supports recreational programs in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

**Frada Fine Berkeley Education Fund**—BB&T Wealth Management launched this fund to provide resources to public schools and educational programs and initiatives in Berkeley County.

**Housing Action Fund**—Established by Dan Ryan Builders, this fund aids charities that address homeless conditions in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan Counties.

**Catherine S. and Clarence E. Martin, Jr. and Juanita and Vernon L Gray Charitable Fund**—Provides assistance to Berkeley County First Responders injured in the line of duty, and to the families of those First Responders killed in the line of duty.

**Bonn Poland Family Roundhouse Recreation Fund**—Supports youth programs and recreational opportunities in Berkeley County; with a preference to projects at the B&O Roundhouse in Martinsburg.

**NEW Don and Polly Roach “Friends of Animals” Free Spay & Neuter Fund**—Established to support free spay and neuter programs of the Berkeley County Humane Society and/or other free spay and neuter programs in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Robert A. Sanders Fund**—Created by Sylvia Sanders to honor the memory of her husband by supporting programs that address poverty and education in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Tom and Virginia Seely Children’s Fund**—Established by the Seelys to assist organizations that support, promote, aid and educate youth in Morgan County.

**C. Scott and Elizabeth C. Shade Youth Fund**—Supports youth programs in Berkeley County as a legacy to Elizabeth Shade, a nurse who loved children.

**Jane P. Snyder Youth Fund**—Jane Snyder’s interest in the health and well being of our youth led her to create this fund which supports youth program in the Eastern Panhandle.

**West Virginia Nursing Home Resident Fund**—Seeded by Meredith Rose Frank to assist needy residents in local nursing home facilities.

**Helen Parker Willard Fund**—Benefits Jefferson County cemeteries by providing funding to help maintain and protect civil war gravesites and public use areas of community history.

**Youth Advisory Council Fund**—Established to help teach philanthropy to young men and women by providing financial resources for youth advisory councils to make grants to West Virginia nonprofit organizations.





# UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Envisioning Future Needs Today

*When you establish an Unrestricted Fund, your gift can address a broad range of local needs — including future needs that often cannot be anticipated at the time your gift is made. We evaluate all aspects of community well-being: arts and culture, economic development, education, environment, health and human services, neighborhood revitalization and more. The flexibility of your unrestricted gift enables your community foundation's program experts to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow.*

## **NEW Berkeley County Community Impact Fund—**

Established to address critical needs in Berkeley County, West Virginia, this fund will be allowed to grow to \$20,000 before any distributions will be made.

## **NEW Morgan County Community Impact Fund—**

Established to address critical needs in Morgan County, West Virginia, this fund will be allowed to grow to \$20,000 before any distributions will be made.

**NEW Centennial Visionary Fund**—The Board of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation established this in honor of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first community foundation.

**EWVCF Endowment for the Community**—Created by the Board of Directors to meet the many changing needs of our Eastern Panhandle community.

**Jefferson County Community Impact Fund**—This fund was established to support Jefferson County West Virginia based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, churches, schools and government.



The Stefani A. Pierson Fund for Charitable Giving presented its first grant to the Boys & Girls Club of the Eastern Panhandle this spring. The fund was established in 2015 in memory of Stefani as a tribute to her work improving the lives of the children she served as Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club for many years. The Community Foundation is proud to have been entrusted with her legacy.

*In creating a Scholarship, you invest in your community's future and show students you care. Your community foundation provides the expertise to help you meet your personal goals and awards scholarships to deserving students. Your gift can help students — from preschool to postgraduate — achieve their lifetime dreams.*

**Berkeley County Teachers' Scholarship Fund**—Supports Berkeley County students studying to become teachers.

**Deborah, Leslie, and Christopher Bright Achievement Fund**—Founded by Dr. and Mrs. Harold Bright in honor of their children, this fund supports hands-on experience in STEAM-based subjects.

**Walter and Mary Jo Ziler Brown Fund**—This fund helps Eastern Panhandle students study animal husbandry, agriculture or veterinary medicine.

**Emily C. Cooper Bee Line Chapter of N.S. Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship Fund**—Jefferson County young ladies with good grades, solid character, and financial need benefit from this fund.

**Emily C. Cooper Jefferson County ROTC Scholarship Fund**—Enrollees with Jefferson County's ROTC program with financial need benefit from this fund as they seek higher education.

**Anna Jo Crosby Scholarship Fund**—Supports Morgan County high school graduates pursuing a degree in biology or veterinary medicine.

**Derflinger Earth Sciences Scholarship Fund**—Helps Berkeley County students with financial need attend a West Virginia college or university to study agriculture, forestry, geology, archeology or environmental science.

**Destiny Baptist Church Patrick J. Walker Scholarship Fund**—Established in honor of former pastor Patrick J. Walker. College-bound graduates who are members of Destiny Baptist Church are eligible to apply.

**Polly Dillon Scholarship Fund**—Established by Berkeley County teacher Polly Dillon to provide scholarships to Hedgesville High School graduates seeking a degree in agriculture or natural sciences.

**Mary and Walter Duke Teachers Scholarship Fund**—Supports future generations of Shepherd University students seeking a degree in teaching.

**Eastern Panhandle WVU Alumni Association Scholarship Fund**—This fund provides scholarships for Eastern Panhandle high school graduates who are the children, stepchildren or grandchildren of WVU alumni.

**Fischer Family Fund**—This scholarship fund was established by Dr. Frank H. Fischer to provide scholarships to eligible recipients pursuing an associate degree in business or accounting.



**Dr. N. Blaine Groves/ Rotary Scholarship Fund**—The Rotary Club of Martinsburg created this in memory of Dr. N. Blaine Groves to recognize exceptional Berkeley County high-school graduates.

**Chad Hammond Memorial Scholarship Fund**—Founded by friends of Chad Hammond, this scholarship helps a graduating senior from Musselman High School attend Marshall University or another WV college or university.

**George W. and Holly Woods Hancock Scholarship Fund**—George Hancock became the charter donor of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation when he established this fund with a gift of \$100,000. Mr. Hancock directed YMCA organizations around the nation for 43 years. His wife taught kindergarten. Their work inspired this fund that provides higher education scholarships to African American students graduating from Berkeley County high schools.

**Harry H. Hardie-James Rumsey Scholarship Fund**—This needs-based scholarship benefits students from Musselman High School who will attend James Rumsey Technical Institute.

**David A. "Hawk" Hawkens Scholarship Fund**—This serves as a memorial to Capt. "Hawk" Hawkens life. Eastern Panhandle students with financial needs and unimpressive academic records, but great potential may apply.



**Floyd and Isabel Jacques Memorial Scholarship Fund**—Mr. Jacques created this fund to honor his late wife and to benefit Musselman High School students who are in the top 10% of their graduating class.

**Karos Family Fund**—Created by Martinsburg Mayor George Karos, this fund helps Berkeley County students who intend to become pharmacists.



**Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund**—Martin Luther King Scholarship Committee distributes scholarships to graduating seniors from Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

**Susan Knott Memorial Scholarship Fund**—Awarded to a Jefferson High School student who is pursuing a degree in History or Political Science at a college or university in West Virginia.

**Martinsburg 200th Anniversary Scholarship Fund**—Berkeley County high school graduates seeking a four-year degree are eligible for scholarships from this fund.

**Martinsburg High School Class of 1964 Fund**—Class of '64 graduates established this to provide scholarships for graduates of Martinsburg High School attending a West Virginia college or university.

**Millers Electric Scholarship Fund**—Berkeley County trade students at James Rumsey Technical Institute may apply for this scholarship.



**Todd Mosby Memorial Scholarship Fund**—The late Todd Mosby inspired the Eastern Panhandle WVU Mountaineer Fan Club to create this athletic scholarship for Berkeley County students planning to attend WVU.

**NEW Dr. Theodore K. Oates Nursing Scholarship Fund**—Berkeley County high school graduates who are studying nursing at one of the colleges, universities or technical institutes in the Eastern Panhandle may apply.

**Lauren Le-An Porterfield Oblak Memorial Scholarship Fund**—Established by Lauren Porterfield's siblings, this fund will award scholarships to female athletes from Martinsburg High School.

**Overington Scholarship Fund**—Home-schooled K–12 students as well as those attending faith-based area schools benefit from this scholarship fund, created by John and JoAnn Overington.

**Morgan and Robert Owens Scholarship Fund**—The award will go to a Berkeley County graduating senior planning to seek a degree in social work or nursing from an accredited two- or four-year school, college or university.

**Robert Rentschler Memorial Fund**—A Warm Springs Intermediate School student with a positive change in behavior and improvement in academics receives this \$100 cash award.

**NEW M. Frances Secrist Scholarship Fund**—This scholarship goes to a graduate of Martinsburg High School who will attend a West Virginia college or university to pursue studies in agriculture or animal sciences.



**J. Oakley Seibert Scholarship Fund—**

This memorial scholarship, inspired by the life's work of an outstanding member of our community, helps students from Berkeley, Jefferson and Morgan Counties attend law school.

**Edgar McKee and Ethel D. Sites**

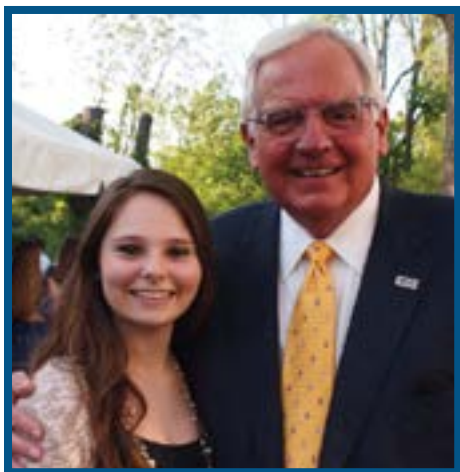
**Scholarship Fund—**Caroline Sites Fruchtman and William Sites created this in memory of their parents in order to provide scholarships to graduating seniors from Martinsburg High School.

**Clyde E. Smith, Jr. Fund—**

This Memorial Scholarship fund assists graduating Eastern Panhandle seniors choosing to pursue a bachelor's degree in business administration.

**Susan Wellford Smith Scholarship**

**Fund—**Established in memory of Susan Wellford Smith to provide scholarships for female athletes from Jefferson County who plan to pursue a four-year degree.

**NEW South Jefferson Ruritan Club Scholarship Fund—**

This community scholarship fund was created by the Ruritan Club to award scholarship to Jefferson County students pursuing degrees in agriculture or veterinary science.

**Erin Sponaugle Scholarship Fund—**

Established in honor of 2013–2014 West Virginia Teacher of the Year, this scholarship will help a Berkeley County student pursue an education degree from Shepherd University.

**Steeley Memorial Scholarship Fund—**

Roy and Gwen Steeley's fund awards scholarships to Jefferson and Berkeley County graduates pursuing a teaching degree from a West Virginia college or university.

**Terry Lee Walker Jr. Scholarship**

**Fund—**This young man was killed in a tragic accident caused by an impaired driver. Scholarships in his memory are awarded to Jefferson and Berkeley County graduates attending a WV college or university.

**Whalton Family Fund—**

Susan Hawkens Whalton established this fund as a gift to honor her husband's family. The fund provides scholarships unique to each year's needs.

**George Whitehair Scholarship Fund—**

Seniors from Martinsburg High School receive financial support from this fund that was established to honor a much-beloved former Martinsburg High School principal.

**The Woods Scholarship Fund—**

To promote public education, The Woods Scholarship supports Hedgesville High School and Berkeley Springs High School graduates with financial need.

**Wurzburg Family Scholarship Fund—**

This Legacy gift created by Gretchen Wurzburg will provide scholarships to Jefferson or Berkeley County students with significant financial need and good GPA.

**Mary Morrow Van Metre Yoe**

**Scholarship Fund—**Set up by her grandson, Robert Yoe, this fund helps Martinsburg High School students study nursing at West Virginia University.



## APPLYING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

Students may apply for Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation scholarships from October through February. Our donors have established dozens of different scholarships and the universal application is posted to our website in October. We have a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and How to Apply pages on our website as well. All documents related to our scholarships can be downloaded at [www.EWVCF.org](http://www.EWVCF.org).

## EASTERN WEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Gather. Grow. Grant.



Congratulations to our 2015 scholarship recipients and heartfelt thanks to the donors who established the funds that awarded more than \$91,000 in scholarships to these students.

**Natalie Adams**

Eastern Panhandle WVU Alumni Association Scholarship

**Ali Barrett**

Clyde E. Smith, Jr. Scholarship  
Wurzburg Family Scholarship

**Dana Bishop**

Emily C. Cooper, DAR Bee Line Scholarship

**Anna Bock**

Mary and Walter Duke Teachers Scholarship

**Tania Boh**

Martin Luther King Scholarship

**Eric Brown**

George W. and Holly Woods Hancock Scholarship  
Terry Lee Walker, Jr. Scholarship  
George Whitehair Scholarship

**Matthew Burdette**

Whalton Family Fund

**Stephanie Busey**

Floyd and Isabel Jacques Memorial Scholarship

**McKayla Carmona**

Floyd and Isabel Jacques Memorial Scholarship

**Chi Chan**

Martin Luther King Scholarship  
Edgar McKee & Ethel D. Sites Scholarship

**Courtney Close**

David A. "Hawk" Hawkens Scholarship

**Hannah Coffey**

Martin Luther King Scholarship

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East Hardy High School .....	\$22,540.00
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Eastern Panhandle Young Life - YoungLives.....	\$2,500.00
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Friends Fur Life Rescue .....	\$772.00
Girl Scouts Council of the Nations Capital.....	\$3,600.00
Girls on the Run of the Shenandoah Valley.....	\$1,000.00
Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers .....	\$1,300.00
Greenwood Elementary.....	\$1,000.00
Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Panhandle .....	\$350.00
Hampshire County Pathways .....	\$500.00
Hampshire County Pet Adoption.....	\$250.00
Hampshire High School.....	\$1,575.00
Hardy County 4-H Leaders Association .....	\$1,450.00
Hardy County Tour & Craft Association.....	\$500.00

# 2015 GRANTS FROM THE FOUNDATION

Harpers Ferry Middle School .....	\$996.85
Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.....	\$5,000.00
Hedgesville Elementary .....	\$1,968.17
Hedgesville High School.....	\$327.97
Hedgesville Hounds.....	\$550.00
Hedgesville Middle School.....	\$1,039.05
Historic Shepherdstown Commission.....	\$3,000.00
Horses with Hearts Inc.....	\$2,000.00
Hospice of the Panhandle.....	\$6,294.70
James Rumsey Technical Institute .....	\$15,353.67
Jefferson County 4-H Foundation.....	\$7,500.00
Jefferson County Black History Preservation Society .....	\$2,000.00
Jefferson County Board of Education.....	\$2,500.00
Jefferson County Community Ministries .....	\$750.00
Jefferson County Health Department.....	\$1,500.00
Jefferson County Memorial Park.....	\$1,200.00
Jefferson High School .....	\$600.00
Junior Mentoring Programs (JUMP) .....	\$6,400.00
Land Trust of the Eastern Panhandle, Inc. ....	\$100.00
Main Street Martinsburg.....	\$500.00
Marine Toys for Tots .....	\$1,000.00
Martinsburg High School.....	\$5,400.84
Martinsburg North Middle School .....	\$1,089.17
Martinsburg South Middle School.....	\$2,065.36
Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission.....	\$3,600.00
Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks & Recreation .....	\$68,800.00
Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Libraries ..	\$9,350.00
Mathias Ruritan Club .....	\$500.00
McCoy-McMechen Museum, Inc.....	\$1,000.00
Mill Creek Intermediate School.....	\$747.00
Moorefield Middle School.....	\$500.00
Morgan Arts Council.....	\$2,000.00
Morgan County 4-H .....	\$300.00
Morgan County Association for Food and Farms ..	\$2,320.00
Morgan County Parks and Recreation.....	\$500.00
Morgan County Starting Points.....	\$3,185.00
Mountain Heart Foundation.....	\$290.00
Mountain Ridge Intermediate School.....	\$2,000.00
Mountain Ridge Middle School.....	\$1,527.52
Mt. Zion United Methodist Church.....	\$3,000.00
Musselman High School.....	\$498.50
Norborne Preschool and Day Care Center .....	\$4,500.00
Old Charles Town Library .....	\$700.00
Otterbein United Methodist Church .....	\$1,000.00
Page Jackson Elementary .....	\$500.00
Panhandle Home Health Care .....	\$5,829.95
Partnership for Affordable Housing.....	\$250.00
Pleasant View Elementary .....	\$902.38
Potomac Highlands Animal Rescue .....	\$600.00
Potomac Highlands Guild .....	\$1,000.00
Potomac Valley Audubon Society .....	\$1,500.00
Potomack Intermediate School .....	\$2,307.96
Ranson Elementary .....	\$500.00
Reach Out Rescue and Resources .....	\$500.00
Romney Elementary .....	\$1,445.00
Romney First United Methodist Church.....	\$66.00
Romney Middle School.....	\$765.00
Romney Rescue Squad .....	\$180.00





## 2015 GRANTS FROM THE FOUNDATION

Rosemont Elementary.....	\$4269.54
Salvation Army .....	\$3,600.00
Shenandoah Area Council-Boy Scouts .....	\$6,950.00
Shenandoah Women's Center .....	\$3,600.00
Shepherd University .....	\$9,556.00
Shepherd University Foundation.....	\$3,600.00
Shepherdstown Day Care, Inc.....	\$5,850.00
Shepherdstown Elementary.....	\$1,000.00
Shepherdstown Middle School .....	\$1,815.00
Shepherdstown Public Library.....	\$2,500.00
Slanesville Elementary.....	\$500.00
Slanesville Presbyterian Church.....	\$450.00
Slanesville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Co.....	\$180.00
South Berkeley Volunteer Fire Company.....	\$1,000.00
South Jefferson Elementary .....	\$300.00
Spring Mills High School.....	\$645.00
Spring Mills Middle School .....	\$3,659.46
Spring Mills Primary School .....	\$580.47

Springfield Area Rescue Squad.....	\$180.00
St. Luke's United Methodist Church.....	\$750.00
The Mustard Seed Early Learning Center.....	\$1,149.98
Tomahawk Intermediate School.....	\$522.85
Town of Wardensville .....	\$4,550.00
Trinity Episcopal Church.....	\$3,150.00
United Animal Nations .....	\$500.00
Valley View Elementary.....	\$2,109.46
Wardensville Lions Club.....	\$1,000.00
Warm Springs Intermediate .....	\$2,346.04
Washington County Museum of Fine Arts...	\$2,500.00
Washington High School.....	\$1,598.87
West Virginia Schools for the Deaf & Blind.....	\$235.00
Wildwood Middle School .....	\$1,826.41
Winchester Avenue Elementary .....	\$454.75
Wright Denny Intermediate School.....	\$196.94
WVU Foundation .....	\$1,000.00
Zion Episcopal Church.....	\$1,000.00



Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation officers Vice President Lisa Welch, Secretary Charles "Chip" Hensell, Treasurer Bill White, and President Darlene Truman presented the 2015 Solomon Fine Memorial Fund grant of \$13,000 to the BE-Hive, A Family Inspiration Place. This remarkable all-volunteer nonprofit organization provides life-changing services to families in the Martinsburg area.





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### "10 for 10" Goal Exceeded and Hampshire County Education Fund Established



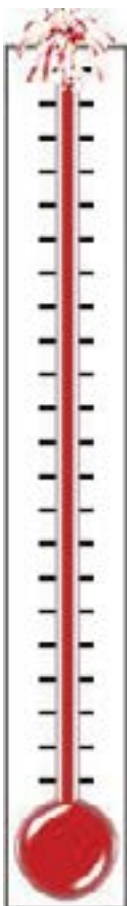
In 2015 the Hampshire County Community Foundation celebrated its 10th anniversary of gathering, growing, and granting and to mark the

occasion launched a campaign to raise \$10,000. A total of \$11,800 was raised, \$4,500 of which was used to fund a 2015 Mini Grants for Teachers program, which provided 21 teachers with the resources to provide enhanced learning opportunities for their students. The remaining \$7,300 was used to establish the Hampshire County Education Fund, which will provide annual funding for education-based programs and initiatives in Hampshire County...forever.

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### GRANTS - Totaling \$10,653

Animal Welfare - \$250

Education - \$6,155

Health - \$1,400

Human Welfare - \$1,148

Youth - \$1,700

### SCHOLARSHIPS - Totaling \$1,400

#### David A. "Hawk" Hawkens Scholarship

Allison Trimble - Attending Fairmont State University

#### Rae Ellen Scanlon McKee Scholarship

Ashleigh Martin - Attending Alderson Broaddus University

#### Wilda Michael Memorial Scholarship

Kayla Didawick - Attending Potomac State College



The community foundation relies on a thriving nonprofit sector in order to fulfill its grantmaking mission. More often than not volunteers are the driving force behind a strong and successful nonprofit. The Spirit of Giving event is the community foundation's attempt to call attention to the community service sector and the organizations and individuals who work tirelessly to make Hampshire County a better place in which to live, work, and play.

Our 2015 Spirit of Giving honorees included: Glen and JoAnn Spaid (Capon Valley Neighbor to Neighbor), Carley Rinker (Slanesville Elementary School), Breana Meade (Capon Bride Public Library), Greg Rinker (Hampshire County Parks and Recreation), Sylvia Catron (Hospice of the Panhandle).

## Agency Funds

**Rotary Club of Romney Endowment Fund 2013** - Founded by the Rotary Club of Romney, this fund supports the clubs charitable works and programs.

## Designated Funds

**The Hampshire County Energy Express Fund 2010** - This fund supports the Energy Express summer reading and nutrition program in Hampshire County.

**The Hoy Shingleton Sr. Youth Fund 2010** - Established in honor of Hoy Shingleton Sr, by friends and family in celebration of his 90th birthday, earnings from this fund benefits programs for teens.

**Slanesville Presbyterian Angel Fund 2007** - Families suffering from fire, medical catastrophe, and other unexpected hardships will receive some relief from this fund dedicated to Hampshire County.

## Donor Advised Funds

**Erin Michele Pancake Memorial Fund 2009** - This fund primarily supports charitable organizations promoting positive youth development and substance abuse prevention and education in Hampshire County.

**El Dorado Fund 2014** - Programs focused on alleviating hunger among disadvantaged youth are among the causes supported through distributions from this fund.

## Field-of-Interest Funds

**NEW Hampshire County Education Fund 2015** - Established in celebration of the community foundation's 10th anniversary, this fund will support a wide range of education programs and initiatives in Hampshire County.

**Hampshire County Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Fund 2009** - Established by multiple donors as a way to acknowledge and support emergency medical services.

**William Brady and Jean Taylor Rannells Fund 2006** - Distributions from this fund benefit youth and health programs in Hampshire County.

**J. Holland and Anita Rannells and Gorda and Mona Saville Fund 2011** - Established by the family of Buford and Gloria Rannells Saville, this fund benefits hunger-relief programs in Hampshire County.

Rachel Burkett, a teacher at Capon Bridge Middle School and Slanesville Elementary School was awarded a \$250 Hampshire County Teacher Mini Grant. She used the proceeds to purchase "Bee-Bot," a bee shaped robot that helps students learn programming to enhance their STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) skills. "The students program Bee-Bot to complete movements on a grid, and the curriculum provides challenges from very easy to very hard," said Burkett. "Mini grants are a great way to fund special projects and to get materials for the classroom," she added.

## Scholarship Funds

**Deborah, Leslie, and Christopher Bright Achievement Fund 2007** - Founded by Dr. and Mrs. Harold Bright in honor of their children, this fund supports hands-on experience in STEAM-based subjects.

**David A. "Hawk" Hawkens Scholarship Fund 2003** - This serves as a memorial to Capt. "Hawk" Hawkens life and benefits students from Berkeley, Hampshire, Jefferson, and Morgan counties with financial need and unimpressive academic records, but great potential.

**Rae Ellen Scanlon McKee Scholarship Fund 2010** - Founded in honor the 1991 National Teacher of the Year, this scholarship supports Hampshire High School graduates pursuing a degree in education, language arts or reading at a West Virginia college or university.

**Wilda Michael Memorial Scholarship Fund 2003** - The family of Wilda Michael established this fund to honor her memory. The fund benefits Hampshire County high school graduates pursuing continuing education.

**Jerry Shingleton Scholarship Fund 2012** - Established to provide scholarship assistance to high school graduates in Hampshire and Hardy County who want to pursue advanced education and training in the automotive field.

**The Bill and Fran Wylie Scholarship Fund 2010** - Established by the 2010 Hampshire County Individual Philanthropist of the Year, this fund will help ensure that young students have the opportunity to participate in statewide educational competitions.

## Unrestricted Funds

**Hampshire County Community Endowment 2006** - Founded by the charter Board of Directors for the Hampshire County Community Foundation, this fund helps to meet changing charitable needs in Hampshire County.





# Like a Fish in Water

*"I had fun swimming with my friends;  
yes we should go swimming again!"*

*"Everybody had fun playing water volleyball."*

*"The swimming program sponsored by the  
Hampshire County Community Foundation  
allowed my class and me to have fun. I liked  
it."*

These are a few of the comments made by the students from Hampshire High School's Special Education Department who participated in an Aquatic Therapy Program at the Hampshire County Wellness and Fitness Center last fall. The program, funded by a mini-grant from the Hampshire County Community Foundation William Brady and Jean Taylor Rannells Fund, served 20 students with significant cognitive disabilities, some of whom also have severe physical disabilities, such as cerebral palsy.

Participating students attended therapy sessions on Tuesday mornings twice a month from August through December. During each session the students were engaged in an hour of organized aquatic therapy. For most of the students, this included small group exercise led by an Aquatic Therapist. The students also played organized games in the pool, such as volleyball and throwing and catching balls.

In the smaller, heated therapy pool, students with more involved physical impairments worked with the school's physical therapist, Carl Laitenberger, on exercises he cannot provide at the high school location. "The swimming program was an excellent resource for the students. I was able to work one-on-one with one student in particular who was able to perform exercises more easily because of her weight being supported by the water," he said.

Cheryl Kalbaugh, an aide for a student with cerebral palsy, found the therapy pool very relaxing, not only for her student but for herself as well. She said, "He looked forward to going every week. He could not wait to slide down into the warm water, which helped his aching body. He could do some little exercises with very little to no pain. I loved seeing him light up at the mention of going swimming."

The primary goals of the program were to improve muscle tone, circulation and flexibility, increase core strength, endurance and range of motion, reduce muscle spasticity and joint stress, and increase metabolism. According to Nancy Szabo, the teacher who coordinated the program, many of these goals were achieved.

But the program also provided some added and unexpected benefits. Students with behavioral disorders did not act out in the pool or in the Wellness Center.



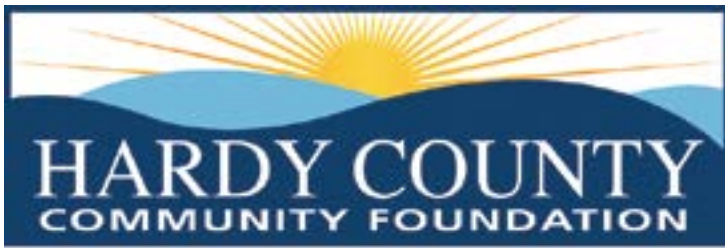
One of the students with autism learned to trust staff enough to allow them to float her around the pool on her back for long periods of time, providing a bonding experience that would not have taken place at the high school. The student with cerebral palsy who had an unrepaired, dislocated hip smiled the whole hour he was floating in the warm therapy pool, something that he does not do in the school setting. All of the students learned to interact with the staff at the Wellness Center, which gave them a connection in the community they would not otherwise have made.

The program was enjoyed by all of the high school participants. Christine, a ninth grade student in the program wrote of her experience: "I love swimming, it's cool. It's the best thing I did. I love you all. Thank you with all of my heart."



From poetry to painting to Bee-Bot computer programming, 24 grants totaling \$4,955 were awarded to support a variety of Hampshire County teacher-proposed projects through the 2015 Hampshire County Mini Grants for Teachers program.





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The Hardy County Community Foundation's annual Donor & Grantee reception is an opportunity for the foundation to recognize, honor, and thank its grantees whose day-to-day efforts change lives and add value to Hardy County, and the many benefactors whose generous gifts help make the work of those grantees possible.



In addition to announcing \$51,000 in grants, a special Lifetime Philanthropy Award was presented to Robert Ludwig at the 2015 reception. The first of its kind for the community foundation, this award seeks to recognize exceptional generosity in the form of financial support and leadership in advancing local nonprofits and community causes. Ludwig was recognized primarily for his generous contributions to the county 4-H program throughout the years, as well as his leadership efforts in securing substantial financial resources to help with recovery efforts after the flood of 1985. The Lifetime Philanthropy Award is not presented annually, but rather when the board learns of people who have made a lifelong impact on Hardy County.

### Agency Funds

**Red Funkhouser Town Park Fund 2009** - Founded by the Wardensville Town Council in honor of Mr. Red Funkhouser, earnings from this fund help support general operations and maintenance of the J. Allen Hawkins Community Park in Wardensville.

### Designated Funds

**Margaret Allen Fund 2009** - Founded by Betty Baker, the 2009 Spirit of Hardy County, earnings from this fund benefit the Hardy County Public Library.

**Baker Park Endowment Fund 2013** - Established in memory of Dave Garrett and Don Biller by the 2013 Spirit of Hardy County honoree, Robert Branson.

**Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College Entrepreneurial and Economic Development Fund 2014** - Distributions from this fund support Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College's entrepreneurship and economic development programs.

**Marcella Foltz and Don Biller Fund 2010** - Created by the 2010 Spirit of Hardy County, Stanley Foltz, this fund benefits the Mathias Civic Center.

**Dyer, Vance, and Harmon Wardensville Recreation Fund 2012** - Established in honor of Jimmy Dyer, Pete Vance, and Harry Harmon by the 2012 Spirit of Hardy County, Les Barr, this fund provides general support to the Wardensville Community Center with specific focus on the gym and adjoining ball field.

**John and Shobie Fisher Fund 2014** - Distributions from this fund are added to the Hardy County Community Endowment, increasing the capacity of the community foundation's unrestricted fund to address pressing community needs and opportunities.

### Donor Advised Funds

**Hardy County Founding Fund 2009** - Established by Ruth Cook Heishman through a bequest, this donor advised fund supports educational programs in East Hardy county and general support for the Hardy County affiliate operations.

**NEW Baker Family Fund 2015** - This fund, established by Donald and Beverly Baker, is meant to remember and honor members of the Baker family. It provides grants to nonprofit organizations and charitable causes.

**NEW Heritage Fund 2015** - Established with the primary intent to support programs and activities that preserve Hardy County heritage.

### Field-of-Interest Funds

**Frances Frye and June Orndorff Fund 2008** - Created by Virginia Vance, the 2008 Spirit of Hardy County honoree, this fund memorializes two individuals who volunteered countless hours to build and maintain the J. Allen Hawkins Park and supports public parks in the Town of Wardensville.

## Scholarship Funds

**Oscar H. Bean, Bill Clark, Clarence "Hink" Fisher, and Tom Hawse II Scholarship Fund 2011** - Established by the 2011 Spirit of Hardy County honoree George Hott, this fund provides scholarships for Hardy County High School graduates with financial need.

**East Hardy County Vo-Tech Training Scholarship Fund 2012** - This scholarship supports graduates of East Hardy High School who want to pursue training in vocational and technical fields.

**John and Alvina Chalmers Pappas Memorial Fund 2011** - Winning contestant essayists from East Hardy Early Middle School receive a cash award through this fund created by Capon Valley Bank and the estate of John Pappas.

**Kaylee Grace Whetzel Scholarship Fund 2010** - Created in memorial to Kaylee, distributions from this fund benefit graduating seniors intending to pursue a degree in a medical field at a West Virginia college or university.

## Unrestricted Funds

**Hardy County Community Endowment 2008** - Grants for a variety of needs and programs specific to Hardy County are provided through this fund.

## Partners in Philanthropy

The Hardy County Community Foundation enjoys the support of many businesses in the area. Our Partners in Philanthropy contribute amounts ranging from \$250 to \$1,500 per year. These funds provide underwriting support for our annual events, including our Volunteer Hardy Day of Giving, Spirit of Hardy County celebration, and our annual Donors & Grantees reception. They also support endowment-building and grant making and help us undertake new programs and initiatives that promote local giving.

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## PROMOTING VOLUNTEERISM

Volunteer Hardy is a program of the Hardy County Community Foundation, which seeks to bring the community together to support the many volunteer and nonprofit organizations serving Hardy County.

The Community Foundation views this initiative as an opportunity to shine the spotlight on the county's vibrant community service sector, while also raising unrestricted dollars to support a wide range of community needs.

The 2015 event took place during the month of August with six organizations participating by hosting fundraising events throughout the county. Participating organizations included the Baker Ruritan Club, Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Church, Friends of the Library, Mathias Ruritan Club, Moorefield Lions Club, and Wardensville Lions Club. Their collective efforts raised just under \$5,000 for their own good works in the community and to help build the community foundation's Community Endowment Fund.



Pictured from left to right Jim Oliver, Kelly Kipp, HCCF Vice Chair Yvonne Williams, and Bobby Cain

The focus on community service and volunteerism culminated with the "Spirit of Hardy County" celebration, during which four of the Volunteer Hardy participating organizations recognized an individual who most exemplified the volunteer spirit for their organization. Individuals who were honored included: Marty Rinard, (Baker Ruritan Club), Jim Oliver (Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Church), Kelly Kipp (Mathias Ruritan Club), and Bobby Cain (Moorefield Lions Club).

## SCHOLARSHIPS - Totaling \$1,650

### Kaylee Grace Whetzel Scholarship

Emily Delawder - Attending Fairmont State University

### Oscar H. Bean, Bill Clark, Clarence "Hink" Fisher, and Tom Hawse II Scholarship

Alisha Redmon - Attending Bridgewater College

### John and Alvina Chalmers Pappas Scholarship

Jasmine Abrell - Aden Funkhouser



## Cooking Up A Lesson



They had an opportunity to grind rocks to make clay and try their hand at making slats for woven wooden baskets. They stirred, and stirred, and stirred, and stirred the pots to make apple butter.

Students at Moorefield Elementary, Intermediate and Middle schools participated in the Annual Fall Festival held at the middle school last fall.

"It's part of our Positive Behavior program," said 8th grade teacher Lucas Moyers. "It's to provide students with a reward day for demonstrating positive behavior, while at the same time teaching students about the rich history and culture of West Virginia." More than 1,000 students visited the various stations to see 17th and 18th century activities.

The community foundation supported the event with a grant from its Community Endowment Fund but was just one of a group of individuals and organizations that helped make the event possible.

"Fall Harvest provides an opportunity for community members to interact with the school children and provide them with living history," said Moyers.

*Special thanks to Moorefield Examiner reporter Jean A. Flanagan for her contributions to this story and to Mike Mallow for the picture.*

## GRANTS

Totaling \$63,890

### Animal Welfare

\$600

### Arts & Culture

\$1,500

### Conservation & Preservation

\$500

### Education

\$52,540

### Literacy

\$1,000

### Recreation

\$4,800

### Youth

\$2,950

It is with heavy hearts that we bid farewell to charter board member Stanley Moyer.

Stanley served as the first board Chair for the Hardy County Community Foundation and his leadership and guidance directly influenced the growth of the organization during the critical early years. Stanley passed away on May 8, 2015 and will be missed by all who knew him personally and professionally.



## Summer Fun and Learning

The absence of enriching summer programs leaves many children at risk of losing academic, social and emotional skills they gain during the school year. Many kids spend their summer vacations unproductively and have few opportunities during the summer to learn and discover new interests.

Summer programs offer fun, rewarding and non-traditional learning experiences and with the help of a grant from the Hardy County Community Endowment Fund, the Potomac Highlands Guild Substance Abuse Prevention Program offered children in Hardy County entering the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades a safe and stimulating environment where they could explore their interests while learning ways to live a healthy life.

According to Tiffany Parker, the coordinator for the Substance Abuse Prevention Program, the 2015 summer youth program served 38 children, providing a nutritious breakfast and lunch and structured physical activity while using evidence-based curriculum focused on making healthy decisions and choosing a healthy lifestyle.

"Each day participants learned about nutrition, had an opportunity to make a healthy snack, and participated in recreation time at the community pool," said Parker. The children learned about setting healthy life goals, different forms of exercise, and how to communicate effectively. They participated in team building activities and problem solving exercises.

The program also utilized teen volunteers who actively engaged and mentored the kids during the entire program. "Many of the kids formed tight bonds with teen mentors. It was heart-warming to witness teenagers who were willing to sacrifice a week of their summer to hang out with younger kids," said Parker.

From lessons on strengthening developmental assets, to making healthy decisions, team-work and problem solving, the program provided children the opportunity to have fun during the summer months while learning important health and social responsibilities.



The most memorable event of the week was an impromptu hike. "We challenged the children and ourselves to hike to the top of Seneca Rocks on one of the hottest days of the summer. We took these kids from the couch, unplugged them, and gave them an opportunity to experience the beauty and wonders of nature right in their backyard. Many had never experienced the hike before and were amazed at the beauty of the scenery. The kids did great, it was a great success!" said Parker.



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