# WE INVEST IN A BETTER **FUTURE FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

\$11,524,248 IN TOTAL ASSETS

\$257,262 DISTRIBUTED FOR GRANTS TO OUR COMMUNITY

\$50,000 DISTRIBUTED FOR GRANTS TO OUR AFFILIATE, GREATER MILAN AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

\$149,100 DISTRIBUTED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, who care deeply about the youth in Monroe County, we are able to award numerous scholarships each year to help students pursue higher education.

- · Advanced Manufacturing Endowed Scholarship
- · Ahadi Women in Science Scholarship
- · Brent Ansted Memorial Scholarship
- · Geri Antonelli Scholarship
- · Bar Association Scholarship
- · Robert J. & Luella B. Breitner Memorial Scholarship
- · Christy Carducci Memorial Scholarship
- · Thomas & Rosella Day/ACS Memorial Scholarship
- · Mary Daume Scholarship
- · John E. Dickinson Endowment Scholarship
- · Rich Duvall Memorial Scholarship
- · Edward & Sophia Fisher Family Scholarship
- · Thomas Fox Scholarship
- · Terry L. Goins Endowed Scholarship
- · Grattan & Stephen Gray Scholarship
- · Ida High School Alumni & Community Scholarship
- · Marilyn lott Memorial Scholarship
- · Merel F. & Maggie M. Keck Scholarship
- · Dr. Annetta Kelley Scholarship
- · Milt & Sally Knabusch Scholarship
- · The Thelma M. & Joseph N. LaHood, Sr. **Endowed Memorial Scholarship**
- · LaRocca Family Scholarship

- · MSM Scholarship
- · B.D. and Jane McIntyre Scholarship
- · Damon C. Meyers Scholarship
- · Monroe County Scholarship
- · Michael Newman Memorial Scholarship
- · Pakideh/Khaghany Endowed Scholarship
- · John and Barbara Perion Memorial Scholarship
- · Harold & Helen Rammler Nursing Scholarship
- · Shannon I. Revel Endowed Scholarship
- · Rewarding Academic Excellence Scholarship
- · Roy Sanders Scholarship
- · Adam Schyllander Memorial Scholarship
- · Judy See Endowed 4-H Scholarship
- · Hon. Harry and Midge Seitz Family Scholarship
- · Brooklyn Songco Memorial Scholarship
- · Summerfield Scholarship
- · The Spencer & Lucille Wagar Memorial Scholarship
- · Charles & Virginia Whitten Scholarship
- · Ryan Wolniewicz Memorial Scholarship
- · Gregory Wing Memorial Scholarship
- · The Dorothy, Gerald A. and Jay **Wuest Memorial Scholarship**

### HOW OUR GENEROUS COMMUNITY HAS INVESTED IN

## THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

There are several ways to establish funds to meet the charitable interests and financial circumstances of individuals, businesses and organizations. A name fund can be established in your name, a business or organization name, the name of a person you wish to honor, or the name of a person for whom you wish to create a lasting memory. Visit our website at www.cfmonroe.org to get more information on how to establish a fund.

### **Agency Funds**

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church **Duffey Friends of the Foundation** Gabby's Ladder **Humane Society of Monroe County** Miss Monroe Pageant Scholarship Niedermeier Family History Fund

### **Animal Related**

Zion Lutheran Church

**Humane Society Animal Care** 

### Arts and Culture

Jeff & Gretchen Kopmanis Instrumental Music Fund Manausso Family Endowment Monroe County History Fund

### **Community Improvement and Capacity Building**

Center for Philanthropy G.R.O.W. Monroe

**Christian Community Support Endowment** 

Heritage Resources

Monroe County Cemetery Preservation

Monument Preservation Paul E. Braunlich Family Memorial

President James Monroe Statue Salow Family Endowment

### **Education**

Altrusa Literacy

McWebb Little Brown Bear

### **Environmental & Beautification**

**Environmental Fund** 

### **Health Related**

Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors I.S.D. Special Children Kehres Senior Citizens Monroe Health Plan Endowment Ryan's Hope Endowment

### **Housing and Shelter**

Housing Trust Fund

### **Human Services**

Community Enhancement Fund **Gertz Family Values** McGovern Charitable Romney Volunteerism

### Recreation

Access to Recreation

## Affiliates - Milan Community

Adult Education Scholarship

Aid in Milan Agency

Armitage/Brainard Milan Beautification Endowment Carol O'Donnell and Judy Heath Memorial The Joseph R. O'Donnell Community Endowment Evelyn (Hitchingham) Gerstenberg Memorial Scholarship

David Glenn Memorial Scholarship David Hoskins Aid in Milan

Donald E. Harkness Endowment

Eric Harrison Memorial Scholarship

Ethan C. Jones Memorial Scholarship Fayne & Joanne McGovern Milan Youth

Milan Area Historical Society Fund

Milan Area Schools Board of Education Scholarship Milan Seniors for Healthy Living Endowment

Ethel Richards Memorial Scholarship Ronnie & Paulette Shores Scholarship

Mildred N. Sheehan Library

Carol Mohr/Margaret Walls/Nina Pemberton Library

Millard & Marie Phillips Library Library Enrichment

Duane & Isabelle Schultz Milan Area Schools

Alumni Scholarship Michael A. Tittiger Sustainability & Conservation

Scholarship Milan Area Enrichment Endowed

### **Milan Special Project Funds**

Miss Washtenaw County Scholarship Milan Administration Fund Milan Gala Fund

### **Non-Permanent Endowments**

Holcim Disaster Relief St. Michael the Archangel Parish Fund

### **Youth Development**

Youth Ministries Fund **Dundee Fund for Youth Bedford Kellogg Youth** Kellogg Youth Fund Kiwanis North Youth Fund

### **Special Project Funds**

V.V.A. Museum Historical Society

Anti-Human Trafficking Fund Christmas in Ida Class Grey D.A.R.E. Heart of the Badge Scholarship KT Maviglia Fund for Hearing Impaired Miss Monroe Scholarship Monroe Dodge Chrysler Jeep Superstore Monroe Rotary Club for Community Service Projects Turtle Island Dream Keepers Native American **Twirlettes National Team** V.V.A. Walk of Freedom



# REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY 2020 - 2021









## WHERE EVERYONE

HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO THRIVE.

Dear Friend:

This year has touched us all in many different ways; personal illness, economic hardships, business struggles and nonprofit challenges on how to proceed with needed community work. We have seen unprecedented loss and injustices while we see incredible charity and kind acts. In many instances we saw our community come together to support the needs of others. Just as the Community Foundation has done for decades we stood ready to reach out and respond to the community.



As the COVID-19 pandemic halted our daily activities we were humbled by the trust our community had in us to generously donate to allow us to::

- · Support Monroe Public Schools project to make face shields for healthcare employees.
- · Put together back to work sanitation kits with masks, gloves, cleaner, thermometers and sanitizer for 100 small businesses.
- · Send over \$90,000 to all 9 public school districts for internet access for students.
- · Worked with Funders to establish a planning grant to CREED, Coalition for Racial Equality, Equity and Diversity.

These are only a few of the diverse activities we have participated in to impact the well-being of our community. We are at our best when we bring people and resources together to address the social, educational, economic and cultural challenges of our county.

When all is said and done we will be remembered not for how much we raise but what impact we make. We are guided by our values in order to fulfill our mission defining our priorities of health and well-being, education and community enrichment. For example, a grant to Catholic Charities to reduce the overdose deaths in Monroe County and awarded a grant from the Ralph C. Wilson Foundation in partnership with MCOP and City of Monroe to build a park at The Opportunity Center.

On behalf of the staff and Board of the Community Foundation, I want to thank you for your past and current support. We are here to help you with your philanthropic efforts and creating a better future for everyone.

Kind regards,

Kathleen Russeau **Executive Director** 



### **OUR MISSION**

We Invest in a Better Future for our Community.

## **OUR VISION**

Where Everyone has an Opportunity to Thrive.

### **OUR VALUES**

We strive to successfully fulfill our mission, by committing to the following values:

Stewardship - Maintain the highest standards of integrity and transparency in donor relations, community service, organizational governance and fiscal responsibility.

**Local Impact** – Promote philanthropy that will have an impact on the community at large.

Community Partnerships – Form collaborations with local non-profits, community leaders, and volunteers, to provide funds that address issues such as education, health, poverty, community development and more.

**Inclusion** – Embrace diversity in our philanthropic decision making.

**Legacy** – Operate to produce significant, widely shared and long-lasting results.

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OUR VALUES GUIDE US TO STRIVE TO SUCCESSFULLY FULFILL OUR MISSION THROUGH IMPORTANT COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR LONG-TERM IMPACT SUCH AS:

## TY HEALTH AND WELL BEING

As Monroe County Opportunity Program (MCOP) began operations of The Opportunity Center at ALCC, one of the first projects was to assess the greatest needs in the community. A special assessment was conducted related to health needs specifically for residents of the Orchard East neighborhood. The top three needs included: dental care, nutrition and behavioral health care. With the help of a grant from the Community Foundation, MCOP was able to purchase equipment for the start-up of a dental clinic at The Opportunity Center operated by Family Medical Center of Michigan.

Community Foundation supplied funding for Little Blessings Veteran and Community Outreach for equine assisted psychotherapy and equine assisted personal development for veterans and their families. This program will assist in readjustment and establish family time together, helping to provide mental, emotional and physical support services to veterans and their families for the betterment of the family unit.

Children With Hair Loss provides human hair replacements to children and young adults facing medically-related hair loss. This year because of the pandemic they were not able to hold their annual fundraiser, causing them to be unable to serve some children. The Community Foundation awarded a grant to supply 5 children with hair replacement services. The loss of hair is devastating to all especially children. The impact is immediate and life changing.



## **EDUCATION**

When COVID-19 closed schools, digital access for an estimated 1.300 students across the county was unavailable. Without an internet connection, most of these students from rural or low-income areas would be left behind. We convened a group of community leaders to devise a plan to provide hotspot technology to students in their homes. Large and small donors provided the Community Foundation with the resources to meet this challenge and help the students. We were able to award \$100,000 to Monroe Public Schools for the project.



The Community Foundation awarded the National Park Foundation a grant to bring the ISD Fiber Optic into the new Education Center at the National Park to provide virtual education fieldtrips to Monroe County students. They will launch a distance learning program. Like all field trips, the new virtual fieldtrips will be tied to grade level content expectations, so they are fun and help the teachers and students achieve their educational goals.

## **COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT**

Providing nutrition is the main activity at London Township Citizens Civic Club to help the neighbors in need. They receive and give away a large amount of food each month. Storage of the cold food is the main problem. The Civic Club needed safe storage for that food and need to buy a commercial double door refrigeration unit. Some food is given out prepared, such as our lunch program and for community events. Consequently a commercial stove/oven was also needed. The Community Foundation awarded a grant so they could better serve the seniors, and any community member in need.

The memorial cairn located at the intersection of N. Dixie Highway and E. Elm Avenue has experienced a severe and rapid failure of mortar causing delamination of the monument's stone veneer. The monument is associated with the River Raisin National Battlefield Park and, specifically commemorates the events that took place at the settlement on the River Raisin in January, 1813 as part of the larger geopolitical conflict. The Community Foundation awarded a grant to the City of Monroe to repair the monument.

## WE ARE YOUR TRUSTED FIDUCIARY

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT\*

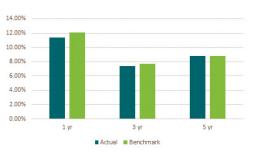
Assets	2021	2020
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,130,998	\$641,246
Investments	10,387,567	7,804,230
Prepaid Expenses	2,687	2,687
Office Equipment - net	2,996	1,823
Total Assets	\$11,524,248	\$8,449,986
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$0	2,715
Deferred Revenue	80,600	0
PPP Loan Payable	31,000	0
Contributions Held for Others	230,817	193,330
Total Liabilities	\$342,417	\$196,045
Net Assets		
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$11,181,831	\$8,253,941
Total Net Assets	\$11,181,831	\$8,253,941
Total Liabilities &		
Net Assets**	\$11,524,248	\$8,449,986

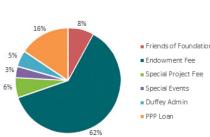
<sup>\*</sup>Audited Years to Include April 1st - March 31st fiscal year

### RATE OF RETURN 2020

# 2020-2021 \$198,948

**OPERATING INCOME** 





## **OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES\***

**BARRY BUSCHMANN** Mannik & Smith

MARK COCHRAN City of Monroe

**MARGARET GAFFNEY** Sister Servants of IHM

**MOLLY LUEMPERT-COY** DTE Energy Corp

**GARRETT KEETON** Gressley, Kaplin & Parker

JOAN MAHALAK **Community Volunteer**  **KEITH MASSERANT** Mid-American Group

JONATHAN PASKO, MD **Medical Doctor** 

**AMANDA PHEBUS** First Merchants Bank

**JULIE SMITH** Michigan Works

**DAVID UHL** Village of Dundee

**SUSAN VANISACKER** La-Z-Boy Incorporated **BARRY KINSEY Monroe County Community** College

Special Project Fee

■ Special Events

■ Duffey Admin

■ PPP Loan

**RICHARD KENNY** Forest View Lanes

**EDDIE HARWOOD** Harwood Investment Strategies

**DEBBIE DUSHANE** Monroe County Community Credit Union