

HELPING DONORS DO GOOD WORK...FOREVER





Who we are

The Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts is a nonprofit, community corporation created by and for the people of greater North Central Massachusetts. We are here to help our donors make a positive impact on their community.



DEAR FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION,

Their faces and actions paint a future full of hope, dreams and aspirations, with smiles ear-to-ear with what seems to be a limitless supply of energy and boundless optimism.

The photographs you'll see throughout this report are of children and young adults from the programs we funded through our general endowment this past year.

Whether it's the insatiable curiosity of a newborn or a rebellious teenagers seeking their independence, our children represent our future.

That's why it was especially gratifying that the majority of funding from our general endowment went to programs that support the region's children.

I think an anonymous quote I came across recently says it all: "Children are great imitators. So give them something great to imitate."

These programs are providing children a safe environment, with mentors who provide homework assistance, guidance and access to new experiences that they would not get otherwise.

The key to identifying these initiatives was our open request for proposals from the nonprofit community and annual forums. For the past five years, we have hosted regional forums with the nonprofit community to listen and learn; they have provided invaluable feedback to the grant making committee.

I encourage you to turn to pages pages 5 through 7 and learn more about these programs.

DONORS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

All the good work that is being done wouldn't be possible without our donors. In the past year, seventeen new funds were established, \$7,651,759 in contributions were received, and we made \$4,013,520 in distributions from both our general endowment and donor-advised funds.

I want to thank all our donors and volunteers for their wonderful support.

This is my last report as chairman and I want to let you know that it has been an incredible experience to see first-hand how the work of the Foundation and its donors is transforming people's lives and our community.

What is especially satisfying is that the Foundation is helping our donors - individuals, families and businesses – do good work…forever.

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Thomas F. Bagley III Chairman Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts



THE ATHOL AREA YMCA "YOUTHREACH! AFTER SCHOOL

& SUMMER PROGRAMS³³ received a \$12,500 grant for the Foundation's general endowment. The program reaches vulnerable young people and provides a safe, fun and nurturing environment that provides leadership development, academic support, sports, health and wellness, in addition to the arts and humanities.



MONTACHUSETT INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (MIHN) in

Fitchburg will use their \$20,000 grant to house and feed approximately 20 homeless families with children. MIHN is a coalition of congregations in the Fitchburg, Leominster, Lunenburg and surrounding areas that provides temporary shelter and transitional housing to families in crisis.









Shellaina Gordon

THE ELM STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH in Fitchburg, MA received a \$20,000 grant to fund a five week program for young people to attend camp on Lake Wyman in Westminster, MA. They will receive a high level of intervention and support.



Pastor Doug Priore, who worked with the children at Lake Wyman.



Meighan William

BWRI, a program of the YWCA of Central MA, Inc., will develop "High Risk Response Teams" so it can better identify "high risk" cases of domestic violence. The \$15,000 grant from the Foundation will train counselors who service the Ayer District Court jurisdiction.





THE SUMMER UP program, which had over 500 middle and elementary students in Fitchburg, Leominster, Gardner and Winchendon participate in the program last year. The \$20,000 grant will provide the students summer school and recreational support in addition to job readiness training.

QUABBIN MEDIATION, INC. received \$20,000 from the Foundation to expand a pilot program called Veterans Mediation, which helps individuals who served in the military, along with their families, resolve conflicts through mediation. The money will be used to train 20 new mediators, who are also veterans.





THE STERLING MUSIC EXCHANGE will use their \$10,000 grant to target marginalized young adults, in the Nashoba and Twin Cities regions, who are disadvantaged as a result of mental health issues, low self-esteem, race or income level. The students are introduced to music and are engaged in a series of ongoing informal community

performances.

Altenatives Unlimited Inc. - \$510

Am San - \$689

Apostolic Lutheran Church - \$10,000

Applewild School - \$40,000

APT - \$70

ARC of North Central Inc. - \$254,000

Ashby Boy Scout Troop 27 - \$100

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Ashby Little League - \$325

Athol Area Y.M.C.A. - \$12,500

Ayer School District - Office of Supt. - \$7,500

Battered Women's Resources Inc. (YWCA of Central MA) - \$3,300

Bentley College - \$1,000

Boys & Girls Club of North Central MA - \$387,000

Bridgewater State College - \$9,089 Children's Community Fund - \$250 City of Fitchburg - \$2,000 Cleghorn Neighborhood Center - \$125,000

Clinton FIRST Parnership & Foundation, LTD - \$500

Friends of Townsend Seniors - \$800 Friends of UML Crew Endowment - \$500

Ginny's Place - \$2,500

Greater Lawrence Family Health Center - \$12,500 Groton Community Foundation Fund - \$8,000

Groton Conservation Trust - \$1,750

Fruitlands Museums Inc. - \$750

Groton Dunstable Alliance for Youth - \$250

Groton Dunstable Education Foundation - \$4,000

Groton Dunstable Regional High School - \$200

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Groton Public Library Endowment} & -\$250 \\ \end{tabular}$

Groton Scholarship Committee - \$250 Groton School Annual Fund - \$1,000

Habitat for Humanity, No. Central MA. -\$250

HealthAlliance - \$11,500 Heywood Hospital - \$9,200 Hmong- Loa Foundation - \$2,500

Holy Spirit High School Boys Crew - \$2,000

Indian Hill Music - \$32,000

Laurens County Diabetes Center - \$300

National Fire Safety Council - \$340

National MS Society - \$100

New England Forestry Foundation - \$250

NM All Sports Athletic Boosters - \$100

NMRS Scholarship Fund - \$5,000

North Central MA Chamber of Commerce - \$195

North Middlesex Pop Warner - \$300

North Quabbin Community Coalition - \$2,500

North Quabbin Time Bank - \$2,500 Our Father's House Inc. - \$3,000 Pan Mass Challenge - \$200

Pinepoint School - \$1,000

Quabbin Mediation - \$20,000

Richville Baseball Association - \$750

Saint Rosa's Home - \$260 Salvation Army - \$5,00 Shine Initiative - \$1,500

St. Leo's Parish Building Fund - $\$2,\!150$

St. John School - \$500

Sterling Music Exchange - \$12,500

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS are established by individuals who want to play an active role in the distribution process. This year over \$4.0 million in distributions were made from Foundation funds to a variety of wide ranging community needs.

Clinton YMCA - \$350

Colby College Annual Fund - \$5,000

Community Health Center of Franklin County - \$19,000

Community Health Connections/Family Health Center - \$12,500

Community Healthlink - \$14,000

CSFII - Lions Club International Foundation - \$6,000

Easter Seals Massachusetts - \$2,000

Elm Street Congregational Church - \$20,000

Family Health Center - \$15,000

Fitchburg Art Museum - \$9,250

Fitchburg Community Lions - \$500

Fitchburg Cycling Club - \$15,000

Fitchburg Historical Society - \$737,194

Fitchburg State College Foundation - \$6,000

Friends of Cameron Senior Center - \$7,500

Friends of Groton Elders - \$250

Friends of Townsend Library - \$2,000

Lawrence Academy - \$3,000

Leominster Land Trust - \$7,750

Leominster Public Library - \$20,000

Literacy Volunteers of Montachusett Area - \$260

Loaves and Fishes - \$3,000

LUK Crisis Center Inc. - \$7,800

Matson Community Services Inc. - \$5,000

Middlesex County Foundation - \$10,000

Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network - \$20,000

Montachusett Opportunity Council - \$4,110

Morgan Memorial Goodwill - \$9,000

Ms. Brittani Poole (Scholarship) - \$500

Ms. Catelynn Melus (Scholarship) - \$20,000

Mt. Wachusett Community College - \$62,500

Multi-Service Center - \$20,000

Nashoba Learning Group - \$500

Nashua River Watershed Association - \$161,967

Nashua Valley Council Boy Scouts of America - \$102,627

T.A.P. Youth Basketball - \$250

Teddy Bear Land - \$4,000

The Doyle Field Foundation - \$200.

The Jimmy Fund - \$100

The Protestant Guild for Human Services - \$100,000

The Village School - \$30,000

Townsend Cub Scout Pack 11 - \$100

Townsend Ecumenical Outreach - \$5,000

United Neighbors of Cleghorn, Inc. - \$19,810

United Ways - \$533,198

Central Alabama, Greater Ennis, Greater Stark County, Lake Havasu, Laurens County, North Central Massachusetts

Whittier Street Health Center - \$15,000

Yes, Inc. - \$2,500

YWCA of Central Massachusetts, Inc. - \$15,000

Donor Funds are convenient, flexible tools for individuals, families,

BUSINESSES, OR GROUPS that want to be personally involved in suggesting grant awards made possible by their gifts. This past year, 17 new funds were established with the Community Foundation.

Anonymous - Two anonymous funds were established to support the charitable interests of the donors.

AUBUCHON FOUNDATION - This is a corporate fund dedicated to supporting the charitable interests of the W.E. Aubuchon Company, Inc. and its employees.

W.E. Aubuchon, Jr. Fund - A fund dedicated to the memory of W.E. Aubuchon, Jr. and supports the grants of the Foundation's General Endowment.

CAROL & NORMAN BOUDREAU FUND - This fund was created to honor the many years of charitable work of Carol and Norman Boudreau. and supports the grants of the Foundation's General Endowment.

FATV ROBERT WILSON MEMORIAL FUND - It was created to honor the memory of Robert Wilson and benefit Fitchburg Access Television.

FITCHBURG EDUCATION FOUNDATION FUND - Established in 2008 this fund was created to benefit and enhance the education provided in the Fitchburg Public Schools.

GARDNER VISITING NURSING ASSOCIATION - Created a fund to benefit its mission of providing high quality, affordable health and social services.

Habitat for Humanity North Central Massachusetts Fund - This fund will further the organization's mission to build simple, decent, affordable homes for families in need.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Montachusett Home Care Corporation} &- \textit{Created to benefit the mission of organization}. \end{tabular}$

CLAIRE P. MORAN MEMORIAL FUND - *It will support the charitable interests of the donor.*

MILES FOR MYLES FUND - Established to benefit the Lunenburg Track & Athletic Fields Association.

Sterling Greenery Community Park, Friends of - This fund will be used to improve the community's parks.

DAVID OIKEMUS FUND - Established to benefit North Central Human Services, Inc.

PAULINE A. RILEY ENDOWMENT FUND - It will support the charitable interests of the donors.

PETER & ALICE VON LOESECKE SCHOLARSHIP FUND - The fund will provide scholarships for MBA students or those studying for a graduate business degree.

Reuben Hoar Library Fund - To benefit the Reuben Hoar Library in Littleton, Massachusetts. To learn more about this fund and the library please visit www. littletonlibrary.org.



Donor-Advised and Designated Funds held at the Foundation

Anonymous Funds (2) - *Donor advised funds to support the charitable interests of the donors.*

Christopher J. Alvarez Endowment Fund (2004) - To support educational health programs at the Boys & Girls Club of North Central Massachusetts.

Anderson, Bagley & Mayo Fund (2005) - An endowed fund to benefit the communities of North Central Massachusetts.

Ronald M. Ansin Fund (2000) - *To support the charitable interests of the donor.*

ARC Community Services Legacy Fund (2005) - This is an agency fund dedicated to "Helping people with disabilities reach their full potential".

Athol Area YMCA Fund (2004) - Dedicated to supporting the YMCA programs in the Athol area.

Boys & Girls Club of North Central Massachusetts Fund (2002) - To benefit the Boys & Girls Club.

Boys & Girls Club of NCM Endowment Fund (2003) - To support after school programs for children in North Central Massachusetts.

Brown/Peterson Family Foundation Fund (2007) - To support the charitable interests of the donor and to benefit the General Endowment of the CFNCM.

Fitchburg Access Television Fund (2006) - A fund that will support Fitchburg Access Television.

Fitchburg Historical Society Capital Campaign Fund (2004) - To provide funds to purchase and renovate a new home for the Fitchburg Historical Society.

Fitchburg Historical Society Endowment Fund (2006) - Created to provide funds to support the Fitchburg Historical Society.

Fitchburg Police Support Fund (2006) - To support the work of the Fitchburg Police Department.

Fort Devens Museum Fund (2007) - *As an agency fund it will benefit the Fort Devens Museum.*

Friends of Townsend Seniors Fund (2007) - Dedicated to supporting the Friends of Townsend Seniors.

Charles & Janis Gelinas Fund (2004) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

Groton Community Foundation Fund (2005) - *To provide funds to build and maintain a Community Center in the town of Groton, Massachusetts.*

House of Peace and Education Fund (2004)

- To maintain funds to benefit the House of Peace and Education in Gardner.

IC Federal Credit Union Founders Fund (2007)

 $\hbox{\it -} Established \ to \ support \ the \ charitable \ interest \ of \ the \ donor.$

Montachusett Society for the Preservation of Historic Buildings Fund (2005) - To provide funds to preserve historic buildings.

Nashoba Literacy Fund (2001) - To support literacy in the Nashoba region and North Central Massachusetts.

Nashoba Valley Community Health Care Fund (2006) - Created to support the general purposes of community health care in the Nashoba Region with areas of focus in health education of the general public, hospice care, home health care and long term care services.

Nashoba Valley Professional Health Care Education Fund (2006) - The fund will support professional education for employees of health care facilities, which includes nurses and technicians, in the Nashoba region.

Nashua River Watershed Association Fund (2005) - To enhance the capacity of the Nashua River Watershed Association to protect and manage natural resources in the Nashua River Watershed.

Nashua River Watershed Association Endowment Fund (2007) - Established as an endowed fund to benefit the Nashua River Watershed Association.

Nashua Valley Council Boy Scouts of America Fund (2004) - Created to support the scouting programs within the Nashua Valley Council.

Helen Nobile Fund (2001) - To support literacy and St. Rosa's Home.

Nobile Family Fund (2003) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

THE FOUNDATION PROVIDES A SIMPLE, POWERFUL AND HIGHLY PERSONAL APPROACH TO GIVING. Donors have established 92 funds over the past seven years.

Lance Corporal Geofrey Cayer Fund (2006) - To support programs that were of interest to Geofrey in

CAVU Foundation Fund (2004) - *Created to fund unmet pediatric healthcare needs.*

North Central Massachusetts.

Choose To Be Part Of Your Miracle Foundation Fund (2005) - To support the charitable interests of the

Cleghorn Neighborhood Center Community Initiative Fund (2004) - For the betterment of the Cleghorn Community Leadership Development / Task Forces.

Community Health Connections Family Health Center Fund (2004) - To benefit the Community Health Connections Family Health Center.

Connors Family Fund (2004) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

Crocker Field Restoration Fund (2007) - An agency fund dedicated to the restoration of Crocker Field in Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

Doyle Field Foundation Endowment (2006) - *To provide for the maintenance and future needs of Doyle Field in Leominster, Massachusetts.*

The Dream Endowment (2004) - Created by Andrea and Sergio Paez to provide an opportunity for underprivileged immigrant students to go to college. **K.R.C. Family Fund** (2006) - An endowed fund to benefit the General Endowment of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Ted & Connie Lapres Fund (2006) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

Michael & Debbie Lefebvre Fund (2004) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

Leominster Education Foundation Fund (2007) - Established as an agency fund dedicated to supporting

Leominster Library Building Fund (2003) - *To provide funds to expand and renovate the Leominster Library.*

Loaves & Fishes Endowment Fund (2006)

the Leominster Education Foundation.

- Established to benefit the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry in North Central Massachusetts.

Longsjo Legacy of Champions Fund (2004) - To provide funds for the Fitchburg Longsjo Classic Cycling Race held each July and to promote the sport of cycling in North Central Massachusetts.

William E. May Endowment Fun (2007) - *An endowed fund to benefit the Friends of Townsend Seniors.*

Maranda-Gosselin Charitable Fund (2004) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

North Central Massachusetts Literacy Endowment Fund (2000) - To promote literacy in North Central Massachusetts.

North Quabbin Citizen Advocacy Endowment Fund (2007) - Established as an endowed fund to benefit the North Quabbin Citizen Advocacy.

North Quabbin Community Coalition Fund (2006) - Established to benefit the work of the North Quabbin Community Coalition.

Orchard Hills Charitable Foundation Fund (2003)

- To improve the quality of life for disadvantaged and/or disabled people of all ages by way of nurturing a healthy lifestyle through exercise and proper nutrition.

Melinda L. Persons Domestic Violence Educational Endowment Fund (2005) - To provide domestic violence educational programming through Battered Women's Resources, Inc.

Timothy W. Richards Fund (2004) - *To support the charitable interests of the donors.*

Ritter Memorial Library Fund (2003) - To benefit the Lunenburg Public Library.



Donor-Advised and Designated Funds held at the Foundation

Pearl A. Russell – Howard Park/Townsend Historical Society Fund (2008) - Established as an endowed fund to protect Howard Park and benefit the Townsend Historical Society.

Serra Club Endowment Fund (2005) - To benefit the Serra Club of Worcester

SHINE Initiative Fund (2006) - Created as a Field of Interest Fund to benefit mental illness research, advocacy/awareness and direct service & support.

Thayer Symphony Orchestra Endowment (2006) - Established to benefit the work of the Thayer Symphony Orchestra.

Twin City Trail Association Fund (2003) - To provide funds to develop recreational trails in the cities of Fitchburg and Leominster.

United Way Fund (2001) - Established by the United Way of North Central Massachusetts to create an additional source of operating income for programs and services.

Valuing Our Children Fund (2004) - *To maintain funds to benefit Valuing Our Children in Athol, Massachusetts.*

The Village School New Building Fund (2007) - *To provide funds to build a new home for The Village School.*

David C. Wells Memorial Fund (2003) - *To memorialize a community leader and further his charitable interest.*

Scholarship Funds

Cheryl Ann Cetrino-Fish Scholarship Fund (2004) - To provide scholarships to graduating seniors at Lunenburg High School.

Kyle G. Flood Scholarship Fund (2007) - *To provide scholarships to graduating seniors at R.C. Mahar Regional High School.*

Robert C. Langlois Scholarship Fund (2002) - Created by family and friends to provide for graduating seniors of Gardner High School.

Narragansett Regional High School Class of 1973 Scholarship Fund (2004) - The NRHS Class of 1973 provides scholarships for graduating seniors at Narragansett Regional High School.

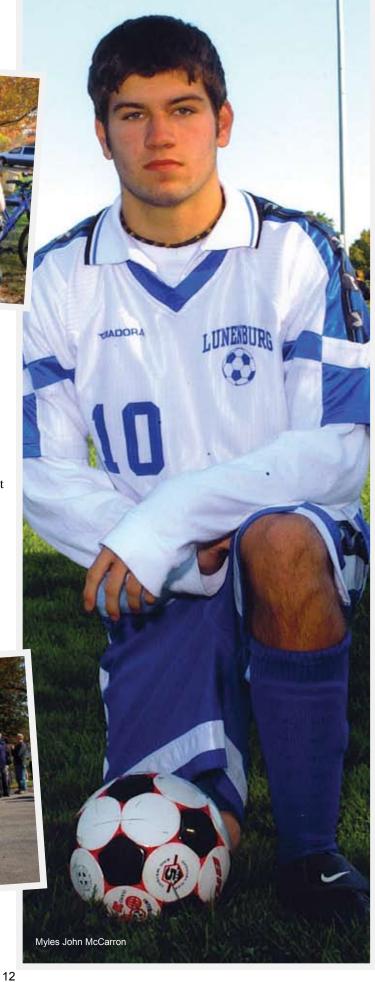
Mark Osowski Memorial Scholarship Fund (2004) - For striving young athletes graduating from Leominster High School.

Pearl A. Russell Mathematics Scholarship Fund (2006) - For graduating North Middlesex Regional High School majoring in the field of Mathematics.

Rotary Club of Fitchburg Scholarship Fund (2005) - For graduating seniors in the city of Fitchburg, Massachusetts.



MILES FOR MYLES FUND - This past October over 500 children and adults laced up their sneakers or donned a cycling helmet in memory of Myles John McCarron, who lost his life in an automobile accident at 16. The memorial race, in its 7th year, raised over \$12,000 for the Lunenburg Track & Athletic Fields Association. In addition to celebrating Myles life, the event delivers a powerful message to all drivers: "No Need to Speed!" The Miles for Myles Fund is a designated fund at the Community Foundation.

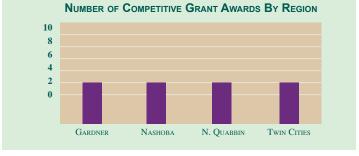


COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NORTH CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	2008	2007	2006	
Total Assets	\$17,155,817	\$14,102,677	\$11,076,278	
Operating Expenses	\$290,259	\$286,824	\$241,727	
Contributions	\$7,651,759	\$4,378,547	\$7,747,273	
Grants & Donor Advised Distributions	\$4,013,520	\$2,364,931	\$1,992,310	





Number of applications reviewed	74
Amount requested	\$1,168,139
Number of grants made	10
Competitive grants made from Foundation endowments	\$160,99
Donor Advised and Designated Grants	\$3,822,120
Scholarships made	\$30,409
Total Grants	\$4,013,52

COMPETITIVE GRANTS AWARD SUMMARY	Gran
The Athol Area YMCA "YouthReach! After School & Summer Programs	\$12,50
Athol Salvation Army	\$1,25
BWRI, a program of the YWCA of Central MA, Inc.	\$15,00
Gardner CAC	\$2,50
Ginny's Helping Hand	\$1,25
The Elm Street Congregational Church	\$20,00
Loaves and Fishes	\$2,50
Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network (MIHN)	\$20,00
Orange Food Pantry	\$1,25
Our Father's House	\$1,25
Quabbin Mediation, Inc.	\$20,00
The Sterling Music Exchange, Inc.	\$10,00
The Summer Up	\$20,00
The Village School in Royalston, MA	\$5,00
Nashoba Valley Healthcare Fund	
American Red Cross	\$10,40
Cooperative Elders	\$2,50
Town of Harvard	\$7,80
Montachusett Opportunity Council	\$7,78

FUND TYPE	No. of Funds
Unrestricted	10
Field of Interest	10
Education	2
Designated	22
Donor Advised	20
Agency Funds	18
Scholarships	9
Total	91



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