



2016-2017
Community Foundation of
North Central Massachusetts
Annual Report

Helping Donors Do Good Work...*Forever*

Year in Review

GIFTS

Gifts received **\$9.5**
MILLION

2,037 gifts
20 new funds
223 funds in total

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Grants and
scholarships made

\$3.6
million

ASSETS
\$49,083,564

Investment returns
13.3%

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Dear Friends of Community Foundation,

Most of us recall our teenager years fondly. It was with great anticipation that we looked forward to driving, dating and a future filled with limitless energy and aspirations. As we enter our sixteenth year, we are truly inspired by our fundholders—who want to leave a lasting legacy.

We just concluded our best year ever, besting many benchmarks. While it is easy to pat ourselves on the back and thinking we have all the answers (not unlike our teenage children), we are working double time to position the Foundation as the region's premier philanthropic organization.

While most teenagers want to take credit for their success, it's the parents, teachers and community who helped along the way. The very same holds true for us, very simply, without the trust of all our donors, fundholders and partner agencies our work wouldn't be possible. We can't say thank you enough.



Since our inception, we have operated on a very simple principal of always doing what is best for our fundholders and the communities we serve. This year, we made over \$3.6 million in grants, donor distributions and scholarships spanning across all 33 communities we serve in North Central Massachusetts.

One of the most rewarding grants we made this past year helped saved a man's life in Pepperell. You can read about it on page six. It is grants like this and others that we know are making a difference.

It was a simple idea—let's create a vehicle that allows individuals, organizations and businesses to create charitable funds that support the causes they care deeply about. It can be a donor-advised or other fund type that affords the fundholder a great deal of flexibility to achieve their charitable goals.

Today, we are fast approaching 230 funds, with total assets reaching a new high of almost \$50 million. For those who don't want to establish personal funds, we also have a general fund that they can support:

- **CFNCM General Endowment Fund** is designed to provide a permanent source of funds that are available to respond to a wide range of community needs throughout the 33 communities served.

As we look forward we will continue to explore and find new ways to make a difference in the communities we serve.

We extend a very special thank-you to all our donors, fundholders and nonprofit partners for making the work of the foundation possible.

Sincerely,

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Ted Lapres, Chair
Community Foundation
of North Central Massachusetts

On Cover: An eagle nest at Mount Grace's Eagle Reserve Conservation. Photo by Jeff Blanchard. AmeriCorps service crew prepare to install new trail. Captain Ken Jones of the Lunenburg Fire Department with students.

The Foundation Creates the Richard W. Nobile Operational Fund

Dick Nobile of Holden, is a founder and first trustee emeritus of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

He remembers when he, Bob Alario, and some associates mulled community needs and created a small idea with an unknown future. They guided their notion along, envisioning a better future for more people, and taking what Nobile calls "an idea and two pieces of paper" to create today's \$50 million foundation. Over the past 16 years, their dream has given out more than \$40 million in grants and distributions.

It wasn't a business—they all had occupations—but they believed they could—and should—raise money to help fund projects assuring the quality of life in North Central Massachusetts. Thus, the Foundation was conceived. Today, it serves 33 communities, with 220 funds.

This year the Richard W. Nobile Operational Fund was created by the foundation's board of trustees in honor of Dick Nobile, which will help ensure the future of the Community Foundation.

Nobile believes wholeheartedly in its goals. "I cannot tell you how humbling it is to me to see such generosity, of not only the trustees but of the community, to come together to help others. You can talk about it, read about it, but you've got to experience it to

know. We never dreamt this idea would be so impactful."

There are around 200 funds now, some for private donor distribution; annually, the Community Foundation distributes scholarships and awards to encourage diverse programs throughout the area.

"We assist a lot of different endeavors; we manage some funds for existing non-profit agencies, we assist local libraries, we assist individuals who want to establish a fund in memoriam; so it's multi-faceted, and that's the beauty."

Dick credits a strong board of trustees. "They're from all walks of life, all ages, and they come together—unpaid—and put in an inordinate amount of time; they are the unsung heroes."

It was a grand-scale idea and it grew into a huge endeavor. "We didn't realize the need was so great, and so broad and deep; we had a sense that it was, but not to the extent we found. We were so filled with the complexity of the endeavor, but everybody pitched in and it just happened."

It's not size that impresses him. "That's not how we measure success. We measure it by the number of people we've been able to help."

The Richard W. Nobile Operational Fund was launched with over \$1 million in contributed funds, will support the future, ensuring that the legacy lives on.

They started from nothing: That there were no funds, no building and no accomplishments to attach to that idea didn't deter them. "We knew the characteristics of the ideal trustee and the responsibilities of the trustee," Nobile said. "We had a dream that we could make life better for a lot of people."

Nobile doesn't rest on laurels. "We measure success by how many people we've helped in the past, how many we're helping now, and how many we'll be helping in the future. Most people think that the two important dates in their life are the day they were born and the day they die—and that's on their tombstone—but actually, it's the dash in between that makes the difference."

Photo (left): Al Stone, Phil Grzewinski, Dan Asquino and Dick Nobile announce the first round of grants in 2003; Bob Alario, Steven Stone, Dan Asquino and Dick Nobile at the Foundation's annual meeting in 2003.



Foundation Supports Reading Program

'Footsteps2Brilliance' Prepares Children for School

One way the Community Foundation funds bolster educational success is through a supplementary reading and vocabulary program used for students from low-income backgrounds.

The idea is that these kids may need a boost to bring them up to par with children who've already had such educational exposure. Footsteps founder Eugene Narcisco said research indicates children living in poverty hear 30 million fewer words by the time they enter school.

Andre Ravenelle, Fitchburg Schools Superintendent, supports the program, citing its ability to give children the extra help they may need to start off right in school. The program is costly—\$200,000 for a license—but it allows participants to download activities onto most smart phones, tablets and computers. The digital app contains over 1,000 interactive books, songs and

games. The program toggles easily between English and Spanish, so non-English speaking adults can interact with the child. A pilot program used since 2015 has received high praise from educators.

With assistance from several grants—including \$25,000 from the Community Foundation—the program will be expanded for children from birth through third grade in the city's public and private schools, providing individual feedback on progress to the school district as it goes along. Other support comes from the Fitchburg Education Foundation, the George Progin Foundation and the George R. Wallace Foundation.

Footsteps2Brilliance is the breakthrough early learning solution that helps all children become proficient readers by 3rd grade. This digital app contains over 1,000 interactive books, songs and games.

Footsteps2Brilliance helps children learn to read on 'smart devices.'



Fitchburg's Superintendent Andre Ravenelle



Designated Funds Preferred by Donors

One of our more popular fund types at the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts are designated funds, which allows donors to support the good work of their chosen nonprofit organizations.

The gift is placed into a permanent endowment that is invested over time and all future earnings benefit that nonprofit.



Alan McCulloch

Because it's given through the Foundation, the gift provides the organization selected not only funding, but planned giving and investment management services and the power of an endowment.

According to the Community Foundation President Phil Grzewinski, they are a great option for someone who wants to support an organization they are passionate about, but want to ensure their fund will last in perpetuity.

Linda Mack, Vice President of Development and Donor Service, said "donors really like that their charitable dollars will be safeguarded in perpetuity.

Since we retain control of the fund, should the nonprofit of choice change its mission or close its doors, we are allowed the flexibility to redirect the donations to a similar nonprofit with a similar mission."

It was also noted that designated funds are a smart alternative to establishing a trust, which may require probate court approval for any subsequent change, and can be an expensive lengthy process.

A designated fund at the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts leaves a legacy that does the intended good work of the donor, forever.

The Community Foundation was a beneficiary of a designated fund that was created in honor of Richard W. Nobile, a founding Trustee at the Foundation, and who recently retired from the board after serving for 15-years.

While other designated funds at the Foundation came from individuals who left a bequest, which included:

- Doyle Endowment to Benefit Doyle Field
- Alan McCulloch Memorial Fund
- Stanley J. Nasiatka Trust Fund
- John R. Conant III Fund
- John Conant Tennis Fund
- Francis S. Marston Trust Fund
- Melinda L. Persons Domestic Violence Educational Endowment Fund

Most recently, a local family created the United Way of North Central Massachusetts Permanent Endowment Fund. The fund will benefit the community by providing annual support towards its initiatives.

The other designated funds at the Foundation include:

- Boys & Girls Club of North Central Massachusetts Endowment
- Center for Civic Learning and Community Engagement at MWCC Fund
- North County Land Trust Endowment Fund
- Boys & Girls Club of Fitchburg & Leominster Endowment
- MLAA Miller Fund
- MIHN Designated Fund
- Pearl A. Russell - Howard Park/Townsend Historical Society
- William E. May Endowment Fund
- Boys & Girls Club of North Central Mass Endowment Fund
- Gerald E. Bieler Memorial Endowment
- Hazen Memorial Library Endowment Fund
- Christopher J. Alvarez Endowment Fund
- Valuing Our Children Fund
- St. Leo's School Endowment Fund
- LEF Endowment Fund to Benefit Karen's Closet



Phil Grzewinski (back row), President of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts; Town of Pepperell Lisa Ferolito, Selectman; and Roland Nutter, Selectmen; Mark Andrews (front left), Town Administrator; Jay Linnehan, Executive Director of the Greater Lowell Community Foundation; Amanda Woods, EMT; Benjamin Simmons, Lieutenant/Paramedic.

Pepperell's First Responders Use New Tool to Save Man's Life

First responders in Pepperell used a new tool to save a man's life.

A high-tech chest compression system, purchased with help from a Community Foundation grant, was used for the first time, Pepperell police and fire said in a joint statement.

The 67-year-old man, who was not identified, was in cardiac arrest and lying on the floor of his Hollis Street home, as his son administered CPR when officers arrived at about 9:30 a.m., Pepperell Police and Fire

Departments said in a joint press release.

He is expected to make a full recovery.

Officers and an EMT took over chest compressions before using the department's new LUCAS 3 Chest Compression System to continue performing CPR, police and fire officials said.

The system performs chest compressions with consistency, an issue for manual CPR due to fatigue, police and fire officials said. The man regained consciousness and was taken to a local hospital, police and fire officials said. He is expected to make a full recovery.

The new device was purchased through a grant awarded by the Nashoba Valley Healthcare Fund from the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts and the Greater Lowell Community Foundation.

Donors Establish 21 Funds at the Community Foundation

The purpose of the funds are as varied as the individuals and organizations that established them

MLAA Chandler Fund - The fund will be used for scholarships for graduate library science students and continuing education for staff at qualifying libraries.

MLAA Miller Fund - The fund will support the staff of the Stevens Memorial Library, Ashburnham, Mass.

Estelle R. Ford Future Nurses Scholarship Fund - The purpose of the scholarship fund is to provide scholarships to student(s) entering their third year of a nursing program at a local college and who has the desire and dedication to serve individuals in the City of Gardner and surrounding areas.

MindsetGo Foundation - The purpose of the fund is to benefit the charitable work of MindSetGO.

St. Anthony's School Foundation Fund - The purpose of this scholarship fund is to assist St. Anthony's students with demonstrated financial need.

The Princeton Historical Society - The purpose of the fund is to benefit the work of the Princeton Historical Society.

Fund for Advancement and Community Enhancement in Townsend - The purpose of the fund is to assist Townsend residents in need.

Michael and Kim DiGeronimo Fund - The purpose of the fund is to further the charitable interest of the donor.

Nashua River Watershed Association Wellspring Board Designated Endowment Fund - The purpose of the fund is to support the activities of Nashua River Watershed Association.

Richard W. Nobile Operational Fund - The fund was established to provide a permanent source of support to further the work of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

CTE, Success Through Alliances & Resources (STAR) - The purpose of the fund is to perpetuate the mission of Leominster's Center for Technical Education Innovation (CTE).

Friends of Townsend Seniors - This fund was established to benefit the Friends of the Townsend Seniors.

Ashburnham Conservation Trust Land Defense Fund - This fund is established to ensure that ACT (Ashburnham Conservation Trust Land Defense Fund) has resources in accordance with Land Trust Alliance requirements for the purpose of defending our Conservation Restrictions and Fee-owned properties.

Fitchburg Public School Footsteps to Brilliance - Gifts and grants to Fitchburg Public Schools Footsteps to Brilliance will support the community as a whole for the Footsteps2Brilliance®.

Jewish Community Center of Fitchburg & Leominster, Inc. - The purpose of the fund is to further the work of the Jewish Community Center of Fitchburg and Leominster.

Zeke Finch Land - The purpose of fund is so Habitat for Humanity North Central Massachusetts can purchase land for building new homes.

A.J. Robbins Memorial Fund - The purpose of the fund is to fund a field house in memory of A.J. Robbins.

Lunenburg Historical Society - The purpose of the fund is to benefit the work of the Lunenburg Historical Society.

Stratton Players Rebuilding MT - To raise funds to renovate and maintain 'Lucy's Barn' as the new home for Stratton Players.

UWNCM Permanent Endowment Fund - The purpose of the fund is to further the work of United Way of North Central Massachusetts.

Growing Places Growth Fund - The purpose of the fund is to support the continued growth of the organization.

Types of Funds

The Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts offers a wide variety of funds to help donors make an impact on the quality of life right here in North Central Massachusetts.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Manage your giving without the burden of running a private foundation.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Focus on issues you care about.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Provides your favorite nonprofits with ongoing financial support.

AGENCY FUNDS

Ensure your nonprofit has a permanent source of income for its mission.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Make a difference in the life of a student.

CORPORATE FUNDS

Establish a fund through your business.



Townsend Harbor Pond

Group establishes an agency fund at the Foundation to help further its mission.

Townsend Bike Trail Gains Cadence

In June 2017, Squannacook River Rail Trail received a grant to complete an extension of the bike trail from Groton to Townsend. The \$15,000 grant from the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts, brought the project's funds to \$106,000 (it is now \$117,000), well past two-thirds of the group's \$150,000 goal. With that, construction could begin.

This is not the first time the Community Foundation played a critical role in the trail's progress. In 2013, the Foundation awarded Squannacook Greenways (the non-profit building the trail) a grant that helped convince the MBTA to allow a non-profit to lease an unused MBTA rail bed for the first time ever. Greenways supporters have expressed deep appreciation, calling the Community Foundation "a great organization that does so much to make all our lives better in North Central Massachusetts."

The trail, at its completion, will allow walkers and bicyclists to move between Townsend Harbor and the town center without exposure to highway traffic. The proposed trail would access Route 119 at Depot Street in the center of town, Old Meetinghouse Road, South Street, and via Harbor Village Shopping Center. Traffic on Route 119 is only likely to increase, making the road more unsafe for pedestrians and bicyclists with every passing year.

The trail connects North Middlesex High School, Harbor Village, the historic Harbor Pond area, Shepherd's—with its restaurant and planned golfing attractions,

Squannacook River State Forest, Bertozzi Wildlife Management Area, Townsend Common, Central Plaza, Townsend Library, and the stores in the center of town.

Rail trails offer an even surface and a good walking facility for older adults who are unlikely to use the town's state forest trails. Since the Squannacook River Rail Trail would be built using federal funds, it would need to comply with all federal handicapped

The trail connects North Middlesex High School and historic Harbor Pond with the center of town.

accessibility requirements.

Recent plans are to continue the Squannacook River Rail Trail down to the Bertozzi Wildlife Area in Groton, making it more possible that a future trail could extend to connect with the Nashua River Rail Trail.



Volunteers walking the proposed trail.

Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare Fund Awards Multiple Health-related Grants

The Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts and the Greater Lowell Community Foundation awarded 14 grants, from the **Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare Fund**, to help improve the health of residents in 13 area communities.

Boys & Girls Club of Lunenburg received \$7,500 for their Triple Play: Healthy Minds, Bodies, and Souls program, which provides daily activities to get youth physically active, challenge their minds and develop social-emotional skills.

Community Healthlink's \$10,000 grant will enhance school-based mental health supports in Ayer, Dunstable, Groton, Lunenburg and Shirley.

A \$7,800 grant to **Cooperative Elder Services, Inc.**, will update its furnishings so at-risk participants are able to fully participate in every therapeutic activity.

LUK, Inc. received a \$16,000 grant for its Raising Resilient Kids program, which will provide trauma-informed parenting workshops to caregivers of children who have experienced one or more traumatic event(s).

Lunenburg Fire Department will purchase a 'ROSC-U CPR' device, a miniature chest compressor which increases cardiac arrest survival rates, with its \$11,000 grant.

A \$5,500 grant to **MAB Community Services, Inc.**'s Nashoba Valley Visually Impaired Elders Program will help improve the health of older adults who are blind or visually impaired.

Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network, Inc. will use its \$15,000 grant for their Family Pathways Project, which offers critical stress-reducing therapies to homeless families.

A \$16,000 grant to **Our Father's House's**, will allow a nurse practitioner to visit the shelter monthly to provide physicals, immunizations, dental health, and mental health referrals.

Pepperell Fire Department received \$13,981 to purchase a 'Lucas2 Chest Compression System,' which replaces manual chest compressions during CPR.

A \$19,447 grant to **Seven Hills Family Services** will be used to purchase equipment to create a multi sensory environment for therapy to those with autism, developmental disabilities, dementia or brain injury.

The **SHINE Initiative** will use its \$15,000 grant to acquaint high school students with an understanding of mental illness that will empower them to effectively acknowledge, recognize and manage their illness.

A \$15,000 grant to the **Townsend Congregational Church** will be used to offer a multi-disciplinary approach for at-risk youth pre-disposed to experimenting with drugs.

Townsend Fire-EMS Department was awarded \$13,923 to purchase a Lucas CPR machine to meet the demand for services in town.

A \$10,000 grant to the **Virginia Thurston Healing Garden Health** will be used to formalize its staff's preparedness to address clients' health vulnerabilities and ensure the best practices.

Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare Fund advances the health of residents in 13 communities originally served by the previous local hospital, including Ashby, Ayer, Bolton, Dunstable, Groton, Harvard, Lancaster, Littleton, Lunenburg, Pepperell, Shirley, Townsend and Westford.



SHINE Initiative has established a Student Wellness Advisory Team (SWAT) at Bromfield school in Harvard, that empowers students to create activities and campaigns to promote student mental wellness.



MAB Community Services, Inc.'s Nashoba Valley Visually Impaired Elders Program will help improve the health of older adults who are blind or visually impaired



Captain Ken Jones of the Lunenburg Fire Department explains the benefits of the departments newest life saving device the ROSC-U CPR machine at a recent community Country Fair.

Foundation Makes 27 Grants

The Foundation made 27 grants, totaling over \$300,000 from its general endowment and field of interest funds.

In addition to the general endowment fund, seven named funds made the following 10 grants possible: ABM General Endowment Fund; Allen & Barbara Rome General Endowment Fund; Brown/Peterson Family General Endowment Fund; IC Founders Society Endowment Fund; KRC Family Endowment Fund, and the W. E. Aubuchon, Jr. General Endowment Fund.

Community Foundation General Endowment Fund *Responding to a Wide Range of Community Needs*

Community Healthlink, Worcester, received a \$13,218 grant for its program "Moving Beyond Depression," which is designed to improve the mental health of pregnant women and mothers of young children.

A \$3,265 grant to **Groton Council on Aging** will be used to offer a proven fall prevention program to seniors at no cost.

Kylees Kare Kits for Kidz Inc., Leominster, received a \$15,000 award for their highly successful 'Backpack Program,' which provides a backpack of food every Friday to children who are least likely to have meals available at home.

A \$5,000 grant to **Literacy Volunteers of the Montachusett Area**, Fitchburg, will be used toward funding a staff member with technology and interpersonal skills, who will provide additional training to new volunteers.

Leominster's **Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network's** \$20,000 grant will be used to fund staff resources for 'The Path to Self Sufficiency (PSS)' program, which will provide additional support activities to families housed at the shelter.

A \$5,000 grant to **Rise Above Foundation**, Northbridge, will provide resources to increase the number of activities, opportunities and experiences that will be made available to North Central Mass. children in foster care.

Sibling Connections, Somerville's \$5,000 grant will be used so that 10 siblings in foster care from the region can attend 'Camp to Belong' for a week in August, where they can build life-long memories with brothers and sisters they may only see once a year.

A \$4,000 grant to **Special Olympics Massachusetts**, Marlborough, will support new uniforms and part of the cost for a training facility for the organization's activities in the region.



Kylees Kare Kits for Kidz



Montachusett Interfaith
Hospitality Network

The **Salvation Army**, Fitchburg, has a \$5,000 grant to provide access for more children to enroll in the 'Summer Fun' program for disadvantaged children.

A \$12,000 grant to **The Virginia Thurston Healing Garden, Inc.**, Harvard, will expand marketing efforts to raise awareness of the center as a premier provider of integrative cancer care services.

The Doyle Fund

Environmental Causes and Animal Welfare

Ashburnham Conservation Trust Inc. received an \$8,500 grant to help provide equipment and resources for the creation of new trails.

A \$5,000 grant to **Fitchburg Greenway Committee**, City of Fitchburg, will assist the city in completing a preliminary trail plan for Rollstone Hill Park.

Growing Places Garden Project, Leominster, received an \$11,000 grant to expand the agency's capacity to serve more area children and adolescents.

A \$20,000 grant to **Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust**, Athol, will provide resources to expand its core mission of land conservation.

North County Land Trust Inc., Leominster, received a \$3,500 grant to implement a hands-on science-based program for fifth-grade students at the Longsjo Middle School, Fitchburg.

An \$8,000 grant to **Pat Brody Shelter for Cats, Inc.**, Lunenburg, will be used to increase the availability of low-or no-cost veterinary services for low-income cat owners and/or stray and abandoned cats.

Squannacook Greenways, Inc., Townsend, received a \$15,000 grant toward construction of the Squannacook River Rail Trail in Townsend, as soon as late 2017.

Community Foundation Organizational Development Fund

Capacity and Sustainability for Nonprofits

A \$6,000 grant to **Just Understand My Potential, Inc.**, Harvard, will assist the organization in developing a strategic marketing plan.

Mediation Services of North Central MA, Inc., Leominster, received \$5,000 that will provide Leader Training to senior volunteers.

A \$6,000 grant to the **Montachusett Regional Trails Coalition**, Fitchburg, will be used to develop a strategic plan.

North County Land Trust Inc., Leominster, received \$3,800 for infrastructure improvements to improve the organization's efficiency.

A \$12,000 grant to **On-Site Academy**, Westminster, will be used to conduct a multi-faceted organizational assessment and comprehensive plan.

The **Spanish American Center, Inc.**, Leominster, received a \$9,375 grant as the second phase to an 'Organizational Development Building' project.

A \$12,000 grant to **The Stratton Players**, Fitchburg, will help fund a large-scale fundraising and capacity development project.



Photo courtesy of Leominster Champion

Community Foundation Critical Needs Fund

Critical Needs in the Community

GAAMHA, Gardner, received \$30,000 to support resources needed for a part-time case manager in the 'Sober Living Building' operated by the agency.

A \$5,200 grant to **Our Father's House, Inc.**, Fitchburg, will be used to provide an intensive case manager at the West Street Sober House.

The **Quabbin Retreat**, Petersham, received \$25,579 to provide specific wraparound services to patients with dual mental health and substance use diagnosis.

Community Foundation Educational Access Fund

Supporting Education Initiatives

The **Leominster Education Foundation (LEF)** received a \$30,000 grant for the literacy platform 'Footsteps to Brilliance (F2B)', a program that will help the LEF realize their goal to have every Leominster child able to read proficiently by the third grade. F2B is a literacy program that delivers reading content to any internet-ready device and provides content for use both online and off usage.

DONOR FUNDS

15-40 Connection, Inc. Fund (2015) - 15-40 Connection is a growing national organization committed to helping you act on your awareness about the lifesaving advantage of early cancer detection. 15 to 40-year-olds are diagnosed with cancer nearly five times more frequently than young children.

Anonymous Funds (4) - Donor-advised funds to support the charitable interests of the donors.

ACE (Animal Care & Education Central Massachusetts) (2011) - Dedicated to the care of animals in need and committed to educating the school children and families of North Central Massachusetts about pet care and responsibility.

Alan McCulloch Memorial Fund (2015) - To support the Boys and Girls Club of Fitchburg and Leominster's Music Program, Leominster Education Foundation Music Scholarship Program and the Alan McCulloch String Quartet and the Smoking Dragons at the Francis Drake School, as well as the New England Graduate Accounting Studies.

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

Amy's Angels Foundation Fund (2012) - To help Lancaster area families in need of assistance due to illness or other unexpected tragedies.

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

Ronald M. Ansin Fund (2002) - To support the charitable interests of the donor.

AOTV Reserved Fund (2016) - The purpose of the fund is to further the mission of Athol-Orange Community Television.

The Arc of Opportunity in North Central Massachusetts Fund (2005) - This is a fund dedicated to "Helping people with disabilities reach their full potential."

Ashburnham Westminster Foundation for Academic Excellence, Inc. (2014) - To support academic excellence at Ashburnham-Westminster Regional School District.

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

Athol Public Library Endowment Fund (2015) - This fund will benefit the Athol Public Library.

Aubuchon Foundation (2008) - 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 (2007) - An endowed fund dedicated to the memory of W.E. Aubuchon, Jr. that benefits the General Endowment of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Beers for Good Fund (2010) - A fund to support the charitable interests of the donor.

Bellew-Jouzaitis Fund (2012) - Established to support the charitable interest of the donor.

Bemis Community Investment Fund (2011) - Established to support the charitable interest of the donor.

Bigelow Free Public Library Fund (2016) - The purpose of the fund is to support the programs of the Bigelow Free Public Library, Clinton, Mass.

Gerald E. Bieler Memorial Fund (2011) - To benefit the Nashua Valley Council Boy Scouts of America.

Boys & Girls Club of Fitchburg & Leominster Endowment Fund (2014) - This fund was established to provide a permanent endowment to support operations of the Boys & Girls Club of Fitchburg & Leominster.

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

Boys & Girls Club of NCM Endowment Fund (2009) - Established to provide a permanent endowment to support operations of the Boys & Girls Club of North Central Massachusetts.

Carol & Norman Boudreau Fund (2008) - 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.

Brown/Peterson Family Foundation Fund (2007) - To support the charitable interests of the donor.

Brown/Peterson Endowment Fund (2007) - An endowed fund to benefit the General Endowment of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Brittany's Fund (2013) - The Brittany Fund has been set up to serve Boston Marathon victims with long-term costs associated with their injuries and psychological effects from the events of April 15, 2013. The fund will also assist victims of other traumatic events.

The Bulfinch Fund (2016) - To restore and preserve the Bulfinch Church in Lancaster, Mass.

Care Packages for Soldiers Fund (2011) - Established to raise money to send care packages to our deployed troops.

Lance Corporal Geoffrey Cayer Fund (2006) - To support programs that were of interest to Geoffrey in North Central Massachusetts.

Michael Cavanna Memorial Fund (2010) - To support the charitable interests of the donors.

Center for Civic Learning and Community Engagement at Mount Wachusett Community College (2011) - A fund that will support the work of the Center for Civic Learning and Community Engagement.

Matt Charette Memorial Fund (2011) - Established to continue Matt's charitable legacy.

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

Clinton First Partnership Fund (2016) - The purpose of the fund is to benefit the charitable work of Clinton First Partnership.

Committed to Canines and Felines Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to financially assist pet owners with medical expenses, and training of dogs at risk of being re-homed due to behavioral issues.

Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts Educational Access Fund (2012) - To provide financial aid to college students and/or to support existing scholarship aid funds in the region serviced by the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts Endowed Fund for Critical Needs (2012) - Created to support critical needs programs.

Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts General Endowment Fund (2001) - This and the regional endowment funds have been established to respond to a wide range of community needs. 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. In addition, donors can target their gift to a specific region that can accept gifts of any size.

Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts Organizational Fund for Non-Profits (2012) - Created to support capacity building of nonprofit organizations.

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

John R. Conant III Fund (2014) - To benefit the First Congregational Church of Gardner, Massachusetts.

John R. Conant Tennis Fund (2014) - To benefit the Gardner High School Tennis Program.

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

David Oikemus Fund (2007) - Established to benefit North Central Human Services, Inc.

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

Doyle Endowment for the Benefit of Doyle Field (2009) - The fund will help provide for the maintenance and upkeep of Doyle Field in Leominster.

Doyle General Endowment Fund (2009) - This fund is part of the Foundation's General Endowment Fund. The Doyle fund provides a permanent source of funds to benefit environmental and animal issues.

FATV Robert Wilson Memorial Fund (2008) - It was created to honor the memory of Robert Wilson and benefit Fitchburg Access Television.

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

Fitchburg Cultural Alliance Fund (2010) - Established to support the work of the Fitchburg Cultural Alliance.

Fitchburg Greenway Fund (2010) - To support the charitable interests of the donor.

DONOR FUNDS

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

Fitchburg Public School Art Enrichment Fund (2008) - A fund that will support art enrichment programs for Fitchburg youth.

Fitchburg Public School Education Foundation Fund (2015) - This fund was created to benefit and enhance the education provided in the Fitchburg Public Schools.

Fitchburg Public School Extra Curricular Fund (2008) - A fund that will support after school programs for Fitchburg youth.

Fitchburg Public School Outreach to Teach Fund (2009) - Established to support the well-being, education and development of the youth in the City of Fitchburg.

Fitchburg Public School Reingold School Leadership Academy Fund (2009) - Established to support the well-being, education and development of the youth at Reingold School.

Fitchburg Riverfront Park Stage Fund (2014) - This fund was established for the Riverfront Park.

Fitchburg Riverfront Parks and Trails Fund (2011) - The Riverfront Parks and Trails Fund assists the City of Fitchburg in the establishment, operation, maintenance and programming conducted at riverfront parks and trails.

Fitchburg Riverfront Parks & Trails Endowed (2014) - To further the mission of the organization.

Tom Fors Memorial Fund (2016) - Tom was a dedicated EMT/First Responder and was committed to "Making a Difference". His fund has been set up to help others who choose EMS as a career path and will continue his legacy of "Making a Difference."

Friends of the Fitchburg Public Library Endowment Fund (2015) - To support the Fitchburg Public Library.

Friends of the Hubbardston Senior Center Fund (2016) - A fund to benefit the Hubbardston Senior Center.

Friends of Northborough Recreation Fund (2011) - This fund was established to support the activities of the Friends of Northborough Recreation.

GVNA Healthcare, Inc. Endowment Fund (2007) - Created a fund to benefit its mission of providing high quality, affordable health and social services.

Gateway Park Endowment Fund (2010) - To help maintain the park.

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

GAAAFSN (Greater Athol Area Advocates For Families With Specific Needs) Fund (2012) - To assist parents in the greater Athol area afflicted with psychological issues in the rearing of their children. Family counseling, physician referrals and social service aid are offered through a dignified program.

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

Hazen Memorial Library Endowment Fund (2016) - To benefit the Hazen Memorial Library, Shirley, Mass.

HealthAlliance Guild Endowment Fund (2009) - To support the charitable interests of the HealthAlliance Guild.

Hubbardston Center School Playground Fund (2010) - Established to raise funds to build a playground at the Hubbardston Center School.

Hutner-Losert Fund (2016) - To further the charitable interest of the fundholder.

IC Federal Credit Union Founders Fund (2007) - An endowed fund to benefit the General Endowment of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

K.R.C. Family Fund (2006) - An endowed fund to benefit the General Endowment of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Marc and Michelle LaFrance Fund (2009) - To support the charitable interests of the donors.

Robert C. Langlois Golf Classic Fund (2015) - To support the charitable interests of the donors.

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

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 the Leominster Education Foundation.

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

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.

Friends of Lunenburg Library Endowment Fund (2003) - To benefit the Lunenburg Public Library.

Francis S. Marston Trust Fund (2014) - This is a designated fund to benefit the community of Ashby.

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

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

Alan McCulloch Fund (2012) - Established as a donor-advised fund in memory of Alan McCulloch.

Marilyn & David McKeehan Family Fund (2009) - Established to support the charitable interests of the donors.

Bill Mehr Sport Parachuting Memorial Fund (2014) - This fund has been established in memory of Bill Mehr, pioneer sport parachutist and pilot. The fund will provide ongoing support to maintain a memorial site located at the birthplace of sport parachuting in the United States, the Orange Municipal Airport.

Eileen & Edward McCaffrey Memorial Fund (2014) - To benefit the Montachusett Home Care Corporation.

Michael's Run to Benefit The SHINE INITIATIVE Fund (2011) - Established to support The SHINE INITIATIVE.

MIHN Designated Fund (2015) - To further the mission of the Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network.

Montachusett Home Care Corporation (2014) - To further the mission of the organization.

Montachusett Home Care Corporation Fund (2008) - Created to benefit the mission of the organization.

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

Monty Tech Foundation Fund (2012) - Established to provide scholarships and other activities that support the mission of the school.

Monty Tech Vet Clinic Fund (2016) - The purpose of the fund is to benefit a newly created Animal Science – Veterinary Technician program at Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School.

Moran Fund (2015) - To support the charitable interests of the donors.

Miles for Myles Fund (2007) - This fund was created in memory of Myles John McCarron. We promote and sponsor student and community education about the dangers of high-speed driving and the importance of good decision making.

James Edward Mulcahy Alpha Tau Gamma Fund (2015) - To support the charitable interests of the donors.

Narragansett Historical Society Fund (2016) - To further the mission of the Narragansett Historical Society in Templeton, Mass.

Nashoba Valley Community Healthcare 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.

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

Nashua River Watershed Association Wellspring Endowment Fund @ CFNCM (2015) - The purpose of the fund is to support the operations, programs and maintenance needs of the Nashua River Watershed Association and to secure its long term sustainability.

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

Stanley J. Nasiatka Trust Fund (2014) - For the expansion, renovation and the purchase of equipment for the library at the Narragansett Regional High School, including the purchases of books, chairs, tables, desks, a modern system of book inventory, and other library assets.

DONOR FUNDS

Yung Nguyen Foundation Fund (2007) - To support the charitable interests of the donor.

Helen Nobile Fund (2001) - To support literacy and Rosary Hill Home.

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

North County Land Trust Endowment Fund (2015) - A designated fund to benefit the North County Land Trust.

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

Grace Oliver Legacy Fund (2009) - To benefit charities in North Central Massachusetts that utilize nature and animals to help people improve the quality of their lives.

Petersham Historical Society Endowment Fund (2015) - The purpose of the fund is to provide a permanent endowment to support the Petersham Historical Society.

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

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.

Sam Pawlak Community Playground (2016) - The Sam Pawlak Community Playground will be built at Coolidge Park in Fitchburg, Mass. The playground will have wheelchair accessible and easy transfer equipment. It will also include a variety of sensory experiences for those children with intellectual impairment, autism, and visual limitations.

Proietti Family Fund (2015) - The fund will be used to further the donors charitable interest.

Quabbin OCU Wilderness Fund (2008) - Established to support the charitable interests of the donor.

Red Raiders Lending Library Fund (2014) - A literacy program supporting children in the Fitchburg Public Schools.

Riverfront Children's Theatre Fund (2012) - Established to provide a regional theatrical program in Fitchburg for children interested in pursuing a hobby in the performing arts.

Allen and Barbara Rome Fund (2014) - An endowed fund to benefit the General Endowment of the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Saint Benedict Abbey Fund (2015) - The purpose of the fund is to benefit the work of Saint Benedict Abbey in Still River, Mass.

Shirley Charitable Foundation Fund (2015) - The Shirley Charitable Foundation Fund will be used to benefit community-based programs.

Sholan Farms Development Fund (2008) - Established to support the work of Sholan Farms in Leominster, Mass.

David W. & Barbara A. Somero Charitable Foundation Fund (2004) - Established to support the charitable interests of the donor.

Southborough Library Fund (2011) - Established to benefit the Southborough Library in Southborough, Mass.

Squannacook Greenways Fund (2015) - To support the development of the Squannacook River Rail Trail.

Sterilite Corporation Fund (2006) - To support the charitable interests of the donor.

St. Leo's School Endowment Fund (2011) - Established to benefit Catholic education at St. Leo's.

Stratton Players Rebuilding Fund (2014) - To provide financial support to renovate and maintain "Lucy's Barn" as the new home of the Stratton Players.

Steven & Jennifer Stone Fund (2013) - To support the charitable interest of the donor.

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.

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.

Bert Tompkins Award Fund (2013) - The purpose is to give an annual award to one or more staff members who exemplify the mission, vision and culture of LUK.

Townsend Public Library Endowment Fund (2009) - This agency endowment fund was established to benefit the Townsend Public Library in Townsend, Massachusetts.

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

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

Upton Building Renovation Fund (2011) - Established to support the capital campaign for the renovation of its building.

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.

The Virginia Thurston Cancer Support Center Endowment Fund (2016) - The Virginia Thurston Cancer Center Endowment Fund will support the work of The Virginia Thurston Healing Garden, Inc., in Harvard, Mass.

Walbridge Fund (2016) - This fund was established to support the charitable interests of the donor.

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

William Wicks Memorial Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to support the charitable interest of the donor, which includes the American Heart Association.

Westminster Historical Society Endowment Fund (2011) - The earnings from this restricted fund are used to support building maintenance and operating expenses of the Westminster Historical Society.

United Way of North Central Massachusetts Endowment Fund (2014) - This fund was established by the United Way of North Central Massachusetts as a permanent endowment to create an additional source of income to help further United Way's mission of creating opportunities for a better life for all in North Central Massachusetts.

Zach's Goal Fund (2013) - Established in memory of Zachary D. Constant to fund the Fitchburg Twin City Youth Hockey Association's "No Player Left Behind Program". "Our wish is for Zach's spirit to live on through children learning to play ice hockey, people being kind and generous to one another, and that he is happy saving goals in Heaven."

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Anthony J. and Fannie M. Alario Scholarship Fund (2012) - Established to provide scholarships for St. Anthony's in Fitchburg, Mass.

Athol High School Scholarship Assoc. Fund (2015) - The fund will grant scholarships to graduates of Athol High School for their college education.

Janis Bresnahan Scholarship Fund (2012) - Established in memory of Janis Bresnahan, who was a graduate of Ayer High School. This scholarship is for Ayer High School students who intend to pursue a degree in childhood development or education.

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

Jakob Chesbrough Memorial Scholarship Fund (2010) - To provide scholarships to students graduating from the Leominster Center for Technical Education. This scholarship is specifically for students graduating from the Machine Shop to help further their careers or education in the trade.

Fitchburg Public School Educational Foundation Scholarship Fund (2015) - To provide funds for scholarships for applicants who are City of Fitchburg residents and graduates or students of Fitchburg High School or Goodrich Academy and who are worthy in character, industry, and ability but in need of financial assistance to enable them to pursue courses of study during the next school year in advanced educational institutions including colleges, community colleges, technical schools, governmentally accredited training programs, governmentally accredited licensing programs or other educational institutions of advance learning for studies that lead to degrees, certificates, or licenses.

Frances Daigneault Scholarship Fund (2014) - The purpose of this fund is to provide scholarships to Leominster High School's graduating seniors.

Dream Endowment (2004) - Created by Andrea and Sergio Paez to provide an opportunity for underprivileged immigrant students to go to college.

Christopher Blair Erickson Memorial Scholarship Fund (2014) - For a graduating senior of WRHS with leadership skills, self reliance and team spirit.

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

The Chris Franzeim Foundation Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to junior or senior high school students who have experienced a significant life event that is adversely affecting their ability to excel in school.

Makenzie Goode Memorial Athletic Scholarship Fund (2010) - To provide scholarships to students graduating from Pioneer Valley Regional High School.

Janine Holston Memorial Music Scholarship Fund (2009) - To provide scholarships to R.C. Mahar graduates who are majoring or minoring in music education, music theory, music performance or performing arts.

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

Chad F. LeBouf Memorial Scholarship Fund (2013) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to nursing students entering a 2- 3 or 4-year school.

Elizabeth Lord Scholarship Fund (2015) - To award scholarships.

Monty Tech Foundation Scholarship Fund (2016) - The Monty Tech Foundation is a private foundation and charitable organization dedicated to the advancement of vocational-technical education programs in North Central Massachusetts. The Fund was established to promote and support programs, services and educational activities that benefit the students and faculty of the school.

North Middlesex Regional Scholarship Foundation Fund (2012) - This fund offers financial assistance to NMRHS graduating students pursuing a degree or attending a technical college upon commencement.

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.

Nashoba Valley Professional Healthcare Education Fund (2006) - Established to support professional education of employees of health care facilities, which includes nurses and technicians, in the Nashoba region.

Jim O'Leary Scholarship Fund (2015) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to high school seniors who are involved in golf.

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

Carl W. Proctor Scholarship and Prize Fund (2010) - Established to provide scholarships and prizes to graduating Seniors of Lunenburg High School.

Gregory Reeves Endowment Memorial Scholarship Fund (2010) - This fund supports annual scholarships awarded to North Middlesex Regional High School seniors.

Gregory Reeves Memorial Scholarship Fund (2016) - This fund supports annual scholarships awarded to North Middlesex Regional High School seniors.

Kevin R. Reichert Memorial Scholarship (2014) - To provide scholarships for a graduating NMRHS senior student that resides in Pepperell, Townsend, or Ashby who has been active in the community and shows leadership qualities amongst peers.

Lee Edward Roberts Christian Scholarship Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to K-12 students attending private, Bible-based, born-again Christian school.

Glenn A. Roberts Scholarship Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships for a North Middlesex Regional High School football player.

Harold F. & Elsie E. Root Scholarship Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to Fitchburg High School and St. Bernard's High School seniors.

Judith Binnall Rose Nursing Scholarship Fund (2014) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships that benefit students committed to pursuing or furthering a career in nursing.

Rotary Club of Fitchburg Scholarship Fund (2006) - For graduating seniors in the city of Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

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

The Shepherd Family Scholarship Fund (2013) - This fund was established to provide scholarship aid to North Middlesex Regional High School students interested in agriculture and emergency medical training.

Sterilite Scholars Fund for Fitchburg State University (2009) - Established as a permanent endowment to provide scholarships and/or support related services to selected undergraduate students of Fitchburg State University.

Sterilite Scholarship and Student Success Fund for Mount Wachusett Community College (2009) - Established to provide scholarships and/or support related services to selected students of Mount Wachusett Community College.

St. Leo's School Scholarship Endowment Fund (2013) - The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships to current and incoming students of St. Leo's School, Leominster, Mass.

Captain Christopher Sullivan Scholarship Fund (2012) - To provide scholarship aid for graduating students living in Princeton, Mass. that attend either Wachusett Regional High School or Montachusett Technical High School.

John Waage Scholarship Fund (2016) - The purpose of the fund is to award scholarships to David Prouty High School marching and/or concert band seniors.

Westminster Historical Society Scholarship Fund (2011) - Established to provide scholarships for graduating students from the town of Westminster, Mass.

Donor Distributions

Donor Funds are established by individuals who want to play an active role in the distribution process.

This year, over \$3.2 million in distributions were made to a variety of organizations.



Community Foundation **SCHOLARSHIP** Funds

Making a difference in the life of a student

Donors have established 36 funds. This past year those fundholders awarded:

- **108 Scholarships**
- **\$382,733**

Community Foundation **FISCAL SPONSOR** Funds

Assisting unincorporated organizations with tax-exempt status

Organizations and entities have established 32 funds. This past year those fund awarded:

- **64 Distributions**
- **\$124,252**



Community Foundation **DONOR-ADVISED** Funds

Helping donors achieve their charitable goals

Donors have established 60 funds. This past year those fundholders awarded:

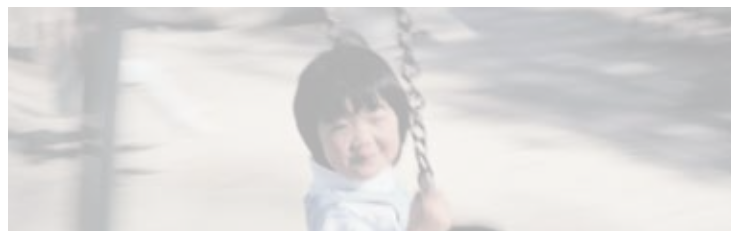
- **94 Distributions**
- **\$1.06 Million**

Community Foundation **AGENCY** Funds

Ensuring a permanent source of support for nonprofits

Nonprofits have established 41 funds. This past year those fund awarded:

- **9 Distributions**
- **\$129,397**



Community Foundation **DESIGNATED** Funds

Donors supporting their favorite nonprofits

Donors have established 33 funds. This past year those fundholders awarded:

- **22 Distributions**
- **\$543,224**

Community Foundation **FIELD OF INTEREST** Funds

Helping donors target specific causes they care about

Donors have established 10 funds. This past year those fundholders awarded:

- **5 Distributions**
- **\$197,979**

For a complete listing of all distributions and grants, please see our 990 on our website.

A personal legacy of giving

Bequest by Will



Including a charitable bequest in your will is a simple way to make a lasting gift to your community. When you make this gift through the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts, we establish a special fund that benefits the community forever and becomes your personal legacy of giving.

How it works

- You include the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts in your will as a bequest; we can help you or your attorney with recommended language.
- You determine the type of fund you would like to establish with your gift.
- Upon your death, we set up a special fund in your name, in the name of your family, or in honor of any person or organization you choose.
- Your charitable gift is excluded from your assets for estate tax purposes.
- Our professional program staff considers your charitable wishes and determines the areas of community needs that would be most impacted by grants from your gift.
- Our board issues grants in the name of the fund you establish (if you prefer, grants can be made anonymously).
- We handle all the administrative details.
- Your gift can be placed into an endowment that is invested over time. Earnings from your fund are used to make grants addressing community needs. Your gift—and all future earnings from your gift—is a permanent source of community capital, helping to do good work forever.

Leaving a gift in perpetuity

For one local resident, it was a simple decision to leave a portion of his estate to the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Brian Hite, who has called Westminster, Mass. home for 25-years, has developed a special affinity for the region.

"I really enjoy living and working in the community. It is a special place with special people," said Brian.

Recently, he was updating his will and wanted to make sure he left a portion of it to the community. "I have volunteered and supported many organizations over the years and it was important to me that I leave something behind for the community."

After reviewing his options, he decided to reserve a portion of his estate for building and supporting community gardens, bicycle paths and recreational areas for the community to enjoy. "I like the fact that the Foundation will be there to make sure my wishes are carried out forever," added Brian

Financials

	2017	2016	2015
Total Assets	\$49,083,564	\$38,505,118	\$40,121,871
Operating Expenses	\$ 419,691	\$ 413,684	\$ 384,752
Revenues	\$13,563,204	\$ 4,186,671	\$ 9,615,923
Grants & Donor Advised Distributions	\$ 3,635,587	\$ 3,861,018	\$ 3,330,405

Funds of the Community Foundation

Fund Type	No. of Funds
Donor-Advised Funds	60
Designated Funds	33
Field of Interest Funds	10
Fiscal Sponsor Funds	32
Scholarship Funds	36
Non Profit (Agency Funds)	41
General Endowment Funds (CFNCM)	11
Total	223

Grantmaking for 2016-2017

Grants made from the Foundation's General Endowment Funds	\$ 407,921
Grants made from Donor-Advised, Designated, Scholarship & Other Funds	\$3,227,665
Total Grants	\$3,635,586

For our IRS 990, please visit cfncm.org



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We are a trusted steward of the charitable assets, vision and intent of our donors to do good works now and forever.

Serving the charitable interest of individuals, corporations, organizations and nonprofits in 33 communities.



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