

Middlesex County Community Foundation

2004 ANNUAL REPORT





THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY. OUR MISSION IS TO WORK WITH CHARITABLY MINDED INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS, TO BUILD PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS AND OTHER CHARITABLE FUNDS AND TO SUPPORT LOCAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH EFFECTIVE GRANTMAKING TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY NEEDS.

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COVER: A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT FUNDED A STUDY OF AGRICULTURAL LAND USE CHANGES IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY TOWNS FROM 1978-2004 BY UCONN COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SYSTEM AND WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY. PICTURED BY ONE OF THE COUNTY'S FEW REMAINING AGRICULTURAL SITES ARE JESSICA PFUND, CLASS OF '05 STUDENT, AND PHILLIP RESOR, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, BOTH OF WESLEYAN, WHO SPEARHEADED THE STUDY.

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Dear Friends

2004 MARKS OUR SEVENTH YEAR OF GROWING A VITAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO BENEFIT THE PEOPLE OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY. IT HAS BEEN A YEAR OF ACHIEVEMENT MADE POSSIBLE BY A GENEROUS COMMUNITY, HARDWORKING BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CONTINUING AND GROWING PARTNERSHIPS.

The Board approved \$95,555 in competitive grants bringing our total grants for the year to \$124,898, a 64% increase over 2003. We have now surpassed the half million-dollar mark in total grantmaking since our inception. From Middletown's North End youth to seniors in Old Saybrook our grants make a great difference to individuals now better served because of our efforts and our wonderful partners in grantmaking. We had a 69% increase in donated monies for grantmaking this year thanks to a generous increase from the River View Cemetery, continued support from the Connecticut Humanities Council and Citizens Bank plus a generous gift from of the Ann T. D'Addario Family Foundation. We are delighted that our nomination of Gilead Community Services grant application to the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority (CHEFA) provided \$50,000 for two new vans to bring their clients to worksites, medical appointments and social activities. This third grant brings CHEFA's total to \$150,000 to aid special needs in Middlesex County with their partnership with Connecticut community foundations.

The Swaim String Program began its second year with 60 third and fourth graders taking violin and cello lessons. Their concerts and performances have brought smiles to many as they become future musicians. The program, made possible by a generous bequest from Elizabeth Swaim, is a partnership of parents, Community Foundation and the Middletown Board of Education aided by a dedicated committee and volunteer coordination efforts of Ruth Montgomery.

Our endowment grew by five new funds and additions to the existing funds including our unrestricted Middlesex Enhancement Fund. Invested funds gained 11.6% surpassing recognized benchmarks. The Women & Girls Committee's mailing boosted the endowed Fund for Women & Girls and provided additional monies for grantmaking to empower women and girls to be self-reliant and reach their potential. Five new Legacy Society members have informed us of planned gifts bringing our known total to over \$5 million.

Our need for administrative funding received tremendous support with Middlesex Mutual Assurance, Whelen Engineering and The Clark Group offering a combined \$125,000 challenge grant. For every \$2 given or pledged to support Community Foundation administration, \$1 will be given from the challenge pool. The Board of Directors once again demonstrated their support with 100% giving; their gifts are not counted toward the challenge however. We hope those who share our vision for a viable Foundation for future community grantmaking and resources for donors will enable us to maximize this challenge grant.

We are positioned for the growth that the community and donors of Middlesex County deserve. We need continued support to meet the challenge of growing the endowment, gaining greater visibility, and increasing the number of persons giving to the community through our Community Foundation. We hope you will share the stories of our successes with others and consider making a direct or planned gift to our efforts.



RALPH H. SHAW II

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2004 Highlights

Grants Milestone Surpassed

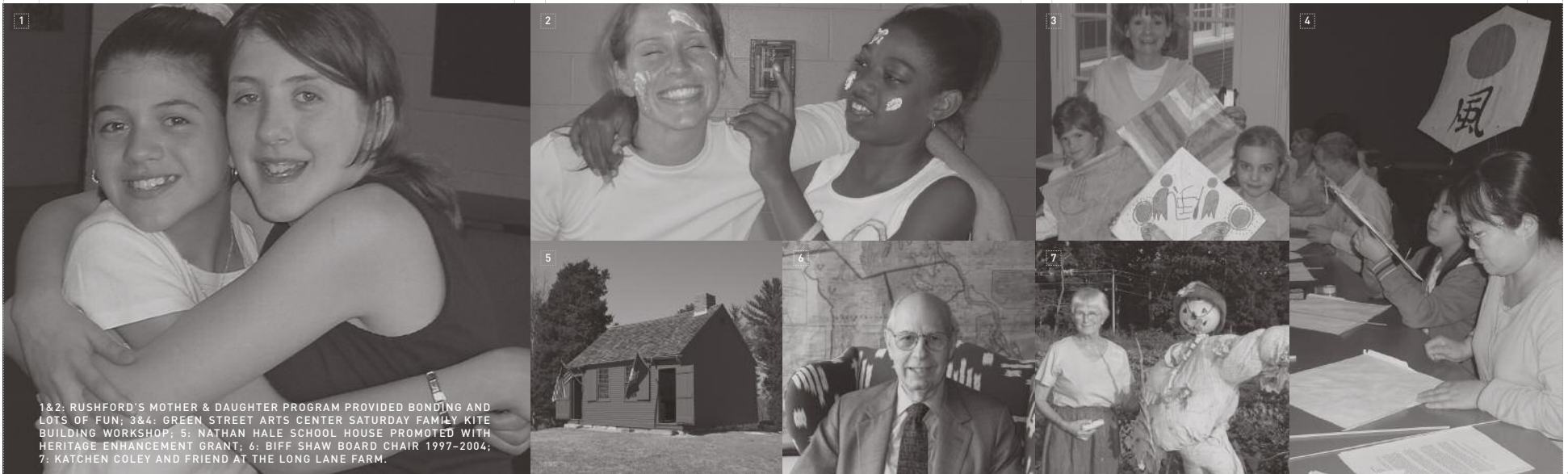
Making grants is the major way community foundations improve the quality of life in their service area. This year the Board of Directors approved grants totaling \$124,599. This brings our total grantmaking to over \$500,000, a notable milestone on our way to our first million. Please see the grants section of this report for details.

Challenge Grant Provided for Administration

Middlesex Mutual Assurance Company, Whelen Engineering and The Clark Group combined forces this year to support the continued growth of our Community Foundation. Collectively they pledged \$125,000 over the next few years to provide \$1 for every \$2 given or pledged to support the Foundation's administrative needs. The 2004 challenge required \$40,000 in new gifts and pledges that was surpassed. In addition, the board of directors once again responded with 100% participation but did not count their support toward the challenge match.

New Planned Gifts

Our future continues to become more secure with the thoughtfulness and generosity of five persons who have made planned gifts to our Foundation. These known new gifts total over \$3 million and bring our total to over \$5 million. Our Legacy Society now has 36 known members.



New Endowed Funds

Joan Matz Music Scholarship Fund

Joan Matz of Chester benefited several choruses with her musical talents and dedication to choral singing. She was a founding member of Con Brio, Cappella Cantorum, the Summer Sings and the Robbie Collomore Concert Series. To inspire others and continue her legacy, Joan's friends, family and singing colleagues established this Fund in her memory. Annual scholarships will support students pursuing studies in choral singing and/or conducting at UCONN's Department of Music.

"Our family is grateful to the many friends who made donations in Joan's memory. We know Joan would be happy that future students will receive support to pursue choral singing and/or conducting in her name. The Community Foundation has handled all the details and we are most grateful for this lasting tribute to her memory." LOU MATZ

Sonya and Jeff Madoff Fund

The Madoffs are conscientious contributors to many worthwhile charities and causes. Familiar with community foundations from supporting a fund in memory of Jeff's sister in another area, they turned to our Foundation to establish an unrestricted fund to support the community where they have lived for many years.

"We believe that we have an obligation to support the community and to help those who do not have all our opportunities. This Fund will grow over time and continue to provide benefit to the community that we have greatly enjoyed and love."

JEFF AND SONYA MADOFF

Robert A. Mallimson, PhD Fund

An anonymous donor wished to recognize the humanity and caring of Dr. Mallimson in a lasting way and established this named Donor Advised Fund in his honor. As the designated advisor to the Fund, Dr. Mallimson makes grant recommendations for nonprofit organizations that he believes are providing a meaningful service. Board approved recommendations provide grants in Dr. Mallimson's name.

"It is a joy to honor Dr. Mallimson with a lasting charitable gift in his name. He is a caring professional who gives much more than is required or expected. This Fund will provide good works in his name now and in the future."

ANONYMOUS DONOR

Preston Family Fund

Dave Preston formerly owned a Portland business and has been an active Middlesex area volunteer. He and his wife Barbara have been supporters of the Foundation since its inception. In 2003, Dave joined the Foundation Board of Directors and learned even more about the flexibility and value of community foundations. Wanting to support local Foundation efforts the Preston's transferred their charitable gift fund to the Community Foundation to establish this unrestricted named fund.

"The more we learn about the Foundation the more we see its value. By serving on the Grants Committee, I have toured agencies and saw first hand how the Foundation makes a positive difference. We are pleased to help grow the endowment by establishing this unrestricted fund as part of our support." DAVE PRESTON

Kalayjian Fund

We are pleased that Marcia Kalayjian joined the Board in 2004. A committed volunteer to many organizations, Marcia leads by example. She and her husband, David, have established an unrestricted fund that they will build over time to benefit the area.

"While new to the Community Foundation, I have been impressed with the quality of the volunteers and staff and what has been accomplished in such a short amount of time. All of us will benefit from a strong community foundation in our area and David and I are proud to be supporters of this new philanthropic venture."

MARCIA L. KALAYJIAN



Joan Matz Memorial Gifts

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Richard and Jeanne Bates
Kent Berwick & Wayne Rollins
Abigail and Stephen Bruce
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Suzanne Donnelly Kitchings

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Karl P. Stofko
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James Zanardi

A black and white photograph of three people standing behind a wooden sign that reads "McCarthy Park". On the left is a woman with short blonde hair and glasses, wearing a light-colored jacket. In the center is a man with short hair, wearing a dark sweatshirt with a circular logo. On the right is a woman with short grey hair and glasses, wearing a patterned shawl. In the background, two other people are visible standing on a path in a wooded area. The text "Making Community Impact with Grants" is overlaid in a large, white, serif font across the middle of the image.

Making Community Impact with Grants

McCarthy Park

MELISSA AND BILL ROBERTS POSE WITH JUDITH BROWN OF WESLEYAN AFTER THE DEDICATION OF MCCARTHY PARK. A FOUNDATION GRANT SUPPORTED THIS COOPERATIVE REHABILITATION PROJECT BETWEEN WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY AND FRIENDS OF THE VILLAGE DISTRICT WHICH PROVIDES LANDSCAPED ACCESS TO RECLAIMED PUBLIC SPACE IN THE CENTER OF MIDDLETOWN FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS TO ENJOY.

GRANTS ARE THE MEANS BY WHICH A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IMPROVES AND ENHANCES ITS COMMUNITY. THIS YEAR THE BOARD APPROVED \$124,599 IN GRANTS, \$29,044 FROM DONOR RECOMMENDATIONS AND \$95,555 IN COMPETITIVE PROCESSES. AS THE ENDOWMENT RETURN IMPROVED IN BOTH 2003 AND 2004 MOST FUNDS WERE ABOVE THEIR HISTORIC GIFT VALUE FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE BOARD APPROVED A 3% (MORE THAN \$31,000) DISTRIBUTION FOR 2004/05 GRANTS. A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE FROM THE RIVER VIEW CEMETERY IN ESSEX AND A NEW GIFT FROM THE ANN T. D'ADDARIO FAMILY FOUNDATION PROVIDED \$20,000 NEW DOLLARS FOR GRANTMAKING. WE HAD CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM THE CONNECTICUT HUMANITIES COUNCIL AND CITIZENS BANK AND USED THE LAST OF JESSIE B. COX CHARITABLE TRUST FUNDS TO INCREASE OUR GRANTMAKING BY 63%.

2004 Approved Grants

COMPETITIVE GRANTS

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, TO BE PAID IN 2005

Recipient and Purpose	Amount		
Advocate Performing Arts Association to publish educational brochures about psychiatric illness.	\$ 1,500	FISH for Chester, Deep River & Essex, Inc.—Friends in Service Here	\$ 500
Antiquarian & Landmarks Society to expand publicity and educational programming at the Amasa Day House in East Haddam.	\$ 3,750	to provide free rides to medical facilities for Chester, Deep River and Essex residents who do not have any other means of transportation.	
Camp Hazen YMCA to develop a "pilot" ecology discovery program for elementary school students.	\$ 2,000	Geeks for Givers to expand its ability to provide other nonprofits with refurbished, affordable computer systems.	\$ 1,000
Chester Historical Society to catalog the Society's collection of artifacts reflecting life and industry in Chester.	\$ 2,150	Greater Middletown Chorale to fund an interim executive director who will provide administrative support and strategic planning for the organization.	\$ 2,600
Chester Land Trust, Inc. to produce a brochure identifying the flora in its Carini Preserve.	\$ 2,500	Green Street Arts Center to support its Family series, a series of free Saturday arts and culture workshops in Middletown's North End.	\$ 2,000
Children in Placement Connecticut to implement a new Independent Study training curriculum for guardians ad litem appointed by the Middlesex County Juvenile Court to represent abused and neglected children.	\$ 2,500	Ivoryton Playhouse Foundation to support its productions of plays which complement school curriculums for middle and high school students.	\$ 1,250
Community Health Center for the purchase of new mattresses for the Battered Women's Shelter in Middletown.	\$ 2,625	Kuhn Employment Opportunities for an Outreach Peer Mentor Program to provide support for persons with mental illness seeking and maintaining employment in Middlesex County.	\$ 2,000
Community Music School to fund a music education and appreciation series in schools and in the community.	\$ 2,000	Long Lane Farm and Garden Project at Wesleyan University to fund project for high school and college students to farm and distribute organic produce in Middletown.	\$ 1,310
Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to design and print brochures about Nathan Hale Schoolhouse in East Haddam.	\$ 2,275	Middlesex County Substance Abuse Action Council to fund a Spring Youth Leadership Conference for high school students who work on substance abuse prevention projects.	\$ 1,000
Deep River Ambulance Association to purchase a portable automatic external defibrillator (AED).	\$ 1,695	Middletown Fire Department for a safety education program for 3rd graders in Middletown Public Schools.	\$ 500
Deep River Historical Society, Inc. to develop multi-generational educational programming at the Stone House about Deep River History.	\$ 1,200	Middletown Foundation for the Arts to begin a collaborative cultural arts planning process in Middletown.	\$ 5,000
East Haddam Youth & Family Services to fund Girls on the Run, building program for 3rd and 4th grade girls.	\$ 2,000	Middletown Housing Authority to furnish Traverse Square's Community Room for an after school program for elementary school student.	\$ 2,000
Essex Historical Society to upgrade its computer system to provide better access to information on the Society's extensive collection.	\$ 2,000	Middletown School Readiness Council to expand an early literacy initiative and to purchase books for low income preschoolers enrolled in Middletown preschool and child care programs.	\$ 3,500
Estuary Council of Senior Clubs to provide transportation for seniors who are unable to get to medical and other appointments.	\$ 3,000	Nehemiah Housing Corporation to purchase appliances for two new apartments for homeless families.	\$ 2,000
Estuary Council of Senior Clubs for computer courses offered to older women considering employment or volunteer work opportunities.	\$ 600	North End Action Team for a raft building project involving children from the North End of Middletown.	\$ 1,500

GRANTS ARE AWARDED TO FOCUS AREAS DETERMINED BY DONORS AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THIS YEAR'S GRANTS WERE MADE TO THE ARTS, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE ENHANCEMENT, HUMAN SERVICES, NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT, SAFER COMMUNITIES AND WOMEN AND GIRLS.

GRANTMAKING PROCESS Each year donors and the Foundation's Board of Directors determine a variety of focus areas and amounts available for grants. Letters of Intent are sought and evaluated by the Grants Committee in September. Full proposals are presented for programs considered most viable.

Grants are approved by year end. In awarding grants the Foundation seeks innovative proposals that support community improvement and help build a healthy, integrated community that controls its own destiny over time. Selected proposals demonstrate a creative approach to address the focus area and

provide impact to the organization, project, community or persons involved. Grants are made only to not for profit organizations. Details about timelines may be found on the Foundation website, www.MiddlesexCountyCF.org.

**DONOR ADVISED AND DESIGNATED GRANTS
APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PAID IN 2004/05**

Grant Recipient and Purpose, if not unrestricted	Amount	Fund and/or Donor Advisor
Child & Family Agency of S.E. CT, Inc. for the Early Head Start Father's Initiative Program.	\$ 600	Kent S. Warner Memorial Fund Robert Graulich and Scotty King
Essex Elementary School Foundation	\$ 3,000	Anonymous
Madison Youth Services for "Madison United" and School Climate Programs.	\$ 571	Robert A. Mallimson
Middlesex Community College	\$ 400	Anonymous
Middlesex Community College for Scholarships.	\$ 1,600	Anonymous
Middlesex County Historical Society	\$ 1,318	Elizabeth Swaim Middlesex County Historical Society Fund
Middlesex United Way	\$ 1,000	Dave Preston
Middlesex United Way Challenge Grant to increase leadership giving.	\$ 10,000	Middlesex United Way Leadership Challenge Fund
Middletown Adult Education for the Even Start Parent and Child Together (PACT) Activity Project.	\$ 600	Kent S. Warner Memorial Fund Robert Graulich and Scotty King
Middletown High School the fifth annual Elizabeth Mary Pernel Memorial Scholarship presented to Emily Keisewetter.	\$ 125	Anonymous
Middletown Public Schools Swaim String Program.	\$ 4,448	Elizabeth Swaim Arts Enrichment Fund, Unendowed Strings Program Fund and Elizabeth Swaim Middletown Fund
North End Action Team	\$ 2,000	Kent S. Warner Memorial Fund Robert Graulich and Scotty King
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church for an After School Program in Old Saybrook.	\$ 1,950	Howard and Yvonne McAuliffe
Tracy Art Center	\$ 500	Kent S. Warner Memorial Fund Robert Graulich and Scotty King
Tri-Town Youth Services	\$ 432	Tri Town Youth Services Fund
YMCA of Northern Middlesex for the Send a Kid to Camp Program.	\$ 500	Anonymous
Donor advised and designated grant total	\$ 29,044	

North End Action Team to provide operational support for community outreach.	\$ 1,500
Northern Middlesex Habitat for Humanity to defray the cost of renovations to its 34-36 Fairview Street property in Middletown.	\$ 3,000
Oddfellows Playhouse to produce the 30th anniversary presentation of "Middletown Fantasia", a satire of Middletown's historical highlights.	\$ 1,500
Old Saybrook Fire Co. No.1 to purchase a portable automatic external defibrillator.	\$ 2,050
Rushford Center for "Mother and Daughter Evenings Out" for Middletown sixth, seventh or eighth grade girls and their mothers.	\$ 1,500
Russell Library to expand its services to the elderly population confined in their homes or nursing facilities.	\$ 4,800
Shoreline Soup Kitchens to purchase fundraising software to help build revenue.	\$ 4,250
St. Vincent DePaul Place for the Community Assistance Fund, providing emergency assistance for rent, medical expenses, utility bills and transportation.	\$ 2,400
Tri-Town Youth Services to fund the Parent Resource Program and upgrade office computers.	\$ 4,000
UConn Cooperative Extension System for a study of changes in agricultural land use in Middlesex County from 1978-2004 to better inform decision makers about the effect of growth on the changing landscape.	\$ 2,500
Vista Vocational & Life Skills Center, Inc. to provide staff support and training for a federal employment program for adults with learning disabilities and neurological impairments.	\$ 1,000
Wadsworth Mansion at Long Hill Estate to develop a cultural landscape plan which would record the estate's landscape history and provide a strategy for the long-term management.	\$ 3,000
Westbrook Youth & Family Services to provide funding for a program which helps sixth through ninth graders with homework and study skills.	\$ 1,600
YMCA of Northern Middlesex County to construct two self-guided interactive nature stations along a half mile nature trail at Camp Ingersoll.	\$ 2,500
I Have A Friend Youth Center to support an after-school tutoring program for low income Middletown children. (2003-2004 grant cycle/approved 2004)	\$ 2,000
Competitive grant total	\$ 95,555



Building Legacies for the Future...

THE SWAIM STRINGS PROGRAM, A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE MIDDLETOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION, PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IS NOW IN ITS THIRD YEAR WITH THIRD, FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADERS TAKING LESSONS AND PERFORMING AT CONCERTS AND EVENTS. THIS PROGRAM WAS THE DREAM AND LEGACY OF ELIZABETH SWAIM WHO LEFT A BEQUEST TO THE FOUNDATION TO FUND THE PROGRAM.

OUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS COMPRISED OF A WIDE VARIETY OF ENDOWED FUNDS THAT REFLECT THE INTERESTS AND PHILANTHROPIC OBJECTIVES OF OUR DONORS. WE WELCOME CONVERSATIONS WITH INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT WANT TO HELP BUILD A BETTER MIDDLESEX COUNTY COMMUNITY. THINK OF THE LEGACY YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE AND GIVE US A CALL.

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL TO THE FOLLOWING 2004 GIVERS:

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SPECIAL GIFTS FOR GRANTMAKING

Anonymous (3)
Citizens Bank
Sherry and Herb Clark
Connecticut Humanities Council
Ann T. D'Addario Family Foundation
River View Cemetery—Essex
Kathleen M. Swaim
(Swaim Strings)

In Kind Donations

Clifford and Shirley Barrett
Citizens Bank
The Clark Group
Connecticut Underwriters, Inc. (Lillian Guilmartin)
How 2 Design
Infiltrator Systems, Inc.
Oakstream Technologies, Inc.
PrimePay
Stevens Communications, Inc.

MATCHING GIFTS PROGRAMS

Aetna Foundation Matching Gifts Program (Jan Sweet and Janice E. Thaxter)
Gillet Company Matching Gifts Program+ (Bert Schmitz & Ceely Ackerman)

JOAN MATZ MEMORIAL GIFTS
(see page 3 for givers)

GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR OF

Heather D. Benedict
by Elizabeth M. Davis
The Book Babes
by Polly T. Barey
Gwendolyn Felton
by Judith L. Felton
Carol and Sol LeWitt
by Catherine Conant
Ruth N. Oliver
by Patti Anne Vassia
Liz Petry & Larry Riley
by Patti Anne Vassia
Kate Swift
by Ruth N. Oliver and Jackie Clegg Dodd
& Chris Dodd

GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF

John A. Barr, Jr.
by Essex Savings Bank
Grace Crawford
by Jule A. Crawford, Esq.
Alana Fishman
by Randy E. Parks
Casey Geddes Miller
by Kate Swift
Sabina Grillo
by Jeanne L. Miller
Helen Lawton
by Marcia W. Kalayjian
Frank Lenti
by Esther J. McCann-Leopold
Lillian Marrewa Sarkes
by Lillian M. Guilmartin
Erika Robertson
by Anonymous
Helen Studen
by Sheila L. Stoane
Elizabeth Swaim
by Ruth Montgomery
Janet A. Viggiani
by Jane and Carl Viggiani
and Anonymous
Martha Zwelling
by Jane S. McMillan

+ Helped secure \$20,000 in new challenge grant funds

Endowed & Other Funds

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Contributors who wish their donations to have the broadest perpetual impact in improving the quality of life in our community provide planned or direct gifts for the Foundation's unrestricted endowment. Income from unrestricted funds is used for competitive grants recommended by the Grants Committee. These funds provide the most flexibility to the Board of Directors in making grants to address the concerns of the day. Named Funds may be established with a \$5,000 gift and may be built over time.

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Middlesex Enhancement Fund

Established in 1998 by the Founding Directors this fund is available for all donors to make gifts of any size. Over the years, the Fund has grown substantially with memorial, anonymous and other gifts to provide grants to meet current needs and improve conditions of the county.

John A. Barr, Jr. Fund

A memorial Fund in honor of founding Foundation board member and Essex Savings Bank president, John Barr. Annual gifts from Essex Savings Bank have helped this fund increase its impact.

Bee and Missionary Society of

First Congregational Church of Middletown Fund

Established in 2003 to continue their 174 years of support to organizations and worthy causes in the community.

The Couch Family Fund

Established by former board member Rev. A. Edward Couch in honor of his parents.

Edmund T. Delaney Fund

Established in his memory to support the community he loved by his wife, Barbara.

J. Guy Lombardo Fund

A memorial Fund established by Joe Lombardo in memory of his son Guy.

William McCann/Best Cleaners Fund

A memorial Fund established by Esther McCann in appreciation of our community.

Middlesex Mutual Assurance Company Fund

Established by the company to support the community of its home office.

River View Cemetery Fund

Established by the Essex based cemetery to benefit the entire community.

Diane T. and William J. Russell Fund

Established by the Russells to begin their charitable giving plan.

Jean and Biff Shaw Fund

Established by the Shaws to repay their community for the benefits they have derived from it.

Susan B. and William K. Wasch Fund

Set up by the Wasch's to coordinate their giving now and in the future to the community they love.

RESTRICTED FUNDS: FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Field of Interest Funds support a specific purpose, geographic area or charitable goal. Gifts to these funds specify broad areas such as the arts, education, the environment, health care or services to a specific town or region. Named Funds can be established with a donation of \$20,000 or more, and may be built over time. Any Fund may be added to by anyone at any time. Gifts, of any size, to a specific area or interest, give the Board of Directors discretion to select organizations that can most effectively address the chosen field of interest.

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Anonymous Family Fund

Supports arts organizations and arts initiatives with priority to Middletown organizations to strengthen infrastructure and/or to support public presentations, on a competitive basis using excellence as the standard.

Anonymous Fund

Support of Middlesex County botanical beautification with emphasis on natural beauty, wildflowers and native species, open space and visual simplicity on a competitive basis. Grants may include assessment, planning, design, planting, restoration and new initiatives.

The Arts Fund

Established by Derry D'Oench and supported by many, promotes arts of all kinds countywide.

Sherry and Herb Clark Family Fund

Provides benefit to the people and communities of the Valley Shore Area.

Howard and Yvonne McAuliffe Fund

Supports basic human needs and programs for the less fortunate.

Kathy and Willard McRae Fund

Supports education programs in Middletown.

Middlesex Mutual Assurance Fund

Promotes safer communities with priority to motor vehicle, marine and personal safety.

Ann and George Petry Fund

Supports local arts programs and activities, established by their daughter Liz.

Pompea Family/Primary Steel Fund

Provides support for education and future manufacturing workforce development.

Elizabeth Swaim Middletown Fund

A generous bequest started this Fund to benefit the people and the city of Middletown.

Rachel and Chuck Wiltsie Fund

Supports basic human needs and programs for the less fortunate.

Fund for Women & Girls

Established by Founding Donors and many others to empower women and girls to be self-reliant and reach their potential.

Bee and Missionary Society Fund for Women & Girls

Provides support for the Fund for Women & Girls Committee to make grants as previously described.

Designated and Donor Advised Funds

Specified charitable organizations receive income from Designated Funds. Named advisors make recommendations for grants from Donor Advised Funds. Both types require a \$20,000 minimum donation to be established, and may be built over time.

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED DESIGNATED AND DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Charles Munson Burr, Jr. Family Fund

Harry Eben Burr is building this Fund over time to honor his father. When funded it will provide scholarships for economically disadvantaged Wesleyan students.

J. Guy Lombardo Donor Advised Fund

A transfer from a private foundation, this fund provides grants to local charities recommended by the Lombardo family.

Elizabeth Mary Pernel Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Middletown High School 1965 and 1966 alumni in memory of their classmates Ed and Terri Pernel's daughter. The Fund provides an annual scholarship to a Middletown High School senior.

Elizabeth Swaim Arts Enrichment Fund

A major bequest began this Fund that provides grants to enrich minds and expand the horizons of Middletown K through 12 public school students with arts programming.

Elizabeth Swaim Fund for the Middlesex County Historical Society

A bequest established this Fund to support the Middlesex County Historical Society

Tri-Town Youth Services Fund

Started by the Whelen family to support positive youth activities in the area and to encourage others to add to the Fund, which they may do at anytime.

Wesleyan University Community Fund

(Donor Advised Fund) This Fund is just one of Wesleyan's visible commitments to its community. Upon the University's recommendation, grants will provide support to community activities and/or the Green Street Arts Center in Middletown's North End neighborhood.

ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS

Middlesex United Way Fund

The Foundation's first Organizational Fund was established as an example to all nonprofits of the value of endowment as a funding stream for future programs and services.

Weitzman-Vance Community Health Center Fund

The Community Health Center saw the value of supporting the Foundation and growing their endowment for the future benefit of the individuals they serve. The fund is named for two exceptional CHC volunteers, David Vance and the late Jerry Weitzman.

Gilead Community Services Fund

Insures future funding diversity for this behavioral health organization and encourages staff and board members to give to endowment to maximize a challenge match donation.

UNENDOWED FUNDS

Unendowed Donor Advised Funds can be established to provide tax advantages in one or more years while donors decide where their charitable contributions will best meet their giving objectives. Unlike endowed funds, the principle of these funds may be distributed. Foundation staff can provide information to help donors, if they wish. Donor Advised Fund distribution recommendations must be approved by the Board of Directors to maintain IRS compliance for the tax advantages received when making gifts. A small annual fee is charged when the Fund average annual balance falls below \$5,000. Income earned by these Funds helps support Foundation operations.

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED UNENDOWED FUNDS

Hugh L. and Judy R. Cox Fund

Hugh and Judy annually support charities of their choice from this Fund established several years ago. Grants from this Fund have supported local organizations including Middlesex Community College where Hugh has been an active volunteer.

Kent S. Warner Memorial Fund

Established by Scotty King the Fund is named for the father of her children. Grants support local programs that maintain and support healthy families, international development efforts through stateside agencies and local programs that make a positive difference for target populations.

Howard and Yvonne McAuliffe Fund

The McAuliffes use this Fund to make contributions to local programs that help the less fortunate and are consistent with their values and beliefs. They often seek staff assistance to learn where needs are the greatest to maximize the impact of their charitable giving.

THE LEGACY SOCIETY RECOGNIZES PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE IT KNOWN THAT THEY HAVE MADE A PLANNED GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION. IN 2004, SIX NEW MEMBERS WERE ADDED WITH GIFTS TOTALING MORE THAN \$3 MILLION. OUR TOTAL KNOWN GIFTS ARE NOW OVER \$5.3 MILLION FROM 36 INDIVIDUALS.

Known Members Include

- Anonymous (6 total, 2#)
- Jeannette Archer-Simon# & Robert E. Simons#
- Rick Bellows & Barbara O'Reilly
- Bonnie Bennet
- Harry Eben Burr
- Tim Cahill
- Jean H. Caron
- Richard Caron
- Sherry and Herb Clark

- Jan Youngblood Cook
- Barbara S. Delaney
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- Barbara and David Preston

- Sari and Howard Rosenbaum
- Jean and Biff Shaw
- Thomas H. Stickney & David Westfall
- Elizabeth Swaim*
- Rachel Wiltsie#
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- Susan and William Wasch

NEW IN 2004 * DECEASED

Financial Statements

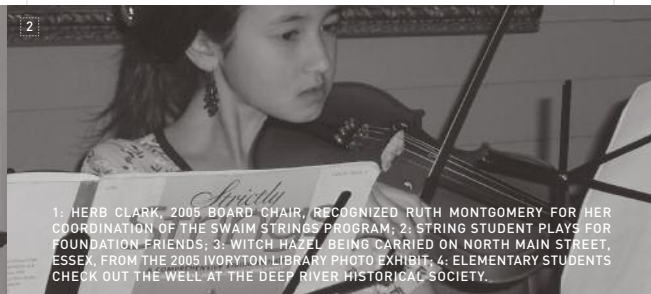
2004 Investments and Performance Foundation investments are determined and monitored by the Investment Committee to meet the board approved Investment Policy. Monies are invested in several of the Vanguard family of mutual funds, with cash holdings in CDs and money market accounts. For 2004, the return on investments, net of fees, was 11.56% exceeding the 9.60% proportional benchmarks of the Wilshire 5000, Lehman Aggregate, Russell 2000 and Vanguard Treasury MMA. 2004 and 2003 Audits were performed by Mahoney Sabot & Company, LLP. Copies are available upon request.

Statement of Financial Position

	2004	2003
ASSETS		
Cash & Investments	\$ 2,479,530	\$ 2,163,227
Pledges Receivable	345,235	356,767
Unitrust Receivable	26,296	—
Other Assets	18,067	27,413
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,869,128	\$ 2,547,407
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Funds Managed for Others	\$ 275,178	\$ 239,756
Grants Payable	103,753	61,910
Expenses Payable	9,367	26,485
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 388,298	\$ 328,151
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted Net Assets		
Endowment		
Donor Designated	482,232	449,306
Donor Advised	70,154	65,319
Undesignated	1,466,888	1,302,094
Total Endowment	2,019,274	1,816,719
Unendowed	76,138	124,013
Administration/Equipment	250,645	168,724
Total Unrestricted Assets	326,783	292,737
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	134,773	109,800
Total Net Assets	2,480,830	2,219,256
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$2,869,128	\$ 2,547,407

Statement of Activities

	2004	2003
REVENUE		
Gifts & Pledges		
Endowed	\$ 86,502	\$ 318,943
Unendowed	62,548	125,061
Administration	208,145	76,455
Total Gifts & Pledges	\$ 357,195	520,459
Investment Income	49,975	41,358
Net Realized Gains (Loss)	(541)	(665)
Administrative Fees	544	—
Special Event Income	4,636	—
In Kind Contributions	14,213	15,649
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 426,022	\$ 576,801
EXPENSE		
Grants—Unendowed funds	94,721	76,893
Grants—Endowed funds	28,948	2,000
Functional Expenses:		
Program Services	44,849	43,043
Management & General	75,498	83,140
Fundraising	74,351	74,889
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 318,367	\$ 279,965
Unrealized Gain	153,919	223,097
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 261,574	\$ 519,933
Net Assets at beginning of year	2,219,256	1,699,323
Net Assets at end of year	\$ 2,480,830	\$ 2,219,256



1. HERB CLARK, 2005 BOARD CHAIR, RECOGNIZED RUTH MONTGOMERY FOR HER COORDINATION OF THE SWAIM STRINGS PROGRAM; 2. STRING STUDENT PLAYS FOR FOUNDATION FRIENDS; 3. WITCH HAZEL BEING CARRIED ON NORTH MAIN STREET, ESSEX, FROM THE 2005 IVORYTON LIBRARY PHOTO EXHIBIT; 4. ELEMENTARY STUDENTS CHECK OUT THE WELL AT THE DEEP RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

2005 Activities Report

WE ARE PLEASED WITH PROGRESS MADE SINCE THE CLOSE OF THE 2004 YEAR, AND PRESENT TO YOU UPDATES ON RECENT 2005 ACTIVITIES.

Leadership Changes

The Foundation is pleased to announce the following officers for 2005: Herb Clark, of Essex, Board Chair; Jane McMillan, of Middletown, Board Vice Chair; Biff Shaw of Middletown, Board Secretary and Pat Crowley, of Lyme, Board Treasurer. The Finance and Investment Committees have merged with Pat Crowley as Chair and Marcia Bromberg as Vice Chair. New additions to the committee include Tom Kannam, Director of Investment for Wesleyan University and Tom Pastorello, Vice President and CFO of Liberty Bank. Dave Preston is the 2005 Development Committee Chair.

Website Launched

www.MiddlesexCountyCF.org became fully operational this spring. The site provides lots of helpful information for those wanting to know the details on how to establish a fund or how to get a grant. News releases and past annual reports and newsletters are all posted for your quick review. Check it out and let us know how we can make it even better.

New Slogan and Newsletter

Our challenge was to concisely convey the Foundation's mission of working with charitably minded individuals and organizations to improve the county. It wasn't easy, but we think *Helping Good People Do Great Things* says it all. You'll be seeing more of our new slogan in the future. Our newsletter is now called *Good People ~ Great Things*. You can view a copy of the spring newsletter on our website or we will send you one, if you ask.

CHEFA Provides \$96,760 More to Help Middlesex Children

In a continuing partnership with Connecticut community foundations, the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority (CHEFA) awarded \$96,760 in two grants to benefit area children on the Foundation's nomination. The Rushford Center received \$42,725 for an Adventure Education Program for at-risk youth and Technology Program enhancement. The "Opportunity Knocks" Collaborative received \$54,035, to provide health care consultants and equipment

to ensure Middletown children enter kindergarten emotionally and physically healthy to succeed. These grants were 2 of 10 grants awarded by the Authority in June to nonprofit organizations statewide. These grants bring total CHEFA grants to Middlesex County to \$246,760 in 18 months, a tremendous benefit made possible by the existence of our Community Foundation.

\$100,000 available for Fall Grantmaking

As this report goes to press, the 2005 Grants Committee is considering Letters of Intent for recommending over \$100,000 for grants that will be paid in 2006. This record amount is made possible by our ongoing partnerships with the Connecticut Humanities Council, River View Cemetery—Essex, Citizens Bank and a generous donation from the Ann T. D'Addario Family Foundation. We are also pleased that the return on our endowed funds has increased providing over \$40,000 for competitive grantmaking.



1-3. GREEN STREET ARTS CENTER ACTIVITIES; 4-5: CHESTER ELEMENTARY STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT CLEAN UP DIFFICULTIES DURING CAMP HAZEN YMCA PILOT ECOLOGY PROGRAM.

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*Resigned during the year

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