Beyond the grant … Relationships are what truly matter.

CFMC was first introduced to Bare Necessities in 2015. Over the years, CFMC has provided Bare Necessities support through the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls. What is more important, however, is the wealth of knowledge and expertise Bare Necessities has provided, and continues to provide, to CFMC. For example, did you know that a toddler cannot go to day care without diapers — and that if a toddler cannot go to day care, it may mean one or both parents miss work. This has a ripple effect on the overall economic and mental wellbeing of the family as a whole.

Through CFMC’s Nonprofit Resource Center workshops, one-on-one consulting, and Tom Gezo’s “The Dr. Is In” sessions, CFMC assisted Bare Necessities along its journey as a thriving and essential nonprofit in our community. Bare Necessities, in return, has proven to be an invaluable resource and partner for CFMC on the often forgotten and take for granted “bare necessities.”

Thank you, Bare Necessities, for your dedication to our families and babies. Thank you, too, for always being there to Build a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow for All!
### Statement of Financial Position

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| **Expenses**          |            |            |
| Grants - Endowed funds| 1,262,772  | 483,588    |
| Grants - Unendowed    | 489,229    | 572,985    |
| **Total Expenses**    | $2,538,483 | $1,817,944|

| **Net Assets**        |            |            |
| Realized & Unrealized Gain (Loss), net | (4,605,703) | 3,198,372 |
| **Decrease** Increase in Net Assets | 4,033,159 | 4,225,666 |
| Net Assets at beginning of year | $34,791,859 | $30,566,193 |
| Net Assets at end of year    | $30,758,700 | $34,791,859 |
| **Planned Gifts**        | $21,048,000| $21,058,000|

**2022 Investments and Performance**

Foundation investments are determined and monitored by the Finance and Investment Committee to meet the Board of Director's approved Investment Policy. Monies are invested with a financial management firm, with cash holdings in money market accounts.

This report is unaudited. The Community Foundation's financial results are audited annually.

Audited financial reports and Internal Revenue Service form 990 are available upon request.
Thank You to our 2022 Board of Directors and Volunteers for Your Work on Behalf of Middlesex County.

So many incredible individuals give generously of their time and their talent on our Board and Committees to help the Community Foundation and Middlesex County. Our Standing Committees, Ad Hoc Committees, Fund Committees, Giving Circles, and many Subcommittees are essential to everything CFMC does in the community.

We extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to all those who gave their time to CFMC in 2022.

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Wendy Pollard Bodel
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Maureen P. Westbrook

Your Grants in Action: Creating opportunities for life-long fun

Good People Doing Great Things

Through support for local nonprofits who make our towns a little better every day...

Through partnerships with businesses who want to make a difference...

Through volunteers who reach out and give a hand up...

Through community members who put their hearts and dollars to work to improve the quality of life for all, now and forever.

You help our local communities thrive through Your community foundation. Thank You.
LESSONS LEARNED – 25+ YEARS OF HELPING GOOD PEOPLE DO GREAT THINGS

Dear Friends,

We at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County (CFMC) have learned so much from YOU over the past 25+ years. And we’re still learning!

Since 1997 YOU have taught us that:

Lesson One: Grassroots Philanthropy Matters

You love where you live, work, and play. It shows!

You’ve taught us that there’s no limit to the positive things caring and committed community members can do when they pool their hearts and dollars (no matter the size) to support our region. Through the years, individuals and groups have established 322 Funds to benefit our region now and for generations to come. Whether you have created a Fund to meet a specific charitable interest or donated to one of the many Funds instituted by others, you are one of the Good People Doing Great Things in Middlesex County.

Lesson Two: Pooling Resources Works

Since 1997, you’ve shown that one person can’t do it alone. You have worked together through the Community Foundation to improve the quality of life for all in our region ... with care, extreme thoughtfulness, and overwhelming generosity. In 25+ short years (as of June 30, 2023), our grassroots effort (with donations from numerous sources and of varying sizes) has invested over $11.8 million through 4,460 grants to help our community. We are also happy to report that our pooled assets grew to over $33 million. That’s not all. You have made it possible for CFMC staff to deliver countless hours of assistance, advice, consulting, and collaboration — and even some hugs — for our community. Your true investment in our region — to Build a Better Today and Brighter Tomorrow for All — is inestimable.

Lesson Three: “Challenges” is a Synonym for “Opportunities”

The past few years have presented numerous challenges. Yet, thanks to you and your caring, generous ways, positive things are happening, solutions are found, and we are building a stronger, more vibrant community.

Let’s celebrate that — thanks to YOU — we are able to maximize every gift and meet those challenges, creating multiple opportunities to aid our nonprofits and serve our community.

Consider that:

1. You didn’t allow disabilities to stand in anyone’s way. You have removed roadblocks and obstacles and created opportunities, helping our neuro-diverse neighbors live independently.
2. You fostered accessibility and inclusivity and honored our diverse and exciting community.
3. You got your hands dirty ... and provided tons — yes, TONS — of fresh vegetables to soup kitchens and pantries. You’ve supplied shelf-stable foods and basic necessities for those in need. You stand with your community and bring hope to families in times of uncertainty.
4. You reached out a helping “hand up” in difficult times. You supported Cut Mentor/Mentee matches, such as Jacqueline (“big”) and Forever (“little”), are helping our youth—and our adults—develop life-affirming relationships. This match, created in 2021, continues to change Forever’s life in a multitude of ways. In the early days of their being matched, Forever rarely smiled. Today, all of their photos of the Little and Big together show Forever’s beautiful smile. And according to their Senior Match Support Specialist, Forever is opening up more and more, speaking with confidence, and she is livelier and engaging on phone calls, as well. Better yet, Forever now helps in the planning of future events with her Big Sister.

“Big/Little Match” update submitted by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut

“I WANT TO ...”

BE INVOLVED, MAKE AN IMPACT, AND LEARN ABOUT MY COMMUNITY’S NEEDS.”

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Donor Advised Funds allow individuals, families, and businesses to understand the needs of the community and invest in areas they care deeply about. Donor Advised Fund holders recommend where the Fund’s dollars might do the most good, year in and year out. They are active philanthropists and invested in the future of our community.


Supporting Positive Paths Forward

Thanks to grants through the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls and the At Risk Boys & Young Men Fund, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut mentor/mentee matches, such as Jacqueline (“big”) and Forever (“little”), are helping our youth—and our adults—develop life-affirming relationships. This match, created in 2021, continues to change Forever’s life in a multitude of ways. In the early days of their being matched, Forever rarely smiled. Today, all of their photos of the Little and Big together show Forever’s beautiful smile. And according to their Senior Match Support Specialist, Forever is opening up more and more, speaking with confidence, and she is livelier and engaging on phone calls, as well. Better yet, Forever now helps in the planning of future events with her Big Sister.

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Nancy Fishbach and Martin Wolman Endowed Fund for Administration (2014)
Forever in My Heart Foundation Project Fund (2018)
Forever in My Heart Foundation, Inc. Designated Fund (2019)
Santo Fragoso Middletown Public Schools Cultural Council Fund (2018)
Caler Fuller Building Fund for CFMC (2016)
Gilead Community Services Fund (2017)
Greater Middletown Military Museum Project (2016)
Ann Hendriks Holt Vocker Scholarship Fund (2022)
Dr. John J. Fucito Fund (2010)
Daniel G. Howe Memorial Fund For Gilead Community Services (2015)
Ingersoll Outdoor Center Fund (2007)
Ivoryton Congregational Church Schools Fund (2019)
Ivoryton Library Fund (2019)
Ivoryton Library 150th Anniversary Fund (2019)
Liberty Bank Rotary Thanksgiving Project (2022)
Deborah L. Lombardo Education Fund (2015)
Middogndon Elementary School PTA Fund (2014)
Iba M. Massey NAACP Scholar Fund (2009)
Arele Mezzotta Fund for MARC Community Resources (2026)
Middletown Volunteer Fire Department Funds (2016)
Middletown PBA and Drum Fund (2015)
Middletown Coalition for Children Fund (2017)
Open-Air Meeting Space at Cheezy Elementary School Fund (2020)
Elizabeth Mary Perlee Memorial Fund (1999)
Fund for Preservation and Stewardship of Natural Areas (2005)
Mary C. Rawlins Award Fund (2012)
Regional School District 84 Fund (2019)
Russell Library Fund (2005)
Melissa J. Schlag Good Citizenship Award Fund (2020)
Barry M. Simon Memorial Fund for Gilead Community Services (2014)
She’s Speaking Fund (2017)
Loretta Spencer “Pay it Forward” Education Award Fund (2021)
Elizabeth Swaim Arts Enrichment Fund (2000)
Elizabeth Swaim Middlesex County Historical Society Fund (2000)
William and Mary Tomc Memorial Fund (2012)
Tri-Town Youth Services Fund (2003)
Jessica A. Trott Education Award Fund (2017)
ULIRICH – HE Educational Award Fund (2017)
Patti Ann Vaissa Fund for Administration (2007)
Ann Hendriks Holt Vocker Scholarship Fund (2022)
Whelen Family 365 Challenge Fund (2012)
Joshua T. Whelton Memorial Award Fund (2019)
Youth & Family Services of Hadam Killingworth Fund (2013)

“Thank You” are Two Simple Words That Say It All … so we’ll say it again … “Thank You!”

Thank you for 25+ Years of Helping Good People Do Great Things!
We salute our founders and donors, the visionaries who invested in your Community Foundation, providing immediate and future support to local nonprofit programs. We value all you who established funds committed to ensuring your passions and programs continue to serve all aspects of our community. We honor every donor, volunteer, nonprofit, friend, and neighbor. You help us respond to the rising and changing issues in our community.
Together, we are building a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow for All. As we celebrate, we look forward to another 25 years – and beyond – of helping our local communities thrive.
Thank you.
Help Make Great Things Happen in Middlesex County

Unrestricted Funds allow donors to think broadly about their impact

Unrestricted Funds allow the Board and staff to identify compelling community needs through the competitive grant making process and to determine the best use to support our nonprofits, today—and forever.

15th Anniversary Endowed Unrestricted Fund (2011)

Bee & Missionary Society of First Congregational Church of Middletown (2003)

Cape Family Fund (2012)
Coles Family Fund (2002)

Couch Family Fund (1998)

Edmund T. Delaney Fund (2001)

Arthur and Edythe Director Family General Community Fund (2016)

Nancy Fischbach and Martin Wolman Endowed Fund for Competitive Grant Making (2014)

Lee and Vessula Guimartini Fund (2002)

Peter and Ellen Harding Family Fund (2002)

Hollis Rainbows of Hope Endowed Fund (2021)

Impact Fund (2017)


Live Local Give Local Fund (2009)

J. Guy Lombardo Fund (2000)

Sonya and Jeff Maddow Fund (2004)

William McCann and Best Cleaners Fund (2000)

Middlesex Specialty Fund (1993)

Middlesex Enhancement Fund (1997)

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund (2014)

Ellen and Herb Patterson Memorial Fund (2009)


River View Cemetery Fund (2001)


Salva Family Fund (2007)


Bobbie and George Schaefer, Jr. Fund for Portland (2021)

Schoolmacher Family Fund (2012)

Jean and Biff Shaw Fund (1998)

Patt Anne Vassia Fund (2003)


Wellen Engineering CT Pop Up Grant Fund (2022)

Wellen Engineering NH Pop Up Grant Fund (2022)

Wellen Family Endowed Fund (2012)


Abby Jones, 2022 Greenleaf Recipient at the Community Music School

I Want To ... Address the Issues that Impact my Community Field of Interest Funds

Your vision for a vibrant, healthy, successful Middlesex County is represented in Field of Interest Funds. These funds supplement the various CFMC grant making opportunities, providing the Community Foundation with guidance regarding donors’ passions and support of promising projects and nonprofit organizations.


The Arts Fund (1999)

At-Risk Boys and Young Men Fund (2013)


Chester Leadership Fund (2020)

Chester Community Partnership Fund (2022)

The Children’s Fund (2009)

Sherry and Herb Clark Family Fund (1998)

Clinton Compassion Fund (2022)

Community Leadership Funds (2020)

Hugh L. and Judith R. Cox Field of Interest Fund to Support Basic Human Needs (2013)

Mary Jayklin and Natasha Jayklin Wiggins Fund for Birds, Other Animals and Nature (2017)

Chester Community Partnership Fund (2022)

Katchen Coley Conservation Fund (2013)

Arthur and Edythe Director Family Field of Interest Fund for Human Services (2013)

Friends of Deep River Fund (2021)


Fund for Education (2013)

Barbara Wees Halig and Geordie H. Hart Memorial Fund (2011)

Ivyorton Congregational Church Community Enrichment Fund (2019)

Ivyorton Congregational Church Human Services Fund (2019)

Jones Family Fund for Human Services (2016)

Joan B. Klair Fund (2016)

Killingworth Community Fund (2017)

Kirkpatrick Family Fund (2002)

Mary Kaaren Fund for Women and Girls (2007)

Hanna and Gethard Krause Health Enrichment Fund (2017)

Lorraine Lincoln Lieberman Fund (2019)

Loffredo Performing Arts Fund (2006)

Howard and Yvonne McCaffrey Fund (2002)

Phyllis M. McDowell Fund for the Environment (2010)

Katherine and Willard McKee Fund (2001)

Mental Wellness Fund (2019)

Middlesex Specialty Field of Interest Fund (1999)

Middletown Police K-9 Unit Fund (2017)

Ann and George Petry Fund (2001)

Pompier Family and Primary Steel, Inc. Fund (1999)

River Valley Fund for Families (2022)

Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women and Girls (2012)

Simply Sharing and Caring Fund (2019)

Loretta Spencer New Beginnings Fund (2021)

Elizabeth Swam Middletown Fund (2000)

Tooth Fairy Fund (2017)

Wesleyan University Community Fund (2002)

Chuck and Rachel Witsie Fund (2001)
You, our donors, are transforming Middlesex County. You have different passions, different perspectives, and different reasons for giving. Yet together, you have one thing in common – the desire to make a positive impact on the quality of life in Middlesex County.

Working through the Community Foundation of Middlesex County, you are changing lives and ensuring our county continues to be a great place to live, work, and play.

Whether you choose to start a Fund or to make a gift to an existing Fund, you are creating a positive force and making a meaningful impact on the lives of your neighbors through nonprofit organizations serving our fifteen towns.

The following pages contain the Funds established by individuals and businesses through the years who are just like you – everyday philanthropists who chose to work through the Community Foundation to make good things happen, thus joining the legacy of many generous neighbors helping neighbors in Middlesex County. The individuals, businesses, and organizations represented by the funds on the following pages truly are Good People Doing Great Things in and for Middlesex County!

(See an idea you like on the following pages? Have a new way you want to make an impact? Let us help you turn possibilities into action. Contact us at 860.347.0025.)

Since 1997, 308 Funds have been established and supported through the generosity of caring people like YOU

Q Fund
Quentin “Q” Williams just had a way about him. He always smiled, had a kind word for everyone, and truly cared about our community.

Middletown and Middlesex County weren’t just his home - they were his passion, the place and people who fueled his determination to make a positive difference for everyone in all facets of life.

Our community mourned the tragic and untimely death of Q. The stories and memories from family, friends, and colleagues emphasized how many lives Q touched in his 39 short years and how dear his community was to his heart (which was as big as the entire city of Middletown).

The community rallied to honor Q’s life and to support the charitable causes he cared deeply about. Partnering with CFMC, friends and family established the Q Fund at the Community Foundation to keep his “philanthropic spirit alive.” CFMC is humbled to work with Q’s circle of family, friends, and community from far and wide.

To date, three grants have been awarded in his honor. The initial grant was awarded for the Connecticut State Community College Middlesex Magic Food Bus, the College’s food pantry for students in need. Additional grants to Bielefield Elementary School (Q was a proud Cougar) and St. Vincent de Paul’s Amazing Grace Food Pantry are due to the generosity of the 2023 Mayor’s Ball.

Through the Fund, we will continue to follow in Q’s footsteps and make a positive impact in the community he loved. It is because of all of you that Q’s light, leadership, and passion continue to guide us forward. Together we will Build a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow – for All – forever.

A Glance Back … Did You Know?

The Community Foundation was honored to be one of the original “seed” funders for the Magic Food Bus at Connecticut State Community College Middlesex in 2016. Since that time, the Magic Food Bus has distributed 64,437 units of food and reached 7,932 students and families.

While these numbers underscore the depth of the need on our community college campuses, we are reassured that so many in the community rally together to help provide basic food items. We thank all who support the Magic Food Bus and all of our food pantries, and we know that Q would be proud that inaugural grants from the Q Fund were supporting two food pantries in his community.

Data regarding food distribution courtesy of Connecticut State Community College Middlesex
Connor Meaney Young Memorial Scholarship

Connor was loved and respected by all who knew him—family, friends, classmates, everyone in his East Haddam community. To honor Connor’s memory, his family partnered with the Community Foundation of Middlesex County in 2021 to establish the Connor Meaney Young Memorial Fund to support youth in his community. To date, the Fund has supported agriculture and business club projects and Nathan Hale Ray High School’s Project Safe Grad, ensuring his classmates celebrated their graduation in style—and in a safe environment.

Late in the fall of 2022, his family once again reached out to CFMC to create another Fund in Connor’s memory, the Connor Meaney Young Scholarship Fund. Connor would have graduated in 2023, and we have the privilege of sharing his mom’s remarks at Nathan Hale Ray’s Awards Night. It will underscore how fortunate we are to know and work with “Good People Doing Great Things” who care and find ways to pay it forward—now and well into the future. Please take a moment to read on.

Delivered June 1, 2023, to the Seniors at Nathan Hale Ray High School, East Haddam by Chris Ann Meaney:

“Good evening, everyone,

It is wonderful to be here tonight as we celebrate YOU and your incredible achievements.

After Connor passed away during Junior year, we partnered with the Community Foundation of Middlesex County to create the Connor Meaney Young Memorial Fund and the Connor Meaney Young Scholarship Fund. The goal of the scholarships are to honor the amazing person Connor was, and to support students as they begin the next chapter of their lives. The scholarship recognizes students who have given back to our community, who are in good academic standing, and who reflect characteristics of Connor. Some of those characteristics include having a strong work ethic, being driven, passionate about helping others, and showing kindness.

We recently opened the sealed envelope that had Connor’s “Letter to his senior self” in it. There, he described himself as being kind, supportive, and funny. The last prompt of the letter asks the students to share some words of advice to their senior self. Connor wrote, “Be kind to people. The power of kindness is unbeatable!”

Connor showed genuine kindness throughout his life in various ways. As a child, Connor noticed when our elderly neighbor, who lost her husband, was in need of her walkway shoveled or lawn mowed. Connor noticed that he could support kids as part of unified sports and found that he learned more from this group of students than he was able to give. As some of you recall, Connor noticed, too, when humor might help alleviate sadness, anxiety, or tension in a room. Connor had a way of being present; he noticed when the right thing was simply being there and listening.

Connor is right. “The power of kindness is unbeatable.”

As you graduate and step into this next chapter of your life, we encourage you to honor Connor by bringing kindness forward. Look around your life and see where you can be a noticer, and then, a helper.”

The Community Foundation was truly honored to join Ian Young and Chris Ann Meaney when the first Connor Meaney Young Scholarships were presented in June 2023 to two well-deserving (and kind) students. Truly, kindness is unbeatable!
On The Road with ... We love spending time with Good People Doing Great Things ... and sharing incredible stories.

Whether the visit occurs at CFMC or on the road with the “big check,” we always meet incredible people and have lots of fun!

On one such day in April, we spent the day with two incredible groups of people:

**Visit #1** started the morning with our friends Phyllis and Barry Gordon of Ryan’s Circle of Giving Fund at CFMC and three of their grant recipients. We celebrated Ryan’s legacy and heard great news from Kingswood Oxfor School, Yale’s Thoracic Cancer Research Center, and the Trinity College/Wolfpack Foundation partnership.

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Author.
Journalist.
Attorney.
Community Volunteer.
Visionary.
Dear Friend.

There are so many ways to describe Elizabeth “Liz” Petry Riley. But our favorite is Dear Friend.

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Who knew we would expand the bear population in the Haddam area? Now, it’s not what you’re thinking! The M. Jones Fund at the Community Foundation awarded Haddam-Killingworth Recreation Department (HKRD) a grant with only one restriction: to spread some fun at camp. What does this have to do with bears? HK Recreation Department came up with an idea that may not have included our local resident bear population, but it did provide RecCare campers the opportunity to stuff their own teddy bear (and other fun, fuzzy friends)!

Each bear was stuffed with friendship and care, and even went to their new, happy homes sporting an HK Recreation Department T-shirt and birth certificate! It was certainly an activity the campers will remember for years to come, thanks to the generosity of the M. Jones Fund at CFMC. CFMC offers a Round of Applause to HKRD for their creative use of the grant award, for spreading smiles, and for welcoming new furry and fuzzy friends to the neighborhood.

The Jones family knows first-hand the importance and impact of camps on our children and teenagers. They recall the friendships, activities, adventures, and laughter – everything that makes camp great – of their own days at camp. Their experiences inspired them to ensure that youth in our community have those same opportunities and to provide our local services with the resources they need to offer the best camp experience.

A very special Round of Applause to the M. Jones Fund for their kind and generous ways – and to HKRD for its “bear-y” creative and fun-sharing ideas.

“SOJOURN BEARS ON A JOURNEY” BRINGS SMILES TO CANCER PATIENTS

“Sojourn Bears on a Journey” (SBJ) is a group at the Portland Senior Center (PSC) with one big dream – to bring smiles and comfort to those going through cancer treatments.

It’s a project that was started by one PSC woman who was undergoing treatments and who knew first-hand how something as simple as a bear could spread cheer and provide a warm hug during a difficult time. That’s when she had the idea to put her talents into action - sewing teddy bears from scratch and delivering them to those in need. After her passing, her fellow “Sojourn Bears” crafters have continued her spirit and legacy. They meet weekly to create these comforting and colorful bears.

The St. Luke’s Home Fund at CFMC awarded Portland Senior Center a grant to support the program. Pictured above, the PSC group delivered a batch of hand-crafted teddy bears to St. Francis Hospital. We extend our deepest appreciation to Sojourn Bears on a Journey for spreading smiles, creativity, warm hugs, and support to our neighbors in need.

“SJB” is an acronym for “Sojourn Bears on a Journey.” The group is made up of a team of crafters from Portland Senior Center (PSC), who create these comforting and colorful bears.

The group meets weekly to sew and craft these bears, and then delivers them to those in need, such as the St. Francis Hospital in Portland. The program is supported by a grant from the St. Luke’s Home Fund at CFMC.

The Sojourn Bears on a Journey program is a heartwarming example of how simple acts of kindness can bring joy and comfort to those going through difficult times.
On The Road with ... We love spending time with Good People Doing Great Things ... and sharing incredible stories.

Whether the visit occurs at CFMC or on the road with the “big check,” we always meet incredible people and have lots of fun!

On one such day in April, we spent the day with two incredible groups of people:

Visit #1 started the morning with our friends Phyllis and Barry Gordon of Ryan’s Circle of Giving Fund at CFMC and three of their grant recipients. We celebrated Ryan’s legacy and heard great news from Kingswood Oxford School, Yale’s Thoracic Cancer Research Center, and the Trinity College/Wolfpack Foundation partnership.

Visit #2 found us spending time with our friends at the Ministerial Health Fellowship at Cross Street Training & Academic Center in Middletown.

St. Rose Food Bank
St. Vincent dePaul Place
St. Vincent de Paul of the Valley
Study Hall, Inc.
Sustainable CT, Inc.
Syracuse University
Tragedy Assistance Program For Survivors
Three Rivers Community College
Trinity Episcopal Church
Tri-Town Youth Services Bureau Inc.
University of Connecticut Foundation
United Cerebral Palsy Association of Eastern Connecticut Inc.
United Way of Greater Waterbury Inc.
United Way Of Meriden and Wallingford Inc.
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum
Valley Regional High School
Valley Shore YMCA
Vista Life Innovations Inc.
Wallingford Community Day Care Center Inc.
Warm the Children (c/o Kiwanis Foundation of Middletown)
Water for People
City of Waterford Community Food Bank
Town of Watertown Food Bank
Wesleyan University
West Hartford Social Services
Westbrook Ambulance Association
Westbrook Chemical Engine Company No. 1
First Congregational Church of Westbrook
Westbrook Garden Club
Westbrook High School
Westbrook Land Conservation Trust
Westbrook Parks and Recreation
Westbrook Public Library
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Paying It Forward—Now, and Well Into the Future

Connor Meaney Young Memorial Scholarship

Connor was loved and respected by all who knew him—family, friends, classmates, everyone in his East Haddam community. To honor Connor’s memory, his family partnered with the Community Foundation of Middlesex County in 2021 to establish the Connor Meaney Young Memorial Fund to support youth in his community. To date, the Fund has supported agriculture and business club projects and Nathan Hale Ray High School’s Project Safe Grad, ensuring his classmates celebrated their graduation in style—and in a safe environment.

Late in the fall of 2022, his family once again reached out to CFMC to create another Fund in Connor’s memory, the Connor Meaney Young Scholarship Fund. Connor would have graduated in 2023, and we have the privilege of sharing his mom’s remarks at Nathan Hale Ray’s Awards Night. It will underscore how fortunate we are to know and work with “Good People Doing Great Things” who care and find ways to pay it forward—now and well into the future. Please take a moment to read on.

Delivered June 1, 2023, to the Seniors at Nathan Hale Ray High School, East Haddam by Chris Ann Meaney:

“Good evening, everyone,
It is wonderful to be here tonight as we celebrate YOU and your incredible achievements.
After Connor passed away during Junior year, we partnered with the Community Foundation of Middlesex County to create the Connor Meaney Young Memorial Fund and the Connor Meaney Young Scholarship Fund. The goal of the scholarships are to honor the amazing person Connor was, and to support students as they begin the next chapter of their lives. The scholarship recognizes students who have given back to our community, who are in good academic standing, and who reflect characteristics of Connor. Some of those characteristics include having a strong work ethic, being driven, passionate about helping others, and showing kindness.

We recently opened the sealed envelope that had Connor’s “Letter to his senior self” in it. There, he described himself as being kind, supportive, and funny. The last prompt of the letter asks the students to share some words of advice to their senior self. Connor wrote, “Be kind to people. The power of kindness is unbeatable!”

Connor showed genuine kindness throughout his life in various ways. As a child, Connor noticed when our elderly neighbor, who lost her husband, was in need of her walkway shoveled or lawn mowed. Connor noticed that he could support kids as part of unified sports and found that he learned more from this group of students than he was able to give.

As some of you recall, Connor noticed, too, when humor might help alleviate sadness, anxiety, or tension in a room.

Connor had a way of being present; he noticed when the right thing was simply being there and listening.

Connor is right. “The power of kindness is unbeatable.”

As you graduate and step into this next chapter of your life, we encourage you to honor Connor by bringing kindness forward. Look around your life and see where you can be a notifier, and then, a helper.”

The Community Foundation was truly honored to join Ian Young and Chris Ann Meaney when the first Connor Meaney Young Scholarships were presented in June 2023 to two well-deserving (and kind) students. Truly, kindness is unbeatable!
You, our donors, are transforming Middlesex County. You have different passions, different perspectives, and different reasons for giving. Yet together, you have one thing in common – the desire to make a positive impact on the quality of life in Middlesex County.

Working through the Community Foundation of Middlesex County, you are changing lives and ensuring our county continues to be a great place to live, work, and play. Whether you choose to start a Fund or to make a gift to an existing Fund, you are creating a positive force and making a meaningful impact on the lives of your neighbors through nonprofit organizations serving our fifteen towns.

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Data regarding food distribution courtesy of Connecticut State Community College Middlesex. Units of Food Distributed

Since 1997, 308 Funds have been established and supported through the generosity of caring people like YOU

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(See an idea you like on the following pages? Have a new way you want to make an impact? Let us help you turn possibilities into action. Contact us at 860.347.0025.)

Q Fund
Quentin "Q" Williams just had a way about him. He always smiled, had a kind word for everyone, and truly cared about our community. Middletown and Middlesex County weren't just his home - they were his passion, the place and people who fueled his determination to make a positive difference for everyone in all facets of life. Our community mourned the tragic and untimely death of Q. The stories and memories from family, friends, and colleagues emphasized how many lives Q touched in his 39 short years and how dear his community was to his heart (which was as big as the entire city of Middletown).

The community rallied to honor Q's life and to support the charitable causes he cared deeply about. Partnering with CFMC, friends and family established the Q Fund at the Community Foundation to keep his "philanthropic spirit alive." CFMC is humbled to work with Q's circle of family, friends, and community from far and wide.

To date, three grants have been awarded in his honor. The initial grant was awarded for the Connecticut State Community College Middlesex Magic Food Bus, the College's food pantry for students in need. Additional grants to Bielefield Elementary School (Q was a proud Cougar) and St. Vincent de Paul's Amazing Grace Food Pantry are due to the generosity of the 2023 Mayor's Ball.

Through the Fund, we will continue to follow in Q's footsteps and make a positive impact in the community he loved. It is because of all of you that Q's light, leadership, and passion continue to guide us forward. Together we will Build a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow – for All – forever.

A Glance Back … Did You Know?
The Community Foundation was honored to be one of the original “seed” funders for the Magic Food Bus at Connecticut State Community College Middlesex in 2016. Since that time, the Magic Food Bus has distributed 64,437 units of food and reached 7,932 students and families.

While these numbers underscore the depth of the need on our community college campuses, we are reassured that so many in the community rally together to help provide basic food items. We thank all who support the Magic Food Bus and all of our food pantries, and we know that Q would be proud that inaugural grants from the Q Fund were supporting two food pantries in his community.
The Leadership Circle is a committed group who supports our work in the community, so that CFMC can continue its efforts to invest in the community through grants for our incredible nonprofits.

President’s Society donors contribute $1,000 or more annually to Operations. A second Leadership level, the Chairman’s Circle, are donors who make annual gifts of $2,500 or more to Operations. The Community Benefactor level are donors who make contributions of $5,000 or more annually to support our work in the community. This support has allowed the Community Foundation to increase its much needed financial and other (Beyond the Grant) support to local nonprofits.

Thank You!

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“I Want To …”
Help Make Great Things Happen

Unrestricted funds allow donors to think broadly about their impact

Unrestricted funds allow the Board and staff to identify compelling community needs through the competitive grant making process and to determine the best use to support our nonprofits, today—and forever.

15th Anniversary Endowed Unrestricted Fund (2011)
Bee & Missionary Society of First Congregational Church of Middletown Fund (2003)
Cape Family Fund (2012)
Coles Family Fund (2000)
Couch Family Fund (1998)
Edmund T. Delaney Fund (2001)
Arthur and Edythe Director Family General Community Fund (2016)
Nancy Fischbach and Martin Wolman Endowed Fund for Competitive Grant Making (2014)
Peter and Eileen Harding Family Fund (2002)
Hollis Rainbows of Hope Endowed Fund (2021)
Impact Fund (2017)
Live Local Give Local Fund (2009)
J. Guy Lombardo Fund (2000)
Sonya and Jeff Maddox Fund (2004)
William McCann and Best Cleaners Fund (2000)
Middlesex Charitable Fund (1993)
Middlesex Enhancement Fund (1997)
Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund (2014)
Ellen and Herb Patterson Memorial Fund (2009)
River View Cemetery Fund (2001)
Salva Family Fund (2007)
Sanders Fund (2005)
Babs and George Schaefer, Jr. Fund for Portland (2021)
Schoondermaker Family Fund (2012)
Jean and Biff Shaw Fund (1998)
Weheelen Engineering CT Pop Up Grant Fund (2022)
Weheelen Engineering NH Pop Up Grant Fund (2022)
Weheelen Family Endowed Fund (2012)

“I Want To …”
Address the issues that impact my Community Field of Interest Funds

Your vision for a vibrant, healthy, successful Middlesex County is represented in Field of Interest Funds. These funds supplement the various CFMC grant making opportunities, providing the Community Foundation with guidance regarding donors’ passions and support to promoting projects and nonprofit organizations.

The Arts Fund (1999)
At-Risk Boys and Young Men Fund (2013)
Chester Leadership Fund (2020)
Chester Community Partnership Fund (2022)
The Children’s Fund (2009)
Sherry and Herb Clark Family Fund (1998)
Clinton Compassion Fund (2022)
Community Leadership Funds (2020)
Hugh L. and Judith R. Cox Field of Interest Fund to Support Basic Human Needs (2013)
Mary Javkin and Natasha Javkin Wiggins Fund for Birds, Other Animals and Nature (2017)
Chester Community Partnership Fund (2022)
Kitches Coley Conservation Fund (2013)
Arthur and Edythe Director Family Field of Interest Fund for Human Services (2013)
Friends of Deep River Fund (2021)
Fund for Education (2013)
Barbara Wekes Hart and Georgia H. Hart Memorial Fund (2011)
Ivyton Congregational Church Community Enrichment Fund (2019)
Ivyton Congregational Church Human Services Fund (2019)
Jones Family Fund for Humani Services (2016)
Joan B. Klar Fund (2016)
Killingworth Community Fund (2017)
Kirkpatrick Family Fund (2002)
Mary Krae Head Fund for Women and Girls (2007)
Hanna and Garth Kraljic Endowment Enhancement Fund (2017)
Lorraine Lincoln Lieberman Fund (2019)
Loffredo Performing Arts Fund (2006)
Howard and Yvonne McCallie Fund (2002)
Phyllis M. McDowell Fund for the Environment (2010)
Katherine and Willard McRae Fund (2001)
Memorial Wellness Fund (2000)
Middlesex Specialty Field of Interest Fund (1999)
Middletown Police K-9 Unit Fund (2017)
Ann and George Petri Fund (2001)
Pompei Family and Primary Steel, Inc. Fund (1999)
River Valley Fund for Families (2022)
Sami A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women and Girls (2012)
Simply Sharing and Caring Fund (2019)
Loretta Spencer New Beginnings Fund (2021)
Elizabeth Swaim Middletown Fund (2000)
Tooth Fairy Fund (2017)
Wesleyan University Community Fund (2002)
Chuck and Rachel Wiltse Fund (2001)
Nancy Fishbach and Martin Wolman Endowed Fund for Administration (2014)
Forever in My Heart Foundation Project Fund (2018)
Forever in My Heart Foundation, Inc. Designated Fund (2019)
Santo Frasoldi Middlesex Public Schools Cultural Council Fund (2018)
Caler Fuller Building Fund for CFMC (2016)
Gilead Community Services Fund (2017)
Greater Middletown Military Museum Project (2016)
Ann Henderson Vicker Scholarship Fund (2022)
Dr. John F. Nellis Fund (2010)
Daniel G. Howe Memorial Fund For Gilead Community Services (2015)
Ingersoll Outdoor Center Fund (2007)
Ivoryton Congregational Church School Funds (2019)
Ivoryton Library Fund (2019)
Liberty Bank Rotary Thanksgiving Project (2022)
Deborah L. Lombardo Education Fund (2015)
Maccournough Elementary School PTA Fund (2014)
Iba M. Massuli NAACP Scholar Fund (2009)
Arielle Mazotta Fund for MRC Community Resources (2016)
Middletown Volunteer Fire Department Funds (2016)
Middletown PBA and Drums Fund (2019)
Middlex Coalition for Children Fund (2017)
Open-Air Meeting Space at Chesty Elementary School Fund (2020)
Elizabeth Mary Perkel Memorial Fund (1999)
Fund for Preservation and Stewardship of Natural Areas (2005)
Mary C. Rawlins Award Fund (2012)
Regional School District 84 Fund (2019)
Russell Library Fund (2005)
Melissa J. Schlag Good Citizenship Award Fund (2020)
Barry M. Simon Miracle Fund for Gilead Community Services (2014)
She’s Speaking Fund (2017)
Loretta Spencer “Pay it Forward” Education Award Fund (2021)
Elizabeth Swann Arts Enrichment Fund (2000)
Elizabeth Swann Middlesex County Historical Society Fund (2000)
William and Mary Tomic Memorial Fund (2012)
Tri-Town Youth Services Fund (2001)
Jesse A. Trtoa Education Award Fund (2017)
Lurieh – HK Educational Award Fund (2017)
Patti Anne Vassia Fund for Administration (2007)
Ann Hendrich Vicker Scholarship Fund (2022)
Whelen Family 365 Challenge Fund (2012)
Joshua T. Wileslow Memorial Award Fund (2019)
Youth & Family Services of Hadass Killingsworth Fund (2013)
et essential health and social services that address the most immediate physical and mental wellness needs of our neighbors and provided a path forward to a better future.
5. You brought the past to life. You helped inform the community on our local history and worked to preserve invaluable archives, stories, and triumphs. You helped us look and reflect in order to leap forward.
6. You instilled a love of lifelong learning. You ensured that toddlers and preschoolers have access to books, establishing the joy of reading at an early age, and you helped our seniors explore and master new technologies to improve their daily lives.

“Thank You” are Two Simple Words That Say It All … so we’ll say it again … “Thank You!”

Thank you! For 25+ Years of Helping Good People Do Great Things!
We salute our founders and donors, the visionaries who invested in your Community Foundation, providing immediate and future support to local nonprofit programs. We value all of you who established Funds committed to ensuring your passions and programs continue to serve all aspects of our community. We honor every donor, volunteer, nonprofit, friend, and neighbor. You help us respond to the rising and changing issues in our community.
Together, we are building a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow for All. As we celebrate, we look forward to another 25 years – and beyond – of helping our local communities thrive.
Thank you.

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Middletown Youth & Family Services Fund (2019)
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Dear Friends,

We at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County (CFMC) have learned so much from YOU over the past 25+ years. And we’re still learning!

Since 1997 YOU have taught us that:

**Lesson One: Grassroots Philanthropy Matters**
You love where you live, work, and play. It shows!
You’ve taught us that there’s no limit to the positive things caring and committed community members can do when they pool their hearts and dollars (no matter the size) to support our region. Through the years, individuals and groups have established 322 Funds to benefit our region now and for generations to come. Whether you have created a Fund to meet a specific charitable interest or donated to one of the many Funds instituted by others, you are one of the Good People Doing Great Things in Middlesex County.

**Lesson Two: Pooling Resources Works**
Since 1997, you’ve shown that one person can’t do it alone. You have worked together through the Community Foundation to improve the quality of life for all in our region — with care, extreme thoughtfulness, and overwhelming generosity. In 25 short years (as of June 30, 2023), our grassroots effort (with donations from numerous sources and of varying sizes) has invested over $11.8 million through 4,460 grants to help our community. We are also happy to report that our pooled assets grew to over $33 million. That’s not all. You have made it possible for CFMC staff to deliver countless hours of assistance, advice, consulting, and collaboration — and even some hugs — for our community. Your true investment in our region — to build a Better Today and Brighter Tomorrow for All — is irreplaceable.

**Lesson Three: “Challenges” is a Synonym for “Opportunities”**
The past few years have presented numerous challenges. Yet, thanks to you and your caring, generous ways, positive things are happening, solutions are found, and we are building a stronger, more vibrant community.

Let’s celebrate that — thanks to YOU — we are able to maximize every gift and meet those challenges, creating multiple opportunities to aid our nonprofits and serve our community.

Consider that:
1. You didn’t allow disabilities to stand in anyone’s way. You have removed roadblocks and obstacles and created opportunities, helping our neuro-diverse neighbors live independently.
2. You fostered accessibility and inclusivity and honored our diverse and exciting community.
3. You get your hands dirty … and provided tons — yes, TONS — of fresh vegetables to soup kitchens and pantries. You’ve supplied shelf-stable foods and basic necessities for those in need. You stand with your community and bring hope to families in times of uncertainty.
4. You reached out a helping “hand up” in difficult times. You supported

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**Supporting Positive Paths Forward**
Thanks to grants through the Sari A. Rosenbaum Fund for Women & Girls and the At Risk Boys & Young Men Fund, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut mentor/mentee matches, such as Jacqueline (“big”) and Forever (“little”), are helping our youth — and our adults — develop life-affirming relationships. This match, created in 2021, continues to change Forever’s life in a multitude of ways. In the early days of their being matched, Forever rarely smiled. Today, all of their photos of the Little and Big together show Forever’s beautiful smile. And according to their Senior Match Support Specialist, Forever is opening up more and more, speaking with confidence, and she is livelier and engaging on phone calls, as well. Better yet, Forever now helps in the planning of future events with her Big Sister.

*Big/Little Match* update submitted by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut

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**I WANT TO ...**
**MAKE AN IMPACT, AND LEARN ABOUT MY COMMUNITY’S NEEDS.**

**DONOR ADVISED FUNDS**
Donor Advised Funds allow individuals, families, and businesses understand the needs of the community and invest in areas they care deeply about. Donor Advised Fund holders recommend where the Fund’s dollars might do the most good, year in and year out. They are active philanthropists and invested in the future of our community.

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Thank You to our 2022 Board of Directors and Volunteers for Your Work on Behalf of Middlesex County.

So many incredible individuals give generously of their time and their talent on our Board and Committees to help the Community Foundation and Middlesex County. Our Standing Committees, Ad Hoc Committees, Fund Committees, Giving Circles, and many Subcommittees are essential to everything CFMC does in the community.

We extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to all those who gave their time to CFMC in 2022.

2022 Board of Directors

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Rona Malakoff
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Your Grants in Action: Creating Opportunities for Life-long Fun

A special message from...

Cromwell Senior Center

It's all smiles for our NEW Bingo Machine!

The new equipment was funded by the Community Foundation of Middlesex County and was made possible by the generosity of the St. Luke's Home Fund.

We are so thankful! Look at Nellie's smile...102 years old and so happy to be able to continue to get out and stay social!

You help our local communities thrive through Your community foundation.

Thank You.

Good People Doing Great Things

Through support for local nonprofits who make our towns a little better every day...

Through partnerships with businesses who want to make a difference...

Through volunteers who reach out and give a hand up...

Through community members who put their hearts and dollars to work to improve the quality of life for all, now and forever.

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Commiunity
Noun: A group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common.

“The Middlesex County” community

Particular characteristics:
caring, kindness, generosity

Synonym:
Good People Doing Great Things

Synonym:
Middlesex County

**Statement of Financial Position**

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**2022 Investments and Performance**

Foundation investments are determined and monitored by the Finance and Investment Committee to meet the Board of Director’s approved investment policy. Monies are invested with a financial management firm, with cash holdings in money market accounts.

This report is unaudited. The Community Foundation’s financial results are audited annually. Audited financial reports and Internal Revenue Service form 990 are available upon request.

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“We exist temporarily through what we take, but we live forever through what we give.” - Douglas M. Lawson

At the Community Foundation of Middlesex County (CFMC), we end each year with a great sense of celebration and reflection that “the greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.” (Coretta Scott King)

We thank you for all you do and your passion for Middlesex County. YOU are how we define COMMUNITY every day as, together, we work to build a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow for All.

Community at its Best

During 2022, 1,165 Donors gave more than 1,700 gifts to help our community thrive. Whether you chose to make a gift to support CFMC’s work or to build on the great work of one of the 308 Funds established by friends and neighbors, your generosity is inspiring and humbling.

We worked carefully to ensure the completeness and accuracy of this list. We apologize for any mistakes, misspellings, or omissions and ask that you contact Thayer at 860.347.0025 to correct any inconsistencies. An “*” denotes the individual is deceased.

It was a Starry Starry Night (up above the clouds and inside The Riverhouse at Goodspeed Station) as we celebrated 25 Years of Good People Doing Great Things on October 13, 2022.

We deeply appreciate and are humbled by the generosity of our sponsors who supported our 25th Anniversary Celebration:

Brian and Chaleen Abely, Aeton Law Partners, LLP, John Boccalatte and Michele Salonia, Stephen and Alison Brinkmann, Randall and Cynthia Clegg, Clio and Philip Coles, Marcia and David Kalayjian, Jeffrey Mehler and Mary Russell, Beebe and Len Miller, Deborah and Roy Moore, Norman Needleman and Jacqueline Hubbard, Clint Reid and Meredith Ryan-Reid, Mauricio and Tracey Salgar, Gary and Beth Salva, Judy and Renny Schoonmaker, Meghan Whelen, and The Hartman Foundation through as granted by Cummings & Lockwood, LLC

In honor of the 25th Anniversary Celebration and everyone in the community, CFMC debuted a new video “A Look Back, A Leap Forward.” We invite you to take a few minutes and celebrate 25 years of Philanthropy, Leadership, Legacy, and everyone working TOGETHER.

View the video on our website at middlesexcountycf.org/videos/a-look-back-a-leap-forward/
Friends of the Community Foundation (Operations Support)

Anonymous Donor (1)
Brian and Chaleen Abely
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Stephan Allison
Anonymous Donations
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Wendy and Allan Berlind
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Robert and Sallie Boody
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William Childress and Vivian Hudson
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Cynthia and Randall Clegg
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Community Health Center
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Essex Winter Series Inc
Essex Yacht Sales LLC
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Goodspeed Opera House Foundation, Inc.
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Heather and Michael Greenaway
Sharon and Bill Griffin
Guilford Savings Bank Buzz Point

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Janice P. Holland
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Suzanne Kitchings
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Literacy Volunteers Of Central Connecticut Inc
Audrey Livingston
Vincent LoFredo
Carlson Family Foundation
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Malloves Jewelers
MARC Community Resources
Judge Joseph and Donna Marino
Henry and Joan May
George and Sarah Mayer
Susan McCann
Brendan and Rosemary McCormick
Larry and Patricia McHugh
Jane S. McMillan
Lucy McMillan and Edward McKeon
Jeffrey Mehler and Mary Russell

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Several of our previous Board of Directors Chairs joined incoming Board Chair Clint Reid and CFMC at the 2022 Holiday Party. Pictured left to right: outgoing Board Chair John Boccalatte, incoming Board Chair Clint Reid, John Biddiscombe, Deborah Moore, and Marcia Kalayjian.

(not pictured: Biff Shaw, Herb Clark, Bob Kirkpatrick, David Royston, and Wally Jones)
2022 Gifts to support Individual Funds at the Community Foundation

A

17 Industrial Park Road
Condominiums, LLC
Anonymous Donors (46)
Susan E. Abbe
Brenda and David Adamiec
Connie Adams
Richard and Merrill Adams
Jack and Linda Adler
Rhonda Aghassi-Menl and Norman Menl
Helen M. Aiello
AI Shea Construction, LLC
Susan Alape
Roger and Renee Alexander
Sandy Allard
Debra Allen
Scott and Rae-Ann Allen
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For example, did you know that a toddler cannot go to day care without diapers — and that if a toddler cannot go to day care, it may mean one or both parents miss work. This has a ripple effect on the overall economic and mental wellbeing of the family as a whole.

Through CFMC’s Nonprofit Resource Center workshops, one-on-one consulting, and Tom Gezo’s “The Dr. Is In” sessions, CFMC assisted Bare Necessities along its journey as a thriving and essential nonprofit in our community. Bare Necessities, in return, has proven to be an invaluable resource and partner for CFMC on the often forgotten and take for granted “bare necessities.”

Thank you, Bare Necessities, for your dedication to our families and babies. Thank you, too, for always being there to Build a Better Today and a Brighter Tomorrow for All!