



A Message from Your Community Foundation

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation's Board of Trustees, staff and many volunteers are excited to present The Legacy, an annual report highlighting accomplishments from the last year--in building endowments, in grantmaking,



and in community leadership. This publication celebrates our growth as an organization dedicated to the stewardship of resources entrusted to us by donors in our community. Because of the support of 50 generous sponsors (featured on the back cover), we are able to share stories of local philanthropy and

community impact in publications like this that reach thousands throughout Isabella County and beyond.

The Legacy includes great photos and stories about those who have started permanent endowment funds within the Community Foundation, and the organizations and individuals who have benefitted from grant awards. Eight new funds were established over the last year, named to memorialize loved ones and in honor of families and local companies. MPACF now holds 275 endowment funds and 1,265 individual gifts were made to these funds in 2016—in amounts ranging from five to thousands of dollars—further building community capital to meet the needs of future generations.

The Community Foundation is not tied to a single social

cause or mission. Instead, we are responsible for making the right investments, in the right organizations, at the right times. We have committed volunteers with broad expertise who serve our donors and our nonprofit partners by matching available resources to projects and programs addressing current community needs. All told, these volunteers helped to award 210 grants in 2016, and 91 scholarships so far in 2017. Since our inception in 1990, the Community Foundation has awarded more than \$5.5 million in grants to schools, local governments and charities. That's \$5.5 million granted while also maintaining the value of every endowed gift ever given to the Foundation!

This year, we celebrate 25 years of youth philanthropy through the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC). With some adult support, 7th-12th grade Isabella County youth learn about community needs, fundraising, volunteering, grantmaking, and leadership. Youth members grow as community citizens and team members during their time on YAC. It has been a joy to hear what YAC alumni have to say about their experiences over the past 25 years.

The Community Foundation recently adopted a new vision statement and committed to a set of essential values guiding our work with donors, stakeholders and one another. We have adopted a new five-year strategic plan, and our Trustees are charting a course for continued leadership on issues of greatest importance to you. We hope, as you flip through the pages of The Legacy, you are inspired to invest in people and place through the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation. Together, we will continue to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Isabella County, now and for generations to come.

Amanda Schafer, Executive Director, and Terrie Zitzelsberger, President

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On the Cover: Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) members pose during the "Sports Legends Challenge" hosted by the PohlCat Golf Course on June 8, 2017 in celebration of their 25th anniversary. The successful event raised more than \$32,000 for the Kellogg Youth Fund, a permanent endowment which supports charitable projects and programs that benefit the young people of Isabella County. YAC membership includes students from all schools in Isabella County, and serves as a pivotal agent in the empowerment of youth and in the development of young leaders. The YAC has advised the Community Foundation's Board of Trustees on the awarding of grants from the Kellogg Youth Fund since 1992, making this their 25th anniversary as well.

2016 Trends

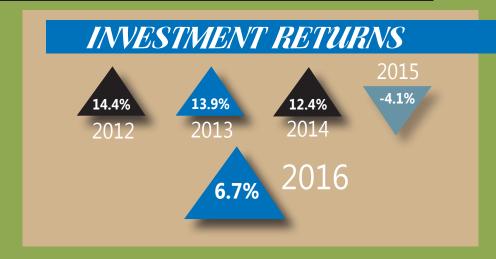
ISABELLA COUNTY'S BIG PICTURE

TOTAL
GIFTS TO
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
\$1,553,155

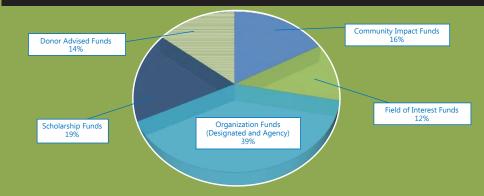
TOTAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ASSETS \$15,535,122

1.8%
OPERATING
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ASSETS

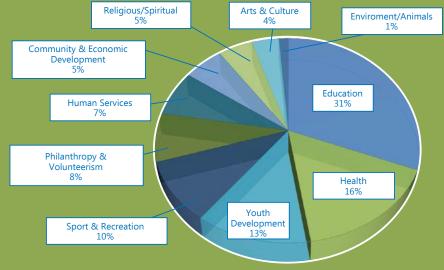
TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED \$603,242



ENDOWED ASSETS BY FUND TYPE



GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA



About Your Community Foundation

Mission: The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation seeks to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Isabella County, now and for generations to come, by attracting and holding permanent endowed funds from a wide range of donors, addressing needs through grant making, and providing leadership on key community issues.

Mt. Pleasant Area

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Our vision is to shape the future of Isabella County by:

- Helping people find and fund the causes they love; and
- Cultivating bold solutions for strong, vibrant, and inclusive communities.

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation is committed to the following values as essential to our success. To our donors, stakeholders, and to one another, we make the following commitments:

- Leadership and Integrity Our primary responsibility is to enhance donor and public trust by having high ethical standards, honoring our commitments while remaining objective, and fostering transparency in all
- Stewardship We will nurture a trusting relationship with our donors by safeguarding their assets and intent in perpetuity while working to ensure sustainability.
- Equity and Inclusion Diversity and equity are essential to the fullest realization of our ideas and endeavors. We will lead by example, treat all people with respect, and use our position in the community to promote greater understanding through our policies and practices.
- Knowledge and Impact We strive to be a resource for the communities we serve. To exemplify this, we consistently train and educate our Board and staff in order to better serve our donors and constituents. We are steadfast in assessing community needs and strive to measure the impact of all that we do.
- Collaboration We value the transformative power of partnerships based on mutual interests, trust, and respect. We believe that, by working together, we



others to work together to build a better community for tomorrow.

• Innovation and Change – We know that embracing change is essential to success. We seek to stimulate new and creative approaches, perspectives, and ideas to address what matters most to the people and communities we serve.

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation (MPACF) is a tax-exempt public charity serving as the center of philanthropy in Isabella County. The Foundation gives people and businesses in the community the opportunity to make contributions to various funds and causes. Those considering charitable giving may establish their own fund or may contribute to an existing one. Funds may be created to honor or memorialize a friend or loved one. These professionally-managed funds are permanently

endowed, meaning the original contributions are never spent. The assets of the Foundation's 275+ endowment funds are combined for investment purposes and annual earnings from investments are used to award grants and scholarships. The annual earnings support programs in education, health, youth development, recreation, volunteerism, human services, community and economic development, environment and arts right here in Isabella County.

Since 1990, the MPACF has helped individuals, families and businesses to put their resources to work assisting others in the community. The Foundation provides information about programs and organizations that address community needs and provides the latest options for flexible and tax-effective giving.

A 24 member Board of Trustees oversees the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation. Nearly 200 local community leaders serve on Foundation committees and advisory boards. The Foundation is engaged locally with the Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce, and with colleagues throughout the state via the Council of Michigan Foundations. The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation has received accreditation with the nation's highest standard for philanthropic excellence. National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations® establish legal, ethical, effective practices for community foundations everywhere.

View the most updated audited financial statements, tax returns, policies and procedures at mpacf.org.

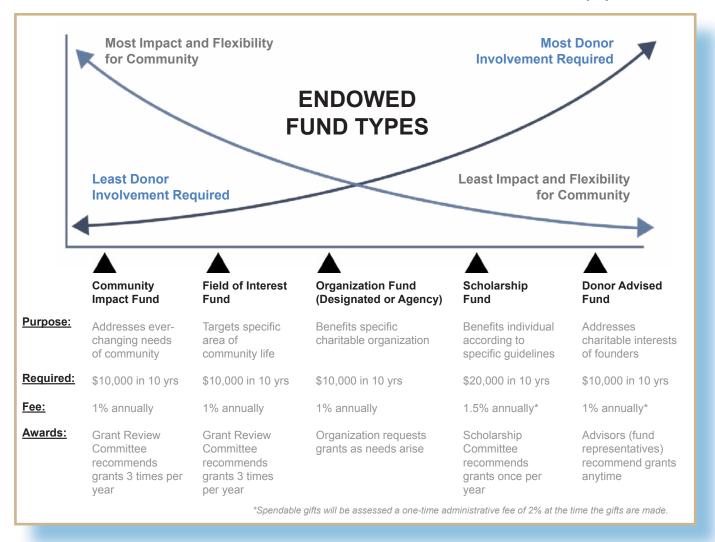




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Shepherd Community Fund in Honor of Robert Bates

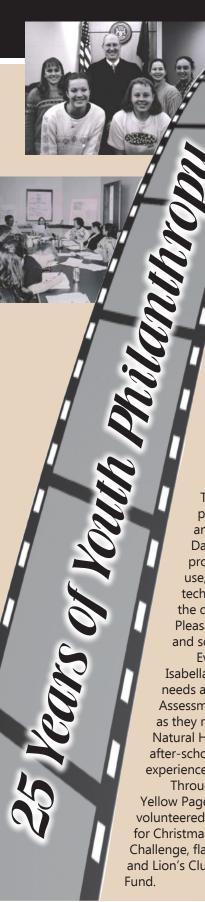
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In the early 1990s, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation challenged community foundations throughout the state to create a permanent training ground in the voluntary responsibilities of citizenship for Michigan's youth and to engage adolescents in the grantmaking process. The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation accepted the challenge, and the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) was formed.

The first YAC meetings took place in early 1992, and area schools helped to identify youth members from 7th through 12th grade to serve on the committee. Assessing youth needs, fundraising, volunteering, and grantmaking gave young people the opportunity to internalize the values of philanthropy.

A permanent endowment fund focused on youth, the Kellogg Youth Fund, was started with \$125,000 in 1993. Since then, the YAC has awarded nearly 400 grants totaling more than \$550,000. Through fundraising and investment growth, the Kellogg Youth Fund now holds assets of more than \$700,000.

The YAC recommended one grant to the Board of Trustees that first year--\$750 to Christmas Outreach to purchase children's toys. Since then, the YAC has supported anti-bullying seminars and peer workshops, such as Challenge Day, Teen Summit, and Court in the Classroom. The YAC has provided learning opportunities for youth related to tobacco use, drunk driving, and HIV. Grants have been awarded for technology in schools, playground equipment, soccer goal posts, the design of the City's skate park, exhibits at CMU and the Mt. Pleasant Discovery Museum, library books, musical instruments, and so much more.

Every three years, the YAC surveys students throughout Isabella County to help them identify what they see as the greatest needs and problems facing the community. The Youth Needs Assessment data has helped the YAC determine funding priorities as they review grant applications. Grant dollars have been used for Natural Helper training, sexual assault treatment, teen counseling and after-school programming. Grants have been awarded for camping experiences, a new robotics program, and countless after-prom events.

Throughout the years, the YAC gathered resources for their Youth Yellow Pages, a directory of helping agencies and programs. Members volunteered to pack food bags for Nutrition Club and sorted donations for Christmas Outreach. They participated in the Optimist Bowling Challenge, flamingo flocking, the Morbark Family Halloween Spook House and Lion's Club Chicken Barbeque to raise money for the Kellogg Youth

















"I became a leader through the YAC, motivating others to work toward the same goal as a team. I learned if I wanted to see change, I needed to step up and take responsibility for making that change."

- Sam Neyer, Sacred Heart, 2010-2016





"Growing up, I was fairly shy and nervous about voicing my opinion, but the YAC encouraged me to share my thoughts and helped enhance my communication skills, carrying over into the work I do today. I hope the YAC continues to be supported, not only for local philanthropy, but also to develop future generations of leaders."

- Wes Kenny, Shepherd, 2005-2010 "The YAC was such an important part of my Jr. High and High School years. It helped me grow as a leader and kept me involved in the community."

- Ann Marie Brockman Orren, Mt. Pleasant, 1997-2003



"I remember thinking when I started YAC...All these adults are here but they allow kids to review and approve grants spending significant amounts of money... how cool! That financial decision-making empowered me both as a woman and as an adolescent!

– Monica Atkin Jean, Beal City, 2003-2009

"Watching young people from all schools in the area respond to requests for financial help for innovative programs was an inspiring experience."

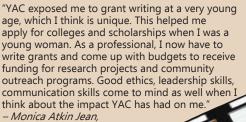
- Ann Brockman, Advisor, 1994-2005



"The YAC really helped me recognize that I had a voice in order to create change within the community. It has been the foundation of my passion to serve through philanthropy and service!"

- Christina Guytingco, Sacred Heart, 2011-2017





Beal City, 2003-2009



Youth Philanthropy Today





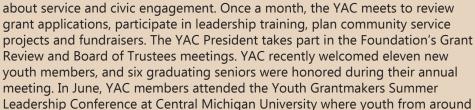






Twenty-five years later, the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) remains a group of committed students from Isabella County schools who focus on grantmaking, volunteering and fundraising. While performing these tasks, YAC members learn about team building, leadership, and responsibility.

YAC student leaders spend time positively influencing their community while learning



the state gathered to collaborate and grow as individuals, encouraged to take what they learned and put it to use throughout the upcoming academic year.

Fundraising efforts this past year included the Lion's Club Chicken Barbeque and Flamingo

Flocking. YAC members were also on hand during the "Sports Legends Challenge" hosted by the PohlCat Golf Course on June 8, 2017 in celebration of their 25th anniversary. The successful event raised more than \$32,000 for the Kellogg Youth Fund—a fitting tribute to the YAC 25th anniversary.

The YAC is most interested in funding efforts that address the needs of youth through personal development programs, after-school recreation/social activities, job development and opportunities, community youth organizations, and volunteer programs. The 2017 Youth Needs Assessment identified the most



important issues facing youth today as follows: 1) bullying, 2) stress/school pressure, 3) depression/suicide/loss, 4) alcohol and drug abuse, and 5) self-esteem/respect for yourself and others. Learn more about the survey results, and youth mini-grant opportunities at mpacf.org/yac.















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Grants awarded through Endowed Funds

Art Reach of Mid Michigan

Wellspring Literary Series \$1,356.00 - Russ Herron Poetry Fund

Purchase of copier/printer \$7,215.00 - Jane McNamara and Louise Williams Fund



Art Walk Central 2017 \$848.95 - W. Sidney and Judith French Smith Community Fund The annual art competition features more than 120 works of art throughout the community.

Beal City Junior High Football

Support for low income participants of Youth Football \$1,564.16 - Rocket Football Operating Fund

Beal City Public Schools

Scholarships and Enrichment Grants for Beal City Public Schools \$2,535.47 - Beal City Public Schools Education Foundation

Engaging Classrooms \$4,200.00 - Community Impact Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund

Central Michigan District Health Department

Computer Upgrade for Electronic Medical Records Referral and Follow Up for Control Patients \$5,303.51 - Breast and Cervical Cancer Fund

Central Michigan University

Support to CMU's College of Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences \$10,000.00

Museum of Cultural and Natural History

2017-18 Educational Program Initiative \$5,000.00 - John R. and Constance M. Harkins Community Fund

Character Programs



Youth Motivational Speaker \$6,500.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund The Youth Advisory Committee invited Tom Thelan to spread his anti-bullying message to more than 2,700 students across Isabella County.

Chippewa River District Library

Test Preparation Materials \$741.00 - Eckersley Library Endowment Fund

North Courtyard Improvement Project at Veterans Memorial Library \$4,000.00 - Mary Ellen Brandell Access to Recreation Fund

Chippewa Watershed Conservancy

CWC Rack Cards -MDOT Welcome Centers \$185.00 - Steve and Sue Pung Family Fund

Christian Counseling of Mid Michigan

Family Initiative \$5,000.00 - Fabiano Family Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund

Postpartum Mental Health Group \$5,000.00 - Community Impact Fund, Women's Initiative Fund

Christmas Outreach



Christmas Outreach 2016 \$8,000.00 - Hersee Family Fund, David B. and Susan K. Keilitz Family Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund, Sullivan Family Fund, Women's Initiative Fund Christmas Outreach provides for those in need during the Christmas season. The Youth Advisory Committee provided a book for each child.

Coats and Boots Buying Season \$6,000.00 - Hersee Family Fund, John Neyer Family Fund, Women's Initiative Fund

City of Mt. Pleasant



Timbertown 2.0

\$25,000.00 - Community Impact Fund,
Jane McNamara and Louise Williams
Fund, Optimist Club of Mt. Pleasant
Fund, Kay Smith Family Fund
A new playground replaced the
original structure that was built 22
years prior; both structures were built
by community volunteers.

Replace Glass Panels on the Mary Ellen Brandell Bridge on the Access Adventure Trail \$1,526.00 - Access to Recreation Fund

Clothing INC

Storage Containers/Laptop Computer \$2,324.00 - Staples Family Fund, Weisenburger Family Fund

Community Compassion Network

Supplemental Food Assistance \$5,000.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund, Elizabeth Z. Miller & Bruce H. LaPointe Community Needs Fund, Michael D. and Dianne C. Morey Community Needs Fund, Dr. Leonard E. and Louise A. Plachta Unrestricted Fund



Diaper Partners \$3,000.00 - Women's Initiative Fund

Mobile Food Pantry \$5,000.00 - David B. and Susan K. Keilitz Family Fund, Mt. Pleasant Oil Industry Food Pantry Fund

Summer Feeding Initiative \$3,000.00 - Kimber and Judy DeWitt Family Fund, John P. and Ann S. Jensen Community Impact Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund

Diaper Distribution \$1,452.87 - William Ellis Brockman Infant Assistance Fund

Community Mental Health for Central Michigan

Multisystemic Therapy Team \$8,000.00 - Bovee Family Fund, Community Impact Fund, Ruth S. and Gerard R. Felter and Florence F. Battenfeld Family Fund, Isabella Bank Director Memorial Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund

The Dictionary Project

Dictionary Distribution for Isabella County 3rd Graders \$1,600.00 - Kiwanis Club of Mt. Pleasant Fund

EightCAP: Isabella Co. Continuum of Care

Project Homeless Connect Event and Emergency Shelter \$1,500.00 - Continuum Homelessness Grant Fund

First United Methodist Church/ Boy Scout Troop 604

Summer Camp Assistance \$100.00 - Bob and Nancy Wheeler Fund for Scouting

Foster Closet of Michigan

Teen Girls: New Outfit \$2,000.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund, Women's Initiative Fund

Friends of the Broadway



Capacity Building for Strategic Planning and Fund Development \$6,480.00 - Community Impact Fund This charity seeks to preserve the historic Broadway Theatre, providing a venue for community performances and activities.

Friends of the Veterans Memorial Library



Downloading Movies, TV Shows, Music and Audiobooks to Computers, Smart Phones and Tablets \$2,238.19 - Friends of the Library Fund

Gratiot Isabella RESD

GIRESD Imagination Library
\$3,900.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund,
Staples Family Fund,
Theunissen Family Fund
The Imagination Library provides each
enrolled child 0-5 with a high quality,
age appropriate book each month.

Great Lakes Bay Foundation

Great Lakes Bay Region Middle School Mathematics Project \$15,000.00 - Denison Unrestricted Fund, G. Charles and Janice L. Hubscher Fund, Morey Foundation Donor Advised Fund, W. Sidney Smith and Judith French Smith Family Fund

Habitat for Humanity



A Brush With Kindness \$5,000.00 - Lon Morey Family Fund, John Neyer Family Fund, Weisenburger Family Fund This exterior home preservation program includes painting, landscaping, and minor repairs.

Humane Animal Treatment Society



Support of the mission of HATS \$1,211.71 - LaBelle Family Fund HATS' mission is to empower our community to support the compassionate treatment of all animals.

Isabella Citizens for Health

Sharps Disposal Education Program \$693.00 - Isabella Bank Director Memorial Fund



Automated External Defibrillators
(AEDs)

\$2,420.00 - Bandit Industries
Community Fund,
Community Impact Fund
An AED is a portable device stored in a cabinet for the public to use on-site to treat cardiac arrest, greatly increasing the chance of survival.

Isabella Community Soup Kitchen



Kitchen Remodel for the Isabella Community Soup Kitchen \$9,763.41 - Isabella Community Soup Kitchen Fund, McCracken Family Fund This new equipment has made dishwashing easier and more sanitary for guests and volunteers.

Isabella County Parks and Recreation



Beach ICPR ADA Accessible Equipment \$6,000.00 - Access to Recreation Fund, Brewster Family Access to Recreation Fund
ADA accessible beach chairs allow individuals with physical disabilities to

Coldwater Park Tree Planting \$10,000.00 - Rise Family Fund

access the beach and water.

Isabella County Restoration House

Guest Transportation \$6,000.00 - Denison Unrestricted Fund, Kay Smith Family Fund

Lincoln Township

Handicap Accessible Sidewalk \$2,500.00 - Brewster Family Access to Recreation Fund, Janet Maar Strickler Access to Recreation Fund

Listening Ear Crisis Center

Consumer Medical Needs/Consumer Led Micro-Enterprise Business \$2,000.00 - Listening Ear Consumer Needs and Dreams Fund

McBride Quality Care Services

Cafeteria Tables for Day Treatment \$2,659.79 - Community Impact Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund

McLaren Central Michigan

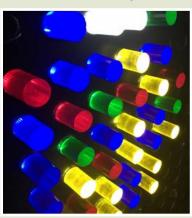
McLaren Central Michigan Emergency Room Renovation \$10,000.00 - John R. and Constance M. Harkins Community Fund

Mid Michigan Community College Foundation



Isabella County 8th Grade Girls
Luncheon - CHAT
\$2,413.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund,
Women's Initiative Fund
The event invites 8th grade girls to
visit the MMCC Mt. Pleasant campus
to explore STEM careers, while
meeting and speaking with local
women who embody CHAT (Character,
Heart, Attributes, and Talent).

Mt. Pleasant Discovery Museum



Light Room Exhibit \$4,500.00 - Community Impact Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund The new exhibit includes a giant light bright and an interactive projector wall.

Camping Exhibit \$3,000.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund, Jane McNamara and Louise Williams Fund, Ranck Family Fund

Mt. Pleasant Fire Department



Fire Investigation Class for Isabella
County Fire Fighters
\$600.00 - Isabella County First
Responders Fund
A 40 hour fire investigation course will
equip local fire fighters with the skills
necessary to determine causes and
origination points of fires.

Mt. Pleasant Public Schools

Students of Promise - Clean Clothes \$300.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund

Junie B. Jones The Musical -Elementary School Tour \$300.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund



Cup Stacking
\$300.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund
Cup stacking is a sport that all
students can play. It builds hand eye
coordination, reinforces concentration,
and builds confidence.

Mt. Pleasant Wrestling Team Camp at CMU \$880.00 - Chris Maniteau Memorial Wrestling Fund



Mt. Pleasant BPA National Leadership Conference Competition \$2,600.00 - Mt. Pleasant Business Professionals of America Fund Thirteen students attended the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida May 9-10.

Peacemaking Awards Ceremony \$428.01 - MPPS Esther Kraus Peacemaking Fund

Mt. Pleasant Public Schools Education Foundation

Build Endowment for Mt. Pleasant Public Schools \$2,500.00 - John R. and Constance M. Harkins Community Fund

Mt. Pleasant Youth Football

Support for low income participants of Youth Football \$3,188.48 - Rocket Football Operating Fund

Project Weidman

Playground support \$6,669.00 - Access to Recreation Fund, Mary Ellen Brandell Access to Recreation Fund, Brewster Family Access to Recreation Fund, Janet Maar Strickler Access to Recreation Fund

Sacred Heart Parish

Readers Become Leaders \$700.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund

After Prom Party \$300.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund

Earthquake Table \$965.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund

Saint Joseph the Worker School

Laptops for Literacy \$6,800.00 - Community Impact Fund, Kellogg Youth Fund, Lon Morey Family Fund

Shepherd Public Schools



Student Food Assistance \$1,000.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund Students identified as food insecure are provided with bags of nonperishable food items to take home for weekends and school breaks.

Shepherd After Prom 2017 \$1,000.00 - Shepherd Community Fund in Honor of Robert Bates

Wishing for a Washer \$2,559.00 - Kellogg Youth Fund, Shepherd Community Fund in Honor of Robert Bates

Shepherd Railroad Museum Association



Caboose Window Replacement \$546.00 - Shepherd Community Fund in Honor of Robert Bates Caboose windows were replaced with a more durable material.

Shepherd United Methodist Church Boy Scout Troop 623

Repairs to the Troop's Equipment Trailer \$300.00 - Bob and Nancy Wheeler Fund for Scouting

Shepherd Youth Football

Support for low income participants of Youth Football \$1,263.36 – Rocket Football Operating Fund

Special Olympics Michigan



Special Olympics 2017 Summer Games \$1,538.47 - Special Olympics Michigan Fund

United Way of Gratiot and Isabella Counties

Software and Database Conversion \$6,704.21 - United Way of Isabella County Fund, Volunteer Center of Isabella County Fund 2017 Community Leaders Conference \$500.00 - Community Impact Fund

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/
Venture Crew 7648



Purchase of Bike Trailers \$600.00 - Bob and Nancy Wheeler Fund for Scouting Members of Venture Crew 7648 before a Scouting adventure.

Village of Shepherd

Street Garland Downtown \$2,162.00 - Shepherd Community Fund in Honor of Robert Bates

Women's Aid Service

Restoration of Shelter Front Steps \$1,500.00 - Women's Initiative Fund

Special Grants awarded for Local Programming

Community Compassion Network

\$4,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

Forgotten Eagles

\$1,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

Heart Cry International

\$2,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

Isabella County Restoration House

\$4,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

The Issac Sports Group

\$12,166.87 - Swim Friends of Mid-Michigan Fund

Kali's Cure for Paralysis Foundation

\$1,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

Life Choices of Central Michigan

\$1,200.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation – Leadership

\$489.15 - Ray and Georgia Martin Leadership Fund \$566.08 - Richards Leadership Fund \$399.68 - Ridley Leadership Fund \$906.18 - Charles E. Anthony Leadership Fund \$16,381.07 - Leadership Fund \$6.556.66 - Hersee House Maintenance Fund

Potter's House

\$8,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund

Village of Shepherd



Mid-Michigan Community Pathways \$64,991.62 - Mid-Michigan Community Pathways Fund

Young Life, Mt. Pleasant \$1,000.00 - Mitchell Family Trust Fund



Feight Community Improvement Fund

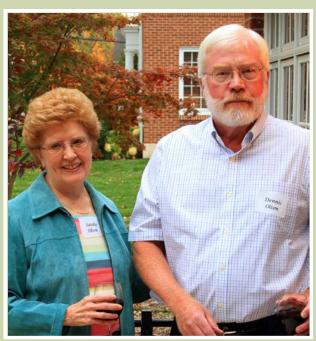
In 2011, a small committee of community members, led by Keith and Kurt Feight, sought the assistance of the Community Foundation to raise funds to paint the High Street Bridge – a gateway into the Mt. Pleasant community. The charitable purpose of this effort was to make more visually appealing an arrival and departure point to create a greater sense of community and a welcoming environment for those visiting Mt. Pleasant. From 2012-2014, more than \$60,000 was contributed to this special project fund at the Community Foundation. In total, 153 gifts of various sizes were made.

Only a few companies in the state of Michigan are qualified and licensed to perform this type of work, and the Bridge Committee was able to coordinate with MDOT and the Great Lakes Central Railroad Company to get the project done on time and under budget. A partnership with the City of Mt. Pleasant was established to contract for the removal and environmental containment of the old lead-based paint covering the bridge, and the project was completed in August, 2013 with graffiti-resistant paint and high-quality vinyl lettering. "The difference is remarkable," said Kurt Feight. "The bridge has become a point of pride for our community."

After paying the expenses associated with the High Street Bridge, there remained a small balance. Inspired by the success of the project, the Feight Family wanted a way to continue their involvement with projects like this one. The Feight Community Improvement Fund, a permanent donor-advised fund, was established in 2016, and will prioritize grantmaking to maintain the High Street Bridge and support similar community beautification projects in the future.



Olson Family Fund



Sandra and Dennis Olson have been involved with the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation, giving of their time and resources to help improve our community. Sandy is the daughter of Idonea, "Dony," and William E. Hersee. Her parents were dedicated community members who made important contributions to better the Mt. Pleasant area.

Sandra and Dennis made their home in Mt. Pleasant, too, raising their son Mark and continuing the legacy her parents had started in the community. They established the Olson Family Fund in 2015 to encourage the creativity, enhance the education, and improve the health and well-being of the residents of the Mt. Pleasant area. This donor advised fund will be used to sustain some of the same charities the Hersees supported, including Art Reach of Mid-Michigan, the Chippewa District Library, and the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation for the benefit of the Hersee House.

"My mother donated the Hersee House to the Foundation and we are strongly supportive of her gift," said Sandy. "We want to see the Foundation prosper, as it is an important part of our community's past, present and future."

Feight Family Business Scholarship Fund

Both Keith Feight and Kurt Feight are graduates of Central Michigan University with degrees in Business Administration. The family has been involved in many ventures providing business services and improving the community through trust, honesty, and integrity.

The Feight family has owned, operated and been involved in many businesses throughout Isabella County since 1959. Such businesses include Mt. Pleasant Agency, Inc. – Central Insurance, McArthur Insurance Agency, Mt. Pleasant Realty, Inc. – Coldwell Banker, Valley Travel, Apollo Oil, Merchandise Outlet and Feight Apartments.

The family established the Feight Family Business Scholarship Fund in 2016 to provide financial assistance to individuals who wish to pursue careers in business studies through higher education.



McArthur Insurance Agency Fund for Weidman



To recognize McArthur Insurance Agency's centennial in 2017, the McArthur Insurance Agency Fund for Weidman was established. This field of interest fund will provide funding for future community improvement projects in the Weidman area.

McArthur Insurance Agency has been part of the Weidman community since 1917, when it was founded by Leon McArthur. The agency stayed in Leon's family for the next two generations. It was owned by his daughter and son-in-law, and then his granddaughter, who sold the business in 2005. At that time, Kurt Feight, Terry Kunst, and Nicole Mathews purchased the agency. Over the past century, McArthur Insurance Agency has helped support numerous causes and projects and hopes to see that legacy continue for future generations.

Connor J. Puhlman Memorial Fund for Youth

David and Lee Ann Puhlman, longtime residents of Mt. Pleasant, taught their son the importance of playing an active role in his community. Connor J. Puhlman, born on November 13, 1998, enjoyed the outdoors, was a skilled hunter, and loved to fish. With his thoughtfulness and high-energy spirit, he was a mini-entrepreneur, starting Connor's Creations. Connor enjoyed inventing new ways to make things work, and could often be found working on trucks. He considered design engineering and entrepreneurial business likely career possibilities. Like many 16-year-old boys, Connor enjoyed a variety of sports, including basketball and baseball. A junior at Sacred Heart Academy, Connor died in a motor vehicle accident on August 20, 2015.

"We were just getting to see how our son thought as a young man, and what his priorities were," shared Lee Ann. "When a child dies, they do not have the opportunity to choose their own legacy; we need to help them do that."

The Puhlmans established the Connor J. Puhlman Memorial Fund for Youth in 2017. This field-of-interest fund will award grants to charitable organizations in Isabella County that impact the lives of youth by helping them reach their fullest potential.

The Puhlmans want their son's memory to live on. "We cannot actively parent him, but we can build his legacy and accomplish some of the good he wanted to do in this world," Lee Ann said. The Puhlmans believe we all need to work together to help youth in the area thrive. "Every one of us can contribute to the health, well-being, and safety of children so our strong community's future is supported."



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Autism Advantage Fund

Courtney Heitmeyer has a strong passion for serving those with autism and their families. "It has always been a dream of mine to create change in my community," Courtney said. "I found a passion for autism seven years ago and I committed myself to making change within the autism community by creating awareness, advocating for services, and providing support financially and emotionally."



In 2017, she decided to spearhead fundraising efforts to provide resources and services for individuals with autism in Isabella County. Autism Advantage is an innovative practice devoted

to working with adolescents and adults with autism, helping them to understand their unique personality styles and teaching those individuals how to use their gifts to overcome social challenges and associated anxiety and depression. Courtney, her parents, and her sister are graduates of Central Michigan University. Her fiancé, Tyler Stegman, has strong ties to the central Michigan community. "The focus on this community is personal," Courtney added.

More than 3.5 million Americans live with an autism spectrum disorder. Courtney hopes to create more awareness and understanding about autism, as well as provide financial support to families who have to travel to receive services, or for whom services are not covered by health insurance. The Autism Advantage Fund was founded in 2017 as a field of interest fund to provide grants to charitable organizations for programs addressing the needs of adults and adolescents with autism in the Central Michigan area.

Shepherd Public Schools Scholarship Fund

The Shepherd Public Schools Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to Shepherd High School and Odyssey High School students who are

active volunteers that exhibit an outstanding attitude towards the school and community.



The scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors to help them attend a college, university, technical or vocational school.

Matthew Showalter, President of the Shepherd Board of Education, describes the scholarship process as follows: "Seeing what the kids have done, all the different students that apply, seeing how their experiences are varied, their classes are varied...realizing how

much each student has accomplished. Even if you know the student (personally) you may not know exactly what they have accomplished."

Since the Shepherd Public Schools Scholarship was founded in 1995 by then-President, Harold Stegman, the Fund has made more than forty scholarships to Shepherd graduates.

Janice Cotter Endowment Fund



Janice was born on November 9, 1955 in Mt. Pleasant and grew up in the community with her 8 siblings. A graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School, Janice enjoyed nothing more than being around her large family and always found joy taking care of her younger siblings. Married on April 20, 1974 at St. Henry's Catholic Church in Rosebush, Janice and her husband Robert raised two children, Kevin and Kelly. She worked as an office manager for Bear Packaging for many years and was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Janice was known for her giving heart, and received great joy serving others. With an incredible passion for children, Janice loved spending time with her three grandsons, Andrew, Grant and Joseph, and saw the value in making an impact on young lives.

Janice was known to put others first, and was a caregiver for all who needed her assistance.

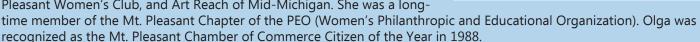
Through the Janice Cotter Endowment Fund, established in 2016 by Robert in loving memory of his wife, the family continues her legacy. The donor advised fund supports efforts of organizations in Isabella County, especially those that support youth, and stands as a reminder of Janice's love for life, service and children.

Denison Family Scholarship Fund

Married on August 30, 1941, Rollie and Olga Denison were children of the Depression and appreciated the opportunities that Mt. Pleasant gave them. They felt it was important to support the community that had given them so much.

Rollie was president of Denison and Associates, an oil property holding company. He and his business partner owned Lease Management for much of his life. Rollie helped to organize the Mt. Pleasant Area Industrial Development Corporation and founded the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation. He served on numerous city, school and business boards and commissions, and was mayor of Mt. Pleasant for two years. Rollie was recognized as the Mt. Pleasant Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 1971.

Olga was also very active in the Mt. Pleasant community for many years. She was one of the original organizers of the Central Michigan Child Guidance Clinic, and was closely involved in organizing the First United Methodist Church's Mackenzie Circle, the Mt. Pleasant Chapter of People to People, the Mae Beck Indian Affairs Committee of the Mt. Pleasant Women's Club, and Art Reach of Mid-Michigan. She was a long-



Olga established the Denison Family Scholarship Fund in 2003 to award scholarships to graduating seniors from Mt. Pleasant High School in recognition of the excellent education provided to graduates Olga Jones Denison (1935), Spencer Thomas Denison (1962), Diane Christina Denison (1965) and Daniel Roland Denison (1969).



Earl G. Hartman. Sr. and Caroline Millar Scholarship Fund

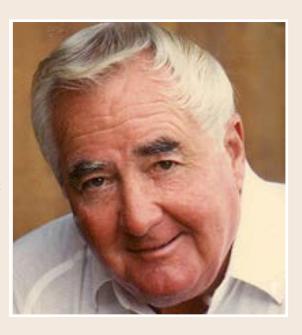
Earl and Caroline Hartman came from humble beginnings. Earl grew up in Ohio in a close, but poor, family. He graduated high school and then completed a 2-year business school degree in 9 months' time. Caroline's family was also poor and moved frequently while she was growing up (18 times in 16 years) while her dad worked in oil fields around the country. Settling with her family in Mt. Pleasant in 1930, Caroline graduated from high school at the top of her class. She became a secretary at a local oil company where she met Earl who worked for the same company as an accountant. They lived in Mt. Pleasant for most of their 42 years of marriage, and after Earl's passing, Caroline continued to reside in town until her death in 2003.

Earl and Caroline Hartman worked hard to provide a good life for themselves and for their family. They knew the importance of a strong Catholic-based education, with all six of their children graduating from Sacred Heart Academy. The Earl G. Hartman, Sr. and Caroline Millar Hartman Scholarship Fund was established in 2003 in memory of Earl and Caroline, and recognizes their strong belief in the Catholic faith and in Catholic education.



William Brehm Memorial Chippewa Watershed Conservancy Stewardship Fund

William Brehm, a well-known central Michigan businessman, founded the Chippewa Beverage Company, owned and operated the Mt. Pleasant Holiday Inn, and established the Holiday Greens and Pohlcat Golf Courses, among many enterprises. Brehm cared deeply about the community and about its landscape, which is evident from his layout of the Holiday Greens and the Pohlcat. "He didn't just rip things up; he tried to incorporate important natural features into his plan," his daughter, Barbara Brehm-Grewe, said.

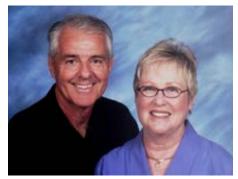


On November 14, 2006 the William Brehm Memorial Chippewa Watershed Conservancy Stewardship Fund was established by Michael and Rhea Dow to memorialize Mr. Dow's long-time business partner, William Brehm who died on September 24, 2006. "Bill was a long-time business partner and friend," Dow said. "I wanted to do something of importance for his local community in his memory."

Revenue generated by the endowment fund will be used by the Chippewa Watershed Conservancy (CWC), a local, volunteer-driven, tax-exempt organization, to protect natural habitat within the watershed of the Chippewa River. Formed in 1994, the CWC is composed of individuals in the community who share the goal of preserving and protecting the natural environment. Protection is done through land acquisition and conservation easements to help ensure the land remains in its natural form. Generations to come will know the William Brehm Memorial Chippewa Watershed Conservancy Stewardship Fund for its effort to preserve and protect our natural landscape.



Robert A. and Catherine A. Janson Scholarship Fund



Bob Janson, a Frankenmuth, Michigan native, and his wife, Cathie, originally from suburban Detroit, were the first individuals in their family to graduate from college. Both received degrees from Central Michigan University.

After graduation, Bob began a 35-year career in education, starting in St. Clair Shores as a teacher and coach. After earning advanced degrees from Eastern Michigan University and Wayne State, he became superintendent of Lakeview Public Schools, where Cathie had begun her teaching career. In 1981, the family moved to Mt. Pleasant where Bob served as the superintendent of schools until 1997. Cathie continued her teaching career with the St. Louis Public Schools and at Central Michigan University. Her career spanned over 30 years.

Bob and Cathie established the Robert A. and Catherine A. Janson Scholarship Fund in 1998 to provide scholarships to graduates of Mt. Pleasant High School or Oasis High School who are seeking educational opportunities at a university or community college. The love of education has been the focus of their lives. "Cathie and I believe that a strong public education system is vital to the future of our nation," said Bob. "Our scholarship is intended to support Mt. Pleasant Public School graduates furthering their education."

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Richard Brandell and Joseph Sweeney Recreation Fund

The Richard Brandell and Joseph Sweeney Recreation Fund was established by Sweeney's daughter and Brandell's wife, Mary Ellen. After Dick's death in 2006, Mary Ellen was looking for a way to keep his memory alive in the local community. Both her husband and her father were very involved in the community, and both were sports enthusiasts.



As parents of six children, the Brandells understood what the cost was to keep their children active and involved in sporting activities in the community. "Playing sports was expensive when I was growing up; many school programs didn't exist. Kids had to register and pay to play with kids in the community," said Kathleen Mumford, their daughter. Mumford recalled her mother thinking "there have to be other families facing the same issue; not having the funds to get their children in after school programs." It was this thought that inspired Mary Ellen to create a fund to support after school programs like the one at Morey Courts, to keep kids out of trouble, active and healthy in the name of her father and her husband.

The primary purpose of the Richard Brandell and

Joseph Sweeney Recreation Fund is to provide support to the Cultural and Recreational Commission of Isabella County – Morey Courts Recreation Center for after school fitness programs that utilize leadership development strategies and health education to achieve the goals of: improving the fitness level of our youth; decreasing childhood obesity; and enhancing the self-esteem and self-confidence of youth in our community.

The future of this fund is one of promise. The Brandell and Sweeney families hope to keep their legacy alive by supporting activities that would make their father and grandfather proud.



Rotary Scholarship Fund

The Rotary Club of Mt. Pleasant established a scholarship fund in 1998 to assist local students pursuing higher education. The high school seniors selected to receive the Rotary Scholarships each year have shown their willingness to serve through their activities in school, as well as in their community.

The Rotary Club of Mt. Pleasant was established on May 6, 1925. This friendly group of local business and professional leaders meets weekly to exchange ideas, build relationships, and take action. Committed to "Service Above Self," this dedicated group of individuals promotes service in our local and international communities, as well as service through worthy vocations. More than sixty members comprise the Club today, and outreach includes young leaders at Central Michigan University (Rotaract), Mt. Pleasant High School (Interact), and West Intermediate (Interact). Learn more at mprotary.com.





Legacy Society Members

As of June 30, 2017

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The Denison Legacy Society

The Denison Legacy Society was established in honor of Rollie and Olga Denison, who gave so bountifully of their time and resources to our community. The Society recognizes individuals and couples who have named the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation as the beneficiary of any type of planned or deferred gift. The purpose of the Society is to acknowledge and thank those who have made these gifts, while encouraging and inspiring others to do the same. Gifts to the Legacy Society are endowed and leave a permanent legacy in our community. A planned gift will do exactly what you want it to do - FOR GOOD. FOR EVER.

To join this esteemed group, arrange for a planned or deferred gift to benefit the Foundation. Inform us of your intentions by submitting a Denison Legacy Society Form. It is not necessary to state the amount of the gift, but we encourage you to share your plans so we may comply with your wishes upon receipt of your gift.

















SCHOLARSHIPS YEAR-IN-REVIEW

2017

936 APPLICATIONS REVIEWED



90 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS



91 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED



\$87,250.00 AWARDED



APPLY IN 2018: MPACF.ORG/APPLY-FOR-A-SCHOLARSHIP/



The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that 91 scholarships were awarded this year. The 2017 scholarship reception was held on Tuesday, May 23rd at the Comfort Inn Conference Center. During the event, more than \$87,000 in scholarships were awarded to local students. Scholarship recipients, their family members, scholarship fund founders, Trustees, Scholarship Committee members and school representatives joined to honor the outstanding students of our community.

Scholarships are supported by individuals, businesses, and organizations wanting to help local students achieve their educational goals. Most scholarships support high school students planning to attend an accredited college, university, or trade school in the fall. Each scholarship is unique and reflects the values and interests of those who have established it.

Christopher John Andera Memorial Scholarship

Peyton Brookens • Mt. Pleasant High School

Art Scholarship

Gracie Peer • Mt. Pleasant High School



Matthew J. Boles Memorial Scholarships

Melissa Jensen •
Mt. Pleasant High School
Drew Patton •

Mt. Pleasant High School



Keisha Y. Brown Angel Wings Scholarship

Joseph Backus II •

Shepherd High School Alysha Burns • Shepherd High School Stephanie Ley • Beal City High School

Nancy Carey Memorial Scholarship Isaac Angera •

Mt. Pleasant High School

Dr. Joyce Ann Carter Memorial Scholarship

Erin Clark • Central Michigan University

Class of 1965 Mt. Pleasant High School Scholarship

Kaelyn Maurer • Mt. Pleasant High School

Donna J. & W. Larry Collins/ GFWC Scholarship

Sylvia Vogel •

Saginaw Valley State University

Carolynn Cosan Memorial Scholarship

Haley Fox • Mt. Pleasant High School

Denison Family Scholarship

Amanda Sinclair •

Mt. Pleasant High School

Susan K. & Douglas E. Dodge Scholarship

Jacob Walters • Shepherd High School

C. Jane (Dubay) & Dwight D. Dodge Memorial Scholarship

Bradley Heath •

Merrill Community Schools

Richard C. Dubay Memorial Scholarship

Emma Carlson •

Merrill Community School

Eckersley Scholarship

Courtney Cotter •

Mt. Pleasant High School

Governor John Engler Scholarship

David Reihl • Beal City High School

Ganiard History Project Scholarship

Lucas Johnson • Mt. Pleasant High School Julia Pung • Mt. Pleasant High School Bryce Smedley • Mt. Pleasant High School

Goenner Family Scholarship

Alexis McConnell •

Sacred Heart Academy

Emerson W. Green Memorial Scholarship

Kylie Hutchinson • Shepherd High School

Earl G. Hartman, Sr. & Caroline Millar Hartman Scholarship

Maria Cristina Guytingco • Sacred Heart Academy Devin Humphreys •

Sacred Heart Academy

Jim Hartman Study Abroad Scholarship

Kara Bourland •

Central Michigan University

Phyllis A. Heinze Mathematics Education Scholarship

Alison Cataldo • Sacred Heart Academy



James R. Hodgins Memorial Scholarship

Jessica Araway •

Mt. Pleasant High School Mallorie Beavers • Shepherd High School Samantha Bolles •

Mt. Pleasant High School Brenden Cashen •

Mt. Pleasant High School Nathan Gruss • Shepherd Middle School Todd Hovey • Sacred Heart Academy Christian Maloney •

Sacred Heart Academy Lydia Miller • Mt. Pleasant High School

Isabella Bank Scholarship

David Bachelder • Shepherd High School Justin Brockschmidt •

Greenville High School
Jodi Hauck • Sacred Heart Academy
Hailey Hotchstetler • Clare High School
Brynn Lobert • Montabella High School
Mia McCrumb • Lakeview High School
Annie Noch • Mt. Pleasant High School
Nick Schafer • Beal City High School
Gabriel Simon • Mt. Pleasant High School
Skylar Stoddard • Farwell High School
Brett Walcutt • Chippewa Hills High School

Isabella Community Credit Union Members' Scholarship

Jordan Fox • Sacred Heart Academy Grace Rau • Beal City High School

Robert A. & Catherine A. Janson Scholarship

Ashley Craven • Mt. Pleasant High School

John P. & Ann S. Jensen Scholarship

Annie Bjerke • Central Michigan University

Dr. Thomas M. & Jayne Keating Scholarship

Kyle Lucksted • Mt. Pleasant High School



Harold & Marie Krapohl Scholarship Sophie Winn • Mt. Pleasant High School

Aaron Jacob Latham Memorial Scholarship

Tyrel Hoover • Beal City High School

Thomas W. Lavoie Memorial Scholarship

Zoe Zuehlke • Beal City High School

Shirley Lemorie Memorial Scholarship

Zachary Frederick • Shepherd High School



Paul Moeggenberg Family Youth Agricultural Scholarship Alida Brune • Shepherd High School

Herbert H. Lueth Scholarship

Brigette Berke • Kalamazoo College Kileigh Buchanan •

Grand Valley State Univeristy Fischer Smith • Caro High School

Maness Family Scholarship

Gina Machuta • Mt. Pleasant High School Emmy VanderVeen •

Mt. Pleasant High School

Martin Family Scholarship

Sophia Grossnickle •

Mt. Pleasant High School Albertino Schultz •

Mt. Pleasant High School



McGuirk Ganiard West Side School Sloan Felton • Mt. Pleasant High School Maggie Zurawski •

Mt. Pleasant High School

Mercantile Bank of Michigan Scholarship

Gabrielle Driessnack •
Mt. Pleasant High School
Lauryn Fairchild • Clare High School
Katelyn Hutchinson •
Shepherd High School
Alexandria Wentworth •

Mt. Pleasant High School



Gary Moe Memorial ScholarshipDeonte Long •

Mt. Pleasant Adult Education

Mt. Pleasant High School Class of 1959 Legacy Scholarship

Kiara Briggs • Mt. Pleasant High School
Matthew Couch •

Mt. Pleasant High School

Robert F. Murray & Co. CPA's Scholarship

Madison Cline • Mt. Pleasant High School

Myler Family Scholarship

Ashley Rawson • Sacred Heart Academy

Jason Parrott Scholarship

Marybeth Marsh • Mt. Pleasant High School

Jeff Reedy Memorial Scholarship

Blake Opdycke • Shepherd High School

Rotary Scholarship

Natalie Gross • Beal City High School Nathan Horsley • Beal City High School Ariel Salter • Beal City High School



George & Frances P. Rouman Mental Health Education ScholarshipAdam Newby •

Central Michigan University

Matthew S. Sharrar Memorial Scholarship

Mikayla Bierschbach • Beal City High School

Shepherd Public School Scholarship

Jacob Nugent • Shepherd High School Carey Smith • Shepherd High School Samantha Travis • Shepherd High School

Jeff & Roy Spencer Scholarship

Jeremiah Salisbury • Ferris State University



Nolan Stilgenbauer Agricultural Scholarship

Sydney Davis •
Michigan State University



Stokes Elementary Education Scholarship

Kiara Briggs • Mt. Pleasant High School

Harry E. Tope Memorial Aviation Scholarship

Rebecca Balcom • Expedition Academy

Jeffery Vernon Memorial Scholarship Alex Fuja • Mt. Pleasant High School

Kristopher Walden "Waldo" Arts Scholarship

Carrie Willoughby •
Central Michigan University

Bruce William Wood Memorial Scholarship

Caleb Riedel • Mt. Pleasant High School







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Victims of Sexual Assault
Logan and Billy Chilman
Larry Collins

Melanie Duke
Retired Ganiard Teachers
The Hersee Family
Peg Hicks
Marcy Hosking
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Michael Libbee
Julie Livingston
McArthur Insurance Agency
100th Year Anniversary
Elizabeth Miller and
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Those whose voices
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Gifts to the following funds will be invested, and the return on investments will be used to award grants and scholarships that benefit the residents of Isabella County...now and forever!

Community Impact Funds:

The following funds were established to make annual grants to charitable programs, services or projects that help address the ever-changing needs of Isabella County residents.

Bandit Industries Community Fund Ralph and Sonja Baumgarth Family Fund Barbara A. Bissot Fund **Bovee Family Fund** Ronald H. and Donna M. Cooper Family Fund **Denison Unrestricted Fund** Kimber and Judy DeWitt Family Fund Barbara L. and George W. Dunn Family Fund Fabiano Family Fund Ruth S. and Gerard R. Felter and Florence F. Battenfeld Family Fund

Fisher Companies Community Impact Fund Joanne Golden Family Community Impact Fund Hersee Family Fund Howard P. Himes Fund

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Community Needs Fund

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Myler Family Community Impact Fund

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Community Impact Fund

Dr. Leonard E. and Louise A. Plachta

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Ranck Family Fund Rapaport Family Fund

Schafer Community Impact Fund

Sherwood Family Fund

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