

Youth Advisory Council Serves Its Communities

The NCMCF Youth Advisory Council (YAC) was hard at work this year awarding grants and helping their communities through community service projects.



Melissa Eberle (left) works with Susan Perry on making quilts as a community service project for the Oscoda County YAC.

This year \$15,844 was awarded by the Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda County YACs to youth programs in the three-county NCMCF service area.

Each YAC also participated in several community service projects like sewing blankets for veterans, helping with the Kids Against Hunger food

drive, and assisting with a children's book drive.

River House Receives Grants for Toys

River House Shelter is often where mothers and children call home during difficult times. With the help of grants from NCMCF, the shelter has been able to feel more like a home with the addition of toys and space for healthy activities for children.



River House was able to build a basketball court, purchase new toys for younger children, and

install a new security camera for safety. These projects were funded through the Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda County

Kellogg Youth Funds, and community needs funds.

NCMCF Celebrates Ten Years of Philanthropy

In just ten short years, the North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF) has made a huge impact on the communities it serves.

A quick look shows that NCMCF has grown to over \$2.5 million in assets and has awarded nearly \$1.1 million in grants to nonprofit organizations benefiting residents of Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda Counties.

NCMCF Grant



OGEMAW COUNTY—Children attending Rose City's All Ages Summer Program learn about the dangers of tobacco use through a grant from the Ogemaw County Tobacco Settlement Fund.

New NCMCF Funds

Drs. Chris and Mary Chrysler West Branch Family Dentistry Fund

Provides scholarships to Ogemaw Heights High School graduates.

Wellspring Fund

This donor advised fund will award grants to nonprofit organizations as directed by the donors.

Grant Deadlines

Common Grants are due June 30 and Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grants are due December 31. (Crawford County YAC also has a March 31 grant deadline.) Grant applications are available online at www.ncmcf.org.

Volunteers Needed

NCMCF is seeking residents from Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda Counties to serve on its Board of Directors. This position is completely voluntary, and is a great way to serve our communities. For more information on joining the board and to find out what the position entails, please call Christine Bruske-Hitch at 877-354-6881.

Grant Opportunities Available

Grants from the Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda County Tobacco Funds are available for projects and programs promoting health for youth and/or senior citizens. These grants are awarded in conjunction with the NCMCF Common Grants. To learn more and to apply for grants, please visit our website at www.ncmcf.org, or call the Community Foundation office at 877-354-6881.

Please Support the Community Foundation

Grants from our many charitable funds, which are the heart of NCMCF's good work in our communities, are possible because of donors who care about the future of our area. Please consider a gift to the Crawford, Ogemaw, or Oscoda County Community Needs Funds, Kellogg Youth Funds, or any of NCMCF's 75 other charitable funds. Gifts may be made online at www.ncmcf.org, or by sending a check to NCMCF, P.O. Box 495, Alpena, MI 49707. Please be sure to write the name of the fund to which you are contributing on the memo line. There are many other ways to make a lasting impact, and the Community Foundation can help you do it. Rest assured, your gift will stay in your community to be used for the purpose you intend—forever.

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