



2007 Annual Report

North Central Michigan Community Foundation
Serving Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda Counties

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NCMCF is an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan.

CELEBRATING TEN YEARS OF PHILANTHROPY

It is with great pride that we share with you the 2007 Oscoda County Annual Report of the North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF). We are thrilled to celebrate a year filled with community-improving grants and new funds to support our area.

NCMCF is emerging as an important asset in improving the future of our community for those who live, work, raise their families, and play here. In the three-county region served by NCMCF (Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda Counties), over \$113,000 in grants and scholarships were awarded to support our communities during our 2007 fiscal year (Oct. 1, 2006—Sept. 30, 2007).

Here at NCMCF we believe in the power of endowment. It may sound complicated, but in reality, it's simple: we are dedicated to attracting and holding charitable funds from a wide range of donors with specific interests in helping our communities. Of the 67 funds we currently hold, 14 specifically benefit Oscoda County. We invest these funds and each year a portion of the income is used to award grants and scholarships. The remaining investment income is returned to the endowment fund to allow it to continue growing bigger, making an impact on our communities today, and long into the future.

Our donors are the ones who make these grants possible. You are the heart of NCMCF, and because of your generosity, at the end of our 2007 fiscal year, our assets were over \$2.5 million for the first time in our history! Specifically, Oscoda County funds totaled over \$533,000 with more than \$13,000 awarded in grants and scholarships this year.

We also would like to recognize our Youth Advisory Council (YAC). These young people from the NCMCF service area are truly dedicated to helping their fellow youth by awarding grant funding each year to programs specifically benefiting other children. They take the responsibility very seriously, and we are proud to have them as a part of the Community Foundation. In fact, in the coming year, NCMCF will include a YAC member as a voting member of the board.

On behalf of the NCMCF Board of Directors, staff, and entire community, thank you to our donors for helping us make a difference in our communities, and for the vision of recognizing Oscoda County's remarkable possibilities. Together we are preparing today for the future of our communities.

Warm Regards,

Oscoda County YAC Helps Veterans



The Oscoda County Youth Advisory Council (YAC) shows off the blankets they made for area veterans. More on page 2.

YAC Supports Local Arts Festival

It's tradition. Each year in June the Oscoda County Fairgrounds are full of the sounds of the AuSable Valley



The Salt Miners perform at the Music and Arts Festival 2007.

Nor-east'r Association of Folk's (AVNAF) Music and Arts Festival. And each year, more and more youth participate in the activities and performances.

This year, the Oscoda County Youth Advisory Council (YAC) supported the

festival with a grant from the Oscoda County Kellogg Youth Fund.

The funding was awarded to pay for a portion of performer fees for the talents presented at the festival.

Each year, YAC awards funding to programs that benefit youth in Oscoda County.

Using resources from the Kellogg Youth Fund at NCMCF, the YAC members determine grants while learning about the grantmaking process and the importance of philanthropy. To learn more about the YAC visit www.ncmcf.org.



Artist Emil Major painted and carved wildlife during the festival.

NCMCF: Making Dreams Happen

Ten years ago, the Oscoda County College Fund—used to award scholarships to Oscoda County graduating seniors—was established with a mere \$500. At the end of the 2007 fiscal year, the fund reached a new milestone, growing to over \$100,000. That's enough to provide over \$4,000 in scholarships to area students each year!

In 1997, Hugo and Kristen Burzlaff wanted to make a college education more accessible to students from Oscoda County. Both feel a college education is of the greatest importance for every student. With the creation of the Oscoda County College Fund, this dream of helping area students was becoming reality.

Emily Grantner, Lacy Spasato, and Stephanie Carpenter are just a few of the many scholarship recipients of this fund.

Emily graduated from Michigan State University with a Masters in Communications, and is currently working in Battle Creek at the Civil Department of Defense with computer and delivery information systems.

Lacy graduated from Cedarville College in Ohio with a BS in Biology, See COLLEGE, page 4.

2007 Oscoda County NCMCF Donors (October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Each year, our endowment funds at the Community Foundation grow larger through your gifts. Your support allows us to continue increasing the amount of grants and scholarships we can award to local nonprofits and Oscoda County students. On behalf of everyone at the North Central Michigan Community Foundation and the Oscoda County NCMCF Committee, thank you!

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We Support Our Community...Won't You Support Us?

Making a gift to the North Central Michigan Community Foundation is a truly simple way to make a lasting impact on our communities. Donors may contribute to an existing fund, or start their own fund.

To make a gift to an existing fund, there are many options. The most common is a gift of cash via check or credit card. Simply make a check out to NCMCF, and indicate the fund of your choice on the memo line. Then, mail it to P.O. Box 495, Alpena, MI 49707. You may also make a gift with your credit card by visiting the online giving section at www.ncmcf.org, or by calling our office.

Donors may also establish a new fund with just \$1,000 to support the charitable cause of their choice. Please call 877-354-6881 to learn more about how the Community Foundation can help you achieve your philanthropic goals.

There are many options for giving, including cash, bequests, gifts of appreciated stock, real estate and others.

YAC Focuses on Grants and Community Service

The main task for Youth Advisory Council (YAC) members is to assess the needs of youth in their communities, and make grants based on the results. However, they also show their concern and dedication to service by participating in community service projects throughout the year.



YAC MAKES BLANKETS—Members of NCMCF Oscoda County YAC display blankets they made for local veterans. From left, David Lyden, Sally Moulter, Sydney Small, Shelby Littlefield, Charlie Bouverette, and Kyle Handrich.

Recently, the Oscoda County YAC spent an entire night making blankets for local veterans. During an all-night lock-in at Fairview High School, the group worked with other youth to create warm blankets with the United States Army and United States Navy emblems.

The blankets were distributed to veterans through Michigan Veterans Hospitals during the holidays.

Other members of Oscoda County YAC also made blankets, but for a different cause. YAC members from Mio worked diligently to make several quilts, all of which were given to Petoskey Hospital for new babies.

In addition to their community service, Oscoda County YAC awarded \$1,732.35 to three different programs in their communities from the Oscoda County Kellogg Youth Fund.

If you are looking for a way to support youth and youth programs in Oscoda County, please consider a gift to the Oscoda County Kellogg Youth fund.

North Central Michigan Community Foundation Financial Summary

The following figures are for NCMCF's Oscoda County funds for the 2007 fiscal year, which runs from October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007.

<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Total Gifts</u>	<u>Investment Income</u>
\$533,936.38	\$40,261.00	\$73,208.12
<u>Total Growth</u>	<u>Grants Awarded</u>	
22.59%	\$13,270.50	

NCMCF 2007 Grants—Oscoda County

Oscoda County Community Endowment Fund

\$867 to Oscoda County Little League/Little League, Inc.—Minor Girls Little League Softball Equipment
 \$833 to Oasis Ministries/His Love Family Resources—F.Y.I. (For Youth Integrity)
 \$500 to River House Shelter—Toys for Children's Well Being
 \$100 to Kirtland Community College—Kirtland Youth Theater 07-08 Season

Oscoda County Kellogg Youth Fund

\$1,232 to Mio AuSable Schools—Mobile Lab Initiative
 \$300 to Oscoda County Fair and Great Lakes Forestry Expo—Oscoda County Fair
 \$200 to AuSable Valley Nor-east'r Association of Folk

Oscoda County Spendable Tobacco Settlement Fund

\$1,500 to Oscoda County MSU Extension—Peer Mentoring Program
 \$400 to Oscoda County Commission on Aging—Senior Expo

Mabel Hager Memorial Fund

\$1,000 to Mio United Methodist Church—Vacation Bible School activities

Oscoda County College Fund

\$1,000 to Western Michigan University (\$500 each for Kristen Kososky and Raeanne Madison)
 \$500 to Macomb Community College for Courtney Elsworth
 \$500 to School of Missionary Aviation Technology for Michael Felts
 \$500 to Kirtland Community College for Johnna Shephard
 \$500 to Saginaw Valley State University for Angela Welser
 \$500 to Northwestern Michigan College for Justin Weidbrauk
 \$500 to Lake Superior State University for Patrick Wright

Sharon Sutton Memorial Scholarship Fund

\$1,000 to Lake Superior State University for Amanda Longacre

Whaley Steel Scholarship Fund

\$500 to Saginaw Valley State University for Amie Byelich
 \$500 to School of Missionary Aviation Technology for Michael Felts
 \$500 to Western Michigan University for Kristen Kososky



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Oscoda County NCMCF Funds

Designated Funds

Diane Gates Memorial Fund
 District Health Department #2 Fund
 Mabel Hager Memorial Fund
 Oscoda County Library Fund
 Steiner Museum Fund

Field of Interest Funds

Oscoda County Kellogg Youth Fund
 Oscoda County Tobacco Settlement Fund

Scholarship Funds

Dawson Oaks Memorial Scholarship Fund
 Kirtland Community College Educational Fund
 Oscoda County College Fund
 *St. Mary Church/Our Lady of the Woods Shrine Scholarship Fund
 Sharon Sutton Memorial Scholarship Fund
 Whaley Steel Scholarship Fund

Unrestricted Funds

Oscoda County Community Endowment Fund
 North Central Affiliate Administrative Needs Fund
 *Fund was established during the 2007 fiscal year.

Note: Although the greatest possible care has been taken in preparation of this report, NCMCF recognizes the possibility of omissions or errors. If they are noted, please accept our apologies and advise us of corrections to be made.

Applying for Grants

The North Central Michigan Community Foundation accepts grant applications throughout the year for various types of programs specific to Oscoda County residents. All grants are awarded to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, schools, churches (for non religious purposes), and government agencies.

Common Grants

Awarded to a wide variety of charitable programs throughout Oscoda County.

Deadline: June 30

Tobacco Grants

Awarded to projects and programs that promote tobacco cessation and/or prevention in youth under the age of 18 and senior citizens over 65.

Deadline: March 31

Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grants

YAC grants are awarded to projects and programs benefiting youth under the age of 18. These grants are considered by a group of youth from across Oscoda County, and require a brief presentation from the applicant before the YAC.

Deadline: December 31

Requested amount cannot exceed \$2,500 for YAC and Tobacco grants, or \$1,000 for Common Grants. See the NCMCF website for more information.

Grant applications are available online at www.ncmcf.org. Applications may either be submitted online or mailed to NCMCF.



NCMCF BOARD—From left, Hugo Burzlaff, Bernie Bak, Bob Carpenter, Mark Clements, Carolyn DiPonio, Jim Howard, David Waltz (2006), Bill Gascoigne, and Joe Porter.

Tax Advantages of Giving to NCMCF

Married Couple, Filing a Joint Return

Amount of Gift	x 50%	=	Credit
\$ 50	.5	=	\$ 25
\$100	.5	=	\$ 50
\$200	.5	=	\$100
\$400	.5	=	\$200
More than \$400	.5	=	\$200 (maximum credit)



For individuals

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\$ 50	.5	=	\$ 25
\$100	.5	=	\$ 50
\$200	.5	=	\$100
More than \$200	.5	=	\$100 (maximum credit)

Businesses should consult their professional tax advisor to determine their credit.

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and will start work on her Master's degree this spring. Currently, she is employed with Chase Bank in Brownsburg, Indiana.

Stephanie graduated from Concordia University in Ann Arbor with a Bachelors degree in elementary education, and will soon complete her masters program. She teaches first grade at an elementary school in Ypsilanti.

In the first two years of its existence the fund received gifts and income that raised its total to nearly \$20,000. The first scholarship was awarded in 1998, and to date over \$28,000 has been given to Oscoda County graduates.

Visit Us Online!

For the most up-to-date information about grants, new funds, and the Youth Advisory Council (YAC), visit our website at www.ncmcf.org.

Here, you can:

- Make a gift with your credit card
- Apply for grants
- Keep informed on the latest NCMCF news
- Learn about our many different charitable funds
- Learn about ways you can make a difference in our communities for generations to come.



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