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2015: A Year of Greater Giving All Around

The Iosco County Community Foundation (ICCF) board of directors is pleased to share with you that 2015 showed significant increases in both gifts and grant awards. Gifts to ICCF increased by more than 50 percent from the year before, and the amount of grants more than doubled. We also gained a new endowment fund: The Iosco County Healthcare Initiative Fund. Grants from this endowment will be awarded in conjunction with our Community Improvement grants specifically for programs addressing health care needs in Iosco County.

The Iosco County Youth Advisory Council (YAC), made up of young people 12 to 21 years old, awarded \$8,050 in grants from the Iosco County Kellogg Youth Fund. All YAC grants benefit youth in our communities. *See a feature article on our YAC below.*

Giving Back and Spreading the Word

From music and theater programs to human service and health care programs, our grants make up the heart of our work in the community. Each and every grant listed in this report is possible because of our donors. It takes the generosity of individuals like you to support the needs of our local nonprofits and students.

We hope you read through the 2015 Annual Report and feel proud of the good work taking place around Iosco County as a result of those who have made a commitment to give back to our local communities. We encourage you to share the Annual Report with others who could benefit from knowing about our grant opportunities, or who are in a position to make a gift to the Iosco County Community Foundation.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of the Iosco County Community Foundation. As you can read in the following pages, your generosity can make a significant difference in local communities throughout Iosco County!

With warmest regards and appreciation,
ICCF Board of Directors

The Power of an Unrestricted Gift

Matching individuals who want to make a charitable gift with community causes that are near and dear to their hearts is one of the most rewarding and important roles of the Iosco County Community Foundation. All gifts received by the Community Foundation allow us to make grants that help make Iosco County a better place to live, work and play.

Equally important though is for donors to consider an "unrestricted" gift to the

Community Foundation. Availability of unrestricted funds is vital to sustaining ICCF's flexibility to meet the ever-changing needs of our communities. In 2015, however, only 1.4% of our grant awards were from unrestricted funds. As you plan your next or first gift to ICCF, please consider making an unrestricted gift as an option. If you would like to learn more about unrestricted gifts, please call our office at 877-354-6881.

YAC: A Tradition of Youth Philanthropy

Supporting youth philanthropy is a long-standing tradition in the community foundation field. Did you know that right here in Iosco County we have our own group of youth philanthropists who are learning the importance of giving back while working for the betterment of our communities?

"It is amazing to see students from all the schools in our county come together and make very important decisions," said Youth Advisory Council (YAC) advisor Jordan Barclay. "This is where I see the most growth from our students as well. Sometimes the ones who are generally quiet will have the strongest opinions and bring up thoughts or questions no one in the group would have otherwise considered. Often their grant decisions involve deep retrospection. They have to be able to put aside personal feelings or biases to work within the YAC to come up with the best possible solutions for their community."

While the YAC members have the guidance and support of adult advisors, the grant decisions are entirely in the hands of these youth, and they take their responsibility very seriously.

See the full story online at iccf-online.org.



A Very Special Thank You to Our Donors

(January 1 through December 31, 2015)

On behalf of the many students and community organizations that benefit from your generosity, the ICCF board of directors and staff thank you! Your commitment to giving back today will continue to benefit our local communities for generations to come.

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Iosco County Community Foundation Financial Summary

(January 1 through December 31, 2015)

TOTAL ASSETS

\$4,774,319.68

TOTAL GIFTS

\$190,581.63

GRANTS AWARDED

\$384,384

2015 Grant Awards

Mary Jane Chevis Endowment Fund

St. Joseph Health System Foundation \$207,000
Hospital Equipment

George E. & Dorothy M. Green Scholarship Fund

Central Michigan University \$3,500
Michigan State University \$1,500

William and Marcia Hopcroft Memorial Fund

Annual Grant to ICCF \$806

Thomas B. & Nancy E. Huck Charitable Gift Fund

Helen Laidlaw Foundation \$3,500
Iosco County Community Foundation \$125

Carl & Christine Huebner Scholarship Fund

Central Michigan University \$5,000

Joseph Barkman Scholarship Fund

Grand Valley State University \$1,250
Northwood University \$500
Saginaw Valley State University \$750
University of Michigan \$750

Iosco County Community Improvement Fund

Boy Scouts of America Crossroads Council \$2,500
Comprehensive Youth Development
Heritage Coast Sailing and Rowing, Inc. \$1,500
Summer Rowing and Sailing Program
Huron Shores Genealogical Society \$840
A Legacy on Glass: A Traveling Exhibit of Iosco
Shelter, Inc. \$600
Outreach and Services Advocacy and Support

Hale Education Fund

Brigham Young University \$1,500
Delta College \$700
Kirtland Community College \$700
Lake Superior State University \$750
Michigan Technological University \$1,500

Iosco County Health Care Fund

Alcona Citizens for Health, Inc. \$245
MI-Connect

Iosco County Arts & Humanities Fund

Huron Shores Genealogical Society \$160
A Legacy on Glass: A Traveling Exhibit

Tawas Education Foundation Barkman Fund

Tawas Area Education Foundation \$4,000
Educational Grants

Tawas Education Foundation Coyle Fund

Central Michigan University \$3,000
Michigan State University \$6,000
Murray State University \$2,500
Saginaw Valley State University \$500

Tawas Education Foundation General Fund

Saginaw Valley State University \$1,000
Tawas Area Education Foundation \$9,000
Educational Grants

Tawas Education Foundation Jensen Fund

University of Michigan \$2,500

St. Joseph Educational Foundation Fund

Holy Family School \$8,968

Iosco County Kellogg Youth Fund

(Youth Advisory Council Grants)
Hale United Methodist Church \$2,500
Heaven's Angels Violins
Holy Family School \$1,000
PTO Color Blast 5K Fun Zone
Iosco County Coats for Kids \$2,500
2015 Coat Distributions
Learning to Give \$250
Website and Design Update
Shoreline Players, Inc. \$1,500
Shoreline Players Youth Drama Association
Whittemore-Prescott Area Schools \$300
Project Teach

Marie Samuelson Scholarship Fund

Holy Family School \$15,500

ICCF Spendable Tobacco Settlement Fund

Alcona Citizens for Health, Inc. \$430
MI-Connect
Oscoda Area First Responders \$1,000
Community AED Battery Replacement

Tawas Community Concert Band Endowment Fund

Michigan Lions Club All-Star Band Travel \$800
for Doug Ferguson and Kayla Vincenty-Cole

Tawas Football Alumni Assoc. Fund

Alumni of Tawas Football Association \$1,680
Dummy Blocking Equipment
Northwood University \$1,000

Michael Wentworth Scholarship Fund

Alpena Community College \$10,000
Eastern Michigan University \$20,000
Interlochen Arts Academy \$21,630
Kendall College of Art & Design \$29,150

Elmer & Eliza Werth Fund

Michigan State University \$1,000
Saginaw Valley State University \$1,000

Kelby Ruckle Named 2015 Philanthropist of the Year

The Iosco County Community Foundation named Kelby Ruckle of Whittemore as its 2015 Philanthropist of the Year during a luncheon held in his honor on May 20, 2015 at Rainbow Gardens in National City.



Kelby Ruckle (center, with award) is pictured with ICCF board members and past honorees. (L to R: Janel Walmsley, Dana McGrew, Pauline Ferns, Kathy Alward (2014 honoree), Jane Meyer (2013 honoree), Tony Johnson, Cliff Miller and Aaron Korczowski.

Ruckle is the fourth person to receive this award. He is the owner of Ruckle Farms in Whittemore and has been president of the Iosco County Agriculture Society for more than 20 years. He has dedicated financial resources, farm equipment and other goods, and countless volunteer hours to the Whittemore-Prescott Future Farmers of America (FFA), Iosco County 4-H programs and the Iosco County Fair Board. Through his work with these organizations, he has touched the lives of many young people in Iosco County.

According to ICCF President Tony Johnson, the Philanthropist of the Year award is about more than just recognizing someone for financial contributions.

"Kelby is very giving of his time," said Johnson. "There are some great people out there doing great things for our communities, and we are proud to have the opportunity to honor them."

The luncheon honoring Ruckle was attended by family, close friends and the ICCF board and staff.

The Philanthropist of the Year is awarded each year in May. Nominations are submitted by the public. Nomination forms for 2017 are available on ICCF's website at www.iccf-online.org and may be submitted any time before March 1, 2017.