



2011 Annual Report

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

A message to our communities,

Helping to send a graduate off to college, feeding hungry families, keeping our communities safe, and helping to provide the most basic needs for local residents is wonderfully satisfying.

In 2011, Iosco County Community Foundation (ICCF) donors helped do all of that, and more. Investing the gifts of generous people who care about our communities, and using the resulting grant funds to make a difference in Iosco County is what we do. Without our donors, it doesn't happen.

That's why we are so thankful that even during these turbulent economic times, we have learned that we can count on the never-ending generosity of those who wish to better their community, and help ICCF make an impact where it's needed the most.

If the past few years have taught us anything, it is that we cannot always foresee what will happen in the future. However, the power of a community foundation is that we can address the issues in our area as they change and evolve, as a permanent fixture in our communities.

We are proud to be able to share this 2011 ICCF Annual Report; to honor donors who made a gift during the year, to share a list of more than \$85,000 in grants to Iosco County, and to share how residents in our service area can help us make a lasting impact...for good, for ever.

Warm regards,
ICCF Board of Directors

ICCF Grant Sends Kids to MDA Summer Camp



A \$730 ICCF Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grant provided funding for an Iosco County child to attend the 2011 Summer Camp by the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). While campers attend they get the chance to participate in fun activities and events they might otherwise not get the opportunity to experience.

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ICCF Awards Grant for Community Garden Project

Many Iosco County residents had the opportunity to plant their own gardens over the summer through the East Tawas Community Garden Project. ICCF provided a \$690



Common Grant to Iosco County MSU Extension to construct raised planting beds and climbing trellises.

The goal of the project was to make the garden more accessible and inclusive for gardeners of all ages and abilities to have a garden, therefore also helping them to produce their own healthy, nutritional food. The raised beds and trellises have made it easier for

older individuals to work in their gardens because they don't need to crouch or bend in order to tend their plants.

Through the garden project, families have free use of individual plots to plant and harvest with the assistance and coaching of gardeners from the Sunrise Side Master Gardener Association.

Grants Provide Baby Pantry Necessities



According to the 2008 Kids Count survey, 27% of Iosco County children are living in poverty. To help the parents of those children who are newborns, and up to age 3, baby pantries in Iosco County are working to provide the essentials for families, particularly those with young mothers.

Two grants from the Iosco County Community Needs Fund were awarded to help local pantries. The Hale Area FISH's Hale Baby Pantry and Carol's Baby Pantry (through the Iosco County Child Protection Council) received a total of \$1,500 in grants to purchase baby food, formula, diapers and clothing for children. Combined, the two agencies were able to assist more than 280 families in Iosco County. With the help of donations, grant funding and the time of volunteer workers, the Hale Baby Pantry and Carol's Baby Pantry hope to be able to help even more families next year.

"Several of our grants this year were aimed at lessening the burden on some of Iosco County's families who have been hit the hardest by the economic downturn," said Chad Brandt, ICCF Board President. "That ICCF's grants are able to meet needs like these, in addition to funding all types of programs, is a real asset to our communities."

Iosco County Community Foundation Donors (October 1, 2010 - September 30, 2011)

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To our donors: ICCF thanks you for your generosity and vision of Iosco County’s remarkable possibilities. Without you our many grants and scholarships—the heart of our good work in the community—would not be possible.

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2011 Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

The Iosco County Youth Advisory Council (YAC), which awards grants from the Iosco County Kellogg Youth Fund, made their mark on their communities this year through focused grantmaking, community service and efforts to increase awareness of philanthropy and charitable giving. During the 2011 fiscal year, YAC awarded \$9,029 to seven different programs benefiting youth in Iosco County.

Grantmaking



Members of the Iosco County 4-H Shooting Sports Team attend a national shooting competition in Texas in summer 2011. A \$2,500 YAC Grant to Iosco County MSU Extension made the trip possible.



Community Service



Above—Throughout the year, YAC members participated in community service projects including Relay for Life in Iosco County (above), teaching computer classes for senior citizens and packaging food boxes.

Leadership



Above—An ICCF YAC member helps an elementary school student with their school work.

Philanthropy



Two ICCF YAC members attended the 2011 Summer Leadership Conference in East Lansing. Each year, more than 250 YACers and advisors from Michigan and all over the country gather to discuss issues surrounding youth philanthropy.

Iosco County Community Foundation
Financial Summary

The following figures are for ICCF's 2011 fiscal year— October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011.

<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Total Gifts</u>	<u>Grants Awarded</u>
\$2,661,269	\$36,570	\$88,221

Iosco County Community Foundation 2011 Grants

Alma College\$2,000 Scholarship	Loon Lake Association\$500 Expenses
Brigham Young University\$500 Scholarship	Michigan State University\$10,500 Scholarships
C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District\$500 Great Start Early Childhood Fund	MSU Extension—Iosco County\$4,190 Accessible Community Garden Project Iosco County 4-H Exceptional Equestrians Iosco County 4-H Shooting Sports Competition
Central Michigan University\$4,500 Scholarships	Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA)\$730 MDA Summer Camp 2011
Delta College\$500 Scholarship	Oscoda United Methodist Church\$1,000 Loaves and Fishes Cafe
Friends of the Robert J. Parks Library\$500 Installation of Security Cameras	Saginaw Valley State University\$2,500 Scholarships
Grand Valley State University\$3,000 Scholarships	St. Joseph Health System Foundation\$40,000 Advanced Microbiology Laboratory Equipment
Hale Area FISH\$500 Hale Baby Pantry	We Share Foundation\$1,000 Quota International of Iosco County—Classroom Amplification System Repairs
Hale United Methodist Church\$1,500 Heaven’s Angels Violin Program	Whittemore-Prescott Area Schools\$2,799 Third Annual Appreciation Celebration Whittemore-Prescott Food Pantry
Helen Laidlaw Foundation\$300 Operating Expenses	
Holy Family School\$8,202 Annual Grant from St. Joseph Educational Foundation Fund	
Kendall School of Art and Design\$3,000 Scholarship	

ICCF Charitable Funds

Donor Advised Funds Tawas Kiwanis Foundation Fund Thomas & Nancy Huck Charitable Gift Endowment Fund	Iosco County Kellogg Youth Fund Iosco County Lakes and Rivers Fund Iosco County Tobacco Settlement Fund	Tawas Community Concert Band Endowment Fund Tawas Education Foundation Barkman Fund Tawas Education Foundation Coyle Fund Tawas Education Foundation General Fund Tawas Education Foundation Restricted Fund
Designated Funds Churchill Tawas FISH, Inc. Memorial Fund Jerry and Marge Cotter Fund Friends of the East Tawas Library Fund Iosco Affiliate Administrative Fund Mary Jane Chevis Endowment Fund The Sheppard Fund St. Joseph Education Foundation Endowment Fund Tawas United Methodist Church Fund Van Etten Lake Endowment Fund	Agency Funds AuSable Valley Community Mental Health Fund Iosco County Humane Society Endowment Fund St. Joseph Health System Endowment Fund	Unrestricted Funds Iosco County Community Needs Fund William and Marcia Hopcroft Memorial Fund
Field of Interest Funds Iosco County Arts and Humanities Fund Iosco County Health Care Fund	Scholarship Funds Carl and Christine Huebner Scholarship Fund Duane N. Sanders Memorial Scholarship Fund Elmer and Eliza Werth Fund George E. and Dorothy M. Green Scholarship Fund Hale Education Fund Joseph Barkman Scholarship Fund Marie Samuelson Scholarship Fund Michael Wentworth Scholarship Fund Nancy Moran Scholarship Fund for Holy Family School	Deferred Income Fund Carl and Christine Huebner Charitable Gift Annuity Fund

ICCF Strategic Goal Update

The ICCF Board has been working diligently to achieve three objectives identified in a strategic planning session held in late 2009. Those goals were to increase unrestricted assets by \$10,000 by the end of 2011; to build the ICCF Board of Directors with representation from across Iosco County; and to increase public awareness of the Community Foundation. In achieving these goals, the ICCF Board believes they will be able to better serve Iosco County’s nonprofits, residents and visitors.

As a result of their efforts in 2011, ICCF’s unrestricted assets have increased by over \$8,100; A new trustee, Cliff C. Miller—has joined the Board as a representative from the Tawas area; and the ICCF Board members have been representing the Community Foundation at local events (including the Iosco County Fair, Oscoda Business Expo and local high school graduation events).

Applying for Grants

The Iosco County Community Foundation accepts grant applications during the year for various types of programs throughout Iosco County. All grants are awarded to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, schools, churches (for non religious purposes), or government agencies.

Common Grants

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

Deadline: May 1

Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grants

Awarded to projects and programs benefiting youth under the age of 18 in Iosco County. These grants are reviewed and awarded by ICCF's Youth Advisory Council (YAC) - a group of youth from across Iosco County.

Deadline: February 28

The maximum request amount for Common Grants is \$1,000. Youth Advisory Council Grant applicants may request up to \$2,500. See the ICCF website for more information.

Grant applications are available for completion and submission online at www.iccf-online.org. Mini-grant applications are also available online, but must be mailed to the ICCF office.

Unrestricted Giving Helps ICCF Make Broad Impact

When it comes to a gift's maximum impact in Iosco County, there is a sure way to help meet the community's needs while getting the most out of your donation: unrestricted giving.

"All of our charitable funds make an impact in the community, but unrestricted funds give the Community Foundation both the resources and the flexibility to respond to community needs now and in the future," says Barbara Willyard, Executive Director of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan.

Unrestricted funds, such as the Iosco County Community Needs Fund, allow the Community Foundation to award grants to a broad range of programs, and provide the ability to meet needs in the community as they change. Currently ICCF has 35 endowment funds—only two are unrestricted. Willyard said she hopes to see more of these funds established, as well as additional gifts to the current ones.

Field of Interest funds, such as the Iosco County Arts and Humanities Fund and the Iosco County Lakes and Rivers Fund, give donors the opportunity to direct their gift toward a specific area of interest, but still give the Community Foundation flexibility in awarding grants. As you consider making a gift to an existing ICCF fund, or establishing an endowment fund of your own, feel free to contact us at 877-354-6881 to find out more about the power of unrestricted giving.



2011 ICCF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Left to right: Anthony Johnson, Stephanie Mallak Olson, Patti Casey, Pastor Rick Vogeley, Jane Peters and Cliff Miller. Not pictured: Chad Brandt, Shelley Buresh, Pauline Ferns and Sarah Savin (youth trustee).



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