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A Message from the NCMCF Board of Directors

2018 was a year of growth and of broadening our impact in the North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF) region of Crawford, Ogemaw and Oscoda Counties. Our Board and our donors are passionate, committed, and excited to partner with the Foundation in caring for our communities. We understand and embrace the fact that what makes our region unique is worth supporting and preserving. Our lakes, streams and rivers; our schools and the children educated there; our libraries; our museums; our churches; our festivals; our parks...these treasures are worth our care.

We thank each and every person for their contributions in 2018. These forward-thinking donors play a role in each and every grant awarded. We are proud to share our grants and the Foundation's successes. It all happens because of those who care and give back.

With warmest regards and appreciation,
NCMCF Board of Directors

Youth Advisory Council Puts Fellow Youth First

The North Central Michigan Community Foundation Youth Advisory Councils, or YACs, have been serving our communities for over 20 years. The premise of this youth philanthropy program is to teach the importance of giving back and empowering youth to make a difference in their communities, and our YACs took this to a new level in 2018.



YAC members with former CMU football player and motivational speaker Brian Pruitt.

After the YACs spearheaded their tri-annual Youth Needs Assessment, the alarming results showed that stress issues, mental health and depression, and substance abuse topped this list by huge margins. The YAC members weren't surprised, but they were determined to do something about it.

In April 2018, the NCMCF YAC from Oscoda County awarded a special, proactive grant to bring motivational speaker and life coach Brian Pruitt to

their classmates, and to parents in their communities.

"Brian's unique message of hope, overcoming obstacles, and finding encouragement in life's most challenging times is something our Youth Advisory Council members felt could be helpful for their fellow students," said YAC Advisor Kevin Salsbury. "We are so proud of this group of young people for stepping up and trying to address a couple of major issues in our communities head-on."

The Crawford, Ogemaw and Oscoda County YACs also focused on the top issues by directing grants toward projects like the Ogemaw Kids Club's afterschool programming, food and clothing assistance programs benefitting local children, and programs providing opportunities to keep their fellow youth engaged and safe during non-school hours.

YAC is a group of young people ages 12 to 21 from the NCMCF service area. Working with adult advisors, these youth work to improve the lives of other children in their communities through the allocation of grant funding from the NCMCF Kellogg Youth Funds.

West Branch-Based YMCA Program Promotes Enjoyment of Nature



Kids were able to experience the great outdoors and learn new skills through an NCMCF grant-funded project at the YMCA Camp Timbers West Branch Nature Program.

"Students gained a greater appreciation and understanding for the world around them, specifically the nature within Ogemaw County," said Chelsea Schiavi of Camp Timbers. "This includes grasping the concept of orienteering and GPS Navigation. This year, we had just over 850 students that were directly impacted by the nature programs we offer for Outdoor Education."

North Central Michigan Community Foundation Financial Summary

(January 1 through December 31, 2018)

TOTAL ASSETS**\$4,671,223****TOTAL GIFTS****\$428,062****GRANTS AWARDED****\$226,917****2018 Grant Awards****Community Impact Grants****Crawford County Community Endowment Fund**

Crawford AuSable Day Care, Inc.	\$750
<i>Chairs and Curriculum Materials</i>	
Crawford Roscommon Child Protection Council	\$750
<i>Safe Seats for Kids</i>	
Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church	\$750
<i>Bell Tower Restoration</i>	
Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church	\$1,000
<i>Community Food Truck Distribution</i>	
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI	\$200
<i>Family Support Program 2018</i>	
Roscommon-Crawford Foster Closet	\$70
<i>Adopt A Child</i>	

Ogemaw County Community Endowment Fund

Human Trafficking Community Group	\$1,000
<i>Walk for Freedom</i>	
Ogemaw County Humane Society	\$1,000
<i>Exterior Fence Slats</i>	
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI	\$365
<i>Family Support Program 2018</i>	
Rose City Lupton Festival and Events	\$1,000
<i>Expression Swing</i>	

Oscoda County Community Endowment Fund

His Love Family Resources	\$1,000
<i>Christmas Shoppe</i>	
Praxis Church	\$1,000
<i>Oscoda County Reads</i>	

Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grants**Crawford County Kellogg Youth Fund**

Crawford Roscommon Child Protection Council	\$1,000
<i>Darkness to Light - Stewards of Children</i>	
<i>Sexual Abuse Prevention Training</i>	

River House, Inc.	\$1,000
<i>Youth Summer Program</i>	
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI	\$1,000
<i>Family Support Program 2018</i>	

Ogemaw County Kellogg Youth Fund

Ana's Treasures	\$1,709
<i>Ana's Treasures Foster Care Supplies</i>	
Iosco County Coats for Kids	\$2,500
<i>Keeping Kids Warm</i>	
Ogemaw County	\$1,000
<i>Ogemaw County Nature Park Fence</i>	
Ogemaw Kids Club	\$1,500
<i>Ogemaw Kids Club - After School Program</i>	
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI	\$500
<i>Family Support Program 2018</i>	
St. Joseph School	\$1,700
<i>Kids Coalition Against Hunger</i>	
<i>Food Packaging</i>	
West Branch - Rose City Schools	\$294
<i>All Eyes on Sight Words</i>	
West Branch - Rose City Schools	\$1,890
<i>New Music Stands for Surline Middle School</i>	
West Branch - Rose City Schools	\$2,500
<i>New Xylophone for Ogemaw Heights</i>	
<i>Symphonic Band</i>	
West Branch - Rose City Schools	\$1,000
<i>Youth Lego Club</i>	
West Branch Public Library	\$500
<i>Summer Reading Rocks the Library</i>	
YMCA of Saginaw	\$885
<i>YMCA Camp Timbers - Nature Programs</i>	

Oscoda County Kellogg Youth Fund

Oscoda County Library	\$450
<i>Puppets and Poetry</i>	
Oscoda Youth Advisory Council	\$2,500
<i>Brian Pruitt Speaking Events</i>	
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI	\$1,000
<i>Family Support Program 2018</i>	

Crawford County Historical Society Donor Fund

Crawford County Historical Society	\$4,725
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G. Jerome Kessler Memorial Scholarship Fund

Crawford AuSable Excellence in Education Fund	\$34,234
Northern Michigan University	\$1,200

Grayling Kiwanis Club General Fund

Spring Arbor University	\$500
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Loretta Sorenson Kessler Memorial Scholarship Fund

Crawford AuSable Excellence in Education Fund	\$34,428
Oakland University	\$1,200

Lake Margrethe Foundation Fund

Lake Margrethe Property Owners Assn.	\$4,271
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Crawford Spendable Tobacco Settlement Fund*

Crawford County Community Christian HELP Center	\$1,000
Roscommon-Crawford Foster Closet	\$930

Ward C. Taylor Memorial Endowment Fund

Wellington Farm Park, Inc.	\$151
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Crystal Bohlinger Memorial Scholarship Fund

Wayne State University	\$500
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West Branch Business and Professional Women's Education Fund

Kirtland Community College	\$1,000
Oakland University	\$1,000

ESP Jerry Bunch Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ferris State University	\$300
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ESP Maxine Calvin Memorial Scholarship Fund

Central Michigan University	\$350
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Cindy Short Memorial Scholarship Fund

Delta College	\$500
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ESP Daniel Wilber Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ferris State University	\$750
Michigan Technological University	\$750

ESP Edwin Shiel Memorial Fund

ESP Foundation	\$2,331
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Educational Support Partnership Scholarship Fund

Delta College	\$500
Eastern Michigan University	\$500

ESP Foundation	\$3,292
Kirtland Community College	\$500

Craig Funsch Scholarship Fund-Whitemore Prescott High School

Saginaw Valley State University	\$350
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Craig Funsch Memorial Scholarship Fund-Ogemaw Heights HS

Alpena Community College	\$500
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Reynold A. Gogarn Memorial Scholarship Fund

Grand Valley State University	\$3,944
University of Michigan	\$1,972
Oakland University	\$1,972
Western Michigan University	\$1,972
Pensacola Christian College	\$1,972
Northern Michigan University	\$1,972
Michigan State University	\$3,944
Brigham Young University	\$1,972

Holton Family Fund for Math, Science and the Arts

ESP Foundation	\$800
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JL Howard Fund

Hospice of Helping Hands	\$24,987
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ESP Irene McMinn Scholarship Fund

Kirtland Community College	\$600
Saginaw Valley State University	\$600

West Branch Kiwanis Club Education Fund

University of Michigan	\$1,000
Brigham Young University	\$1,000

Sheryl Krantz Memorial Scholarship Fund

Saginaw Valley State University	\$750
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ESP Ogemaw Heights Student Activities Scholarship Fund

Kirtland Community College	\$400
Saginaw Valley State University	\$400

Optimist Club of West Branch Education Fund

Grand Valley State University	\$1,500
Wayne State University	\$1,500

Monnie Orr Memorial Fund*

City of Rose City	\$1,000
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ESP Richard Pauley Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ogemaw Heights High School	\$500
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Irene E. Peterson Scholarship Fund

Grand Valley State University	\$1,000
Mid Michigan College	\$1,000
Wayne State University	\$1,000

Kristin Marie Provoast Memorial Scholarship

Aveda Institute	\$700
Madonna University	\$700

Griffin Beverage Scholarship Fund

Bowling Green State University	\$600
Central Michigan University	\$600
Grand Valley State University	\$600

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NCMCF 2018 Grants, continued

ESP Richard Riling Memorial Scholarship Fund
Kirtland Community College \$300

ESP Bernice Ruh Scholarship Fund
Grand Valley State University \$500

ESP Arthur E. Short Memorial Scholarship Fund
Wayne State University \$500

Ogemaw County Healthcare Initiative Fund*
Tolfree Foundation \$1,000

Ogemaw Spendable Tobacco Settlement Fund*
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI \$635
West Branch - Rose City Schools \$1,000

ESP Steuernol & McLaren Funeral Home Scholarship Fund
Oakland University \$500

ESP Chester Surline Memorial Scholarship Fund
Delta College \$500

John "Jack" G. Thompson Scholarship Fund
Grand Valley State University \$450

Tanya Lynn Reilly Memorial Scholarship Fund
Olivet College \$500
Kirtland Community College \$500
Mid Michigan College \$500

ESP VFW Orren Fox Scholarship Fund
Grand Valley State University \$600
Muskegon Community College \$600

Willard & Irvadene Wangler Scholarship Fund
Michigan State University \$700

Lee H. Ward Memorial Scholarship Fund
Saginaw Valley State University \$700

West Branch High School Endowment Scholarship Fund
Delta College \$600
Ferris State University \$600
Grand Valley State University \$1,200
Kirtland Community College \$600
Lake Superior State University \$600
Northwood University \$600
Western Michigan University \$600

Drs. Chris & Mary Chrysler West Branch Family Dentistry Fund
Delta College \$500

ESP John W. Wilcox Memorial Scholarship Fund
Kirtland Community College \$1,000
Saginaw Valley State University \$1,000
Wayne State University \$1,000

Terry Zettel Memorial Scholarship Fund
Kirtland Community College \$2,000

Oscoda County College Fund
Alpena Community College \$1,500
Calvin College \$500
Kirtland Community College \$1,500
Michigan State University \$500
Pensacola Christian College \$500
Saginaw Valley State University \$500
University of Michigan \$1,000

Dawson Oaks Memorial Scholarship Fund
Macomb Community College \$100

St. Mary Church/Our Lady of the Woods Shrine Scholarship Fund
Alpena Community College \$1,000
Michigan State University \$1,000

Dick & Doris Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund
Alpena Community College \$1,400
Central Michigan University \$700
Concordia University \$700
Macomb Community College \$500
Northern Michigan University \$700

Oscoda Spendable Tobacco Settlement Fund*
Ronald McDonald House of Western MI \$1,000

Sharon Sutton Memorial Scholarship Fund
Alpena Community College \$500
Kirtland Community College \$500

Whaley Steel Scholarship Fund
Calvin College \$500
Kirtland Community College \$1,000
Michigan State University \$500
Saginaw Valley State University \$500
University of Michigan \$1,500
Western Michigan University \$500

**Grants from these funds are awarded in conjunction with NCMCF Community Impact Grants.*

Congratulations to NCMCF's 2018 Scholarship Recipients!

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How great to experience the beauty of Michigan's white-tailed deer up close with a chance to feed and pet these animals!

The Ogemaw County Parks and Recreation Department received a 2018 grant to expand the fencing system at the Ogemaw Nature Park. Project organizers say the new fencing will provide a better and more sustainable habitat for the white-tailed deer enclosure.

New Funds Established in 2018

- AuSable Valley Animal Shelter Fund
- Clarice L. Sperry Scholarship Fund

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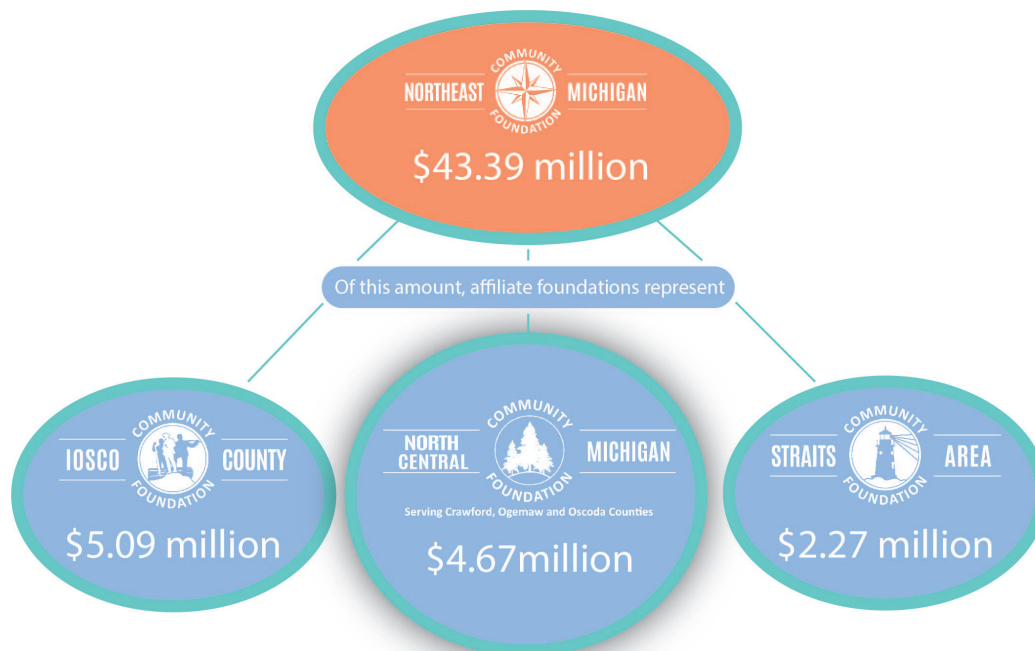
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So give where you live, and give where you love!



An Eye Toward the Next Generation

As is often said, today's youth are tomorrow's leaders. It is only fitting that three of the largest groups of funds within NCMCF support the education of students throughout our service area.

- The Crawford AuSable Excellence in Education Foundation holds its endowment fund at NCMCF providing permanent support for graduating seniors of Grayling High School, and for grants to classes and educational organizations within the Crawford-AuSable School District.
- The Educational Support Partnership (ESP) of West Branch-Rose City Schools holds many individual scholarship funds at NCMCF, as well as its general fund to support educational projects and classroom needs in Ogemaw County. (Photo below: 2018 ESP grants are awarded to West Branch-Rose City Area Schools.)
- The Oscoda County College Fund, started with just \$1,000 in 1997, has now supported college-bound students from Mio-AuSable Schools and Fairview Area Schools with over \$80,000 in scholarships.



Ways to Give

Make a gift to the Crawford, Ogemaw and/or Oscoda County Community Impact Funds to be used for a wide variety of community needs, now and for generations to come.

Direct your gift to any one of NCMCF's existing funds that best matches your charitable interests. Funds exist for health care, education, the environment, animals and more.

Start your own fund to meet your specific goals for charitable giving.

Honor or memorialize a loved one by making a donation in their name.

Leave a legacy by including NCMCF in your will or trust.



An NCMCF Community Impact grant is providing funding to support the restoration of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church bell tower. A fundraising campaign is underway to repair deteriorating mortar and plaster supporting the interior and exterior of the bell tower. The church is a Michigan Historic Site and Crawford County landmark.