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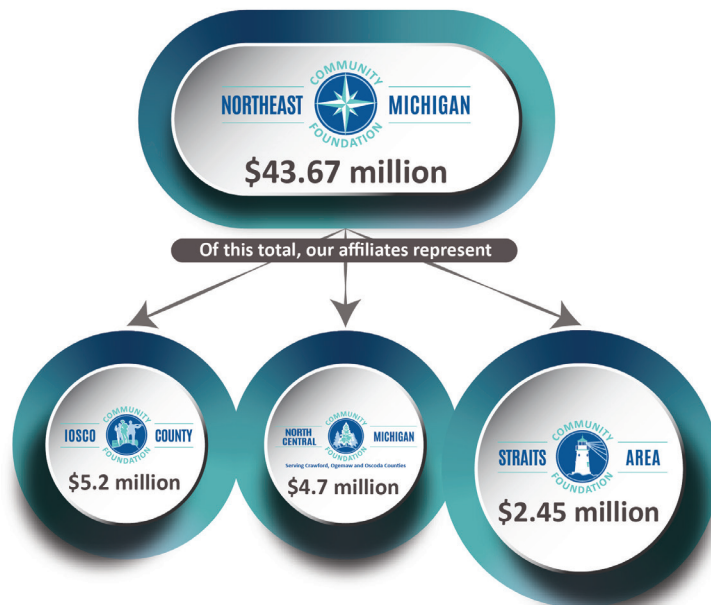
Most of us are passionate about something. Our family, our home, our community, a hobby, our work. Often times, our passions extend beyond ourselves, if we let them.

The past 20 years for the Straits Area Community Foundation (SACF) are filled with stories of passion and deep-rooted caring for our community, all of which led to incredible generosity. The result of that generosity is the many grants you see in this 2017 Annual Report.

As we look to the future of Cheboygan County and Mackinaw City, we are honored to be able to share stories of those making a difference in our communities, and to celebrate what your generous donations have helped to accomplish in the Straits Area.

With warmest regards and appreciation,
SACF Board of Directors

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(January 1 through December 31, 2017)

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Straits Area Community Foundation 2017 Financial Summary

(January 1 through December 31, 2017)

TOTAL ASSETS	TOTAL GIFTS	GRANTS AWARDED
\$2,452,084	\$131,439	\$128,085

2017 Grant Awards

Community Impact Grants

Straits Area Community Needs Fund

Cheboygan County Junior Golf Academy Foundation	\$1,000
Cheboygan County Junior Golf Academy Icebreaker	\$885
Captain's Quarter's Uniform Exhibit	
Indian River United Methodist Church	\$1,000
GLOW Community Center	
Mackinaw Area Historical Society	\$1,000
Waterfront Exhibit Space	
Northern Michigan Jail Ministry, Inc.	\$1,000
A Hand Up	
Straits Area Services, Inc.	\$300
Straits Area Studios	
Straits Area Services, Inc.	\$1,000
Comprehensive Opportunity Program Assistance	
Wolverine Community Library	\$300
Summer Reading/Children's Programs	

Straits Area Health Care Grants

Straits Area Health Care Fund

McLaren Northern MI Foundation	\$3,530
VitalCare Hospice of the Straits	
VitalCare Telehealth Program	

Youth Advisory Council Grants

Straits Area Kellogg Youth Fund

Cheboygan Compassionate Ministries, Inc.	\$1,300
Summer Breakfast Program/Lord's Kitchen	
Back to School Giveaway 2017	
Friends of Ottawa Park	\$350
Ottawa Park Summer Workshops	
Inland Lakes Schools	\$200
Indian River to France and Italy	
Junior Achievement of Northern Mich.	\$300
JA Programming Our Community	
Mackinaw City Schools	\$1,330
Hydrangea Albright: Comedy or Tragedy	
Flexible Seating	
Lunch Time Microwaves	
Sensory Bin	
From Concept to Construction	
Straits Area Audubon Society	\$300
Snakes Alive!	
Thunder Bay Theatre	\$1,000
2018 Spring Educational Tour	
Wolverine Community Library	\$300
Summer Reading/Children's Programs	
Wolverine Community Schools	\$2,325
2017 Detroit Field Trip	
Wolverine High School Theater	
New Softball Equipment	
Kids 'n Chromebooks	

Bois Blanc Island Operating Fund

Bois Blanc Island Community Foundation	\$2,887
Bois Blanc Pines School	\$600

Cheboygan High School Scholarship Fund

Central Michigan University	\$900
Grand Valley State University	\$450
University of Michigan	\$450

Cheboygan Memorial Hospital Medical Staff Scholarship Fund

Adrian College	\$650
Central Michigan University	\$650
University of Detroit Mercy	\$650

Cheboygan Legacy Scholarship Fund

North Central Michigan College	\$4,000
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Friends of Inland Lakes Schools Fund

Friends of Inland Lakes Schools	\$2,816
Inland Lakes Schools	\$13,100

Douglas Jackson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Michigan State University	\$1,000
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Mackinaw Area Public Library Agency Fund

Mackinaw Area Public Library	\$53,375
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Mackinaw City High School Scholarship Fund

University of Michigan	\$500
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Mackinaw City Women's Club Fund

Northern Michigan University	\$500
School of Visual Arts	\$500

Music in Mackinaw Endowment Fund

Mackinaw City Area Arts Council	\$1,237
Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce, Inc.	\$11,204

Pepper Family Fund

Mackinaw Area Historical Society	\$10,000
Music in Mackinaw Fund	\$3,000

Straits Area Administrative Endowment Fund

SACF Administrative Fund	\$1,196
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Straits Area Spendable Tobacco Settlement Fund

Cheboygan County United Way	\$1,000
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Congratulations to SACF's 2017 Scholarship Recipients!

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Heather Schultz
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Youth Advisory Councils - Inspiring a New Generation of Philanthropists

The Youth Advisory Council program, or YAC, of the Straits Area Community Foundation is one of the most important programs available to our local kids. Why? Because it is inspiring a new generation of service-minded, charitably-inclined people.

Through this unique program, young people directly engage in building leadership skills through community service and the grantmaking process. They also learn about the important role philanthropy plays in creating a better life for all of us. Local youth are responsible for determining where critical grant funding from the Straits Area Kellogg Youth Fund at SACF will go for the benefit of their fellow youth, and the whole community.

To guide their grantmaking decisions, every three years our YACs conduct a survey to evaluate what their peers feel are the issues affecting them the most. The most recent survey, conducted in December 2017, showed a notable shift in results, with depression and suicide being identified as the top two concerning issues. Throughout the next three years, our YACs will be working to target these issues, as well as the other noted issues, with their available grant funds.

Top 8 current youth issues, as determined by youth of Cheboygan County and Mackinaw City:

1. Depression
2. Suicide
3. Bullying
4. Drug Use / Abuse
5. Alcohol Use / Abuse
6. College / Preparations for the Future
7. Academic Stress
8. Self-Esteem Issues

Straits Area Audubon's Snakes Alive!

