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2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

For the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan, 2016 was a year of positive transition, significant growth, and what has felt like a spotlight on philanthropy in our communities. CFNEM has undergone a rebranding, and though updated, our new logo still bears the compass rose it has had for many years. That compass seems so fitting as the CFNEM board and staff navigate many changes and work to truly blaze a trail as a leader in philanthropy in northeast Michigan. We feel the compass is a wonderful symbol of the incredible journey CFNEM has taken from its establishment in 1974 to today, and of the journey into the vibrant future we see ahead. You'll be sure to see the compass a lot more.

We have been fortunate to have had Barb Frantz, who retired in March 2017, as our executive director for the past 23 years. Under Barb's direction, the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan has grown its assets from \$4 million to \$38 million as of December 31, 2016. Barb has also overseen the relocation to our much more visible address on Ripley Boulevard, and made many friends for the foundation with her sincere respect for all donors, regardless of the size of their gift. She will be dearly missed. Patrick Heraghty takes the reigns as CFNEM's new Executive Director and will take us, along with our very capable staff of Christine, DeeAnn, Julie and Denise, into the future and all of the promise that it holds! Patrick was able to work very closely with Barb the last four months, and brings a lot of energy and enthusiasm to his new role.

I invite you to read through and enjoy the 2016 CFNEM Annual Report. You'll read about the amazing growth of Giving Tuesday Northeast Michigan, our scholarship program, some great things going on in our affiliate foundations, and more. There is so much to share.



Most importantly, the CFNEM Board of Directors wants to thank our donors. It is because of you that we are able to make an impact in our communities. It is because of you that we are able to lead in the field of philanthropy. It is because of you that CFNEM has such a successful past and present. We have our compass, and we are ready for the journey ahead.

Sue Fitzpatrick
2016 CFNEM Board President

A LIFE OF LOVE, A LEGACY OF COMMUNITY – THE MARGOT DORN DUTCHER FUND

The legacy we will leave behind says much about the lives we lived. For Margot Dorn Dutcher, that legacy is rooted in family and a deep love of the community she called home since the early 1970s.



Margot’s daughters, Kate Phillips and Nancy Szejbach, say their mother had a great sense of adventure, unconditional love for her family, and a strong desire to serve others. Those qualities spilled over into her charitable giving during and after her lifetime. Margot passed away in September 2015, and wanted to leave a legacy for the community she cherished. In 2016, the Community Foundation received word that it was the beneficiary of a significant bequest from Margot’s estate to establish the Margot Dorn Dutcher Fund. It was her wish that Kate and Nancy oversee the charitable distributions from this donor-advised

fund. The first grant was given to Besser Museum of Northeast Michigan for its *Katherine V* restoration project.

“She would say to me, ‘when I’m gone, I’m gone, and you can do anything you want to do,’” said Kate of conversations with her mother about her estate. “But she always said she hoped it would be used to take care of her loved ones, and to support organizations that were important to the community.”

While Margot wanted her charitable gifts to support her communities, she also hoped to encourage others to leave similar gifts, and to be an example of how planned giving and its potential tax benefits can help family and the community.

“So many times you can give a gift in your estate, and it can actually benefit your heirs more than if you left everything to them,” said Kate. “My mom really wanted others to understand the full benefits of planned giving.”

Within her community, she was active with the League of Women's Voters, the Thunder Bay Lighthouse Society and Friends of the Library. A proud feminist, she believed in teaching young girls to become strong women, and in teaching young boys to become respectful men. These beliefs also served as the catalyst for a charitable gift to the Community Foundation's Northeast Michigan Women's Giving Circle (WGC), of which she became a Diamond-level member in 2011.



"I remember the day Margot came in to make a rather large donation to the Women's Giving Circle," said CFNEM Program Director Julie Wiesen. "When I was able to speak with her and thank her personally for the donation, I just had to ask why she chose the Women's Giving Circle. She said she believes in the power of women and the causes that impact them. She said, 'There are a lot of women in my family, so I follow women's issues very closely.'"

Nancy says Margot chose to leave a significant portion of her estate to the Community Foundation because of her confidence in the organization.

"She knew the Community Foundation has a great track record in caring for the community's assets," said Nancy. "She liked that the money she left could be filtered to many other nonprofits to make an impact."

Margot also left a portion of her estate to the League of Women's Voters and Thunder Bay Island Lighthouse Preservation Society, and to Alpena Community College for annual scholarships that will be awarded for years to come.

Creating a legacy that will surely benefit the community and its various agencies is both inspirational and remarkable. It is a testament to the power of a charitable mind, and the love of family and community.

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YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCILS LEADING THE WAY FOR A NEW GENERATION OF YOUTH PHILANTHROPISTS

More than 120 youth grantmakers from across northeast Michigan converged upon Alpena in the fall of 2016 for a regional Youth Advisory Council (YAC) training event. The training was a day-long session hosted by CFNEM for all of the YACs in its nine-county service area. Facilitator Chelsea Holmes commented that this was the largest group she had ever facilitated, and was impressed with the group's passion for their communities.

"It was great to be able to reach out to others who are also involved with YAC to see how they run the program in their school," said Makenzie Zybdel, a YAC member from Alpena. "It gave me and other YACers an opportunity to use other methods to make our own YAC greater and more successful."

During the event, YAC members dug deep into several aspects of youth philanthropy, including what makes a good grant vs. a great grant. They also had discussions on the importance and many benefits of community service activities; fund development projects that build relationships and increase gifts to the Kellogg Endowment Funds at the Community Foundation, from where their YAC grants are made; and participated in leadership skills activities. The group even held a Jeopardy-style competition to see which teams knew more about the many aspects of YACs locally, throughout Michigan, and nationwide.

For the rest of this story, see "YAC" on page 28.

GIVING TUESDAY 2016 SEES EXPONENTIAL GROWTH

2016 was the second year CFNEM lead the charge for Giving Tuesday in northeast Michigan. Globally, over \$168 million was raised online on November 29, 2016, up from \$116 million the previous year. Locally, the growth proved to be just as significant, with over \$41,000 being raised online for 62 northeast Michigan nonprofits in a 24-hour period.

“The people of northeast Michigan are incredibly generous, and that really showed on Giving Tuesday,” said Christine Hitch, CFNEM’s Marketing Communications Director. “\$41,137 was received through online donations, but as we heard from our participating organizations who received gifts that day, or even gifts in the following days inspired by Giving Tuesday, that number is easily near \$50,000.”



Giving Tuesday follows the widely recognized shopping events, Black Friday and Cyber Monday, to kick-off the holiday giving season. The hope for this movement is that people will set aside a few minutes from holiday shopping to give back to their community through the charities and causes they support.

Hitch added that the success of Giving Tuesday in northeast Michigan highlights the need for nonprofit organizations to be involved in social media and other online platforms as this form of communication and giving continues to increase in favor and popularity. In 2016, the number of gifts increased from 197 in 2015 to over 500 in 2016.

SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2016, the Community Foundation awarded over \$400,000 in scholarships to students throughout its nine-county service area. Each and every one of these scholarships is possible because of the generous donors who believe in the power of education.





IOSCO COUNTY PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

The **Iosco County Community Foundation (ICCF)** aims each year to honor an unsung hero who makes an impact in Iosco County through their time, talents and charitable contributions. In 2016, ICCF honored Tawas City resident Brad Saegesser as its Philanthropist of the Year. Brad has been heavily involved in many local programs and projects, including Special Olympics of Michigan and its Water Warriors program. He has also been a large part of the Tawas Elks service projects, including events for Rachel's Challenge (an anti-bullying program), the East Tawas Community Garden, 4-H Exceptional Equestrians and several more.



STRAITS AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY FOR MARITIME STUDIES

The Raymond Plaunt Maritime Memorial Scholarship was established through the **Straits Area Community Foundation** in February 2016. Reflecting a growing trend among new scholarships being created, the award is open to graduating seniors and non-traditional students who plan to pursue an education in any field of maritime studies.

The fund was established in memory of Raymond A. Plaunt. At the young age of 12, Mr. Plaunt began working on boats with his father, transporting passengers and supplies to Bois Blanc Island, several miles off Cheboygan County's shoreline in Lake Huron. A lifelong resident of Bois Blanc Island, he spent his life working on the Great Lakes, and was the boat Captain and owner of his family business, Plaunt Transportation. The Raymond Plaunt Maritime Memorial Scholarship was created by friends, family and colleagues to honor his legacy and his love of northern Michigan's lakes and its maritime industry.



A \$2,500 grant from the **North Central Michigan Community Foundation** provided funding to support the Ogemaw Kids Club and its after-school programs.



\$100,000 GIFT PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS

In 2016, the Crawford AuSable Schools Excellence in Education Foundation Fund was established through the **North Central Michigan Community Foundation** (NCMCF) with a \$100,000 donation from the agency. This agency fund will support scholarship opportunities for Crawford AuSable School District students, and charitable projects as the CAS Excellence in Education Foundation board determines.

OUR AFFILIATES

Through a challenge grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, administered by the Council of Michigan Foundations, the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan had an opportunity to expand its boundaries and get a 2:1 match for every dollar raised for the new affiliate foundations.

Officially established in 1997, each affiliate raises their own funds which benefit their own geographic territory. All funds raised by the affiliates are legally the property of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan. CFNEM is responsible for all accounting and reporting. Each affiliate has their own local committees and boards of directors, which make grant recommendations to the CFNEM Board of Trustees. One representative from each affiliate is a voting member of the CFNEM Board of Trustees.

By creating these affiliates, CFNEM now serves nine counties - virtually all of northeast Michigan. With new connections and collaborations CFNEM is able to reach out and help more of the residents of northeast Michigan than ever before.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ASSETS

(October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016)

	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,040,723	\$1,486,539
Prepaid Assets	6,125	6,290
Pledges receivable – current	68,250	116,458
Allowance for uncollectible pledges – current	(3,961)	(6,774)
Non-Current Assets		
Investments	35,824,360	33,341,417
Long-term pledges receivable	135,927	82,202
Discount on long-term pledges receivable	(11,000)	(11,000)
Allowance for long-term uncollectible pledges	(7,889)	(5,076)
Property and Equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	62,008	48,251
TOTAL ASSETS	\$38,114,543	\$35,058,307

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

(October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016)

LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts & Salaries Payable	\$3,344	\$3,139
Grants Payable	368,857	343,687
Non-current Liabilities		
Grants Payable – long term portion	105,400	123,200
Funds Held for Agencies	4,107,358	3,683,377
Split Interest Agreements	1,089,946	929,347
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$5,674,905	\$5,082,750
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	1,856,371	1,676,238
Temporarily Restricted	7,566,136	6,057,109
Permanently Restricted	<u>23,017,131</u>	<u>22,242,210</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$32,439,638	\$29,975,557
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$38,114,543</u>	<u>\$35,058,307</u>

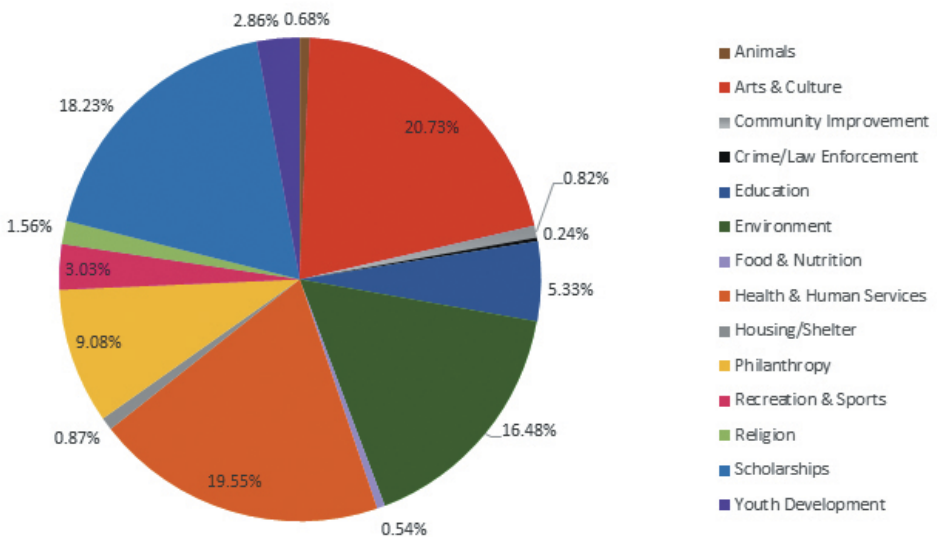
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND DISBURSEMENTS

(October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016)

	2016	2015
REVENUE		
Contributions	\$2,061,216	\$1,754,624
Grants for Administrative Expenses	96,755	91,577
Investment Return	2,073,072	(755,618)
Change in Value of Split Interest Agreements	<u>76,339</u>	<u>37,753</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$4,307,382	\$1,128,336
DISBURSEMENTS		
Grants and Direct Fund Expenses	1,343,283	1,220,465
Administrative Expenses	494,018	440,361
Trust Fees	<u>6,000</u>	<u>6,010</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,843,301	\$1,666,836

The Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan's most recent IRS Form 990 and annual audit, as well as all policies, are available to the public upon request. The Foundation's IRS Form 990 may also be accessed on the web at www.guidestar.org.

2016 CFNEM GRANT SUMMARY



2016 GRANTEES



Albion College	\$4,000	Alpena County Library	\$4,649	Alzheimer's Association Greater Michigan Chapter	\$2,000
Scholarships		READ Adult Literacy Program		Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Education Initiative	
Alcona Citizens for Health	120,040	Giving Tuesday gifts		AMA Educational Service District	\$1,000
Helmets for Alcona Family Fun & Safety Day		Teen Summer Maker Camp		Infant Care Bags	
Annual grant from Kanthack for FY2016		Annual grant from Steele Fund		American Red Cross of Northern Michigan	\$375
Children's Advocacy Center		1,000 Books Before Kindergarten		Disaster Relief	
Prescriptions for Health Program		Alpena Figure Skating Club	\$5,141	Association of Lifelong Learners	\$1,000
Alcona Community Schools	\$11,634	Scholarships from Youth Skaters Fund		Portable Hearing Assist Devices	
Books for the Alcona Elementary School Library		Alpena First United Methodist Church	\$500	Atlanta Church of Christ	\$2,500
We are Sensory Strong		Public Library for Kenya		Caring Place Food Purchases	
GLSI expenses		Alpena Hockey Assn.	\$4,650	Atlanta Community Schools	\$1,746
Weight Room Equipment		First-Time Skaters scholarships		GLSI expenses	
Chromebooks		Alpena Lions Club	\$1,270	Modern Genetics in the Classroom	
STEM - The Science of Light		College scholarships		Tier 1 & 2 Diagnostic Material	
Mackinaw Island Field Trip		Club expenses		Baseball Equipment Renewal	
Alcona Historical Society	\$1,500	Alpena Plaza Pool	\$275	Atlanta Congregational Church	\$1,000
Alcona History Publications		Giving Tuesday gifts		The Baby Basket supplies	
All Saints Catholic School	\$350	Alpena Public Schools	\$32,588	Au Gres-Sims Schools	\$1,700
GLSI expenses		8th Grade University Visits		GLSI Expenses	
Alma College	\$4,000	Chromebooks for Education		Baker College	\$2,000
Scholarships		Lincoln School Robotics		Scholarships	
Alpena Area Senior Citizens Council, Inc.	\$165	Giving Tuesday gifts		Besser Elementary School	\$150
Giving Tuesday Gifts		GLSI expenses		GLSI expenses	
Alpena Blues Coalition	\$2,700	Bringing the Arts to Besser		Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan	\$202,549
Alpena Blues Festival		AHS 2016 First Robotics Team		Scidome XD-S Digital Projection System	
Blues in the Schools Program		The Clothing Closet		Operating expenses	
Alpena Boosters Club	\$584	Weather Data/BWet Program		50th Anniversary Capital Campaign	
Annual grant from the Agius Family Fund		Cyber Plunge		Giving Tuesday Gifts	
Alpena Community College	\$51,300	Watering the Masses		Gallery guides for the Salvador Dali Exhibit	
Scholarships		Wildcat Stadium Sound System		Log Cabin Day activities	
Alpena Community College Foundation	\$2,500	Enchanted Forest Prom 2016		Videography/Editing	
Teaching Chair Award		Alpena Career and College Access Network		Displays2Go	
Alpena Community Concert Association	\$725	2017 FIRST Robotics		Banners for the Native American Traveling exhibit	
Literacy for Newborns and Families		Varsity Women's Locker Room/Team Room		Annual grant from Reitz Fund	
Alpena County	\$2,825	Annual grant from Yellow Ribbon Fund		Annual grant from Steele Fund	
Ready, Set, Swim!		Ella White Run Club		Boy Scouts of America MI	
		It's HIP to Read program		Crossroads Council	\$2,000
		Learning through Listening		Comprehensive Youth Development	
		Alpena Regional Medical Center	\$4,241		
		Reach Out and Read Program			
		Giving Tuesday gifts			
		Annual grant from Steele Fund			
		Alpena Volunteer Center	\$10,721		
		Annual grants for expenses			

Boys and Girls Club of Alpena \$20,539	Department of Health & Human Services \$1,087	Headwaters Land Conservancy \$9,012
Annual grant from Kanthack Fund	Michigan's Adventure Trip/Job Skills Training	Operating expenses
Quarterly distributions for expenses		
Triple Play - Mind, Body, and Soul	District Health Dept. #2 \$500	Hillman Community Education Foundation \$6,000
AmeriCorps Service Learning Youth Volunteer Corps Team Leader	Alcona Elementary School Mitten Distribution	Educational Grants
Annual grant from Steele Fund		
S.M.A.R.T. Moves	District Health Dept. #4 \$8,535	Hillman Community Radio \$2,898
Smart Girls	Caring Place Adult Day Care	Training/Production Studio
	Girls on the Run Sunrise Side	
Brownlee Lake Association \$1,500	Eastern National Forest Interpretive Association \$5,525	Hillman Community Schools \$8,648
Public Boat Launch Replacement	Sprinkler Lake Day Camp	Hillman High School Orchard Project
		GLSI expenses
Brush Creek Mill, Inc. \$2,000	Exchange Club of Alpena \$5,268	International Travel Program
Video History Project	Ma & Pa Wixson Brochure Club expenses	Class of 2016 Mock Rock & Big Apple Experience
	Color books for children who are patients at ARMC	Middle School Mackinaw Field Trip
Calvary Episcopal Church \$289	Giving Tuesday Gifts	After School Tutoring Program
Hillman Christmas Dinner 2015		Intervention Supplies
		Chemistry Laboratory Equipment
Case Township \$2,278	Ferris State University \$17,750	Women Exploring Woodworking
Summer Youth Program 2016	Scholarships	Hillman United Methodist Church \$500
		Hillman Community Food Pantry
Central Michigan University \$27,700	First Congregational Church \$10,616	His Love Family Resources \$50
Scholarships	Heating system upgrades	Giving Tuesday gifts
	Annual grant from Steele Fund	
Cheboygan Middle School \$200	Foster Closet of Michigan \$2,000	Hospice of MI-Alpena \$69,647
Fisheries in Classroom project	Infant/Toddler Most Needed Items	Annual grant from Kanthack Fund
		Distribution from Fitzgerald Fund
Child & Family Services of Northeast Michigan \$29,460	Friends of the Lewiston Library \$76	Giving Tuesday gifts
Funds used to balance the budget	Annual grant from Aarons Fund	Open Access program for Alpena, Alcona, Mont. & PI
Visit Room Furnishing and Monitoring		
Outdoor Playground Equipment and Fencing	Friends of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary \$128,552	Huron Humane Society \$10,356
Operation Good Cheer	B-WET program expenses	Annual grant from Kanthack for FY2016
Giving Tuesday gifts	Lake Huron Discovery Tour	Laptop Computer and Printer
Mom's Day Out	Giving Tuesday Gifts	Cats for Companionship Program
Third Level Teen Closet	GLSI program expenses	Annual grant for spay & neutering
Fresh Start	Students at the Sanctuary	Annual grant from Reitz Fund
Operation Barrier Free	Program expenses	Project Protect Displaced Animals
	Upgrade to theater facilities	
Children's Advocacy Center of NE MI \$230	Grand Lake Community Chapel \$2,000	Huron Pines, Inc. \$16,589
Giving Tuesday Gifts	God Loves You Food Project	Woodlands and Waters project
		Giving Tuesday gifts
Christian Homeschool of Northern Michigan \$5,394	Grand Valley State University \$6,000	GLSI expenses
MEECs Biodiversity Conservation Workshop	Scholarships	Conservation projects
Grant 1995 Triangle 5th Wheel		
Science in the Sanctuary	Habitat for Humanity Northeast Michigan \$11,860	Inland Lakes Schools \$450
	Giving Tuesday gifts	GLSI expenses
Claws and Paws Rescue, Inc. \$285	Distribution for Operating Capital	
Giving Tuesday gifts	C.C.A.P.	Inspiration Alcona \$1,500
		Experiments in Music for Alcona County
Community Sharing Program of Lewiston \$900	Hale Education Foundation \$50	Interlochen Arts Academy \$2,000
2016 Backpack Event	Giving Tuesday Gifts	Scholarships
Delta College \$9,500		Iosco County Coats for Kids \$500
Scholarships		Coat Distributions

Iron One Foundation	\$2,748	MPAC (Multi-Purpose Arena Coalition)	\$5,124	Options Pregnancy Center	\$135
Technology Upgrade for Industrial Arts Institute		Annual grant from Agius Fund		Giving Tuesday gifts	
Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools	\$405	Figure Skaters First Time Skater program		Oscoda Area Schools	\$650
GLSI expenses		MSU Extension - Sea Grant	\$17,891	GLSI expenses	
Into Integrity and Super Social Skills		GLSI expenses		Park Family Foundation	\$3,500
Junior Achievement of Northeast Michigan	\$1,153	My Brother's Hope	\$1,000	APLEX expenses	
Program expenses		Product for the Alcona HS		Posen Consolidated Schools	\$8,293
Lake Superior State University	\$2,750	Roar Store		SAT Prep for Juniors	
Scholarships		Covering Seats and Soles		Greenfield Village Experience	
Life Choices Resource Center	\$10,010	Winter Hats, Gloves, Snowpants, Coats		Choir for Posen High School	
Giving Tuesday gifts		Back to School Backpacks		New Football Team Uniforms	
Lydia's Gate	\$75	NEMROC, INC.	\$415	Senior Trip 2016	
Giving Tuesday gifts		Giving Tuesday gifts		Glass Bottom Boat Tour	
Mackinaw City Area Arts Council	\$100	New Beginnings Ministries	\$2,500	Tablets for Students	
Giving Tuesday Gifts		Hillman Area Resource Pantry		Choir for Posen High School	
Michigan DNR/Harrisville State Park	\$3,000	Northeast Michigan Center for Fine Arts	\$7,750	Dave Ramsey Personal Finance High School	
Harrisville State Park Accessible Beach Walkway		REACH Project		Reading Rewards Program	
Michigan Karst Conservancy	\$1,202	Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health	\$2,996	Presque Isle County Historical Museum	\$37,465
Quarterly distributions		Children's Activities		Reprinting of the Metz Fire of 1908 book	
MSU Extension - 4H	\$46,150	Grants for clients		Operating expenses	
Program Expenses		Northeast Michigan Community Partnership	\$1,020	New roof expenses	
Michigan State University	\$21,150	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Prevention		Native American Pow Wow and Exhibit	
Scholarships		Circle of Parents program		Purple Martin Nature Center & Lakeside Inn	\$3,000
Michigan Technological University	\$9,500	Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency	\$1,000	Purple Martin for Kids Camp	
Scholarships		Sensory Cushions for ADHD Students		RedSky Raptor Center	\$206
Mikado Township	\$1,000	Giving Tuesday Gifts		Educational Supplies	
No Child Without a Christmas		Training & travel for School Success Administrators		RiverCenter Committee	\$31,383
Millersburg Area Volunteer Fire Fighters Association	\$460	Northern Lights Arena	\$2,000	Fundraising expenses	
First Responder Equipment		Rental Skates		Feasibility study	
Mitten Women Productions	\$5,313	Northern Michigan University	\$3,050	Design work for River Center	
Documentary expenses		Scholarships		River House, Inc.	\$50
Montmorency County Commission on Aging	\$1,988	Northwood University	\$500	Giving Tuesday gifts	
Safety and Mobility Program for Seniors		Scholarships		Rogers City Community Theatre Inc.	\$1,000
Medication Set-up Program for Seniors		Oakland University	\$1,000	Production costs for My Fair Lady	
		Scholarships		Rogers City Public Schools	\$600
		Onaway Area Community Schools	\$2,283	GLSI expenses	
		GLSI expenses		Elementary Playground	
		Tech for E-Books		Rogers Elementary School P.T.O.	\$5,000
		Holocaust Memorial Center Field Trip		Elementary Playground	
				Saginaw Valley State University	\$4,000
				Scholarships	

Salvation Army Alpena	\$3,546	LED Stage Lighting Furnace replacement Giving Tuesday gifts Summer Recreation Program for At-Risk Youth Annual grant from Steele Fund	Central Michigan University	\$8,500	Scholarships
Shelter, Inc./ Hope Shores Alliance	\$4,695	Technology and Operations Update Travel expenses Feed program	Thunder Bay Trails Assn.	\$2,500	New Snowmobile
Spring Arbor University	\$500	Scholarships	Trinity Episcopal Church	\$100	Annual Reitz Fund grant
St. Bernard Friendship Room	\$7,699	Annual grant from Kanthack Fund	United Way of Northeast Michigan	\$1,775	Foster Care Bags Giving Tuesday gifts Student Hygiene Project Annual grant from Reitz Fund
St. Ignatius Catholic Church	\$757	Annual grant from McLean Fund	University of Maine	\$6,000	Scholarships
St. Ignatius School	\$1,700	STARBASE Course Transportation Outdoor Education at Wolverine Camp Making Math Relevant, Rigorous, and Possible for Every Student	University of Michigan	\$48,300	Scholarships
St. John Lutheran School	\$2,359	Playground Pop!	University of MI – Flint	\$9,000	Scholarships
St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church Alpena	\$2,500	Interfaith Amigos	University of Toledo	\$4,400	Scholarships
Sunrise Mission, Inc.	\$175	Giving Tuesday gifts	Urbana University	\$500	Scholarships
Susan Lane Foundation	\$500	US 23 Heritage Haiku	Village of Lincoln	\$1,500	Alcona County Easter Egg Hunt
Taking Pride in Alpena	\$16,583	Giving Tuesday gifts Program expenses	Wayne State University	\$900	Scholarships
Target Alpena 2000 Corporation	\$1,500	Welcome to Alpena Signs	Western Michigan University	\$500	Scholarships
Thunder Bay Arts Council	\$2,960	45th Anniversary Celebration Giving Tuesday Gifts			
Thunder Bay Community Health Services, Inc.	\$1,299	Annual grant to assist with prescriptions	Alcona Citizens for Health	\$500	Navigating Children's Needs
Thunder Bay Folk Society, Inc.	\$2,500	Thunder Bay Folk Festival 2016	Alpena Community College	\$1,000	Scholarships
Thunder Bay Theatre	\$9,537	Wireless Headset Microphones	American Youth Soccer - Tawas City	\$962	Placement of AEDs
			Aquinas College	\$1,500	Scholarships
			College for Creative Studies	\$36,060	Scholarships
			Delta College	\$3,500	Scholarships
			Eastern National Forest Interpretive Assn.	\$4,000	Sprinkler Lake Day Camp Meth Lab Response Trailer
			Ferris State University	\$10,000	Scholarships
			Friends of the East Tawas Library	\$32,750	Library building expenses
			Grand Valley State University	\$5,500	Scholarships
			Hale Area Schools	\$500	Robotics Team
			Harbor Lights Pregnancy and Information Center	\$1,594	Earn While You Learn
			Holy Family School	\$24,908	Scholarships to assist students School expenses
			Huron Pines, Inc.	\$2,000	Project NATIVE
			Iosco County Coats for Kids	\$760	Warm Hands project FISH Christmas Gift House
			Iosco Regional Educational Service Agency	\$2,176	BEE Camp My Child Communicates
			Kirtland Community College	\$2,200	Scholarships
			Lake Superior State University	\$4,000	Scholarships
			Michigan State University	\$4,000	Scholarships

Michigan Technological University Scholarships	\$1,500	Alma College Scholarships	\$6,525	Grand Valley State University Scholarships	\$500
Northwood University Scholarships	\$500	Alpena Community College Scholarships	\$3,000	Harvard University Scholarships	\$4,553
Oakland University Scholarships	\$1,000	Baker College Scholarships	\$1,100	His Love Family Resources Teen Abstinence Program Back to School Basics	\$1,500
Oscoda Area Schools Angels Basketball Oscoda Youth Basketball Program Bringing the Music Back Blue Marlins Synchronized Swimming Middle School Clubs and After School Activities	\$4,000	Bethany Global University Scholarships	\$100	Hope College Scholarships	\$500
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Saginaw Valley State University Scholarships	\$1,500	Cedars for the AuSable Materials for fencing	\$1,908	Kettering University Scholarships	\$3,553
Tawas Area Education Foundation Mini-grants for educational programs	\$10,000	Central Michigan University Scholarships	\$3,903	Kirtland Community College Scholarships Program expenses	\$11,162
Tawas Area Presbyterian Church Helping to Overcome program	\$2,500	City of Rose City All Ages Summer Recreation Program	\$1,500	Lake Margrethe Assoc. Expenses to protect & preserve the lake	\$19,262
Tawas Area Schools Tawas football program equipment	\$3,280	City of West Branch Summer Music Series	\$1,500	Lake Superior State University Scholarships	\$500
Tawas Community Concert Band Scholarship to Band Event	\$500	Community Foundation for Southern Arizona Distribution from the Briney Ethical Fund	\$2,000	Life Choices Resource Center Birth of a Family Program	\$2,500
Tawas United Methodist Church New road sign	\$612	Crawford AuSable Day Care, Inc. Technology Grant GHS Project Graduation	\$2,000	Michigan State University Scholarships	\$6,706
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YMCA Camp Nissokone Theatre Renovations	\$2,500	Delta College Scholarships	\$2,450	Northern Michigan University Scholarships	\$1,000
		Emma Lowery Congregational Church Feeding the Hungry	\$700	Northwood University Scholarships	\$2,553
34th Circuit Court - Ogemaw County Family Division Surveillance and Transportation	\$1,500	Eastern Michigan University Scholarships	\$1,500	Oakland University Scholarships	\$1,100
Adrian College Scholarships	\$1,500	Fairview Area Schools Artists in Training	\$500	Ogemaw Heights High School Science Olympiad Team	\$400
		Girl Scouts - Heart of Michigan Girl Scouting in Ogemaw County	\$1,000	Ogemaw Hills Methodist Church Medical Equipment for Home Medical Care	\$1,000

Ogemaw Kids Club Program expenses	\$2,500
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Saginaw Valley State University Scholarships	\$6,031
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Western Michigan University Scholarships	\$4,053
Alma College Scholarship	\$1,000
Aquinas College Scholarship	\$500
Bois Blanc Island Community Foundation Expenses for the BBICF	\$2,406



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Grand Valley State University Scholarship	\$1,500
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Inland Lakes Schools Annual Lobster-Fest fundraiser proceeds	\$25,000
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YAC members traveled to Alpena from Iosco, Montmorency, Presque Isle, Cheboygan, Crawford, Ogemaw and Oscoda Counties to attend the event. Also attending the training were 11 adult YAC advisors.

“Adult advisors play an important role in our YACs,” said Christine Hitch, who coordinates CFNEM’s Youth Advisory Councils. “The Community Foundation has a YAC serving every county in our service area, and these advisors help it all come together so the YACers can review grant applications, and then they step back to let the kids make the decisions.”

Each YAC reviews grant applications at least once a year, while some YACs review twice a year. Nonprofits with youth projects submit their grant applications to the Community Foundation, which are then sent to the YACs. Each applicant requesting more than a mini-grant (\$300-\$500) is required to give a presentation on their project in front of the YAC members, who then get the opportunity to ask questions of the applicants. Then the YAC members make their grant recommendations.



“Our YACs do a great job of taking the information they have from applications and presentations, and then making very fair and informed decisions,” said Hitch. “They consider the amount they have available to spend for grants, how many youth the project will impact, other funding sources and the grant’s proposed budget, among other things.”

Funds for YAC grants come from the Kellogg Youth Endowment Funds at CFNEM, and at each of its affiliates: the Iosco County Community Foundation, the North Central Michigan Community Foundation and the Straits Area Community Foundation. Established through a matching grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the Northeast Michigan Youth Advisory Council has been making grants since 1993, while the affiliate YACs began in 1998. Since their beginnings, our YACs have awarded more than \$1.5 million in grants.



In 2016, CFNEM was the recipient of a \$25,000 Heritage Grant from the Michigan Humanities Council. The grant funded a variety of projects that showcased cultural, ethnic and racial heritage throughout northeast Michigan during the 2016 [Lake Huron Discovery Tour](#). Working in partnership with Michigan Culture and Arts Northeast Michigan (MACNE), CFNEM served as the fiscal agent for funding programs with the grant.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT SNAPSHOTS



A grant from the **Northeast Michigan Women's Giving Circle (WGC)** provided funds to purchase pink robotics kits for the all-girl Lincoln Elementary School Robotics Team. These girls won the Excellence Award at the October 2016 Alpena Area VEX IQ Robotics Tournament - the highest award that can be earned by a team! They finished first in their qualification matches and fifth in the Design Award rankings.



A \$1,500 **Community Impact Grant** to Huron Pines, Inc. funded the 2016 Frog-Bit Challenge, which gathered 75 students and volunteers to help remove over 10,000 pounds of the invasive species from the Thunder Bay Watershed.

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Left to right: Julie, Christine, Patrick, Denise and DeeAnn



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