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**2022 ANNUAL REPORT** 

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## LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

Dear Friends,

Warm greetings to each of our donors and partners of our vibrant community! As we reflect on the remarkable journey we've taken together over the past year, it brings us great pleasure to present our annual report for 2022. This report not only **celebrates our accomplishments** but also **recognizes the incredible partnerships** and collaborations that have **strengthened our shared vision** of a thriving community.

At the McKean County Community Foundation, we firmly believe in the **power of collaboration** and the **potential** it holds to effect meaningful change. Throughout 2022, we have witnessed firsthand the **extraordinary results that arise when diverse entities join forces** to tackle our community's most pressing challenges.

We are grateful for the unwavering support of our community organizations, donors, and especially our McKean County Commissioners, who partnered with us to distribute the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to our local nonprofits. By pooling our collective expertise and resources, we were able to ensure the efficient allocation of these vital dollars. We **successfully disbursed \$250,000 of ARPA funds to a diverse range of nonprofits** that serve various sectors of our community. By supporting organizations that address critical needs such as healthcare, education, housing, food security, and social services, we have **empowered our grantees to continue their invaluable work and positively impact the lives of countless individuals.** Together, we recognized the immense impact of these funds on our community.

We extend our **deepest gratitude to all our generous donors**, whose unwavering support and philanthropic spirit have been the lifeblood of our foundation and our community. Their trust in us is a testament to the profound impact we can collectively make when we unite behind a common cause.

As we look to the future, we remain committed to **fostering even stronger partnerships**, **amplifying our impact**, **and inspiring positive change**. Together, we will continue to **build a community where every individual has the opportunity to thrive**, regardless of their background or circumstances. We are truly honored to serve as the bridge between those who have the desire to make a difference and those who need it most.

With sincere gratitude,

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Bob Esch Board President

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Paula Fritz Eddy Executive Director



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#### **MCCF BOARD MEMBERS: OUR PARTNERS IN GOVERNANCE**

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#### DAVID KRANTZ

David Krantz served on the McKean County Community Foundation Board of Directors since its inception in 2017. During his tenure. David generously gave his time and resources to help MCCF experience enormous growth in its beginning years. Thank you, David. for being a valued board member and contributing to the success of our organization



Celebrating 25 years as American Refining Group Inc. in 2022, the Bradford refinery has been an economic engine in McKean County since its establishment in 1881.

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# 2022: YEAR IN REVIEW



\*The Community Foundation of the Northern Alleghenies (CFNA) is made up of two affiliates: The Elk County Community Foundation, which was established in 2000, and the McKean County Community Foundation, which was established in 2017. Both Community Foundations, through donations from the general public, make grants to community organizations in their respective counties for education, arts, health services, human services, civic services and economic development

# MCCF NEWS

FOUNDANT TECHNOLOGY ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL DEBUTS IN 2022 The new Foundant Technologies scholarship portal went live in January 2022. Nearly 2,000 applications from graduating seniors and non-traditional students in McKean and Elk counties and beyond were completed and submitted online! This new online program utilized an eligibility quiz that automatically connected students to all the scholarships for which they were eligible to apply, offering more opportunities than ever before. At the end of the 2022 scholarship year, \$331,114 was awarded to 263 students in McKean and Elk counties.

NEW ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE PROGRAM FROM FOUNDANT TECHNOLOGY CommunitySuite is a fund-based accounting and donor relationship management system by Foundant Technology that provides a holistic view of financials, donors, events, and giving. This fund accounting software program is designed for philanthropic organizations and was integrated into our finance system in 2022. The new program will streamline our system and save time, money and resources. The software was acquired with assistance from a grant from the Stackpole-Hall Foundation.

STRATEGIC PLAN LOOKS TO THE FUTURE The staff and Board of Directors worked with The Hill Group to develop a new strategic plan in 2022. The Community Foundation of the Northern Alleghenies Strategic Initiative Areas and Goals 2023-2026 includes goals in the areas of Development and Donor Services, Community Leadership, Community Impact, and Organizational Strength. This strategic plan creates the building blocks that will lead our Foundation into a forward-focused vision with the goal to inspire philanthropy and achieve a thriving quality of life in McKean and Elk counties.

#### COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE NORTHERN ALLEGHENIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

REVENUES	2022	2021
Contributions	\$ 2,888,797	\$ 1,948,296
Interest Income	318,977	305,001
Realized/Unrealized Gain (Loss)	(2,830,914)	1,434,741
Total Revenues	376,860	3,688,038
EXPENSES		
Grants and Scholarships	1,552,270	773,942
Other Program Expenses	70,781	73,414
Administrative	232,937	201,632
Fundraising	 11,319	10,999
Total Expenses	1,867,307	1,059,987
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(1,490,447)	2,628,051
NET ASSETS, JANUARY 1	18,345,202	15,717,151
NET ASSETS, DECEMBER 31	\$ 16,854,755	\$ 18,345,202

#### MCKEAN AND ELK COUNTY AFFILIATES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

McKean	Elk
\$ 1,753,918	\$ 1,134,879
25,952	293,025
(215,323)	(2,615,591)
1,564,547	(1,187,687)
428,809	1,123,461
14,714	56,067
26,890	206,047
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To strengthen our region through development, stewardship, and grant making as donors achieve their philanthropic goals



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Our mission guides our efforts as we work with:

**DONORS** to help them support the particular issues and organizations they care about.

NONPROFITS to offer grant opportunities to assist in their work and projects.

**STUDENTS** as we administer scholarships that help them get the education they need.

### MCCF FUNDS

#### Agency Endowment Funds

CASA of McKean County Harvey Golubock Entrepreneurial Fund Grow Rural PA Fund McKean County Housing Fund NPRC Presidents Fund Tuna Valley Trail Association WGC Endowment Fund

#### **Designated Funds**

Early Childhood Development Fund Joe DeMott Port Allegany Community **Development Fund** 

#### Donor Advised Funds

Gentilman Peterson Fund Harry J. Halloran Bradford Prosperity Fund Butch & Peg Hannold Fund Women's Giving Circle of McKean County

#### Unrestricted Funds

McKean County Community **Development Fund** 

#### Scholarship Funds

Garick S. Anderson Memorial Scholarship Andrus Family Good Citizenship Award ARG Employee Scholarship BAHS & BCCHS Class of 1964 Scholarship BAHS Class of 1960 Scholarship Julianna Rose Barton Memorial BCPAC Scholarship Bradford Area Fire Dept. Scholarship \*\*\* Kristie Chase Memorial Scholarship Honey Lee Colella Education Scholarship Chuck Daly Memorial Martha A. Eddy Memorial Scholarship Timothy S. Eyssen Memorial Scholarship JoAnn Feceks Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Bernard Feiro Golf Memorial Scholarship Thomas E. Frair Scholarship Gentilman Family Scholarship Gigliotti-Plano Student Support \*\*\* Jerry & Nancy Haberberger Memorial Scholarship Hannold Family Memorial Scholarship Samuel F. Heffner Sr. Memorial Scholarship Scott M. Hickey Memorial Scholarship

Ellen Marie Hulings Nursing Scholarship John and Donna M. Hulings Memorial Steven Jerman Memorial Jeff & Shelli Johnson Memorial Kane Day School Scholarship Sashy & Gladys Kane Perpetual Peyton Kirk Memorial Scholarship Pink Langainese Memorial Scholarship Gary Meckley Scholarship Mary Mottey Memorial Scholarship Helene Nawrocki Memorial Lisa Pecora Scholarship Rotary Pass Through Scholarship \*\*\* Tristan Sauers Memorial Carrie Sauers Memorial Elzear Kalstrom Schoch English Schol. Rodney Schoch Band Scholarship Pastor Craig Smith Memorial Joe Stanko Memorial Scholarship Susan Swanson Memorial Internship/ Scholarship sponsored by AHUG

Ernest C. Tanner Memorial Scholarship Joe Tantalo Scholarship Andrew Taylor Recognition Award Verna Wooditch Memorial Scholarship

- Funds listed in bold print indicate a new fund created in 2022. - Funds marked with three asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate a pass-thru fund, -

# NEW FUNDS

June Howard Scholarship Diana J Hulings Memorial



#### HARRY J. HALLORAN BRADFORD PROSPERITY FUND

A grant from Halloran Philanthropies established the Harry Halloran Bradford Prosperity Fund (HHBPF) to be held at the McKean County Community Foundation. The fund was established to honor the memory of Harry J. Halloran, American Refining Group Inc. (ARG) Chief Executive Officer and Board Chairman, who was a dedicated philanthropist. Mr. Halloran supported ARG employees' involvement in their community and supported the local organizations they held in high regard.

The Harry Halloran Bradford Prosperity Fund will provide charitable funds to those nonprofit organizations recommended by the local designated advisors. The Fund is

dedicated to continuing Halloran Philanthropies' localized approach in which charitable entities base grant making and investing on community interest while also providing communities with access to a broader network of resources. The HHBPF serves two purposes: to establish a participatory grant making advisory board comprised of members of the Bradford community, and to provide long-term stability to the nonprofit and support organizations serving the most vulnerable members of the Bradford community.

The partnership between the HHBPF and the Community Foundation is taking an innovative approach as it actively engages members of the Bradford community with participatory practices that have traditionally not been available. The HHBPF is also innovative in that it is responding to the opportunities and challenges facing the Bradford community with the flexibility to match their needs in unforeseeable circumstances.

# PENN

The Northern Pennsylvania Regional College (NPRC) provides affordable and accessible post-secondary education to the residents of northern Pennsylvania by offering associate degrees and certificates. NPRC and the Community Foundation of the Northern Alleghenies (CFNA) entered into a new partnership in 2022 to administer scholarships and other endowments, made possible by a generous gift from an anonymous donor. This new partnership will offer additional educational opportunities to area residents.

#### GENTILMAN PETERSON FUND

This fund was started in 2022 by Jim and Ruth Gentilman Peterson in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary and in support of continuing the revitalization of their hometown of Kane. The fund is intended to kickstart/match grants to local nonprofits, primarily via Kane Area Revitalization Enterprise (KARE), in support of planned or ongoing efforts or of newly planned initiatives to extend revitalization into surrounding neiahborhoods.

Jim and Ruth were born and raised in Kane. Ruth left their hometown after graduation and returned 30 years later to marry Jim after the two met by chance at her mother's 80th birthday celebration in Kane. She was a member of the original KARE group in the late 1990's. Before retiring, she was the planning and communications manager at Kane Community Hospital (UPMC Kane) for 12 years. Jim worked in maintenance and vehicle fleet management at Abraxas, a youth residential substance abuse treatment facility in Marienville, for nearly 40 years. After retiring and for the last five years, Jim and Ruth razed, preserved, renovated and landscaped family-owned residential properties to help enhance their neighborhood, which is a block away from uptown Kane's major revitalization.



Penn Highlands Elk has a long history of providing quality care to the region. The hospital campus is located in St. Marys, with outpatient services and physician offices in multiple locations throughout the region. It proudly serves the residents of Elk, Cameron and McKean counties.

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#### NPRC PRESIDENTS FUND



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# NEW PARTNERSHIP

MCCF AND MCKEAN COUNTY **COMMISSIONERS PARTNERSHIP GIVES** LIFE TO MANY COMMUNITY PROJECTS



Forty McKean County organizations benefited from the MCCF / McKean County Commissioners Partnership grants.

#### Partnership infuses \$250,000 in grants into our communities

During 2022, the McKean County Community Foundation was excited to work with the McKean County Board of Commissioners, who announced an exclusive partnership to benefit nonprofit organizations serving McKean County.

Many dedicated nonprofits that enhance the daily living experiences of all residents in the region were overlooked for funding amid the COVID-19 pandemic. To help these organizations, the McKean County Commissioners provided funds of \$250,000 to the McKean County Community Foundation for grant distributions in 2022. These dollars represented a portion of funds from the McKean County's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

The Commissioners called upon the McKean County Community Foundation to utilize its expertise in the administration of the grant funding. The grants were open to nonprofit agencies, including any 501(c)3 nonprofits that serve the residents of the county and faith-based organizations that provide community services. The McKean County Community Foundation provided the administrative and management services for the application process, administration, and distribution of the grants.

The grants offered more opportunities for our local nonprofits and faith-based organizations to support their programs and projects that meet the needs of the community. Through the MCCF/Commissioners partnership, 40 organizations received grants for projects and programs that enhanced the quality of life for many residents of McKean County.

MCCF/McKean County Commissioners Partnership grants awarded a total of \$250,000 to these recipients:

Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services Beacon Light Behavioral Health System Bradford Area Public Library **Bradford Ecumenical Home** Bradford Landmark Society Bradford Little League Bradford Little Theatre Bradford Youth Trap Camp JJ Inc. Avenna Health Care CARE for Children CASA of McKean County Catholic Charities Destinations of McKean Duke Center United Methodist Church Evergreen Elms First United Methodist Church of Kane Friends of the Library **Futures Rehabilitation Center** Hamlin Memorial Library Hannah Catherin Wolfe Memorial Kane Area Radio Association Kane Area Community Center Kane Community Preschool Kane Little League Kane Volunteer Fire Department Lutheran Home of Kane Meals on Wheels BHF McKean County Community Foundation MJ2KB Trail Mt Jewett Hilltop Heritage Open Arms Penn Brad Historical Oil Well Salvation Army Bradford Corp Smethport Mt Jewett LL SW Smith Library Tuna Valley Trails Association Twin Tiers Disc Golf Association Willow Creek Snowmobile Club WWII Museum YMCA

YWCA

#### **GRANT TO ELDRED WWII MUSEUM** FOCUSED ON WOMEN IN WWII

A \$10,000 grant to the Eldred WWII Museum as a result of the McKean County Commissioners/MCCF Partnership has kept the museum staff busy. The grant has helped them design and build new displays as well as update current displays into "Heritage Exhibits". These exhibits include educational handouts explaining the founding of the museum and strongly feature the women who worked the munitions plant assembly lines and their global impact on the outcome of the WWII. The heritage exhibits will help enhance their current educational programming, which is designed to inspire young people through experiencing and hearing the voices of our past.

The Eldred WWII Museum opened on Memorial Day 1996 with the mission to preserve and interpret the history of World War II and to commemorate the contribution of 40 million Americans that supported the 16 million fighting soldiers during the epic struggle to defend freedom and democracy against the forces of greed and aggression.

The museum has expanded from its one room beginning to 1,500 square feet of exhibit space on three levels over the past 26 years. Programming includes educational group tours, monthly programs, author book signings, WWII veteran and Holocaust survivor talks, and Holocaust education. The Eldred WWII Museum hopes to help shape a stronger future for the United States by helping present and future generations understand the lessons of the 20th century.

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Pictured is the front entrance display at the Eldred behind the front lines.



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# 2022 GRANTS AWARDED

### **DESIGNATED FUNDS**

A designated fund allows you to name a particular charity or charities, or field of interest to benefit from your fund in perpetuity. The Foundation provides oversight to ensure that the gift is used exactly as you intended. Finally, you have the assurance that, should the designated charity cease to exist, the Foundation's Board of Directors will preserve your intent by redirecting the fund toward the closest similar use.



ABC Grow With Me Grow Rural PA

NPRC

Port Allegany Borough Recreation S.W. Smith Memorial Library

**\$150,099** TOTAL DOLLARS AWARDED



### **DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS**

Donors who want to be actively involved with their philanthropy may make grant recommendations to the Board of Directors which retains final responsibility for all distributions.

### **\$107,300** WAS AWARDED TO THESE ORGANIZATIONS:

Bradford Public Library CARE for Children CASA of McKean County Catholic Charities Counseling and Adoption Services Destinations Duke Center United Methodist Church Destinations - Bradford MCCF Administrative Fund NPRC Lisa Pecora Scholarship Fund YWCA Bradford







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Flying Dove Ranch is a non-denominational Christian camp and nonprofit organization that provides individuals and organizations across the region opportunities at recreation and a place to strengthen personal relationships with the Lord and each other.

Property is available to rent for retreats, youth groups, conferences, business meetings, family outings, reunions, weddings and a variety of other community events.

# NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

#### HONEY LEE COLELLA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The family of Honey Lee Colella, who had been a long-time first grade teacher in the Bradford Area School District (BASD), recently transferred this longtime scholarship honoring Honey from the BASD to the Foundation. "She touched the lives of so many families in the Bradford area that we thought it would be a great honor for her to keep giving," said Ann Fesenmyer, Colella's daughter and a teacher in the school district. This scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior pursuing a degree in elementary education, early childhood education, or special education.

#### THOMAS E. FRAIR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Thomas Frair is a graduate of Penn State University with a B.S. in Forest Science and a M.S. in Forest Resources. He had a 38-year career as a private forestry consultant working primarily with private landowners in achieving short- and long-term forest management objectives. Tom is a lifelong resident of McKean County and the owner/operator of the Frair Haus Greenhaus & Gardens since 1995. Tom established this fund to help aspiring students in the fields of interest that he has had for his entire life: forestry, horticulture, apiculture, plant science and general agriculture.

#### **GENTILMAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This award began with the children of Victor and Elinor Cairns Centilman as a celebration of their parents on their 50th wedding anniversary in 1996. Donations by the family, friends and employer matches helped grow the fund (formerly held at the Kane Area School District) over many years. The fund will support two scholarships: the "In the Game" scholarship, which is to be awarded to a Kane student pursuing a degree in health, physical education, or education, and the "STEM" scholarship for a student who will major in the field of science, engineering, math, or education. Vic and Elinor both served in WWII, then met at and received bachelor's and master's degrees from Penn State University. Both taught physical education. Vic was a teacher and coach in the Kane Area School District for 36 years. Before their marriage, Elinor taught for six years in State College and then was a substitute teacher in Kane. They raised three children, Rick, Ruth and Bill, all proud Kane High School graduates.



HONEY LEE COLELLA



THOMAS E. FRAIR



VICTOR & ELINOR CAIRNS GENTILMAN

#### JUNE HOWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The June A. Howard Memorial Scholarship fund was originally established on behalf of the Graduation Class of 1943 of the Arnot Ogden Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Elmira, New York. The funds were then held at the Bradford Area School District and then transferred to the McKean County Community Foundation. This memorial award is in honor of June A. Howard who was a school nurse in the Bradford Area School District. A scholarship will be awarded to a BAHS graduating senior who is pursuing a nursing career.

#### HELENE K. NAWROCKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Helene Nawrocki was born and raised in the Philadelphia, PA region. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing from LaSalle University. Helene was employed in the ICU and as Director of Nursing at Delaware Valley Hospital. She also authored the <u>Nurse's Book of Courage</u> and lectured at nursing seminars throughout the country. In 1996, after 20 years in the medical field, Helene and her husband moved to Potter County where she served as the Executive Director of the Potter County Education Council (PCEC). The PCEC's goal is to bring higher educational opportunities to the region. Helene never stopped learning, and this scholarship is being offered for today's students to continue their education through the Northern PA Regional College.

#### LISA PECORA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship fund honors Lisa Pecora's dedication to the Education Consortium of the Upper Allegany (ECUA) and Northern Pennsylvania Regional College (NPRC). Lisa Pecora is a founding member of the ECUA, serving as treasurer. ECUA and NPRC coordinated their efforts to create a College Plan that was approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. NPRC began operating as an independent institution in 2020 and offers degrees and certificates to area students. Lisa continues her dedication to the college's mission, currently serving as the Director of Human Resources. To receive a scholarship, a student must be enrolled or accepted to Northern PA Regional College (NPRC) and pursuing a post-secondary degree or be a high school student attending NPRC classes through dual enrollment. Preference is given to McKean County and Titusville High School students.

#### JOE TANTALO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Joseph C. Tantalo Scholarship, previously administered by Bradford Area High School, was transferred to the McKean County Community Foundation. The scholarship was established in Joe's memory by the maintenance and custodial staff of BAHS in collaboration with other employees to benefit future graduates who will be entering the building trades. Tantalo was a long-time, dedicated maintenance employee of the Bradford Area School District and was a master carpenter. He always had time to share his expertise with the students.







HELENE K. NAWROCKI

LISA PECORA

The McKean County **Community Foundation** awarded over 60 scholarships to area students in 2022.

These students represent some of the many graduating seniors who received a scholarship.











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# **2022 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**

ARG Employee Scholarship Jonathon Mishic (KAHS - \$500) Justin Mishic (KAHS - \$500)

Garrick S. Anderson Memorial Scholarship Evan Smith (BAHS - \$500)

Andrus Family Good Citizenship Award Khadijah Thomas (BAHS - \$1,000)

Julianna Rose Barton Memorial Scholarship Liam McKay (BAHS - \$1,000)

BAHS Class of 1960 Scholarship Madeline Emerson (BAHS - \$1,000)

BAHS & BCCHS Class of 1964 Scholarship

Lauren Schlopy (BAHS - \$1,000)

Bradford Area Fire Department Scholarship Olivia Angell (BAHS - \$1,000)

Bradford Creative Performing Arts Center BCPAC Scholarship Reagan Hutton (PAHS - \$1,000)

Bradford Rotary Vocational Scholarship Devan Poe (BAHS - \$500)

Kristie Chase Memorial Scholarship Kaylee Rhinehart (OEHS - \$500)

#### Cinderella's Closet of Kane Scholarship

Jenny Crowley (KAHS - \$1,000) Abigail Nuzzo (BAHS - \$1,000) Kaylee Rhinehart (OEHS - \$1,000) Madison Kottwitz (PAHS - \$1,000) Hayley Durphy (SAHS - \$1,000)

Chuck Daly Memorial Scholarship Joshua Greville (KAHS - \$1,000) Sadie Walter (KAHS - \$1,000)

Kane Day Memorial Scholarship Sadie Walter (KAHS - \$500)

Martha A. Eddy Memorial Scholarship

Reece Norcross (BAHS - \$500)

Timothy S. Eyssen Memorial Scholarship Tripp Hoover (BAHS - \$450)

Hannold Family Memorial Scholarship Jack Bell (KAHS - \$500) Kaylee Walker (KAHS - \$1,000)

Joanna C. Fecek Memorial Scholarship (Kane CD of A) Sadie Walter (KAHS - \$350)

Bernard Feiro Memorial Scholarship Spencer Cornelius (BAHS - \$500)

Thomas E. Frair Scholarship lan Dynda (PAHS - \$500) Samantha Hulings (KAHS - \$500)





Gentilman Family "In the Game" Award Abigail Anderson (KAHS - \$4,000)

Gentilman Family "STEM" Award Jonathan Mishic (KAHS - \$4,000)

Jerry and Nancy Haberberger Memorial Scholarship Avery Bechakas (KAHS - \$500)

Samuel F. Heffner Sr. Memorial Scholarship Christian Peterson (BAHS - \$950)

Scott M. Hickey Memorial Scholarship Harley Morris (KAHS - \$500)

Diana J. Hulings Memorial Scholarship Joshua Stewart (KAHS - \$675)

Ellen Marie Hulings Memorial Nursing Scholarship Joshua Stewart (KAHS - \$500)

John and Donna Hulings Memorial Scholarship Samantha Hulings (KAHS - \$650) Sadie Walter (KAHS - \$650)

Steve Jerman Memorial Scholarship Joshua Stewart (KAHS - \$1,125)



#### PARKER YOHE, BAHS

#### **Rodney Schoch Band Scholarship**

"Thank you for considering me worthy of this scholarship! I am a proud alumni of the Bradford Marching Owls, Jazz Band, Pep Band, and Concert Band. Being captain of the drum line and playing the quints for three of four years has been a joy. I hope to play in pep band at college."

The Jeff and Shelli Johnson Memorial Scholarship Jacob Costanzo (KAHS - \$500)

Sashy and Gladys Kane Perpetual Scholarship Mason Milliron (KAHS - \$1,000) Sadie Walter (KAHS - \$1,000)

Peyton Kirk Memorial Scholarship Madeline Emerson (BAHS - \$700) Calyb Geist (BAHS - \$700) Reece Norcross (BAHS - \$700) Darian Wineberg (BAHS - \$700)

Pink Langianese Memorial Scholarship Lauren Schlopy (BAHS - \$500)

Gary Meckley Scholarship Jack Bell (KAHS - \$1,000) Joshua Greville (KAHS - \$1,000)

Mary Mottey Memorial Scholarship Lauren Placer (BAHS - \$1,775)

Gigliotti - Plano Student Support Scholarship Khadijah Thomas (BAHS - \$500)

Paul Robert and Frieda Roberta Calkins Rolfe Scholarship Madison Stahli (KAHS - \$4,000)



"I am exceptionally honored to be the recipient of your scholarship. I plan to pursue a nursing career at Duquesne University. As I stated in my scholarship application, my goals from a young age volunteering my time to see the greater good was always on my 'to-do' list. I enjoy taking time out of each day to make a positive impact and end each moment fulfilled. Becoming a nurse will bring me this fulfillment and aid in my future success. Because of your generosity, the financial burden placed on me to pursue my education will be reduced. Thank you!"

Carrie Sauers Memorial Scholarship Abigail Anderson (KAHS - \$500)

Tristan Sauers Memorial Scholarship Mason Milliron (KAHS - \$575)

Elzear Kalstrom Schoch English Award Mary Bukowski (BAHS - \$450)

Rodney Schoch Band Scholarship Parker Yohe (BAHS - \$450)

Pastor Craig Smith Memorial Scholarship Serrena Conklin (KAHS - \$700)

Joe Stanko Memorial Scholarship Andrew Jekielek (KAHS - \$1,000)

Andrew Taylor Recognition Award Dakota Baker (BAHS - \$400) Lanie Allen (BAHS - \$400) Gage Kremer (BAHS - \$400)

Verna Wooditch Memorial Scholarship Jonathon Mishic (KAHS - \$500)

#### Scholarships Not Given This Year

Ernest Tanner Memorial Scholarship

#### **Diana J. Hulings Memorial Scholarship**

#### **Pastor Craig Smith** Memorial Scholarship

"Thank you so very much for your monetary donation and faith in me as a secondary education student. Pastor Craig left such a remarkable impact during his life and I truly hope to do the same. It is such an honor to be awarded the scholarship in his memory. I am forever grateful for the opportunity to apply, as well as the gift I received. Thanks again and God bless."



# MORE MONEY, LESS PROBLEMS

READ ON TO FIND OUT HOW THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S INVOLVEMENT IN SEVERAL INITIATIVES ARE HELPING REDUCE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF COLLEGE EXPENSES.

NPRC & CFNA form partnership to administer new scholarship funds

The Northern Pennsylvania Regional College (NPRC) and the Community Foundation of the Northern Alleghenies (CFNA) entered into a new partnership in 2022 to administer scholarships and other endowments, made possible by a generous gift from an anonymous donor. This new partnership will offer additional educational opportunities to area residents.

CFNA affiliates, the McKean County Community Foundation (MCCF) and the Elk County Community Foundation (ECCF), will provide the administrative and investment management services to process, administer and award the NPRC scholarship dollars.

NPRC provides affordable and accessible post-secondary education to the residents of northern Pennsylvania by offering Associate degrees and certificates. Investments in scholarship programs by NPRC helps students stay in our communities while attending school, and hopefully remain here to continue working as they enter the workforce. For more information about NPRC please visit their website at regionalcollegepa.org.

These new NPRC scholarships administered by the Community Foundation are available to students across the NPRC footprint. CFNA and its affiliates look forward to helping NPRC grow their new scholarships and endowments.

ttending by Zoom was Raymond Pringle, VP of Finance & dministration for NPRC.

State ban on scholarship displacement benefits local students

Never heard of scholarship displacement? You're not the only one. This practice oftentimes comes as a surprise to students, but has been common at many colleges and universities across the country. Award - or scholarship - displacement occurs when a student receives an outside or private scholarship, such as one from the Community Foundation, which then leads to a reduction in other forms of aid.

PACFA, the Pennsylvania Community Foundation Association, joined a statewide coalition of scholarship providers to initiate the call for elimination of scholarship displacement in 2018. Fortunately, on Friday July 8, 2022, Governor Tom Wolf signed into law HB1642, a sprawling public school system bill that includes a ban on scholarship displacement at public colleges and universities. The ban went into effect immediately and will positively affect scholarship awards for this academic year.

Our Community Foundation is a member of PACFA, with Paula Fritz Eddy, our Foundation's Executive Director, serving as a PACFA Board Member. She explains, "As a community foundation, our duty is to carry out our donors' intent. When we award a scholarship to a student on behalf of a donor, and the university then reduces that student's financial aid package it essentially eliminates the scholarship's benefit to the student and defeats our donor's purpose in awarding the scholarship. We were pleased to work with PACFA on behalf of our donors and our students to help influence the passage of this bill."

#### Students can double their scholarship dollars through McKean and Elk County Foundation's PATH Partnership

Our Foundation is proud to be a partner with the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) to provide additional funding sources for students pursuing post-secondary education. Through the PATH (Partnerships for Access to Higher Education) Program, qualifying students who already received a scholarship or grant from one of their PHEAA PATH partners may be eligible for additional grant money.

- In 2022, 56 students from McKean and Elk counties doubled their scholarship award dollars distributed by our Foundation by qualifying for the PATH program's matching dollars, receiving an additional total of over \$84,000.
- The Foundation's online Scholarship Program automatically enters eligible students into the PATH program.
- Since 2003, the PATH program has matched a total of \$1,015,805 of the Community Foundation scholarship dollars awarded to 930 scholarship recipients.

It pays our donors to establish a scholarship fund at the Community Foundation! Our PATH partnership can essentially double the dollars awarded to a student from your scholarship. For more information about establishing a scholarship fund to help students at any level achieve their educational goals contact the Foundation at 844-238-2289.

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2. ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICES We handle all fund paperwork for donors including fund statements. check-writing, tax filings, annual financial audits, donor acknowledgements and tax receipts, and record-keeping.

3. INVESTMENT SERVICES Enjoy the advantages of having the fund you established be part of an actively managed. diversified investment portfolio. Our finance committee oversees the investment activities of the Foundation.

4. COST-EFFECTIVENESS The fund you establish will be pooled with other fund assets at the Community Foundation, offering significant economies of scale, which means lower investment fees, lower fund minimums, and lower administrative costs.

5. TAX BENEFITS As a public charity, we offer maximum tax advantage for most gifts according to federal law.

6. SCHOLARSHIP SERVICES Scholarship administration can be time-consuming and expensive. We offer incredible services for our scholarship funds, including the use of our online application, our outreach to local high schools, and our checkwriting services. We can also handle the scholarship selection at no additional cost.

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#### **OUR PARTNERS IN CHARITABLE GIVING**

We invite you to join our many charitable donors who have established a fund at the Community Foundation. Creating a fund at the Foundation can benefit your favorite charities, causes, or communities now and in the future. It is an easy, flexible, and effective way to make a lasting impact on the community and fulfill your charitable goals.

*Our Foundation manages more than 63 diverse charitable funds totaling almost \$2.3* million in assets. Although each fund has a unique name, history, legacy, and purpose, they all share the same broad goal of improving lives and meeting local needs in McKean County.

# **TOP 10 REASONS** TO PARTNER WITH A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

7. GRANT SELECTION If you wish to establish a grant-making fund but do not wish to review applications or select the awards, you can leave the grant-making to us. We will handle the application, due diligence process, proposal review, and grant disbursement, ensuring that your funds are supporting the most exciting projects, the most urgent community needs, and the best-run nonprofits in our community.

8. PHILANTHROPIC GUIDANCE If you wish to recommend grants yourself, you can establish a donor-advised fund and still take advantage of our staff's philanthropic counsel. Our staff has broad expertise regarding local nonprofits and community needs, and we can help you select the best nonprofits for your grant making

9. PUBLICITY We are pleased to publicize new charitable funds in accordance with the wishes of our fund donors. All grants and scholarships awarded from your fund will be included in our annual report and on our website. We can also make extra publicity efforts to highlight special gifts to and grants from your fund. On the flip side, while some donors want to publicize their funds, others wish to remain anonymous, and we can do that, too. Just let us know your preferences.

10. AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS We hold funds on behalf of more than 20 nonprofits in our community, and for good reason. Your organizational fund at the Community Foundation can provide your nonprofit with a reliable and easy source of income in perpetuity. You receive all the benefits described above. Additionally, any donor to the Community Foundation can designate gifts to your organization's fund.

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# WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE

#### TOGETHER

## WE SHARE | WE BUILD | WE GIVE

**Empowering Women to Create Positive Change through Collective Giving in McKean County** 

WE SHARE -



#### WGC MEMBERS SHARE THEIR RESOURCES TO CREATE POSITIVE CHANGE

Women's Giving Circle (WGC) members are women from all walks of life who make their homes in McKean County. WGC is a relatively young organization that was formed to encourage the charitable giving of our area women.

An affordable membership offers the opportunity for community-minded women to make a huge difference with a small investment. A yearly donation of a minimum of \$100 gives a member voting privileges as well as participation in two yearly events with many amazing women in our communities.

WGC invites nonprofits to submit grant applications on an annual basis, with grants awarded at the annual meeting from the pooled donations of all of the WGC members. We extend an invitation to all area women to join us at any of their events to learn more about how the organization is making a difference in our community.

#### WE BUILD -



#### LOGYARD BREWING EVENT: HELPING TO GROW OUR GRANTING DOLLARS

WGC is both a philanthropic and a social organization that strengthens the concept of women working together to fund change and create a better way of living in their communities. WGC's 2022 social event held at the Logyard Brewing Taproom in Kane featured an enjoyable evening of friendship, appetizers, and floral design, while helping to grow the granting monies available for distribution at their annual meeting. Local florists guided the group in creating beautiful floral bouquets and succulent garden dishes.

Photo - Enjoying their floral designs are (in foreground) Krysta Robinson, Linda Myers, Julie Cleland, and Marilyn Blackmore.

WE GIVE -



#### **GRANTS AWARDED AT 2022 ANNUAL MEETING**

The Women's Giving Circle (WGC) fall business meeting was held at The Bradford Brew Station on November 16. Members and guests enjoyed hearty hors d'oeuvres and participated in basket raffles. The highlight of the evening was a presentation by each of the 10 grant applicants with a brief description of the project their grant would be funding. WGC members then voted on their favorite projects and awarded a total of \$7,300 in grants to five non-profit organizations.

Accepting grants from Women's Giving Circle on behalf of their organizations were Suzy Meyer-Page of CASA, Beth Rosier of Duke Center United Methodist Church, Vanessa Castano of YWCA, Mike Black of Destinations, and Denise Bean of The Guidance Center.

#### WHY JOIN W

Affordable charitable giving. Amazing women. Fun events. Building your community.

Membership is open to those who share our vision for a brighter McKean County for women and children. New members are invited to join our dynamic group at any time. Our membership fee is only a minimum of \$100 per year. GIVING Your membership fee will be pooled together with other members' fees; and the money we collect will be awarded via grants to organizations that meet our goal of improving the lives of women and children in our area. Your membership fee enables you to learn about nonprofits in our community, join like-minded women who want to make a difference in community, welcome their new members, and vote on who receives our pooled money. Women can learn more or join Women's Giving Circle by visiting the MCCF website at mckeancountyfoundation.org, or by calling the Foundation at 1-844-238-2289.

lill Anderson Martha Baker Marilyn Blackmore Judy Bodamer Jeanette Burleson Vanessa Castano Sally Claypool Julie Cleland Judith Cook Sharon Daniels Christy Darr Katelyn Dellen

The Women's Giving Circle (WGC) is looking for a few community-minded women to join our committee. Our volunteers represent all walks of life. Give us your ideas, some of your time, and your organizing skills and we'll give YOU a rewarding experience while making an impact in your community!

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#### WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE **2022 GRANT AWARDS**

\$2,000	To YWCA for their housing and employment services program
\$2,000	To <b>CASA of McKean County</b> for recruitment and training of additional volunteers
\$2,000	To <b>Destinations of Bradford</b> to expand their housing and gasoline card programs
\$1,000	To <b>Duke Center Methodist Church Food Pantry</b> to supply personal care and hygiene products
\$300	To Catholic Charities Counseling and Adoption Services for their Pregnancy and Parenting program

#### WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP

- New 2022 members are listed in bold print. -

- Denise "Dee" Buchanan
- Sarah Duke Diane Dynda Stephanie Eckstrom Paula Fritz Eddy Angela Erway Suzanne Erwin Lisa Esch Jennifer Fitton Rev. Stacev Fussell Jessica Gabriel Tanva Gavlev Kathy Gibson Mary Gregg Karen Haberberger

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#### **DO YOU BELIEVE IN OUR CAUSE?**

This is not a typical volunteer opportunity! It does not involve weekly meetings, special training, or specific skills. WGC volunteers help plan a yearly membership event, organize our annual business meeting, and participate in some community outreach to help build our membership.

We welcome women of all ages to consider this special volunteer opportunity. We need your experience, your leadership, your creativity, and your passion for a better community. If you have an interest in helping us really make a difference right where you live, call Paula, our Executive Director, at 844-238-2289 for more information.





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VISION STATEMENT The McKean County Community Foundation connects people who care with causes that matter.

The official registration and financial information of the McKean County Community Foundation may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

MCKEAN COUNTY

#### WHAT IF YOU COULD SUPPORT ALL YOUR FAVORITE ON E? CHARITIES THROUGH DONATION?



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- Make additional tax-deductible contributions to your fund.
- You choose recognition or anonymity.

#### THE POWER OF A DONOR-ADVISED FUND

Community Foundation

"Building A Path To Tomorrow"

In the process of establishing the Hannold Family Memorial Scholarship Fund at MCCF, Charles "Butch" Hannold passed away suddenly. After completing the scholarship fund process in 2022, Peg also established the *Butch & Peg Hannold Donor-Advised Fund* to continue to honor Butch and their shared interest in supporting their favorite charities. The Hannold's have awarded grants to:

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