BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Ashland County Community Foundation
...for generations to come

2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT
Greetings to our Friends and Neighbors in Ashland County!

On June 30, 2018, the Ashland County Community Foundation completed a “banner” 23rd year of existence, fulfilling its mission with enthusiasm and optimism. With the expanding of its physical footprint and the continual developing of fruitful relationships, ACCF is “Building for the Future”.

This past year witnessed the construction of an 800-square-foot addition to ACCF’s building, the appropriately-named “Dr. Lucille Garber Ford Wing”, in honor of ACCF’s founding president, to add physical capacity, in the form of three additional offices and two handicap-accessible restrooms. One hundred percent of the funding necessary to cover the cost of construction and furnishings was raised prior to the start. Ground was broken on the addition in August, 2017, with staff moving into the new space in March, 2018.

Further, a remarkable...and all-time high...43 new endowment funds were created in the prior 12 months, eclipsing the previous mark of 35 established in just the prior fiscal year. Those of us who have served as trustees, volunteers or staff continue to be amazed at the rate of growth that ACCF has experienced. Few of us could have envisioned, at this point in our history, having 433 endowment funds under administration, with over $49 million in assets and the awarding of nearly $12.9 million in scholarships, grants and distributions.

A new initiative was implemented this year, designed to encourage and assist local non-profit agencies, for whom ACCF holds endowment, to “build” additional capacity and sustainability by attracting estate gifts.

To compliment this effort, we are “crafting” strategic alliances with local estate planning professionals to encourage them to consider promoting planned giving instruments with their clients that include the creation of endowment at ACCF.

The generous donors of time, talent and treasure that comprise our Women’s Fund continue to “construct” a brighter future for girls and women with needs in Ashland County.

The high-school-aged participants in our ACCF “IMPACT” Youth Council are not just imagining a future where philanthropy is an Ashland County tradition...they’re making it so right now, “brick by brick”, through grantmaking to benefit youth in our community.

On behalf of the staff and board of trustees at the Ashland County Community Foundation, we express our deep gratitude for your support and confidence in our mission of advancing philanthropy.

If you are already a member of the “ACCF Family”, we thank you; if not, please consider joining us, as we continue “Building for the Future” in Ashland County.

Regards,

James M. Cutright
Executive Director/CEO

Kenneth E. Milligan
Chair, Board of Trustees
Trustee Roles and Responsibilities

The fundamental role of the Ashland County Community Foundation Board of Trustees is to represent the interests of the Ashland County community. The ultimate decision-making authority of the Foundation rests in the hands of these individuals. The Board of Trustees functions as both a policy-making body and working board. Together with professional staff, they form a strong team. All trustees serve on two of the following committees: Advancement, Finance, Grants, Hess Loan, Mini-Grants, Nominating, Scholarship, and Women’s Fund. The Board Chair is ex-officio on all committees. Officers of the Board serve on the Executive Committee.

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Volunteer Support

ACCF’s volunteer program engages people in a variety of ways – from routine office tasks and bulk mailings to technology and bookkeeping needs to preliminary scholarship review and advisory committee participation. Joining the Board and staff, approximately 90 volunteers this past year assisted the Foundation in serving the community.

Office/Operational Volunteers

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The Ashland County Community Foundation is among more than 850 community foundations in the United States. Community foundations are tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) public charities that serve local donors who wish to take an organized approach to giving. Because community foundations are public charities, their donors enjoy increased tax advantages not available to private foundation donors. Community foundation donors also receive professional support without hiring staff. Unlike private foundations, community foundations invest and administer a pool of funds contributed by numerous donors. Together, these donors create an endowment - in essence the community’s charitable savings account - designed to ensure the long-term health of the nonprofit community.

Ohio is home to more than 90 community foundations, including several recognized nationwide as innovators in the field. Individually and collectively they provide Ohio with a wealth of energy, ideas, leadership, and social and philanthropic capital. These resources help find new and effective solutions to the challenges facing our communities. Community foundations, in essence, represent trust and confidence in the community and a commitment to our future.

Like all community foundations, the Ashland County Community Foundation:

- Has an independent, all-volunteer governing body broadly representative of its community.
- Informs and educates individuals, families and businesses about community issues and grant making opportunities.
- Actively involves individuals, families and businesses in identifying and responding to community issues and opportunities.
- Keeps all information obtained with respect to donors, funds and prospects for new fund creation confidential to the fullest extent possible.
- Honors the charitable intentions of its donors consistent with community needs and applicable laws and regulations.
- Is a steward of charitable funds, investing and prudently managing funds and maintaining accurate financial records, and is accountable to its community and regularly disseminates information on its programs and finances.
- Ensures that its financial resources are used solely in furtherance of its mission.

Donors who give through the Ashland County Community Foundation enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that their gifts will be safely and efficiently administered for the charitable purposes they specify, as well as receiving the maximum tax deduction for their contributions.
IMPACT Youth Council

I-M-P-A-C-T is an acronym for “Imagine Making Philanthropy an Ashland County Tradition” and is the branding for a new group of high school-aged grantmakers that we call our ACCF IMPACT Youth Council. The IMPACT Youth Council is ACCF’s newest program, providing a community service opportunity for sophomores, juniors and seniors from Ashland, Hillsdale, Loudonville and Mapleton high schools, the Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center and Home Schoolers.

2018 Young “Difference-Makers”

ACCF’s Young “Difference-Makers” Program (formerly Kids Who Care) recognizes individuals or groups of young people, ages 5 to 18 in Ashland County, who have initiated activities and/or programs from the heart, impacting others in profound and meaningful ways.
IMPACT Youth Grants
11 grants awarded in 2017-2018 totaling $8,858.77

IMPACT Youth Grants are awarded to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations to benefit youth in Ashland County.

Ashland Christian School
Tower Garden to promote education in nutrition, science and math

Greater Cleveland Food Bank
Provide food assistance to Ashland County children participating in BackPacks for Kids program

Ashland County
Cancer Association
YMCA memberships for youth clients of ACCA

Hillsdale Middle School
Funding to support the 5th grade girls empowerment event

Ashland High School
Lunch Bunch
Gift bag supplies for Secret Society Supporting Him/Her

Hospice of North Central Ohio, Inc.
Cost for one child participating in Camp Hope children’s bereavement camp

Ashland Middle School
Instructional reading materials for increasing effectiveness of AMS Reading Intervention Library

Mental Health & Recovery Board of Ashland County
Supplies to create a “Brainy Resilience Kit” for children and youth with trauma histories

Catholic Charities Corporation
Supplies to be used for the Multi-Generational Mentoring (MGM) Program in Loudonville

Young Life Capernaum
Provide funding for approximately 6 youth to attend Capernaum Camp

Fostering Family Ministries
Funding to allow children in foster care to participate in enriching activities

2018 Young “Difference-Makers” were recognized as follows:

Mikah Frye,
Taft Intermediate School

Serena Quirino,
Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center

Leanna Wally,
Ashland High School

Madelyn Williams,
home-schooled student

Elysia Zehner,
Ashland Middle School
Investing in Tomorrow’s Leaders

211 SCHOLARSHIPS were recently awarded to students all across Ashland County. Recipients of the scholarships awarded in 2018 for the first time are pictured to the right.

The following scholarship funds were created in 2017-2018 and will make their inaugural distributions in the coming year(s):

- **Ashland County Wildlife Conservation League Scholarship** created the Ashland County Wildlife Conservation League
- **Ashland High School Class of 1957 Scholarship** created by Ashland High School Class of 1957
- **Max L. and Marilyn Harshman Scholarship Fund for College Seniors** created by Max L. and Marilyn Harshman
- **Dann L. and Connie J. Marble Education Scholarship** created by Dann L. and Connie J. Marble
- **Jane L. Taylor Scholarship** created by Jane L. Taylor

**Strategic Grants** - 3 strategic grants awarded in 2017-2018 totaling $25,300

Strategic Grants are pro-active grants awarded to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations contributing to the community-wide benefit.

- **Ashland Young Professionals Seed dollars for start-up of a professional networking organization for young Ashland County career-minded individuals**
- **Ashland Main Street Matching funding to assist City of Ashland Downtown building owners with façade improvements**
- **Leadership Ashland Online volunteer database to match volunteers with leadership opportunities that exist at local non-profit organizations**
Scholarship Recipients

Nassem Al-Mehairi – George J. Valentine Pursuit of Excellence Scholarship, William K. Wiley Scholarship
Samantha Augustine – Ashland County Farm Bureau Scholarship, Loudonville FFA Alumni Association Scholarship, Harold and Pauline Obrecht Agricultural Scholarship, Andrew Stitzlein Memorial Scholarship, Carl H. and Thelma L. Mohrman Stitzlein Scholarship, Russell Wending Rolling Hills Farm Agriculture Scholarship, Henry Baci – Steve Wertz Agricultural Memorial Scholarship
Jaryd Baynes – George W. Ebert Memorial Scholarship
Kali Bedellchius – Mary and Ernest J. Hopkins Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Adam Berway – Earl and Mary Wolfe Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics – renewal
Maryellen Bliss – Charlène Elloitt Memorial Scholarship, Hillsdale Education Association Scholarship, Mary and Ernest J. Hopkins Memorial Scholarship, Jeromeville Coin Hunters Association, Joe Stephens and Kyle Cline Scholarship, Jordan “Joe” Stephens Memorial Ag Scholarship, W. Boyd and Clara A. Wimbiger Scholarship
Ty Bolen – Hilldale Academic Boosters Scholarship
Gabrielle Bouquet – George and Rhea Wertman Hartman Scholarship
Veronica Mounts – W. Boyd and Clara A. Wimbiger Scholarship – renewal
Trevor Murphy – Black-Etzel Scholarship, Perrysville St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church Scholarship
Kilian Murray – John E. Hartzler Scholarship, Hiller School/Community Club Scholarship, Susan B. Magoon Memorial Scholarship
Mikayla Myers – Kim Marquette Memorial Scholarship, W. Boyd and Clara A. Wimbiger Scholarship
Sean Norris – James Andrews Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Macy Payne – Charlène Elloitt Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Christian Pfahler – George and Dorothy Kinno Memorial Scholarship, Larry D. and Heather Young Scholarship
Kooper Poynter – Drew Bates Family Scholarship, Ralph and Donna Cornell Memorial Scholarship, Dave Rohr Memorial Scholarship
Cirrus Robinson – Mary Ellen Wolfe Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Adrianna Rogers – Charlène Elloitt Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Natalie Scarbrough – Samaritan Hospital Medical Staff/Ashland County Physicians Medical School Scholarship
Nico Schott – Jessica membrane Memorial Scholarship, Dauch-Rule Scholarship, Bill and Dorothy Krino Memorial Scholarship, Russell Wending Rolling Hills Farm Agriculture Scholarship
Josh Sipe – Ashland County Pilot’s Association-Leo K. Heyl Memorial Scholarship
Maleya Sloan – Ben and Alysia Shaver Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Keirah Smetzer – Debra E. “Pebbles” Dilgard Memorial Scholarship, Steve and Mary Lou Sweeney Scholarship, Tom VanOsdall Jr. Endowed Scholarship, JoAnn Ford Watson Scholarship, Amelia Seeger – James E. F. Hartzler Scholarship, James and Elise Lingenfelter Scholarship, Loudonville-Perrysville Athletic Boosters, Inc. Memorial Scholarship, Russell Wending Rolling Hills Farm Agriculture Scholarship, Mary and Ernest J. Hopkins Memorial Scholarship, Jordan “Joe” Stephens Memorial Ag Scholarship, Robert and Jeanette Watson Scholarship, Lyle and Carol LaRue Scholarship, W. Boyd and Clara A. Wimbiger Scholarship
Deborah Swanson – Earl and Mary Wolfe Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics
Tyler Swartz – Jack Miller/Dick Smail Golf Scholarship, Steve Moon Memorial Golf Scholarship
Kyle Van Dine – Donna and Lawrence Spreng Family Scholarship
Carly Vandewater – Hiller School/Community Club Scholarship
Austin VanSickle – Russell William Blakely Scholarship – renewal
Sarah Walker – J. Gallard and Mary Lawrence Hall Scholarship – renewal
Mitchell Wasowski – Jim and Marilyn Emmons Scholarship, Coach Doug McDonald Honorary Scholarship
Illora Webel – Earl and Mary Wolfe Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics – renewal
Emily Wespner – Ashland County Farm Bureau Scholarship
Trey Williams – Robert and Ruth Daniels Memorial Scholarship
Brooklyn Williams – Loudonville High School Class of 1941 Scholarship
Abigail Wittel – Loudonville-Perrysville Athletic Boosters, Inc. Memorial Scholarship, Jack E. Nowels Endowed Scholarship, Noel and Ann Shaffer Scholarship, Andrew Stitzlein Memorial Scholarship, Tom VanOsdall Jr. Endowed Scholarship, JoAnn Ford Watson Scholarship, Mike and Elaine Homrich Scholarship, Micah Wise – Lamar Memorial Scholarship, Tammy VanOsdall Memorial Scholarship, Altrusa Club of Ashland Scholarship; Loudonville-Perrysville Athletic Boosters, Inc. Memorial Scholarship, Russell Wending Rolling Hills Farm Agriculture Scholarship, Mary and Ernest J. Hopkins Memorial Scholarship, Jordan “Joe” Stephens Memorial Ag Scholarship, Robert and Joyce Stokes Family Scholarship, Jeromesville Coon Hunters Association, Joe Stephens and Kyle Cline Scholarship, Lisa Marth Memorial Scholarship, Jordan “Joe” Stephens Memorial Ag Scholarship, Robert and Joyce Stokes Family Scholarship, Helen J. Taylor Scholarship
Naveen Nair – AHS Class of 1962 Scholarship
Megan Icenhour – Jeanie Crampton Family Memorial Scholarship, Bob and Lenny Kopp Memorial Scholarship, Merle C. and Frances L. Plank Scholarship, Tom VanOsdall Jr. Endowed Scholarship, Earl and Mary Wolfe Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics, Andrew Ickes – W. Boyd and Clara A. Wimbiger Scholarship – renewal
Emma Jenkins – Arthur B. Gorsuch Endowed Scholarship
Daniell Johns – Ronald Crail Family Scholarship
Haley Johnston – Katharine and Deanna Draper Scholarship
Victoria Jones – Jack R. Cooper Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Arieanne Kanuch – Jeff Williams “Principle” Scholarship
Madyln Knowles – David and Marlene F. Downie Scholarship, Freeman and Penny Hantula Scholarship
Hannah Lane – Robert and Anna Donelson Scholarship, George W. Ebert Memorial Scholarship, Loudonville/Perrysville Alumni Scholarship, Harold and Pauline Obrecht Education Scholarship, Bob and Lenny Kopp Memorial Scholarship, Jarrett Guellich – George W. Ebert Memorial Scholarship, Gene and Janice Yeater Educational Scholarship, Mary and Ernest J. Hopkins Memorial Scholarship, Carl H. and Thelma L. Mohrman Stitzlein Scholarship, Russell Wending Rolling Hills Farm Agriculture Scholarship
Jasmine Lee – Wayne E. and Elizabeth Ann Brechbuhler Scholarship
Taylor Lewis – George W. Ebert Memorial Scholarship, Jacques and Ruth Lingenfelter Music Scholarship
Natalie Liss – Simon Family Scholarship
Sydney Long – Ashland Noon Lions Club Scholarship, Hayesville and Jeromesville Alumni Associations Scholarship, Linda S. Heyl Memorial Scholarship, Hillsdale Education Association Scholarship, Stan and June McFarlin Scholarship, Brad Mowry Memorial Scholarship, Salmon Scholarship
Mary Longsdorf – Ashland City Teachers Association Scholarship, Judith Halama Ebert Scholarship, Belle Osborn Memorial Scholarship, Stephanie Jane White Stein Memorial Scholarship
Logan Markle – Earl and Mary Wolfe Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics – renewal
Amanda Marrah – William R. and Constance M. Dravenstott Family Scholarship
Matthew Martin – Dauch-Rule Scholarship
Jenna McBride – Harvey N. Young Business-Finance Scholarship
Leif McFerderick – Michael L. Runyan Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Alexander McMillen – W. Boyd and Clara A. Wimbiger Scholarship – renewal
Josh Mendenhall – Keith Wygant Memorial Scholarship – renewal
Leah Metzger – Barney Luttrell Memorial Scholarship, Steve Moon Memorial Golf Scholarship
Kendal Meyers – Jane Mun Memorial Scholarship, John A. Strong and Son Scholarship
Jayson Mitchell – Russell William Blakely Scholarship, John and Jean Gardner Scholarship, James and Elise Lingenfelter Scholarship, Loudonville-Perrysville High School Class of 1962 Scholarship
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**Community Grants** - 28 grants awarded in 2017-2018 totaling $207,410.03

Community Grants are competitive grants awarded to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations contributing to the community-wide benefit.

- **ACCESS**
  Training program for new in-home Part B certified childcare providers

- **American Red Cross Lake Erie/Heartland Chapter**
  Smoke detectors for Home Fire Campaign in Ashland County

- **Appleseed Community Mental Health Center**
  Expansion of SPARK program for 2017-18 school year

- **Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce**
  Office equipment and signage

- **Ashland Area Economic Development**
  Support for permanent office for AAED

- **Ashland County Airport Authority**
  Building for airport equipment

- **Ashland County Cancer Association**
  Computers and building signage

- **Ashland County Council on Aging**
  Handicap-accessible vehicle

- **Ashland County Sheriff's Office**
  Turn key Child Safety Fingerprint ID System and supplies

- **Ashland Main Street**
  Support of annual downtown flowers

- **Ashland Symphony Orchestra**
  Office equipment

- **Boy Scout Troop #521**
  Cooking equipment and storage trailer

- **Fostering Family Ministries**
  Trauma Informed Caregiver Training

- **Greater Cleveland Food Bank**
  Supplies for the BackPacks for Kids and Summer Feeding in Ashland County program

- **Hospice of North Central Ohio**
  Establish Palliative Care Endowment Fund to be held at ACCF

- **Jeromesville Community Fire Department**
  Rescue boat

- **Loudonville Public Library**
  Equipment and supplies for improvement of the middle school after-school area

- **Loudonville Theatre & Arts Committee**
  Equipment for Theatre Lighting project

- **Montessori Good Shepherd at Trinity Lutheran Church**
  Montessori Room Renovation project

- **Neos Dance Theatre**
  “M.A.D.E. in Ashland” artists in residence program

- **Olive Tree Care**
  Equipment for the STEAM Program and support of tuition assistance

- **Rotary Club of Ashland**
  Support of the 2018 Ashland Community Fireworks display

- **Society for Handicapped Citizens of Medina County, Inc. (The Link, Ashland)**
  Mini-van to transport clients of The Link, Ashland

- **Grandfathered organizations in recognition of Hazel Myers Spreng**
  Ashland Public Library, Ashland University, First United Methodist Church, UH/Samaritan Regional Health System, United Way of Ashland County
Montessori Room Renovation project at Trinity Lutheran Church
Hess Educational Loans

In 2017-2018, 8 loans totaling $16,000 were provided to qualifying traditional and non-traditional students pursuing higher education. Since the Foundation’s administration of the Fund in 1998, 377 total loans have been awarded. Hess loans have been available since 1923 to Ashland County residents and graduates of Ashland County high schools. $54,300 is currently in use helping students attend college.

STEM Camp

The Foundation’s Honors Science Camp Endowment Fund, created by The Kettering Fund, sponsored the 2018 Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Camp held at the Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center. This three-day camp in early July engaged almost 50 middle schoolers from thirteen area schools in such activities as an Invasive Species Scavenger Hunt, a study of stream quality through identification of macroinvertebrates, a “Flaming Cheetos Lab” to measure heat and calories produced, an introduction to physics, and demonstrations on electricity and robotics.

Teacher Mini-Grants

16 grants awarded in 2017-2018 totaling $10,434.27

Teacher Mini-Grants are competitive grants awarded to teachers grades K-12 in Ashland County accredited public and private schools.

- **Alyson Baker**, Hillsdale Middle School, “Developing Life-Long Readers With a 40 Book Challenge”
- **Carly Black**, Ashland Middle School, “Blog All the Books”
- **BreAnn Fennell**, Reagan Elementary School, “Magnificent Science for Early Grades”
- **Stephanie Hanson**, Ashland City Schools, “Utilizing Tech to Enhance the Music Classroom Through Reflection & Assessment” (Sandy Brown Honorary Vocal Music)
- **Nichole Helenthal**, Ashland County Community Academy, “Reading for Their Future”
- **Katie Hennessy**, Mapleton Middle School, “Middle School Creative Writing Program” (ARTSDREAM)
- **Carol Kinney**, Ashland Middle School, “Percussion Instruments for 6th Grade General Music” (ARTSDREAM)
- **Troy McMillen**, Mapleton High School, “Electricity - Forces, Fields and Electrons”
- **Christine Mickley**, Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center, “Health Wise Living”
- **Jeri Millhouse**, Ashland Middle School, “DON’T Save the Drama for Your Mama!” (ARTSDREAM)
- **Tiki Peterson**, Hillsdale Middle School, “Lab Supplies”
- **Kristy Shearer**, Ashland Middle School, “Ping Pong Projectiles”
- **Christy Vance**, Reagan/Edison Elementary Schools, “3D Printing for Elementary Students”
- **Jarrod Vance**, Ashland Middle School, “Move Towards Excellence - Ramping It Up”
- **David Wolbert**, Ashland Middle School, “World Music Experience” (Sandy Brown Honorary Vocal Music)

Additionally, a grant to Neos Dance Theatre, Ashland, was awarded to help support the “M.A.D.E. in Ashland” artists in residence program.
Women’s Fund

The mission of ACCF’s Women’s Fund is to create a permanent legacy that enhances the lives of Ashland County women. This is achieved through a three-fold purpose:

• To encourage women to participate as donors and to build a permanent endowment.
• To educate women about community needs.
• To empower women to achieve self-sufficiency.

Women’s Fund Steering Committee

Connie Marble, Chair
Joy Reep, Vice Chair
Kathy Conery
Julie Guenther
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Kay Kick
Barbie Lange
Marcy Myers
Lindsey Roberts-Gasche
Mindy Scurlock
Deborah Sullivan
Jane Taylor
Brenda Uselton
JoAnn Ford Watson
Julia Wright

*deceased

The Women’s Fund held its Annual Gathering in September 2017.

Approximately 80 women gathered to recognize the impact of the ACCF’s Women’s Fund and to hear highlights of the year, recognize current year grant recipients and present the Dr. Lucille G. Ford “Freedom from Selfishness” Award.

2017-2018 Grants

8 grants awarded in 2017-2018 totaling $18,542

Women’s Fund grants are competitive grants awarded to 501(c)(3) and other qualifying charitable organizations contributing to the community-wide benefit of women.

Appleseed Community Mental Health Center
Development and implementation of a survivors retreat

Ashland County Cancer Association
Creation of a brand video to connect viewers with ACCA and its services

Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center
A day long program for 6th grade girls and their parents to explore future career options

Ashland Parenting Plus
Supplies for “exiting jail bags” for mothers who are in or have completed parenting education

Ashland Pregnancy Care Center
Laptop and design services for a new client services brochure

Associated Charities
Approximately 40 pairs of shoes for the Kids Closet - Back to School program

Mission to Amish People
Appliances for three apartments at the New Beginnings Homestead to include delivery and installation

Olive Tree Care
Mobile storage units, seating and STEAM program development supplies to meet the growing needs of Olive Tree Care

Lucille G. Ford “Freedom from Selfishness” Award

Created by the Women’s Fund Committee in 2013 in honor of ACCF’s founding president Dr. Lucille G. Ford, this award recognizes Ashland County women who demonstrate a long-standing commitment to philanthropy. This year’s award was presented to Ann J. Miller at the Women’s Fund’s Annual Gathering in September 2017.

Mother’s Day Initiative

This year, 412 women were honored or remembered at Mother’s Day with $15,010 placed in the Women’s Fund. Gifts to the Women’s Fund generate dollars to award grants to non-profit organizations serving Ashland County women... for generations to come. Please visit our website for a listing of those who were honored or remembered this past year.
Agency Partners

Nonprofit organizations can establish a type of designated, permanently-endowed fund at the Ashland County Community Foundation called an “Agency Fund.” The earning distributions from these endowments provide an ongoing source of income for operations and programs. It’s a simple and efficient way to build an endowment, and help create sustainability, for the organization. This type of endowment also provides the opportunity for the organization to receive planned gifts of various types, including cash, appreciated stock or real estate.

This past year, eight new agency funds were established, to benefit: 1.) ACCESS (Ashland Church Community Emergency Shelter Services), 2.) Ashland Balloonfest, Inc., 3.) Hospice of North Central Ohio, 4.) Neos Dance Theatre, 5.) Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center.

ACCESS is a coalition of Christian congregations who provide safe, temporary emergency shelter, meals and compassionate assistance for homeless Ashland County women and families. It is hoped that the establishment of an operational endowment will encourage its donors to think long-term in their support.

Ashland Balloonfest, Inc. demonstrated the wisdom of planning for the future, by establishing a new endowment fund at ACCF to provide sustainability of this vitally important annual community event.

Hospice of North Central Ohio has wisely established a policy to set aside a portion of each unrestricted estate gift to create permanent endowment funds. Three such funds, from the estates of Robert L. Beverly, Bud and Betty Plank and Ripley H. and Dona L. Scurlock, with the Scurlock fund designated for employee education, were added this past year. Additionally, HNCO instituted yet another agency fund to endow its “Life Season’s Palliative Care” program.

Neos Dance Theatre’s mission is to advance dance-related education by student training, intensive summer study, and master classes; raise awareness of the dance arts; culturally enrich Northern Ohio through performance of high quality dance by obtaining and presenting the widest range of repertoire possible. Income from the newly-created Neos Dance Theatre agency fund will provide financial support of its mission into perpetuity.

Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center provides equine-assisted activities and therapies to individuals with mental, physical, emotional, social and sensory disabilities. A generous challenge grant gave RTEC the opportunity to endow its future with a new agency fund this year.

ACCF appreciates the confidence these organizations have demonstrated in our ability to provide long-term stewardship of these important assets.

Agency Endowment Funds currently held at the Ashland County Community Foundation:

- Ashland American Red Cross—Ashland Chapter
- Appleseed Community Mental Health Center
  - General endowment
  - Rape Crisis Domestic Violence Safe Haven
- Ashland Balloonfest, Inc.
- Ashland Christian Health Center
- Ashland Church Community Emergency Shelter Services (ACCESS)
- Ashland City Schools Alumni Foundation
- Ashland County Cancer Association
- Ashland County Council on Aging
- Ashland Family YMCA
  - General Endowment
  - Partner With Youth program
  - Martha Sanders Davis Fund (maintenance)
  - Seiter Family Fund (Ben’s playground, discretionary)
- Ashland Historical Society, est. by City of Ashland Bicentennial Committee, for Ashland City Events/Activities
- Ashland Parenting Plus
- Ashland Pregnancy Care Center
- Ashland Symphony Orchestra Fund, in Memoriam of James E. Thomas
- Associated Charities of Ashland
- Brethren Care Village of Ashland
- The Cat House Feline Sanctuary
- First Presbyterian Church
  - Building
  - Missions
  - Programs
- Hospice of North Central Ohio
  - General Endowment
  - Robert Beverly Fund
  - Life’s Seasons Palliative Care Fund
  - Bud & Betty Plank Fund
  - Ripley H. and Dona L. Scurlock Memorial Fund (Employee Education)
  - Hospice Special Wishes Program
  - Sandra J. Rule Dauch “Hospice-NCO Volunteer of the Year Award” Fund
- Living Legacy Foundation of the Loudonville Public Library
- Loudonville-Perrysville School Foundation, Inc.
- Martin T. Greene Fund for Loudonville Youth, Inc.
- Neos Dance Theatre
  - Eloise Noonan Fund, for the benefit of Ashland Noon Lions Club
  - Park Street Brethren Church
- Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church
- Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center
- UH/Samaritan Regional Health System
- St. Edward School
- United Way of Ashland County
  - General Endowment, in honor of J. Robert Tipton
  - Heart of Gold Fund
Donors Provide Support to Charitable Organizations

Donors of 176 donor advised and designated funds have directed a percentage of their funds’ annual distributions to selected charitable organizations. In 2017-2018, 206 distributions were made totaling $474,264.

Newly created Donor Advised Funds provide the opportunity for donors to suggest, year-to-year, their favorite qualified charitable organizations to receive distributions from the fund.

Donor Advised Funds
- James and Barbara Chandler Charitable Fund created by James and Barbara Chandler
- Kaur and Singh Glasgow Charitable Fund created by Dr. Khushwant Pittenger
- Norma E. McKinley Citizenship Education Program Grant created by Michael R. McKinley
- Robert Simonson Family Charitable Fund created by Robert Simonson
- The Someday Fund created by Charles and Jane Taylor
- Jack and Kathy Vanosdall Family Charitable Fund created by Jack and Kathy Vanosdall
- Thomas and Tricia Zupan Family Charitable Fund created by Thomas and Tricia Zupan

Donor advised funds each benefit charitable organizations recommended annually by the donor or designated representative.

Donor Advised Funds
- Jamie and Ellen Black Charitable Fund created by Jamie and Ellen Black benefiting the Loudonville Fire Department and the Loudonville Police Department
- Brethren Care Village Employees’ Education Endowment Fund created by Jayne McBurney, Don McBurney, Suellen Scarff and Margaret Ann Hess benefiting Brethren Care Village employee educational expenses
- Dr. Lucille G. Ford Fund created by Dr. Lucille G. Ford benefiting Ashland University academic programs
- Dr. Alvin W. Garrett Charitable Fund created by Dr. Alvin W. Garrett benefiting the Ashland Symphony Orchestra and First Presbyterian Church
- Mary E. Garrett Charitable Fund created by Mary E. Garrett benefiting St. Edward’s School
- Billy M. Harris Charitable Fund created by the Estate of Senator Bill M. Harris benefiting the John M. Ashbrook Center, Grace Brethren Church, Ashland University, Ashland Theological Seminary, Ashland County Historical Society, Ashland Symphony Orchestra and Precept Ministries
- Max L. and Marilyn Harshman Charitable Fund created by Max L. and Marilyn Harshman benefiting Back to the Wild, the Ashland County Cancer Association, the Cat House Feline Sanctuary, Stone Laboratory - Gibraltar Island and the Alzheimer’s Association, Northwest Ohio Chapter
- Denny Humrichouser Family Charitable Fund created by the friends and family of Denny Humrichouser benefiting Ashland High School Arrows Football
- Nancy E. Kopp Fund created by Nancy E. Kopp benefiting Hospice of North Central Ohio – Ashland, Ohio
- Donor Designated Fund for Ashland University Nursing Study Abroad Awards created by Mary Lou Wertman benefiting Ashland University Nursing Study Abroad

Donor Designated Funds provide annual support to charities selected by the donor at fund creation. This “set it and forget it” option assures the designated organization(s) receive distributions from the fund into perpetuity.

Donor Designated Funds
- Jamie and Ellen Black Charitable Fund
- Brethren Care Village Employees’ Education Endowment Fund
- Dr. Lucille G. Ford Fund
- Dr. Alvin W. Garrett Charitable Fund
- Mary E. Garrett Charitable Fund
- Billy M. Harris Charitable Fund
- Max L. and Marilyn Harshman Charitable Fund
- Denny Humrichouser Family Charitable Fund
- Nancy E. Kopp Fund

Donor Designated Funds for Community Grants and Fields of Interest are named, unrestricted funds pooled together for maximum impact in Ashland County, allowing ACCF flexibility to respond to changing needs. These funds provide the corpus from which annual grant distributions are made to worthy 501(c)(3) organizations, through ACCF’s Community Grants and Fields of Interest programs each year.

- L. Gene and Portia Burns Community Grants Fund created by Portia Burns
- James and Kristi Cutright Community Grants Fund created by James and Kristi Cutright
- Billy M. Harris Community Grants Fund created by the Estate of Senator Bill M. Harris
- Max L. and Marilyn Harshman Alzheimer’s and Dementia Community Education Fund created by Max L. and Marilyn Harshman benefiting the field of Alzheimer’s and dementia continuing professional and community education programs
- Dr. Robert C. and Marjorie I. Howell Community Grants Fund created by the Estate of Marjorie I. Howell
- Rob and Mindy Ward Community Grants Fund created by Rob and Mindy Ward

…all benefiting charitable organizations via ACCF’s Community Grants Program
Fund distributions. These distributions have been given to our Community via scholarships, grants and individual fund distributions. With the support of over 6,700 donors, more than $12.8 million has been given to our Community via scholarships, grants and individual fund distributions. More than 100 individuals and/or couples have notified ACCF of their plans to include the Foundation in their will/estate planning. More than 100 individuals and/or couples have notified ACCF of their plans to include the Foundation in their will/estate planning.

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### GIVEN BACK:

$12,867,592

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| Philip and Susan Shaffer* |
| Robert M. Simmonson |
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| Sutton Bank |
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## Summarized Statement of Financial Position: June 30, 2018 and 2017

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These Summary Financial Statements were prepared by Irwin Financial Associates, Inc. Copies of the audited statements are available from the Foundation office.

Summary of Financial Statements: The format of our financial statement follows the guidelines issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) for nonprofit organizations.

### Asset Analysis by Fund Type

- **433 funds**
  - Scholarships: 21%
  - Donor Designated: 49%
  - Agency: 20%
  - Donor Advised: 7%
  - CGA/CRT: 2%
  - Unrestricted: 1%