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What are the benefits of creating a fund at ACCF?
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Are there fees involved to create and maintain a Community Grants named fund?
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ACCF is focusing on enhancing its Community Grants program, which has provided much-needed funding to area non-profit organizations, with 456 grants having been made, over its 21-year history, totaling $2,889,122. However, the need continues to far outpace ACCF’s available funding resources.

In response, ACCF is offering opportunities for individuals and businesses to participate in an initiative to create named funds, specifically earmarked for Community Grants. Distribution from these named funds are unrestricted so that dollars may be directed to where needs are greatest in Ashland County.

THE CASE FOR NEED

Community Grant Requests
November 2016 $375,294
Total Available ACCF $165,503
Shortfall $209,791

To Date
Dollars Given Back: $9,911,231
Donors: 6,468
Assets: $33,446,157

2016 COMMUNITY GRANT RECIPIENTS

- Ashland Area Economic Development, Inc.: Executive Pulse Software/licensing agreement
- Ashland Christian Health Center: Education/Awareness/Community Marketing & Outreach
- Ashland County Agricultural Society: Restrooms at Ashland County Fairgrounds
- Ashland County Cancer Association: Office equipment
- Associated County Sheriff’s Office: Dive team equipment
- Ashland Symphony Orchestra: Performance equipment
- Community Help Mission: Roofing renovations
- Hayesville Opera House Restoration Board, Inc.: Digital projection equipment
- Heart of Ohio Council, Boys Scouts of America: Cub Scout recruiting materials and supplies
- Kiwanis Club of Ashland: Technological and bookkeeping equipment
- Loudonville-Perrysville School Foundation, Inc.: Match to create Operations Endowment Fund
- Mission to Amish People: Building costs for New Beginnings Housing Ministry
- Olive Tree Care: Equipment & programming for after school care
- Park Street Preschool: Multifunction School Activity Bus
- Perrysville Firefighter’s Association: Rescue equipment
- Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp: Summer camp cost assistance
- Polk-Jackson-Perry Fire Department: Magnetic microphone clips
- Sullivan Township Trustees: Wreaths for Veteran’s Day program
- United Community Club Districts 1 & 2 of Mohican Twp.: Building and roof repairs
- UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading-Youth Development Program: Scholarship awards fund

Grandfathered organizations: Ashland Public Library, Ashland University, First United Methodist Church, UH/Samaritan Regional Health System, United Way of Ashland County.