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THE HELPERS and THE HOPE

A LETTER FROM
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
JAMIE SCHLOEGEL, CFRE

Dearest Friends,

You were there. Through all of the challenges and hardships of 2020, you were there to answer the calls for help. Whether you are a donor or nonprofit grant recipient, this annual impact report is dedicated to you. The helpers whose generosity and steadfast service brought hope to those who needed it most.

That's what this report is all about: the helpers responding in unprecedented ways to unprecedented times. Through the many stories shared in this report, you'll see how the local response to the COVID-19 pandemic was nothing short of miraculous. You will also see while the pandemic has impacted much of our work, it has not been the sole focus. The passions of our donors continue to cross the charitable spectrum, and their vision extends from the here and now to the future of the greater La Crosse region.

As we look ahead to recovery and rebuilding post pandemic, one thing is clear — we cannot shift back to normal. The health and economic effects of the pandemic deepened the inequities of systemic racism and poverty that have long plagued our community. We must, in service to our vision to be the

catalyst for a vibrant, generous and inclusive community, move forward to enact equitable systemic change. That is where we will be focusing much of our work in 2021.

Here at LCF we are committed to advancing racial justice and building a more equitable future for our region by using our voice, influence, programs and initiatives to help end racial disparities. Our goal is not to go back to the way things were before, but to work together to build a new normal where everyone has an equal opportunity to live, work and thrive in the greater La Crosse region.

I thank you for all that has been possible this past year and look forward to continuing our work together, For Good. Forever.

In gratitude,





LA CROSSE
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

90 YEARS,

OVER \$60M GIVEN BACK



La Crosse
Community Foundation

MISSION:

Connecting people, passion and giving in the La Crosse area forever

VISION:

The catalyst for a vibrant, generous, and inclusive community

2020 marked the 90th year of La Crosse Community Foundation doing good here.

We celebrated COVID-style with a drive-through party to thank all those whose commitment to our community is represented through their funds here.

90 years of experience has taught us the importance of flexibility. We must constantly mold our efforts to meet the ever-changing needs of the community, and we must always pay attention to the needs of our fundholders. That's why we have so many options for supporting the community through the foundation.

When you become a fundholder, you become a member of our team, working hand-in-hand to advance wellness, vibrancy, and equity in our community now, and for future generations.

Give us a call or visit us online and learn how easy it is to become a part of our community's legacy.

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WHY CHOOSE LA CROSSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

LOCAL

Invest in your community with the support of our team who has extensive knowledge about local needs

EXPERIENCED

We've been connecting local donors to community needs for 90 years

IMPACT

Smart investing and low fees mean more of your dollars will directly impact the causes most important to you

FOREVER

When your gift is endowed, your investment in the community will work for good, forever

3 EASY STEPS TO START A FUND

La Crosse Community Foundation offers a variety of ways to invest in our community, now and well into the future. We strive to be flexible to ensure we can work with each donor to create funds that truly and precisely match their vision. Those who wish to endow their fund are choosing the most sustainable and long-lasting way of supporting this community we all love. And those who prefer to spend their funds down are able to have a bigger impact right away in helping the causes most important to them. The choice is up to each unique person, couple, family, business, or nonprofit who chooses to start a fund.

1 DECIDE HOW MUCH YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE

For some, the decision is simple. Others who may be looking to maximize tax benefits may want to work with their accountant or financial advisor in deciding the establishing amount. A fund can be started with any amount.

2 MEET WITH A FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVE

We'll work together to identify which fund type best meets your goals, how your fund should be used, and what you'd like to name your fund. We document all of these decisions in an agreement form that you'll sign to make it official.
**See our quick guide to fund selection on page 27!*

3 MAKE THE ESTABLISHING GIFT

We can accept a variety of gift types, from cash to stocks. Your new fund is officially established once the gift arrives and the fund agreement form is signed.

MARCH 18TH

Safer at Home order

MARCH 20TH

First emergency fund grant awarded to Hunger Task Force

APRIL 30TH

Gifts to La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund exceed \$1M and still growing

JULY 15TH

First grant deadline for Emergency Survival Grant

MARCH 19TH

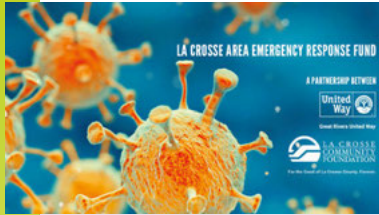
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund activated

MARCH 24TH

\$500,000 gift to emergency fund from Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration

JUNE 10TH

Launched the Emergency Survival Grant program



LA CROSSE AREA EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

Within one day of the Safer at Home order last March, La Crosse Community Foundation

and Great Rivers United Way developed and launched the La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund. The fund was created to unite the community in responding to the crisis. A short, simple grant application was created so local nonprofits serving those most economically impacted by the pandemic could easily apply. A review committee met and made decisions within two business days of each submittal in an effort to rapidly deploy resources around community needs.

Grants have supported critical needs like childcare for essential employees, rent and other bill payment assistance, job navigation, services to help youth with

mental health and education, new equipment to produce thousands of school meals for delivery each week, financial assistance for immigrants not eligible for other government funding, diapers, funding for food banks and pantries, and more.

The community response to this fund was awe-inspiring. The Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration provided a \$500,000 gift, with \$200,000 designated to support homeless outreach. And by the end of April, an astonishing \$1,000,000 had been donated to the fund from families, businesses, and individuals in the region. We even had a local eight-year-old donate \$5 and his lucky quarter!

By the end of 2020, the fund had distributed over \$1,000,000 in grants to support nonprofits and we expect the fund will continue to help well into 2021.

LA CROSSE AREA EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND GRANTEES

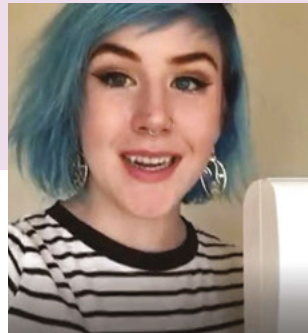
- Adult & Teen Challenge of Western Wisconsin
- ARC La Crosse, Inc.
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater La Crosse
- Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse
- Coulee Recovery Center
- Coulee Region Retired Senior Volunteer Program
- Couleecap, Inc.
- Coulee Region Immigration Task Force
- Great Rivers United Way HUB
- Habitat for Humanity – La Crosse Area
- Holmen Area School District
- Innovative Services, Inc.
- La Crosse Area Family YMCA
- La Crosse County Health Department
- La Crosse County System of Care
- La Crosse Neighborhoods, Inc.
- La Crosse Parks, Recreation, and Forestry
- La Crosse Public Education Foundation
- The Center: 7 Rivers LGBTQ+ Connection
- New Horizons Shelter and Outreach Centers, Inc.
- School District of La Crosse
- St. Clare Health Mission
- The Down Syndrome Association of Wisconsin, Inc.
- The Hunger Task Force of La Crosse, Inc.
- The Parenting Place
- WAFER, Inc.
- WisCorps, Inc.
- Workforce Connections, Inc.
- YWCA La Crosse
- Vivent Health



The School District of La Crosse purchased special equipment to individually package school lunches for delivery with funding from the emergency fund.



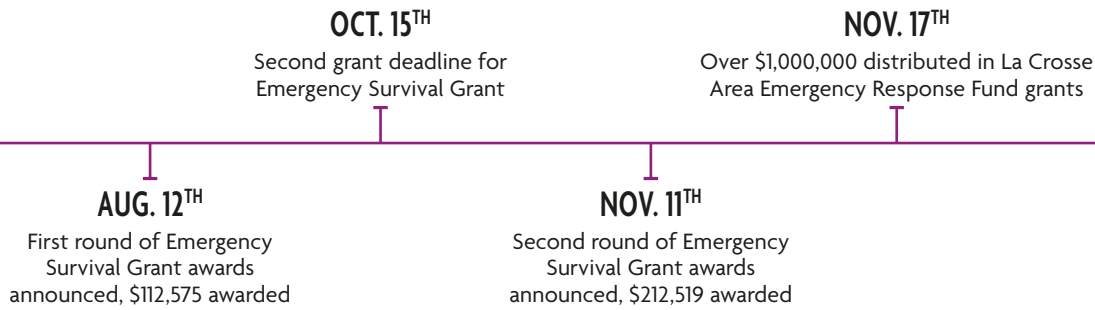
Chris Emerson, a long-time child care teacher at YWCA Child Center, reads to her class. YWCA received a grant to help cover the cost of childcare for essential employees.



An employee of Vivent Health in La Crosse holds an at home HIV testing kit. Vivent had to reimagine how to safely serve their clients during COVID, and the emergency fund allowed them to purchase and deliver these kits, food, and other medical supplies to clients.



Hal Hiebert, an advocate with Citizen Advocacy of ARC La Crosse, meets with longtime friend Steve Kulcinski. ARC La Crosse received a grant to boost contact with program participants.



EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

GRANTEES BY SERVICE TYPE

Rent/Mortgage & Utility Assistance	\$326,675
Homelessness Services	\$212,800
Childcare	\$134,014
Food Security & Basic Needs	\$130,374
Education/Youth Services	\$108,058
Healthcare	\$92,255
Other	\$62,740
PPE/Sanitation Supplies	\$5,206



EMERGENCY SURVIVAL GRANT

EMERGENCY SURVIVAL GRANT PROGRAM

The Safer at Home order began right at the onset of “event season” in our area, and we immediately started to receive calls and emails from panicked nonprofit directors. In addition to cancelled fundraising events, many nonprofits had to cancel concert seasons, art shows, and museum admittance. For those with significant fixed costs, like owning a building, that sudden drop in revenue meant an imminent risk of closing their doors forever.

That’s why we launched the Emergency Survival Grant program in June of 2020. The new grant program was created to provide

nonprofits at risk of not surviving the pandemic with unrestricted funding to offset their general operating costs. We accepted proposals during our regular quarterly grant competitions in July and October.

Overall, 26 nonprofits received unrestricted funding totaling \$346,693. Grants ranged from \$1,000 to \$30,000 with an average award of \$13,000. This level of funding was possible with the help of many of our donor advisors, who contributed nearly \$70,000 from their funds to help support the Emergency Survival Grant requests.

EMERGENCY SURVIVAL GRANT RECIPIENTS

- AVCAP, Inc.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the 7 Rivers Region
- Blue Stars, Performing Arts for Youth, Inc.
- Children’s Museum of La Crosse
- Coulee Region Retired Senior Volunteer Program
- Friends of the Refuge - Mississippi River Pools 7 & 8
- Gateway Area Council, BSA
- Harry J. Olson Senior Center
- Heider Center Fine Arts Board, Inc.
- HorseSense, Inc.
- Independent Living Resources
- Junior Achievement of Wisconsin, Inc.
- La Crosse Community Theatre
- La Crosse County 4-H
- Weber Center for the Performing Arts
- La Crosse Promise
- Mid West Music Fest
- Pump House Regional Arts Center
- St. Clare Health Mission, Inc.
- The Center: 7 Rivers LGBTQ Connection
- The Good Fight Community Center
- The Warehouse Alliance
- WisCorps, Inc.
- Greater La Crosse Area Diversity Council



The Children’s Museum of La Crosse sat vacant throughout most of 2020, and the Emergency Survival Grant is helping them reopen in 2021.



The Heider Center in West Salem received an Emergency Survival Grant to help cover fixed costs while closed and start making plans for the 2021 season.



The Greater La Crosse Area Diversity Council and the Waking Up White Collaborative met virtually to safely continue plans for diversity, equity, and inclusion work in our community. The council received a grant to help replenish lost fundraising revenue.

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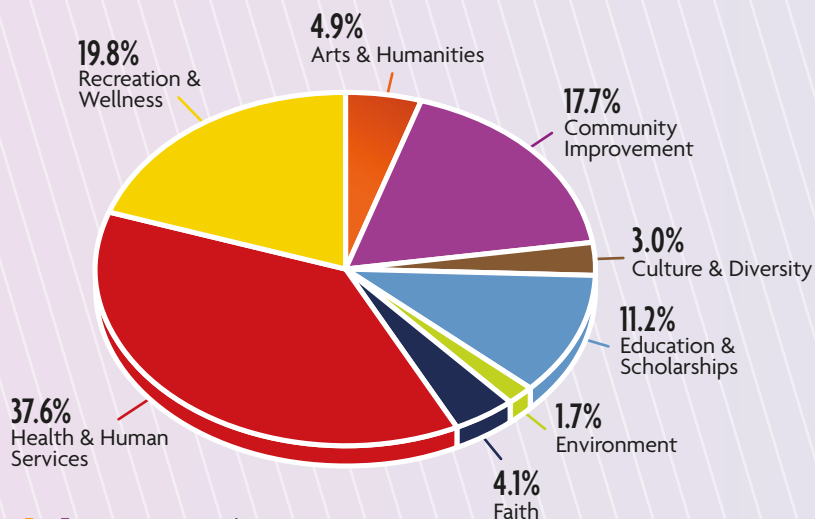
2020 GRANT YEAR IN REVIEW

\$4,318,863 awarded in grants and scholarships in 2020—that's \$2 million more than in 2019!

Thanks to an incredibly giving community, over 800 grants and scholarships were made benefitting over 200 charitable organizations in 2020.

GRANT TYPE	TIMING OF AWARDS	TYPE OF FUND FROM WHICH GRANTS ARE MADE	WHO DECIDES	AVERAGE GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS OR SCHOLARSHIPS	TOTAL AWARDED IN 2020
COMPETITIVE	Quarterly grant competitions with awards in February, May, August, and November	Unrestricted and field of interest funds	LCF board of directors	\$12,239	176	\$2,154,042
NON-COMPETITIVE	All Year	Donor advised, designated, and pass-through funds	Fund holders	\$4,073	458	\$1,865,624
SCHOLARSHIPS	May	Scholarship funds	High school and college selection committees	\$1,662 average per scholarship	180	\$299,197

2020 GRANT AND SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING BY PROGRAM AREA



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
\$1,623,074 | 37.6%



ARTS & HUMANITIES
\$211,280 | 4.9%



RECREATION & WELLNESS
\$856,629 | 19.8%



FAITH
\$177,280 | 4.1%



COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT
\$762,801 | 17.7%



CULTURE & DIVERSITY
\$129,860 | 3.0%



EDUCATION & SCHOLARSHIPS
\$482,254 | 11.2%



ENVIRONMENT
\$75,685 | 1.7%

FEATURED GRANT STORIES

With over **\$4,000,000** awarded in grants in 2020, the impact the foundation and its donors are having in the community is shared by hundreds of nonprofits and thousands of people. Here are some highlights from the year from each of our eight program areas.



ARTS & HUMANITIES CURATING HISTORY AND CREATIVITY



THE PUMP HOUSE received \$26,610 in unrestricted grants from the Community Giving, Freedland Social and Environmental, and Schwem Impact funds. During the pandemic, they hosted virtual artist receptions and offered contactless pickups for special art projects.



LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY received \$21,000 in grant awards from the Community Giving and Ron and Jane Rada funds to establish the new La Crosse Area Heritage Center in downtown La Crosse. The center features a Ho-Chunk Exhibit curated by Josephine Lee, museum director at Ho-Chunk Nation.



BLUE STARS, PERFORMING ARTS FOR YOUTH, INC.

received a \$10,000 Emergency Survival Grant from the Community Giving Fund to help cover general operating expenses during COVID.



CULTURE & DIVERSITY
CELEBRATING OUR DIFFERENCES

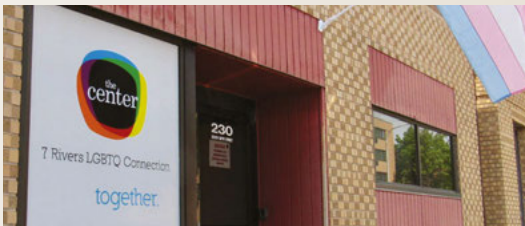


A Hmong elder teaches youth how to scale and cook fish with Hmong herbs during an outdoor cooking class sponsored by Cia Siab, Inc. Thanks to a \$40,000 grant from the Community Giving Fund, **CIA SIAB, INC.** is moving their cooking classes indoors into a newly renovated kitchen.

NORTHERN HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL in Onalaska received a grant from the Global Awareness Fund to purchase musical instruments from around the world.



Youth from **THE CENTER: 7 RIVERS LGBTQ CONNECTION'S GALAXY PROGRAM** attended the Wisconsin State Teen Summit just before the pandemic. The Center received a \$15,000 Emergency Survival Grant to support general operating costs, a \$1,206 La Crosse Area Emergency Response Grant to purchase PPE and sanitation supplies, and was also supported by the Berkedal Family Fund and the Magerus-McKinney Fund.



EDUCATION & SCHOLARSHIP
FORMING GREAT FUTURES



Students at Logan Middle School in La Crosse engage in the **YWCA'S JUSTICE CIRCLES PROGRAM**. American Association of University Women supported Justice Circles, a restorative justice education program in local schools.

The winning pitch is announced at **LA CROSSE SOUP'S MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENT**. Lincoln, Logan, and Longfellow middle schools in La Crosse each sent a team to pitch a great idea at the event, and the audience voted for the winner. Longfellow Middle School's "Period Project" received a \$1,181 grant. La Crosse SOUP facilitates crowdfunding for community-based projects during its quarterly microgranting dinners, and is fiscally sponsored by the foundation.



I want to formally and respectfully thank you for choosing myself and my family for your scholarship. I am beyond thankful for your generosity, especially during these hard times that we are all facing.

I am a new stepmom to three wonderful little girls. They are the reason for me being in school. I want to earn my degree to not only better my life, but theirs as well. Your gift of this scholarship is helping me reach that goal.

*Thank you so much,
Miranda and family*

Thank you note from the recipient of the Ernest and Olive Gershon Scholarship at Western Technical College:



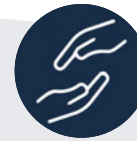
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

Participants play Connect Four at **OASIS RESPITE**, a program of **CAUSEWAY INTERFAITH VOLUNTEER CAREGIVERS, INC.** The OASIS Respite program began in 2020 to provide a safe, entertaining space for people with dementia, and was funded with a \$20,000 grant from the Community Giving and Cheryl & Cindy Vieth funds.



Bridget Todd-Robbins of **LA CROSSE COUNTY SYSTEM OF CARE** checks in with a high school student during Safer at Home. System of Care was created in partnership between La Crosse County Human Services and the School District of La Crosse to provide support, instead of sanctions, to students struggling in school. In an effort to continue caring for students during the pandemic, Todd-Robbins applied for a La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund grant to help those living on their own with critical bills. System of Care received another grant from the Richard W. Brown Family Fund to purchase holiday presents for students who may not otherwise receive any. Todd-Robbins started the holiday gift program in 2019 after receiving a surprise \$1,000 on Giving Tuesday from the Barbara and Dave Erickson Fund.

Bryce Dorff of **ST. CLARE HEALTH MISSION** organizes patient prescription needs. The mission received a \$40,000 La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund grant to provide 90 days of prescription medications to patients during the Safer at Home order.



FAITH
TRANSCENDING PLACES OF WORSHIP



Volunteers with the **FSPA'S COULEE REGION IMMIGRATION TASK FORCE** deliver financial assistance, clothing, and food to families in need. The task force delivered help to families three times with the support of \$77,500 from the La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund. One family expressed gratitude with the following: "Receive my greetings with respect and admiration for all the people who, with infinite love for their neighbor, sent this financial aid in such difficult times that we are going through, but it becomes more difficult when we are immigrants. With my heart, I thank you."

A member of **LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY** prepares dinner to serve people experiencing homelessness at the Warming Center. Lutheran Campus Ministry is an annual grant recipient of the designated St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse Legacy Fund.



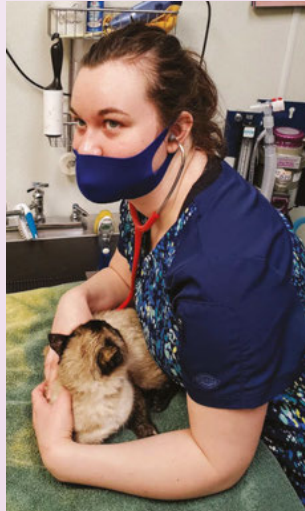


COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT
TRANSFORMING A BETTER LA CROSSE COUNTY



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS LA CROSSE was supported with a \$14,500 grant from the Community Giving and Bob and Jean Mark Family funds to support their “Get Out the Vote” campaign.

COULEE REGION HUMANE SOCIETY is now providing most cat and dog spays and neuters in-house thanks to an \$11,000 grant they received to purchase the supplies needed for the surgical room.



A local family cuts the ribbon to their new home with **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - LA CROSSE**'s director, Kahya Fox. Habitat received funding from the La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund to help their homeowners stay current on mortgage payments during the pandemic.

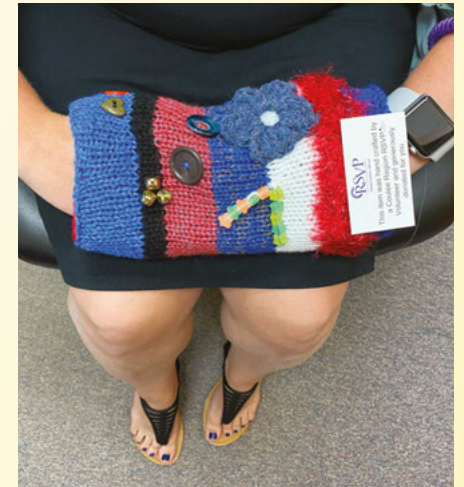


RECREATION & WELLNESS
INSPIRING HEALTHY LIVING



THE LA CROSSE AREA FAMILY YMCA received a \$68,988 grant to fund a new community family and youth director position to support and serve youth with complex needs in positive ways.

Volunteers with **COULEE REGION RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP)** made twiddlemuffs to donate to people with dementia living in local long-term care facilities. RSVP received grants from both the La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund to cover the cost of materials used to make thousands of masks to donate, and the Emergency Survival Fund for unrestricted support from the Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund, the Cheryl and Cindy Vieth Fund, and the Community Giving Fund.



Youth test out the new adaptive swing area at the **ALL ABILITIES TRANE PARK**. A \$25,000 grant was made from the Robert & Eleanor Franke, Alice O. Gordon & Viola M. Forshler, and Jean Gitz Bassett funds to support the swing area.



ENVIRONMENT APPRECIATING NATURAL RESOURCES



Photo by Tom Rhorer

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CONSERVANCY (MVC) and partners survey reconstructed prairie habitat in the La Crosse bluffslands to help determine its viability to support monarchs and other pollinators affected by habitat loss and climate change. MVC received a \$20,000 grant to support their work in addressing climate change in the driftless area.



Students from the **ONALASKA HIGH SCHOOL GREEN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB** load lunch leftovers into their new food digester. A \$17,000 grant in late 2019 helped purchase the machine that turns food waste into compost for their school gardens. After COVID-related delays, the food waste reduction program is now up and running.



A **WISCORPS, INC.** staff member helps pick up trash near the marsh in La Crosse. Wiscorps received a \$12,022 La Crosse Area Emergency Response grant to deploy disaster crews to assist area nonprofits suffering from pandemic-related volunteer shortages. They also received an Emergency Survival Grant funded by the Warren & Denise Loveland Family, Myrick Hixon EcoPark, and Maureen L. Kinney funds to support their operating costs.

EVIDENCE OF HELPERS AND HOPE EVERYWHERE

By: Program Director Katie Berkedal



The relentless challenges of 2020 brought with them many opportunities to help. And our community has an absolutely inspiring number of helpers with a bias toward action. In fact, many of the grants we funded in 2020 were for newly-thought-up ways to serve those most impacted by the pandemic.

To name just a few: Couleecap, Inc. created a new program to help people suffering financially from the pandemic pay critical bills, volunteers with Coulee Region Retired Senior Volunteer Program dedicated hundreds of hours to make thousands of masks for the community, and the YMCA kept their doors open during the Safer at Home order just to provide childcare for the children of essential workers.

As COVID brought much uncertainty and financial stress to nonprofits, we quickly understood our role as a helper was to listen to their needs and respond quickly.



Kids sell homemade masks and crafts to raise money for local nonprofits. Photo by: Peter Thomson

When nonprofits said they needed help providing assistance to those most economically impacted by COVID, we worked fast to partner with Great Rivers United Way to raise over \$1,000,000 to rapidly deploy to local frontline nonprofits. When nonprofits said they were at risk of closing permanently, we created another emergency grant program to provide large unrestricted grants to help them cover their general operating expenses.

It's our local nonprofit community who, after all, inspires the work we do every day. They persisted through an impossible year of closures and cancellations, staff furloughs and layoffs, almost no live fundraising events, and more, to hold fast to their purpose in serving the community. And they did so in keeping who they serve at the forefront, reimagining how best to continue caring for those who need it most.

When we were overwhelmed by the needs coming from the community and asked for help, we were met with extreme generosity from fundholders and many new friends. Kids from a local neighborhood even made crafts to sell to raise money for the Emergency Response Fund and other area nonprofits!

As the challenging days of the pandemic seem to be nearing an end, we stay committed to being flexible and responsive to community needs. Together, and despite being apart, we are caring for each other, helping where we can with what we have, and giving hope for a better tomorrow.

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2020 GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Action Against Hunger - USA
Bradley and Lynn Sturm Family Fund

Administrative Endowment Fund of LCF
Maureen L. Kinney Fund

Adult & Teen Challenge of Western Wisconsin Inc.
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

Aging and Disability Resource Center of La Crosse County
James Rothwell Caregiver Fund

All Abilities Trane Park Fund
Alice O. Gordon & Viola M. Forshler Fund
Jean Gitz Bassett Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Alley Cat Allies, Inc.
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

American Indian Education Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund

American Red Cross Southwest Chapter
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund

Andre House of Hospitality
Graw Family Fund

Animal Rights Coalition
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Aptiv Foundation, Inc.
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Duane and Carol Taebel Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Ruth M. Dalton, M.D. Fund

Aptiv, Inc.
Mary Grace Sieber Fund
Stephen and Katherine Webster Fund

Aquinas Catholic Schools Foundation, Inc.
Charles F. Mathy Fund
Corinne Zielke Fund
Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund
Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund

Aquinas Catholic Schools, Inc.
Fowler and Hammer Fund

ARC La Crosse, Inc.
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

Arts at Large, Inc.
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

AVCAP Corporation
Community Giving Fund

Beer By Bike Brigade
Fred and Deb Wakeen Fund

Bethany Lutheran Homes, Inc. d/b/a Eagle Crest Communities
Bethany Lutheran Homes, Inc. Endowment
Connie Repnik Memorial Fund

Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin Educational Foundation, Inc.
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the 7 Rivers Region
Community Giving Fund
Margery J. Stansfield Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
PMJ Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
The Covenant Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Black Empowerment Fund of LCF
Community Giving Fund
Magerus-McKinney Fund
Schloegel Family Fund for Kids
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Black Leaders Acquiring Collective Knowledge (BLACK), Inc.
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Blue Stars, Performing Arts for Youth, Inc.
Community Giving Fund

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater La Crosse
Amie L. Mathy Center for Recreation and Education Endowment
Boys & Girls Clubs of La Crosse Fund
Dr. Archie and Rosemary Britt Family Fund
Graw Family Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Lommen Boys & Girls Club Scholarship
Nancy Fulkerson Hill and Edwin L. Hill Fund
National Youth Sports Program Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Schloegel Family Fund for Kids
The Elliott Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund
Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With You" Fund

Brice Prairie Baseball Softball
Corinne Zielke Fund

Buffalo County Land & Trails Trust, Inc.
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Camp Send A Kid, Inc.
Graw Family Fund

Carleton College
Schilling Family Fund

Cathedral of Saint Joseph the Workman
Davy Family Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Bradley and Lynn Sturm Family Fund
Charles F. Mathy Fund
Erickson Sisters' Fund
Harold "Pete" Isenman Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Causeway Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, Inc.
Cheryl and Cindy Vieth Fund
Community Giving Fund

Chasing Daylight Animal Shelter
Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund

Children's Museum of La Crosse, Inc.
Children's Museum of La Crosse Endowment
Community Giving Fund
Hutson Family Fund

Christ Episcopal Church
Christ Episcopal Church Historic Preservation Endowment
Father Christopher Pratt Memorial Fund
Wayne J. Hood Fund

Cia Siab, Inc.
Community Giving Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Ron and Jane Rada Fund

City of La Crosse
Community Giving Fund

City of La Crosse Parks, Rec. & Forestry
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Pettibone Park Commission Endowment
City of Onalaska Park & Recreation Dept.
Harold E. Lemke Fund

Colegio Americano Luterano
Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund

Community Giving Fund of La Crosse Community Foundation
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
David R. Morrison Family Fund
Dr. David L. and Sacia B. Morris Fund
Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund
Schilling Family Fund

Community Impact Fund of La Crosse Community Foundation
Barbara and Dave Erickson Fund
Carol and Duane Taebel Family Fund
Chad Erickson Memorial Fund
Chad Erickson Memorial Park Fund
JARD Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
Richard W. Brown Family Fund
Susan M. Quillin Fund
The Covenant Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund
William & Cynthia Berg Family Fund

Compassion and Choices
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Consumer Reports
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Coulee Council on Addictions
Amie L. Mathy Family Fund
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Cheryl and Cindy Vieth Fund
Coulee Council on Addictions Endowment
Dr. Frank Furlano Family Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund
Jacob Christian Lillejord Memorial Fund aka "Jacob's Ladder"
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Paul and Barb Leehey Impact Fund
Richard W. Brown Family Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Shelterbelt Fund

Coulee Region Humane Society
Charles F. Mathy Fund
Duane and Carol Taebel Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Coulee Region System of Care, Inc.
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Richard W. Brown Family Fund

Couleecap, Inc.
Community Giving Fund
Johns Flaherty Collins-Michael Stoker Memorial Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental Justice Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Todd and Deb Mahr Family Fund

Diocese of La Crosse
Davy Family Fund
Father Christopher Pratt Memorial Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund

Doctors Without Borders USA
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Down Syndrome Association of Wisconsin, Inc.
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund



\$4,318,863

IN GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Emergency Food Basket, Inc.

M. Elizabeth Cason Fund

English Lutheran Church

Duane and Carol Taebel Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Faith United Methodist Church

Dr. Archie and Rosemary Britt Family Fund

Family & Children's Center

Dr. Archie and Rosemary Britt Family Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
La Crosse Family and Children's Center
Endowment
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Feline Rescue, Inc.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Fellowship of Catholic University Students

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Fine Arts Foundation, Inc.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

First Congregational Church

William C. Jr. and Scott Pickett Memorial Fund

First Evangelical Lutheran Church

Harold "Pete" Isenman Fund

First Presbyterian Church

Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund
Jean Gitz Bassett First Presbyterian Church of
La Crosse Fund

Foothills Food Bank

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration

American Association of University Women -
La Crosse Branch
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Friends of Coulee Region RSVP

Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Cheryl and Cindy Vieth Fund
Community Giving Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

Friends of the Kickapoo Valley Reserve

Brian and Karen Rude Family Fund

Friends of the Mississippi River

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Friends of the Refuge - Mississippi River Pools 7 & 8

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Friends of the Upper Mississippi Fishery Services

Roch Kendrick Memorial Fund

Gateway Area Scouts BSA

Community Giving Fund
Davy Family Fund
Schilling Family Fund
The Covenant Fund
Wayne J. Hood Fund

Gathering Waters, Inc.

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Girl Scouts of Wisconsin - Badgerland Council

Schilling Family Fund

Good Fight Community Center, Inc.

Community Giving Fund
Guentner-Froegel Family Fund
National Youth Sports Program Fund
Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Great Rivers United Way

Community Giving Fund
Dr. David L. and Sacia B. Morris Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund
JARD Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental
Justice Fund
Paul and Barb Leehey Impact Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Grow La Crosse, Inc.

Ron and Jane Rada Fund
Shelterbelt Fund

Gundersen Medical Foundation

Bradley and Lynn Sturm Family Fund
Carol and Duane Taebel Family Fund
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund
Connie Repnik Memorial Fund
Davy Family Fund
Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen
Memorial Fund

Duane and Carol Taebel Fund
Ellen and Henry Funk Family Fund
Harold "Pete" Isenman Fund
Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund
Paul and Barb Leehey Impact Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Habitat for Humanity - La Crosse Area

La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

Harry J. Olson Senior Center

Community Giving Fund

Heart2Heart Pet Lifeline

Todd and Deb Mahr Family Fund

Heider Center Fine Arts Board

Community Giving Fund

Hmoob Cultural and Community Agency (HCCA)

Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Honor The Earth

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

HorseSense

Bramscreiber Family Fund in Memory of
Karl Bramscreiber
Community Giving Fund
Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund
The Elliott Family Fund

HSHS Sacred Heart Foundation

Schilling Family Fund

Hunger Task Force of La Crosse, Inc.

Ardus and John Cleveland Family Fund
Barbara and Donald Frank Family Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Roland and Janeane Solberg Family Fund

Independent Living Resources

Community Giving Fund
Paque Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
William & Cynthia Berg Family Fund

Innovative Services

La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

Jay F. Leinfelder, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Community Giving Fund

JDRF Intenational

Howard Dahl Fund

Jim's Grocery Bag Fund of LCF

Amie L. Mathy Family Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Joe Was Just Joe Foundation Inc.
Schilling Family Fund
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Junior Achievement of Wisconsin

Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

La Crescent Area Event Center, Inc.

James D. and Janice M. Hanesworth Fund

La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund of LCF

Amie L. Mathy Family Fund
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Bramscreiber Family Fund in Memory of
Karl Bramscreiber
Carl Koch and Joyce Heil Fund
Carol and Duane Taebel Family Fund
Charles F. Mathy Fund
Community Giving Fund
Durtsche Family Fund
Francie Ball & Mary O'Sullivan Fund
Graw Family Fund
Harrington Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Fund
JARD Fund
John Edwards and Frances Lee-Edwards Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
Kurt and Julie Schroeder Family Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund
Magerus-McKinney Fund
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental
Justice Fund
Richard W. Brown Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Sundet Family Fund

Susan M. Quillin Fund
Todd and Deb Mahr Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

La Crosse Area Family YMCA

Community Giving Fund
Corinne Zielke Fund
Davy Family Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Stansfield Family Fund
Todd and Deb Mahr Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund
Wayne J. Hood Fund
YMCA Fund

La Crosse Area Synod ELCA

St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse Legacy Fund

La Crosse Chamber Chorale, Inc.

La Crosse Chamber Chorale Fund
The Bonney Family Fund

La Crosse Community Theatre

Community Giving Fund
Gretchen Guernsey Leigh Fund

La Crosse Concert Band

Ella F. Ambrosius Fund
La Crosse Concert Band Endowment

La Crosse County 4-H

La Crosse County 4-H Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

La Crosse County Administrative Center

Garryy-Gokey Fund

La Crosse County Assoc. for Home and Community Education

The Elizabeth Fund for Literacy and Well-Being

La Crosse County Health Department

La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Richard W. Brown Family Fund

La Crosse County Historical Society

Anita and Robert Funke Historical Society Fund
Community Giving Fund
Davy Family Fund
Gretchen Guernsey Leigh Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Fund
La Crosse County Historical Society Endowment



2020 GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

La Crosse SOUP Fund
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund
Nancy Fulkerson Hill and Edwin L. Hill Fund
Ron and Jane Rada Fund

La Crosse County Human Services Erickson Sisters' Fund

La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association Fund of LCF

Jack and Marti Schwem Fund
The Elliott Family Fund

La Crosse Farmers Market Association Ltd. Community Giving Fund

La Crosse Jail Ministry

Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental Justice Fund
St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse Legacy Fund

La Crosse Jazz Orchestra Fund of LCF

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Gertrude Salzer Gordon Concert in the Park Fund

La Crosse Neighborhoods, Inc.

Corinne Zielke Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

La Crosse Performing Arts Center Inc.

Community Giving Fund

La Crosse Promise, Inc.

Community Giving Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

La Crosse Public Education Foundation, Inc.

Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Carol Taebel "Thank a Teacher" Fund
Community Giving Fund
David R. Morrison Family Fund
Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund
Duane and Carol Taebel Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund
Global Awareness Fund
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund
Kids for Kids Fund - LPEF
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
La Crosse Public Education Foundation - Swantz Fund

La Crosse Public Education Foundation Endowment
La Crosse SOUP Fund
Mary Grace Sieber Fund
Maureen and Robert Freedland - LPEF Fund for Studies of the Shoah
Sally A. Grimslid Memorial Fund for Northside Elementary
Schilling Family Fund
Tom and Judy Sleik Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

La Crosse Public Library

Community Giving Fund
Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund
Harrington Fund
Tom and Judy Sleik Family Fund

La Crosse Symphony Orchestra, Inc.

Community Giving Fund
Ella F. Ambrosius Fund
Marie Louise Lokken Fund
Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund
Ruth M. Dalton, M.D. Fund
The Elliott Family Fund

La Crosse Youth Symphony Society

Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund

Lake Onalaska Protection and Rehabilitation District

Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund

League of Women Voters of the La Crosse Area

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Community Giving Fund

LGBTQ Resource Center for the 7 Rivers Region, Inc.

Community Giving Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
La Crosse Bridge Builders Fund
Magerus-McKinney Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Logan Booster Club

The Bonney Family Fund

Lutheran Campus Ministry at Common Ground

St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse Legacy Fund

Lutheran Social Services/Wisconsin & Upper MI, Inc.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse Legacy Fund

Marquette University

Davy Family Fund

Mary Mother of the Church

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Mayo Clinic Health System - Franciscan Medical Center, Inc.

Davy Family Fund
Ruth M. Dalton, M.D. Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Mid West Music Fest

Community Giving Fund

Midwest Environmental Advocates

Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental Justice Fund

Mississippi Valley Conservancy

Community Giving Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund
Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund
Roland Beranek Fund
The Elliott Family Fund

Missouri River Bird Observatory

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Mobile Meals of La Crosse

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Stephen and Katherine Webster Fund

Monroe County Shelter Care Inc

American Association of University Women - La Crosse Branch

Mountain Trails Foundation, Inc.

Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With You" Fund

Musical Instrument Museum

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

NAMI La Crosse County, Inc.

William C. Jr. and Scott Pickett Memorial Fund

National Audubon Society

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

National Fire Safety Council

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

National Park Foundation

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Natural Resource Foundation of Wisconsin Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

New Horizons Shelter & Outreach Centers

American Association of University Women - La Crosse Branch
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund
Community Giving Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund
MLB MKB Bottcher Family Fund
Rev. Ronald and Merle Gustafson Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Next Chapter of La Crosse

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

No Kill Law & Advocacy Center

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Onalaska Foundation for Educational Excellence

Onalaska Foundation for Educational Excellence, Inc. Fund

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Connie Repnik Memorial Fund
Kathryn, Olaus, and Dena Cappelen Fund
Schilling Family Fund
The Covenant Fund

Outdoor Recreation Alliance of the Seven Rivers Region, Inc.

The Elliott Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund
Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With You" Fund

Pastors United Community Advocacy

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Place of Grace

Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Ellen and Henry Funk Family Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Planned Parenthood Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, Inc.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Community Giving Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Preservation Alliance of La Crosse

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Rappahannock Pantry, Inc

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

River City Youth Hockey

Schilling Family Fund

Riverside International Friendship Gardens

Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund
Sandra and Richard McCormick Citizen Diplomacy Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

Ronald McDonald House Charities of W Wisconsin & SE MN, Inc.

Schilling Family Fund
Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With You" Fund

Roncalli Newman Catholic Center

John Edwards and Frances Lee-Edwards Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

Rotary Works Foundation, Inc.

Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

RUSH WI West Soccer

La Crosse SOUP Fund

Safe Families for Children

Community Giving Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Rudy and Jean Schnurrer Fund

Scenic Charitable Fund

Graw Family Fund

School District of Bangor

Jim's Grocery Bag - Schroeder Fund

School District of Holmen

Global Awareness Fund
Jim's Grocery Bag - Schroeder Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

School District of La Crosse

Corinne Zielke Fund
Global Awareness Fund
James Gokey Endowment Fund aka Jim's Grocery Bag Fund
Jim's Grocery Bag - Schroeder Fund
Julianna and Steven Blanchar Kindergarten Trip Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
La Crosse Public Elementary School Field Trip Fund
La Crosse SOUP Fund

School District of Onalaska

Corinne Zielke Fund
Global Awareness Fund



Harold E. Lemke Fund
Jim's Grocery Bag - Schroeder Fund
Tom & Trudy Kennedy Endowment Fund aka
Tom's Grocery Bag Fund

School District of West Salem

Corinne Zielke Fund
Global Awareness Fund
Jim's Grocery Bag - Schroeder Fund

Seven Rivers Robotics Coalition, Inc.

Louis I. Rehfuss Fund

She Rock She Rock

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Shelter Development, Inc.

Blahnik-Naugler Help Fund for Women
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Shriners Hospital for Children

Connie Repnik Memorial Fund

Skyrockers of La Crosse, Inc.

JARD Fund

Smithsonian Institute

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Southern Poverty Law Center, Inc.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

Sprout for Kids Foundation

Fred and Deb Wakeen Fund

St. Clare Health Mission

Gretchen Guernsey Leigh Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund
James and Ellyn Ash Family Fund
John Edwards and Frances Lee-Edwards Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Tom and Judy Sleik Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund
William & Cynthia Berg Family Fund

St. Elias Eastern Orthodox Church

Baltz Family Fund

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund

St. Olaf College

Schilling Family Fund

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of
Onalaska Fund

Step By Step Family Support Center

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Stout University Foundation, Inc.

Schilling Family Fund

Sugar Creek Bible Camp

St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse
Legacy Fund

The Animal Sanctuary of St Croix Valley

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

The Loveland Foundation, Inc

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

**The Michael J Fox Foundation for
Parkinson's Research**

Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

The Nature Conservancy

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

The Parenting Place

Ardus and John Cleveland Family Fund
Charles F. Mathy Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

The Pump House Regional Arts Center, Inc.

Community Giving Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental
Justice Fund

**The Rotary Foundation of
Rotary International**

Community Giving Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

The Salvation Army

Charles F. Mathy Fund
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund
Davy Family Fund
Ellen and Henry Funk Family Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund
Graw Family Fund
Hutson Family Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Roland and Janeane Solberg Family Fund
St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse
Legacy Fund
Steven P. and Suzanne R. Tanke Family Fund
Tom and Judy Sleik Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund

**Tom & Trudy Kennedy Endowment Fund
aka Tom's Grocery Bag Fund of LCF**

Amie L. Mathy Family Fund

Trinity Lutheran Church

Community Giving Fund
Guentner - Froegel Family Fund

United Fund for the Arts and Humanities

Ardus and John Cleveland Family Fund
Dr. David L. and Sacia B. Morris Fund
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund
United Fund for the Arts and Humanities
Endowment

University of Wisconsin Foundation

Davy Family Fund

**US Friends of David Sheldrick Wildlife
Trust Inc.**

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

UW - La Crosse

Community Giving Fund
Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With
You" Fund

UW - La Crosse Foundation

American Association of University Women -
La Crosse Branch
Betty and Dale Kendrick Art Scholarship Fund
Community Giving Fund
Davy Family Fund
Donald P. Weber Veteran Scholarship Fund
Gertrude and Donald "Sandy" Gordon Jazz
Scholarship Fund
Inez and Nick Konas Memorial Scholarship Fund
Jason David Koppelman Scholarship Fund
Logan High School Math and Computer Science
Scholarship Fund
Mitchell-Kruck Scholarship Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Robert and Ruth Pribek Memorial
Scholarship Fund
Tina Schwier Memorial Scholarship Fund
William S. Case Scholarship Fund

Verdecare, Inc.

Graw Family Fund

Village of West Salem

Corinne Zielke Fund

Viterbo University

Amie L. Mathy Center for Recreation and
Education Endowment Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Community Giving Fund

Donald P. Weber Veteran Scholarship Fund

Ella F. Ambrosius Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund
Glendenning Family Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Ruth M. Dalton, MD Juliette Low Scholarship Fund
Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With
You" Fund
William S. Case Scholarship Fund

Vivent Health

La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund

Voces De La Frontera, Inc.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

WAFER, Inc.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Ellen and Henry Funk Family Fund
James and Ellyn Ash Family Fund
Kerbaugh Family Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Roland and Janeane Solberg Family Fund
Susan M. Quillin Fund
The Covenant Fund
Tom and Ann Monson Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund
William & Cynthia Berg Family Fund

Wake Forest University

Schilling Family Fund

Warehouse Alliance, Inc.

Community Giving Fund

Weigh of Life

Schilling Family Fund

Western Technical College Foundation Inc.

American Association of University Women -
La Crosse Branch Fund
Community Giving Fund
Don Olson Hospitality Scholarship Fund
Donald P. Weber Veteran Scholarship Fund
Ernest and Olive Gershon Scholarship Fund
Glendenning Family Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Scott and Heidi Blanke Family Fund

Wisconsin Challenge Academy

The Covenant Fund

Wisconsin Historical Foundation Inc

Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Wisconsin Public Radio

Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental
Justice Fund

WisCorps, Inc.

Davy Family Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Maureen L. Kinney Fund
Myrick Hixon EcoPark Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund

Wishland Pony Express

Wishland Pony Express Fund

Women's Fund of Greater La Crosse, Inc.

Betty Levinstein Fund-WF
CMG Women's Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund
Jean L. Foss-Norene A. Smith Fund-WF
Joan and Paul Schoenfeld Fund-WF
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental
Justice Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Pamela and Richard Strauss Fund-WF
Roberta Zurn Fund
Stansfield Family Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund
Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund
Women's Fund of Greater La Crosse
Endowment Fund

Workforce Connections, Inc.

Community Giving Fund
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Schloegel Family Fund for Kids

YWCA La Crosse

American Association of University
Women - La Crosse Branch
La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental
Justice Fund
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund



FUNDS OF LA CROSSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Many people look to give back to the community that supported them and their loved ones. We are honored to present our complete list of all who chose to do just that by establishing a fund at La Crosse Community Foundation.



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DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

\$1,370,924 IN DONOR ADVISED GRANTS
AWARDED IN 2020

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS allow donors the freedom to recommend grants to any charitable organization anywhere in the world. Most are endowed, and we offer the flexibility to spend them down. Donor advised funds are most often a less expensive and less complicated alternative to starting a private foundation. And by hosting a donor advised fund with the community foundation, you have access to our staff's broad knowledge of the community and where your charitable investments will have the greatest impact for good.

American Association of University Women - La Crosse Branch Fund (2010)
James and Ellyn Ash Family Fund (2003)
Francie Ball & Mary O'Sullivan Fund (2016)
Baltz Family Fund (1987)
William & Cynthia Berg Family Fund (2013)
Tom and Laurie Berkedal Family Fund (2019)
Blahnik-Naugler Help Fund for Women (2003)
Bonney Family Fund (2015)
MLB-MKB Bottcher Family Fund (2004)
Bramschreiber Family Fund in Memory of Karl Bramschreiber (2016)
Judy and Dave Bouffleur Fund (2019)
Brekke Family Fund (2018)
Eric and Sandy Brekke Family Fund (2013)
Richard W. Brown Family Fund (2007)
Christ Episcopal Church Historic Preservation Fund (2006)
Russell G. and Gail K. Cleary Fund (1986)
Ardus and John Cleveland Family Fund (2012)
The Covenant Fund (2016)
Daniel's Song (2018)
Davy Family Fund (1993)

Kim and Kyle Donskey Charitable Fund (2020) *NEW!

Kim and Kyle Donskey established their donor advised fund in 2020 to help the community.

Lynn & Kirk Donskey Family Fund (2020) *NEW!

The Lynn and Kirk Donskey Family Fund was established by members of the family in December of 2020 to support organizations, programs and services that will help celebrate, educate and improve our everyday way of life.

Durtsche Family Fund (2004)
John Edwards and Frances Lee-Edwards Fund (2019)
The Elliott Family Fund (2019)
Embracing Women Fund (2019)
Barbara and Dave Erickson Fund (2004)
Chad Erickson Memorial Fund (2003)
Chad Erickson Memorial Park Fund (2011)
Erickson Sisters' Fund (2004)
Fowler and Hammer Fund (2005)
Barbara and Donald Frank Family Fund (1995)
Maureen and Robert Freedland Community Fund for Studies of the Shoah (Holocaust) (2014)
Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental Justice Fund (2016)
Ellen and Henry Funk Family Fund (2006)
Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund (2006)
Garrity-Gokey Fund (2017)
Graw Family Fund (2018)



Everett McKinney and John Magerus travelling in France

DONOR ADVISED FUND SPOTLIGHT:

MAGERUS-MCKINNEY FUND

John Magerus and Everett McKinney are the type of people you love to have in your community. They care deeply about the welfare of others, and are not shy about their desire to make an impact. And with homes in both La Crosse and Racine, you might not be surprised to hear they have funds at more than one community foundation.

John and Everett met at a summer workshop for French teachers in Madison 27 years ago when John was a French professor at UW-La Crosse, and Everett at The Prairie School in Racine. The latter part of their careers was in administrative roles: John as a dean and Everett as the high school principal.

In addition to their shared passion for the French language, the now retired men enjoy traveling, history, and the arts. Everett is a classically-trained professional singer and served on Racine Symphony's board of directors. John is writing a book, is an archivist, and an active genealogist.

The pair has donor advised funds in their name at both La Crosse Community Foundation and Racine Community Foundation. And a third was created in Oklahoma City after

John's parents passed, set up by family to honor their lives of service and helping others. All three funds are used to support different areas of interest in each respective community.

"The thing I like about these funds is the anonymity of the donation. Nonprofits aren't beating on your door, it's money that comes when it's needed. We've supported for many years a Catholic nun who has a food pantry and helped buy a van for her because she delivers sandwiches for people who are living under bridges. Somebody else is doing the work and we're providing the means for doing it," shared John.

John and Everett are regular supporters of The Center: 7 Rivers LGBTQ Connection in La Crosse, supported the growth of a Hmong collection at the La Crosse Historical Society, and used their fund to support the new Black Empowerment Fund at the foundation.

"It's community. You're supporting something that's really needed in your community which gives us civic and community pride." ~ Everett McKinney

Guentner-Froegel Family Fund (2002)
 James D. and Janice M. Hanesworth Fund (2007)
 Harrington Fund (1998)
 James and Ellen Heinecke Fund (2003)
 Nancy Fulkerson Hill and Edwin L. Hill Fund (2016)
 Hutson Family Fund (2002)
 JARD Fund (1993)
 Kerbaugh Family Fund (2016)
 Carl Koch and Joyce Heil Fund (2012)
 Joseph W. Kotnour Family Fund (2001)
 Roy E. and Lillian Hope Kumm Fund (1986)
 La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund (2012)
 Sondra and Roger LeGrand Family Fund (2008)
 Warren and Denise Loveland Family Fund (2008)
 Kathy and Jack Lucey Family Fund for Alzheimer's (2018)
 Magerus-McKinney Fund (2002)
 Todd and Deb Mahr Family Fund (2004)
 Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund (2004)

Richard H. Masrud Memorial Fund (2018)
 Amie L. Mathy Fund (1987)
 Charles F. Mathy Family Fund (2010)
 Charles F. Mathy Fund (2006)
 Sandra and Richard McCormick Citizen Diplomacy Fund (2012)
 Donald and Audrey Medinger Family Fund (1998)
 Tom and Ann Monson Family Fund (2005)
 David R. Morrison Family Fund (2013)
 Will and Charlie Nordeen "May the Force Be With You" Fund (2015)
 Paqué Family Fund (2007)
 Susan M. Quillin Fund (2018)
 Richard T. Record Fund (2011)
 Brian and Karen Rude Family Fund (2000)
 Schilling Family Fund (2009)
 Schloegel Family Fund for Kids (2018)
 George and Virginia Schneider Family Fund (1994)
 Kurt and Julie Schroeder Family Fund (2015)

Jack and Marti Schwem Fund (1999)
 Morris A. & Roberta Anne Severson Fund (2014)
 Shelterbelt Fund (2017)
 Roland & Janeane Solberg Family Fund (2012)
 Stansfield Family Fund (2013)
 Strong Girls Strong Women Fund (2017)
 Bradley and Lynn Sturm Family Fund (2008)
 Sullivan Fund (2002)
 Sundet Family Fund (2006)
 Carol and Duane Taebel Family Fund (2006)
 Steven P. and Suzanne R. Tanke Family Fund (2007)
 Cheryl and Cindy Vieth Fund (2009)
 Fred and Deb Wakeen Fund (2013)
 Stephen and Katherine Webster Fund (2016)
 R and S Weiser Family Fund (2019)

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DESIGNATED FUNDS allow donors the ability to identify one or more charitable organizations or programs to receive annual support from the fund forever. Many are “retired” donor advised funds, established when the fundholder(s) passed away to continue support for the charitable organizations they cared about most.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

\$431,130 AWARDED IN DESIGNATED
GRANTS IN 2020

Ella F. Ambrosius Fund (1975)
Jean Gitz Bassett First Presbyterian Church of La Crosse Fund (2019)
Steven and Julianna Blanchar Kindergarten Trip Fund (2002)
Heidi and Scott Blanke Scholarship Fund (2010)
Dr. Archie and Rosemary Britt Family Fund (2013)
Margaret Forseth Burgess Music Fund (2013)
Kathryn, Olaus and Dena Cappelen Fund (2007)
William S. Case Scholarship Fund (1969)
M. Elizabeth Cason Fund (2011)
CMG Women's Fund (1992)
Ralph F. Cowgill and Winnie Rhea Wroten Cowgill Family Fund (2019)
Ruth M. Dalton, MD Fund (2007)
Ruth M. Dalton, MD Juliette Low Scholarship Fund (2007)
Carrol J Riley-DeGier Fund (2018)
Jean L. Foss-Norene A Smith Fund-WF (2011)
Maureen and Robert Freedland - LPEF Fund for Studies of the Shoah (2007)

Ernest and Olive Gershon Fund (1991)
The Glendenning Family Fund (1995)
James Gokey Endowment Fund a.k.a Jim's Grocery Bag (1998)
Jim's Grocery Bag – Schroeder Fund (2014)
Gertrude Salzer Gordon Jazz in the Park Fund (1997)
Gertrude and Donald “Sandy” Gordon Jazz Scholarship Fund (1998)

Graw Fund for River Studies (2020) *NEW!

Supports research within the River Studies program at the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse, namely to benefit the health of Pool 7 of the Upper Mississippi River to help sustain, restore, and increase awareness of this valuable ecosystem.

Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund (2007)

Rev. Ronald and Merle Gustafson Fund (2003)

Charles and Cheryl Hanson Riverside International Friendship Gardens Fund (2020) *NEW!

This fund was established by Charles and Cheryl Hanson to promote and sustain the vision of the Riverside International Friendship Gardens, which is to celebrate the beauty in the

diverse cultures of the world while also recognizing that we are all part of the same good Earth and are responsible for protecting it for ourselves and our posterity.

Scott Henke Memorial Fund for the Care and Shelter of Animals (2016)

Nancy Fulkerson Hill and Edwin L. Hill Designated Fund (2016)

Homeless Jesus Fund (2020) *NEW!

This fund was inspired by a replica of a Homeless Jesus sculpture that was gifted to the donor. The image depicts Jesus as a homeless man, sleeping on a park bench, maybe in Cameron Park. The purpose of the fund is to provide funds for the immediate needs of homeless men and women living on the streets of the city.

Wayne J. Hood Fund (1982)

Harold L. Isenman Fund (1981)

Roch Kendrick Memorial Fund (2009)

Dale Kendrick Scholarship for Studio Art in Painting Fund (2003)

Tom and Trudy Kennedy Endowment Fund a.k.a Tom's Grocery Bag (2013)

Kids for Kids Fund – LPEF (2008)
 Maureen L. Kinney Fund (2016)
 Inez and Nick Konas Memorial Scholarship (2017)
 Jason David Koppelman Scholarship Fund (1990)
 La Crosse Public Elementary School Field Trip Fund (2013)
 Gretchen Guernsey Leigh Fund (2007)
 Betty Levinstein Fund-WF (2008)
 The Jacob Christian Lillejord Memorial Fund a.k.a. Jacob's Ladder (2008)
 Logan Math and Computer Science Scholarship Fund (2002)
 Marie Louise Lokken Fund (2007)
 Lommen Boys & Girls Club Scholarship (2000)
 Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund (2006)
 Mitchell-Kruck Scholarship (2007)
 Dr. David L. and Sacia B. Morris Family Fund (2008)
 Don Olson Hospitality Scholarship (2004)
 St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Onalaska Endowment Fund (2002)
 St. Paul's Lutheran Church of La Crosse Legacy Fund (2019)
 William C. Jr. & Scott Pickett Memorial Fund (2012)
 Father Christopher Pratt Memorial Fund (1987)
 Robert and Ruth Pribek Memorial Scholarship (2017)
 Connie Repnik Memorial Fund (2006)
 James Rothwell Caregiver Fund (2019)
 Joan and Paul Schoenfeld Fund – WF (2008)



Scott Henke with dog Charlie

James and Dianne Seyler Fund (2020) *NEW!

This fund was established by Dianne Seyler to support several of her favorite local charities including the For Goodness Sake Holiday Giving Program hosted by La Crosse County Health Department, Catholic Charities' Warming Center, St. Clare Health Mission, Hunger Task Force and WAFER.

Tom and Judy Sleik Family Fund (2013)
 Pamela and Richard Strauss Fund – WF (2008)

Hilda Stuttgart Memorial Fund for St. Clare Health Mission (2020) *NEW!

This fund, established by Hilda's son Jon to honor her memory as a caregiver, supports the St. Clare Health Mission, providing health care, including vision and dental, to the poor and homeless of La Crosse.

Carol Taebel "Thank a Teacher" Fund (2018)
 Duane and Carol Taebel Fund (2007)
 Bernadette Teff Family Fund (2007)
 Chester and Veronica Ware Fund (1995)
 Donald P. Weber Veteran Scholarship Fund (2017)
 Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund (1990)
 Roberta Zurn Fund (2005)

DESIGNATED FUND SPOTLIGHT:

SCOTT HENKE MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE CARE AND SHARE OF ANIMALS

The Scott Henke Memorial Fund for the Care and Share of Animals was established by his father Paul and sister Nicole following his passing in 2016. The fund is designated to support the care of animals in shelters as a meaningful way to honor the memory of Scott, an animal lover.

Scott Henke lived in Chicago with his beloved dog Charlie, and was just 44 when he passed. Whenever he needed to be out of town, he arranged for his animal-loving neighbor to care for Charlie, and also made provisions in his estate for the care and shelter of him.

Scott was a regular contributor to nonprofits, especially animal shelters, and was active in groups that cared for animals.

The fund is designated to provide an annual grant to either the Sparta Animal Shelter, Trempealeau County Animal Shelter, Viroqua-Westby Animal Shelter, or the Coulee Region Humane Society.

Paul Henke also started the Ann Henke Scholarship Fund in his wife's memory, and is a member of the new Forever Society for those who include the foundation in their estate plan.



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FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

\$526,272 AWARDED IN FIELD OF INTEREST FUND GRANTS IN 2020

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS are established to benefit a specific cause or community need, such as environmental education, the arts, or homelessness. Spending from field of interest funds is advised by the board through the quarterly competitive grant program.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUND SPOTLIGHT:

BLACK EMPOWERMENT FUND

The Black Lives Matter movement reignited a desperate cry for racial justice in 2020, sparking protests across the globe. Locally, growing awareness and advocacy left many feeling compelled to do more to disrupt the systems that uphold injustice and oppression and hamper progress.

That's why Sam and Jean Skemp of La Crosse stepped through our doors last fall; they wanted to make a significant donation that would help build racial equity here.

"Someone said to remain silent is to remain a racist. I agree with that and felt I had a moral obligation to help," said Sam, to which Jean added, "People here have not lived with much diversity. Often, they don't have ill will; they just haven't been exposed sufficiently to see the injustice."

After several conversations about how an endowed fund could address racial injustice here, the Black Empowerment Fund was created. The fund will support projects and organizations in La Crosse County working to advance racial equity, with preference given to nonprofits led by people from the Black community.

The Skemps began the fund with a \$50,000 gift, and after two \$25,000 successful matching challenges and many other gifts from the community, the fund today has over \$160,000.

As a field of interest fund, the Black Empowerment Fund can be used to support any application received through our competitive grantmaking program that fits its intended purpose. An advisory committee, comprised of community members who include Black as one of their identities, help advise grantmaking from the fund.



Local activist and educator Shaundel Spivey helps announce the establishment of the Black Empowerment Fund with donors Sam and Jean Skemp

Jean Gitz Bassett Fund (2006)
Roland Beranek Fund (2013)

Black Empowerment Fund (2020) *NEW!

Started in the spirit of the Black Lives Matter movement, the Black Empowerment Fund was established by Sam and Jean Skemp to support organizations in La Crosse County advancing racial justice through work that is guided by members of the Black community.

Coulee Region White Cane Club Fund (2011)
Robert and Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund (2018)
Howard Dahl Fund (1989)
The Elizabeth Fund for Literacy and Well-Being (2016)
Dr. Frank Furlano Family Fund (2002)
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund (1992)
Global Awareness Fund (2006)
Alice O. Gordon and Viola M. Forshler Fund (1940)
Johns Flaherty & Collins-Michael Stoker Memorial Fund (2007)
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund (2013)

La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund (2020) *NEW!

Created in partnership with Great Rivers United Way to provide rapid-response grants to nonprofits serving on the frontlines of the pandemic.

La Crosse Bridge Builders Fund (1999)
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund (2012)
Myrick Hixon EcoPark Fund (2014)
National Youth Sports Program Fund (1998)
Louis I. Rehffuss Fund (1981)
Rudy and Jean Schnurrer Fund (2009)
Mary Grace Sieber Fund (2006)

Jenny and Tom Walter Fund (2020) *NEW!

The Jenny and Tom Walter Fund is a field of interest acorn fund growing to support arts & humanities and health & human services.

Corinne Zielke Fund (2000)

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

\$193,700 AWARDED IN AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUND GRANTS IN 2020

Bethany Lutheran Homes, Inc. Endowment Fund (1991)
Boys and Girls Clubs of La Crosse Fund (1985)
Children's Museum of La Crosse Endowment Fund (1998)
Coulee Council on Addictions Endowment Fund (2005)
La Crosse Family & Children's Center Endowment Fund (1990)
Anita and Robert Funke Historical Society Fund (2004)
Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin Fund (1997)
Sally A. Grimslid Memorial Fund for Northside Elementary (2005)

Hixon House Fund (2020) *NEW!

The Hixon House and its furnishings were gifted to the La Crosse County Historical Society in the early 1960's by Alice Green Hixon. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and remains a prominent piece of our community's history, and a popular tourist destination. An endowed fund will ensure the Hixon House remains financially supported for future generations.

La Crosse Area Family YMCA Fund (2001)
La Crosse Chamber Chorale Fund (2002)

AGENCY FUND SPOTLIGHT:

LA CROSSE DUBNA FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION DAVID BELL MEMORIAL FUND

The La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association David Bell Memorial Fund was established in 2020 to provide annual support to the La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association. The fund name honors the integral role David Bell played as the leader in Russia promoting the sister city relationship with La Crosse; one the New York Times reported as Russia's best.

David Bell was born in Texas in 1921, and lived there until he was 10 when his father, inspired by the Russian revolution, moved the family to Russia. When Stalin came into power, his father was exiled to the Kazakhstan desert and the family was put on the street because they were Jewish.

As an adult, David became an English teacher and moved to Dubna, located at the confluence of three rivers about 70 miles north of Moscow.

In the late 80s, David heard of a peace lantern project in Leningrad led by physicians from La Crosse. David explored more connections to La Crosse, including a correspondence with former Mayor Patrick Zielke, and suggested a sister city relationship. A group in La Crosse formed that led the effort here. The relationship between the two cities was formalized with protocols signed on August 5, 1990.

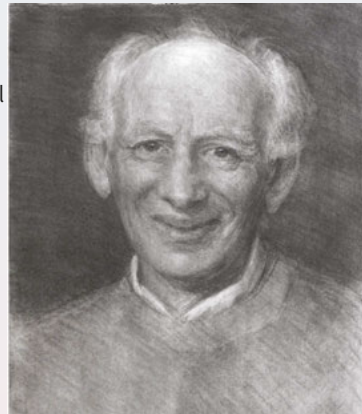
The success of the La Crosse Dubna sister city relationship is evidenced by the breadth of the exchanges and numerous



accomplishments, that include: various exchanges of scouts, high school and college students, and professionals; the creation of University of Dubna; the establishment of the first Rotary Club in Dubna (one of the first in Russia); and, the introduction of the notion of voluntary service to Dubna. Robust medical exchanges resulted in several millions of dollars of US grants to Dubna that pioneered work in women's health, alcohol treatment, hospital management, and a diabetes protocol that was adopted all throughout

Russia. The Russian garden in the Riverside International Friendship Gardens honors this special relationship.

The intent of this agency fund is to honor David Bell and the joint vision shared between the cities, promoting peace through understanding. The fund will be used to support the broad purposes of the sister city relationship.



Artist: Peggy Baumgartner

AGENCY FUNDS are established by a nonprofit organization for its own benefit. Establishing an agency fund with a community foundation instead of managing their own allows nonprofits an added layer of protection for honoring the intended purpose of the fund. In addition to the organization's board of directors, the community foundation has a fiduciary responsibility to ensure the fund is used according to its original purpose.

La Crosse Concert Band Endowment Fund (2004)
La Crosse County 4-H Fund (2010)
La Crosse County Historical Society Endowment Fund (1990)

La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association David Bell Memorial Fund (2020) *NEW!

The La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association's purpose is to develop relations of friendship and confidence with La Crosse's sister city of Dubna, Russia. This agency fund provides annual distributions to support the mission of the La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association.

La Crosse Public Education Foundation Endowment Fund (1991)
La Crosse Public Education Foundation — Richard Swantz Fund (2000)
Amie L. Mathy Center for Recreation and Education Endowment Fund (2005)
Mental Health Coalition Endowment Fund (2006)
Onalaska Foundation for Educational Excellence, Inc. Fund (1998)
Pettibone Park Commission Endowment Fund (1992)

Riverside International Friendship Gardens Fund (2020) *NEW!

This fund was established to help ensure the Riverside International Friendship Gardens remain a place of beauty reflecting our appreciation for the diverse cultures that share the earth. The gardens are the result of a unique public-private partnership, and currently include gardens celebrating and recognizing La Crosse's sister-city relationship with communities in China, Germany, France, Russia, Norway, Ireland, and new in 2020, Cameroon.

Salvation Army, La Crosse WI Endowment Fund (1992)
Stars of Tomorrow Endowment Fund (2006)
United Fund for the Arts and Humanities Endowment Fund (1992)
Wishland Pony Express Fund (1995)
Women's Fund of Greater La Crosse (2016)

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SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

182 STUDENTS RECEIVED AN LCF SCHOLARSHIP
IN 2020 TOTALING **\$299,197**

Abellera Family Scholarship Fund (2020) *NEW!

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating Onalaska High School senior who participates in music and athletics. The scholarship rotates annually between a business or finance major; arts, graphic design, or advertising and public relations major; and a social services major.

A.L.M. Family of Companies Scholarship Program Fund (2019)
American Association of University Women - La Crosse Branch Scholarship Fund (2013)
Tammy and Allen Becker Family Pay It Forward Scholarship Fund (2018)
Mary Jane Bice Fund (1985)
Borton Construction Scholarship at Holmen (2008)
Borton Construction Scholarship at Logan (2008)
Borton Construction Scholarship at Luther (2008)

Brock Family Scholarship Fund (2020) *NEW!

The Brock Family Scholarship Fund awards a scholarship to a graduating Onalaska High School senior who participates in music or athletics. This Scholarship rotates annually between medicine and science majors; or athletics or business majors.

Valerie Burman Art Plus Scholarship Fund (2016)
James R. Conway Class of 1955 Logan High School Scholarship Fund (2009)
Coulee Region Engineering Scholarship Fund (1993)
Peter DeCicco Scholarship Fund (1992)
Carol A. Dobrunz Memorial Scholarship Fund (2014)
Family Playhouse Theater Scholarship Fund (2003)
D. E. Field Scholarship Fund (2007)
Kent Grimslid Memorial Music Scholarship Fund for Onalaska High School (2014)
Dorinda Hawk Music Scholarship Fund (2018)
Neil P. Hengst Extra Effort Scholarship Fund (2007)
Ann Henke Scholarship Fund (2012)

Josephine Hintgen Scholarship Fund (1982)
Hood-Weese-Miller Scholarship Fund (2010)

Gerald and Marcella (Meyer) Horman Scholarship (2020) *NEW!

Gerald and Marcella were lifelong residents of the greater La Crosse Area – Gerald from Onalaska and Marcella from Bangor. They established this scholarship fund to give back to their home community, and to help people who don't have the finances to pursue higher education on their own. This fund awards one annual scholarship to a student at Onalaska High School.

Jay F. Leinfelder, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund (2015)
Harold E. Lemke Fund (1991)
Logan Opportunity Scholarship Fund (1992)
Kaitlin Elizabeth Mahr Memorial Scholarship Fund (2007)

Marian Mieden Early Childhood Education Scholarship Fund (2020) *NEW!

The Marian Mieden Early Childhood Education Scholarship Fund honors Marian Mieden, a pioneer educator in early childhood education who left a positive and lasting impact on the Onalaska community with her advocacy and commitment to the youngest of learners. The fund awards one annual scholarship to an Onalaska High School graduate aspiring to teach early childhood education.

Nicholas Byrne Padesky Scholarship Fund (2015)
Norma J. Valley Panka & William J. Panka Scholarship Fund (2012)
Mark David Peacock Memorial Scholarship Fund (2013)
John and Adeline Rice Scholarship Fund (2002)
Rockin Robyn Scholarship Fund (2016)
James G. Sauer Scholarship Fund (2011)
Ralph Schultz Scholarship Fund (1996)

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS allow donors the opportunity to invest in our future leaders by lessening the financial barrier to higher education. Each scholarship fund's criteria is selected by the donor, and the foundation's staff works to ensure student recipients are selected accordingly.

Senior Airman Adam Servais Memorial Scholarship Fund (2020) *NEW!

The Senior Airman Adam Servais Memorial Scholarship was established to honor Adam Servais, a 2001 graduate of Onalaska High School. Adam was killed in action on August 19, 2006 while serving in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. This scholarship is awarded to one senior annually from Onalaska High School.

John and Ruth Sherman Scholarship Fund (2008)
Burton C. Smith Scholarship Fund (1983)
Tina Schwier Memorial Scholarship Fund (2019)
Randy Smith Leadership Fund (2001)
Samuel D. and Charlet S. Sperbeck Scholarship Fund (2019)
William E. Storandt Scholarship Fund (2005)
William P. and Lorna C. Vafeas Art Scholarship Fund (1995)
Nina Vanderzee Memorial Scholarship Fund (2016)
Clayton and Vivian Veum Scholarship Fund (1995)
David and Sandra Whiteley Scholarship Fund (2007)
Richard Dick Wolfe Class of 1951 Logan High School Scholarship Fund (2019)



Elizabeth, Jan, Tom, and Katharine Brock

SCHOLARSHIP FUND SPOTLIGHT:

BROCK FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Brock Family Scholarship was established by Tom and Jan Brock in 2000 in hopes of supporting an Onalaska High School senior who participates in the arts or athletics. The pair started the fund to honor the great educations their daughters Katharine and Elizabeth received in the district.

In Tom's former capacity as executive vice president of Altra Federal Credit Union, and with Jan's service on the Centering Onalaska and Onalaska Education Foundation's boards, they each delivered their fair share of scholarship awards at the annual OHS scholarship night. Tom and Jan loved the excitement on students' faces as they were honored academically and recognized with a scholarship. And with the Brock's gratitude for a district that gave so much to not only their daughters, but several exchange students as well, they felt starting a scholarship fund was something they could do to give back.

After an excellent academic foundation in the Onalaska School District, both Katharine

and Elizabeth went on to graduate from college, get advanced degrees and get good jobs, one as a doctor at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and one as a Sports Product Innovator at Nike. Tom and Jan are hopeful their scholarship will help others have similar opportunities.

Tom and Jan spent several years growing the scholarship fund while the girls were still in high school and college. Once it reached the desired level in 2018, the fund started awarding an annual scholarship. They appreciated not having to fund it all at once.

The Brock Family Scholarship will provide an annual scholarship to an Onalaska High School student who plans to study medicine, science, athletics, or business.

"We started the Brock Family Scholarship to recognize the school district's teachers and students, and as our way of saying thank you," shared Tom and Jan.

OTHER FUNDS

- All Abilities Trane Park Fund (2019) — Special Project
- Community Giving Fund (1940) — Unrestricted
- Freedom Blues Fest Fund (2019) — Special Project
- Administrative Fund (1991) — LCF General Operating Reserve
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River Clean Up, La Crosse Fund (2020) — Fiscal Sponsorship ***NEW!**

For 27 years volunteers have been coming together on the Saturday before Mother's Day to clean up trash in the Mississippi River. This fund was established to aid in these efforts by providing fiscal sponsorship to the River Clean Up, La Crosse leaders and volunteers. The River Clean Up, La Crosse Fund accepts sponsorships for the annual clean-up work to cover related expenses.

Safer Coulee Region Fund (2020) — Special Project ***NEW!**

The primary purpose of this fund will be to support the initial purchase and first few years of maintenance of body cameras for area law enforcement organizations in La Crosse County.

- Jack and Marti Schwem Impact Fund (2019) — Temporary Designated Fund
- Margery J. Stansfield Fund (2013) — Unrestricted



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La Crosse Community Foundation's **FOREVER SOCIETY** was created to recognize those who included the foundation in their bequest or other estate plans. Being identified as a member of the Forever Society will allow us to better understand your charitable goals. That way, we can ensure the intended purpose of your bequest or other estate plans are followed as closely as possible. Our goal is to honor the legacy you wish to leave behind.

FOREVER SOCIETY FUND SPOTLIGHT:

HOMELESS JESUS FUND



"Homeless Jesus" sculpture by Timothy Schmalz. Photo by: jon Stuttgen

jon Stuttgen established the Homeless Jesus Fund in 2020 to serve as a beneficiary of his estate. The fund is designated to provide financial support for the immediate needs of people who are homeless and living on the streets of the city.

jon was born in north central Wisconsin into a Catholic family. As a young adult, jon was drawn to those who live unprotected in our society, people who are unsheltered, uninsured, and under-resourced. During graduate school, he volunteered at Port Ministries, an outreach to the homeless of Chicago's south side. Prior to that, he spent time with Bethany House, a homeless shelter in Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin.

When jon returned to La Crosse, he worked at the Diocese of La Crosse doing outreach to Catholic students at UW-L and Western to keep them connected with their faith. He regularly took students to the Salvation Army, the Warming Center and Place of Grace where students met guests who frequented those places, some of whom were once university professors.

Students would often ask if they should help serve dinner or help clean up. jon's advice was first to get in line, get some supper, sit down and introduce yourself to somebody. Because service is not always about what we can do for someone. jon has learned that folks do not always want you to do something for them.

Sometimes, in our attempts, we end up doing something to them. It's best to do something with those you hope to serve.

"I can't feed the world's hungry or shelter the world's homeless, but I can offer hospitality with whatever I have at the time. I can always be a friend. If that's all I can do, that has to be enough," shared jon.

2020 has been tough on jon as the health risks brought by the pandemic have forced him to isolate. His priority, after being vaccinated, is to go have supper with his friends at Our Savior's Lutheran Church or Sally's (Salvation Army), then maybe hang out at squirrel park (Cameron Park).

The name of his fund, Homeless Jesus, was inspired by a touching gift from friends of a miniature of the well-known bronze "Homeless Jesus" sculpture by artist Timothy Schmalz. jon hopes the fund provides freely for folks who need it, no strings attached.

jon established another designated fund in 2020 to receive part of his estate, the Hilda Stuttgen Memorial Fund for St. Clare Health Mission, in memory of his mother.

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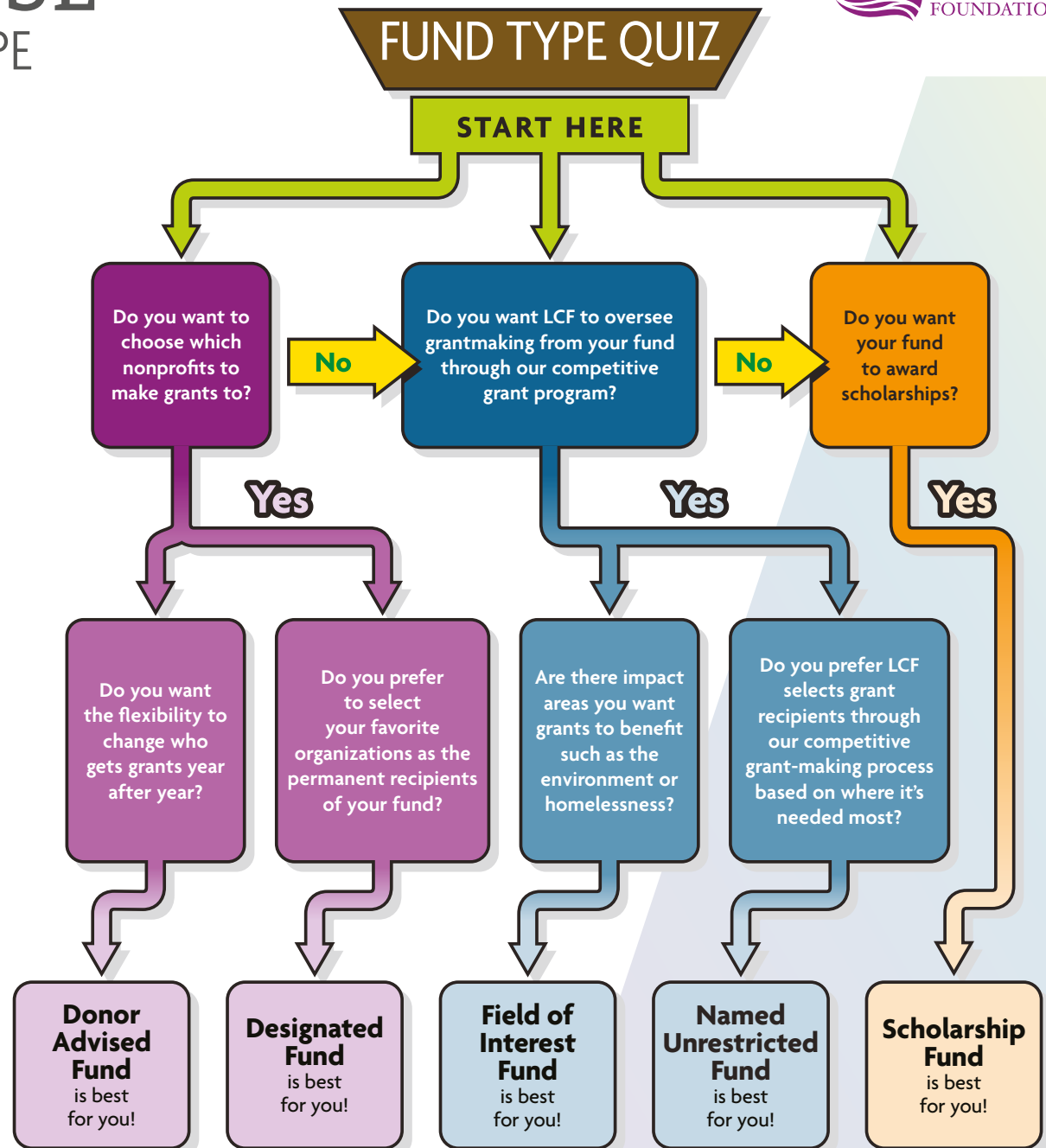
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But with so many choices, how do you know where to start?

That's why we've put together this flow chart quiz. Start at the top and follow the flow to find your ideal fund type match. This chart highlights our five most popular fund types in a fun, simple way.

If you have questions or want to learn more about our full breadth of charitable solutions, please contact us.



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In memory of Supreme Court Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson

Betty Heuslein

In memory of Evelyn Schaubberger

Diane Brose

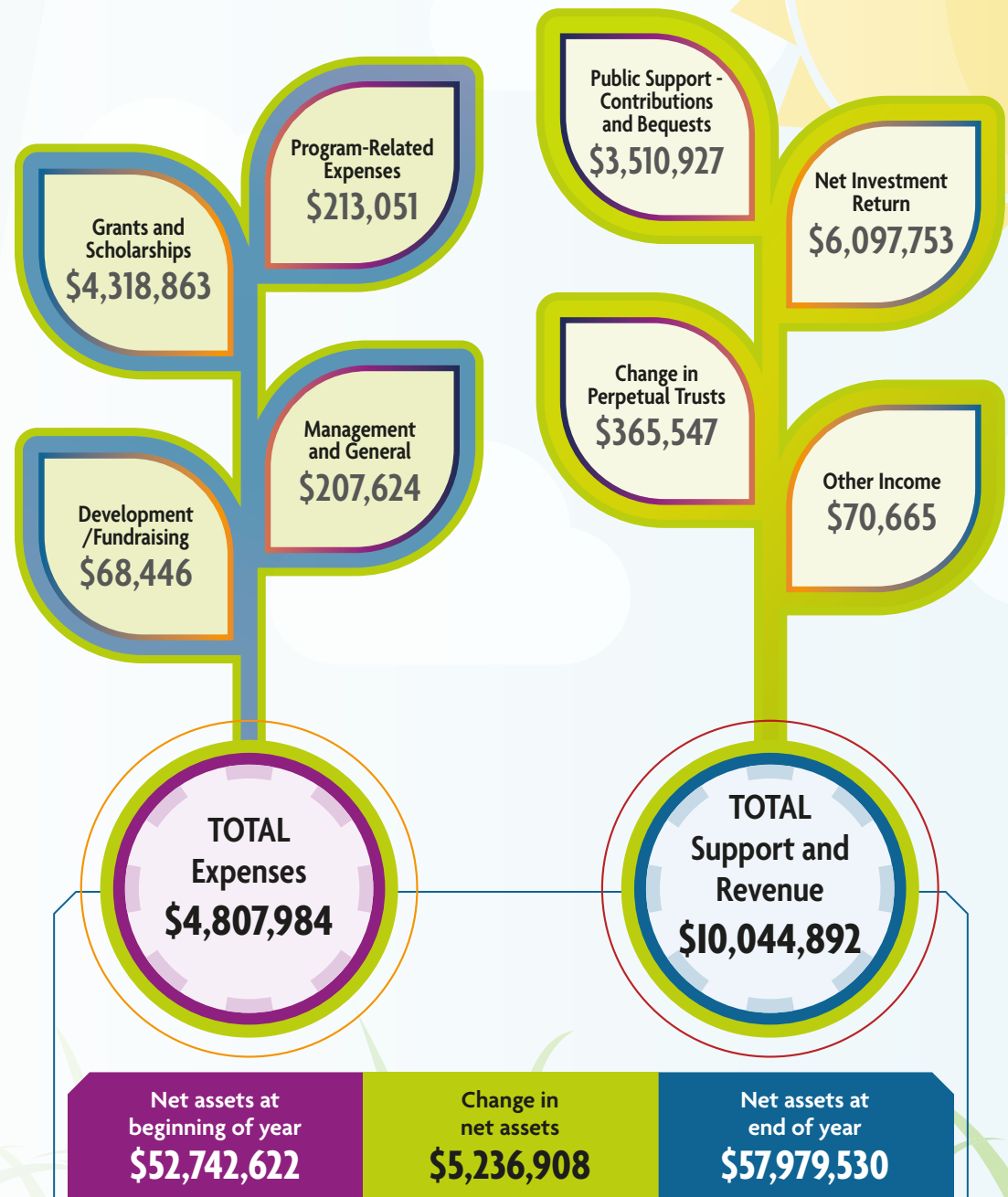
In memory of Mike Stoeffler

Geri and Andy Hengst

2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

HONORING OUR FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY

The board of directors bears the overall fiduciary responsibility of La Crosse Community Foundation. The board appoints and empowers a finance and investment committee comprised of individuals with extensive business and investment backgrounds for ongoing investment guidance, monitoring, and oversight. They strive to maximize investment income while following formal, yet flexible investment guidelines that incorporate prudent risk parameters, appropriate asset guidelines, and realistic return goals. Our investment portfolio is managed by Trust Point. Their representatives work with the finance and investment committee to continually review and update our investment policy to ensure it's responsive to current capital market conditions and the needs of the foundation. Information regarding the portfolio's performance is available upon request.



Auditors: Johnson Block CPAs
Trustee and Investment Manager: Trust Point

*This report is a summarized financial statement. The complete 2020 audited financial statement and IRS Form 990 are available on our website or by calling the foundation.

SUSTAINING FUNDS AND GIVING FOR THE COMMUNITY



Message from Finance Director
Erin Belby, CPA

In 2020, the community foundation stepped up in many visible ways to address the unique challenges that the year presented: collaborating with Great Rivers United Way to start the La Crosse Area Emergency Response Fund, working with a generous donor to start the Black Empowerment Fund, and shifting our competitive grant process towards unrestricted funding through emergency survival grants to nonprofits.

Behind the scenes, we were also working hard to address pandemic-related challenges.

We took steps to make sure grant funds are available when they are needed most. We researched and re-evaluated our unrestricted assets to determine additional funding possibilities. We created an unrestricted surplus policy to provide guidance on minimum and maximum reserve targets. We identified a financial threshold that would in the future trigger the discussion of when/if additional funds can be available for grantmaking.

We took steps to make sure grant funds are available forever. We incorporated a rolling average balance calculation into our spend rate policy to stabilize future grant dollars through periods of turbulent market performance. And we continuously assess our investment policy statement to ensure our portfolio is in the best position possible for our perpetual funds.

We started looking at ways to “put our money where our mouth is” by evaluating what our commitment to



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equity, diversity, and inclusion means for our financial and investment policies. We hope to share more about this work in 2021.

Looking back on a year we would all soon like to forget, my hope is that it will be remembered not only for the challenges it presented, but the ways in which we, as a community, stepped up to meet them.

LA CROSSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	DECEMBER 31, 2020	
	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 447,588	\$ 305,667
Restricted cash	-	6,977
Investments	57,414,090	51,302,623
Property and equipment, net	8,699	12,522
Contributions and bequests receivable	215,181	492,467
Other assets	60,539	932,967
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	4,672,137	4,306,590
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 62,818,234	\$ 57,359,813
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Payroll taxes payable	\$ 1,241	\$ 1,207
Security deposits payable	-	6,977
Grants payable	166,143	238,750
Agency endowment funds	4,671,320	4,370,257
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,838,704	4,617,191
NET ASSETS		
Net assets without donor restrictions		
Board-designated		
Operating and administrative funds	981,569	927,711
Community giving funds	8,469,072	7,814,002
Special projects and temporary funds	1,650,608	1,836,270
Field of interest funds	11,875,713	10,900,310
Donor-designated funds	16,825,847	14,925,574
Donor-advised funds	13,289,403	11,541,216
Total net assets without donor restrictions	53,092,212	47,945,083
Net assets with donor restrictions	4,887,318	4,797,539
TOTAL NET ASSETS	57,979,530	52,742,622
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 62,818,234	\$ 57,359,813



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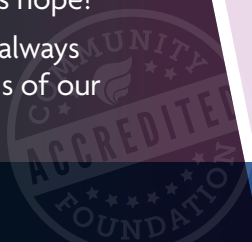
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THE HELPERS AND THE HOPE

La Crosse Community Foundation celebrated its 90th birthday in 2020. Looking back over the years, we see decades worth of evidence of all the good work helpers in our community have achieved together.

When a need presents, whether it be a new bandshell, an all abilities park, or working together to survive a pandemic, our community always shows up to help. And that gives us hope!

No matter the cause, the foundation will always be here to put the goodwill and intentions of our community's helpers to action.



2020 AT A GLANCE

90 YEARS SERVING LA CROSSE COUNTY

Grants & Scholarships
Awarded:

835

New
Funds:

20

Total
Funds:

269



\$4,318,863
Awarded in
Grants & Scholarships

\$3,510,927
Donated
to LCF

\$62.8 Million
Total
Assets

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