

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS

OF COMMUNITY IMPACT



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MISSION

To engage donors and connect them with opportunities to **make a lasting impact**, build community endowment, provide leadership on key issues, and make grants that reflect the communities we serve.

VISION

Be a leader in community philanthropy to **build a vibrant community** with great opportunities for all.

FOR GOOD. FOR EVER.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2023

LETTER FROM LEADERSHIP

2023 marked the **35th anniversary** of the Community Foundation for Mason County, giving us an opportunity to reflect and be grateful for our history while looking forward to the exciting years to come.

Our founders, a small group of local leaders, rallied around this big idea – that a Community Foundation might be the perfect place for donors, large and small, to exercise their charitable intentions in a positive way. They got it right, and our community has benefited because of their visionary leadership.

Thanks to the generosity of those who live and give here, **more than \$13 million** has gone back into the community. In 2023 alone, more than \$1 million was sent out the door to support the good work of organizations in Mason County.

Thank you to every donor, nonprofit organization, staff member, board member, volunteer, and community advocate with whom we have partnered to help build a more vibrant place to call home.

And 35 years in, we are just getting started. Together, we are in this...**For Good. For Ever.**

Sincerely,



Andrea Large
Executive Director



Patti Klevorn
Chair, Board of Trustees

Gifts Received:

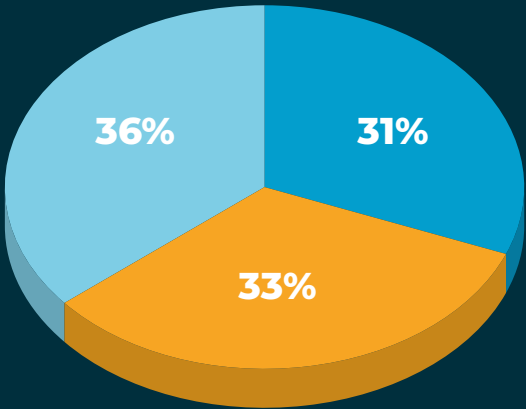
\$1,336,943

Grants & Scholarships Awarded:




\$1,167,407

Total Assets:

\$26,505,182



Strategic Funding

-  Improve Workforce Supports
-  Community Development
-  Advancing Educational Attainment

OUR LEGACY, OUR PROMISE

The **past 35 years** have been an incredible journey. With your help, we've built a responsive and resilient organization that continues to address the greatest needs and opportunities in our community. Year after year, we've grown, and so too, has our impact.

Today, we know that wherever you go in Mason County, you will find the footprint of the Community Foundation.

As we look back at our first 35 years with pride in all that has been accomplished, we look forward to **building a stronger community** together. For Good. For Ever.



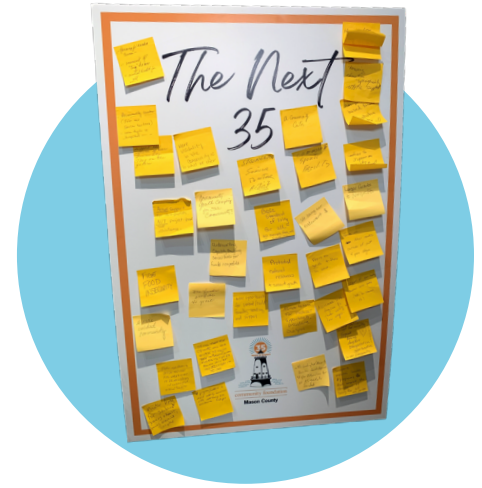
Discover the **Legacy of the Community Foundation!**

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS



CELEBRATING 35 YEARS TOGETHER

The Community Foundation's annual gathering offered us the opportunity to honor our history, celebrate the past, and **build a vision for the future**. With excitement, people shared their hopes and dreams for the next 35 years, including connected trails, recreational facilities, broadband, housing, food access, transportation, education opportunities, and more. Imagine the potential for our community in the next 35 years as we continue to grow our resources and partnerships to **create a more vibrant community** with opportunities for all!



*"The Community Foundation has become our most dynamic resource. The Foundation makes dreams come true by supporting projects that are built to last, helping our youth further their education, and creating a place where families can create **legacies that live forever.**"*

Budde Reed, Founding Foundation Family, Donor, & Community Leader

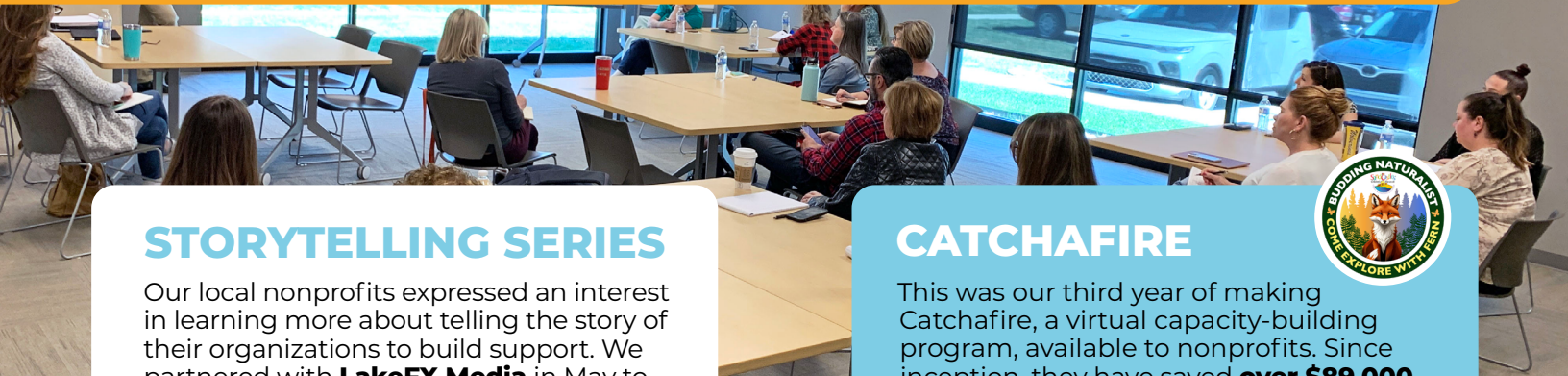




LEADERSHIP LEARNING LAB

The Leadership Learning Lab was born out of a collaboration of 10 Michigan community foundations and additional funders that recognized they could do more together than separately by investing in a new way of **empowering communities**. Facilitated by Rotary Charities of Traverse City and funded by the Frey Foundation, the Greater Mason County Fund, and local community foundations, the Lab **connects nonprofit leaders**, building skills to strengthen the organizations and communities they serve through monthly workshops.

CELEBRATING COLLABORATION



STORYTELLING SERIES

Our local nonprofits expressed an interest in learning more about telling the story of their organizations to build support. We partnered with **LakeFX Media** in May to provide nonprofit leaders and their teams with a **free, two-part storytelling series** led by LakeFX Founder, Randy Boerema. Randy explored the topics of sharing your brand's story, the importance of creating content for today's digital world, practical ways to use available tools, and more during the workshops.

CATCHAFIRE

This was our third year of making Catchafire, a virtual capacity-building program, available to nonprofits. Since inception, they have saved **over \$89,000** in services such as event planning, marketing, and website content.

"We designed a logo for a new exhibit with a graphic designer. The end result conveys exactly what I hoped for!"

- Kristin Korendyke, Executive Director of Sandcastles Children's Museum



BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Local nonprofits requested board training, so the Community Foundation for Mason County, backed by the Pennies from Heaven Foundation, organized a session on **Board Development Best Practices**, led by David J. Smith, Employers Association VP of Compensation Services.

Together, **nonprofit leaders and board members** learned best practices for board engagement and governance, and explored multiple topics, including roles and responsibilities, operational committees, and board and staff expectations.



*"This valuable workshop gave us the **skills, confidence, and clarity** needed to engage in better decision-making processes. It was time well spent!"*

- Thom Hawley, President of the Ludington Center for the Arts Board of Directors.



GRANT SEEKERS WORKSHOP

Nonprofit representatives were invited to a January Grant Seekers Workshop where they learned how to **maximize opportunities to secure grant funds**. Representatives from the Mason and Muskegon Foundations provided strategies for a strong application.



KICKSTART TO CAREER

Last fall, KickStart to Career began its 5th year of providing Mason County kindergarteners with a **\$50 savings account**. The program encourages students' aspirations for careers and higher education while helping pay for post-high school career and college pursuits. Currently, **over 1,500 Mason County students** have bank accounts, building hope and opportunity for a bright future.

Students have the opportunity to earn \$5 in their accounts for completing the **Win With Wellness 100-Mile Challenge** and another \$5 for participating in **March is Reading Month** activities. Third-grade students were able to earn incentive dollars last summer for completing a license plate scavenger hunt, provided by a grant from the Patrick & Maria O'Hare Fund and Robert R. & Joan Hasenbank Funds



MADE POSSIBLE BY THE:

Initial Seed Deposit:

- John & Anita Wilson Family Fund

Match & Incentive Dollars:

- Joan Hasenbank
- Mary Church
- Epworth Fund for Ludington
- Patrick and Maria O'Hare
- Nader's Motel & Suites
- Adam & Christine Lamb
- Scottville & Ludington Optimist Clubs
- Lake Michigan CPA Services
- Safe Harbor Credit Union
- United Way
- West Shore Bank

Financial Education Sponsored By:

- West Shore Educational Service District
- Safe Harbor Credit Union
- West Shore Bank

CELEBRATING EDUCATION

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Community Foundation awarded scholarships to 68 Mason County students in 2023, including renewals, representing commitments of **more than \$182,000**. The Epworth Fund for Ludington provided nine of those scholarships for a total of \$18,000. Since its creation in 2006, the **Epworth Fund for Ludington** has awarded \$107,250 in scholarships to Mason County graduates who go on to attend an accredited 2- or 4-year college. Each scholarship is a \$2,000/year commitment for four years, totaling \$8,000.

Epworth Fund Chair Cathy Hunt believes a collective sense of home among Epworth residents compels them to keep returning – and giving – to Mason County and its students: “My brother, sister, and I always said we felt like our cottage was more ‘home’ than home. It was the constant in our lives.”

EPWORTH FUND COMMITTEE



Check out our
**Scholarship
Fund Stories!**



COREWELL HEALTH: TELEMEDICINE SERVICES



Mental illness and suicide rates among teens are escalating nationally. YAC responded with a grant, and West Shore Bank co-invested with grants from the Drs. Ruth & John Carney Education Fund and the West Shore Bank Spirit of Giving Fund to provide **free telemedicine services** to Mason County Central High School students ages 14-18.

The program aided 37 students and expanded from 2-4 days to a full 5-day schedule, thanks to contributions from donors and grants. **Forty percent of students** reported a decrease in anxiety and depression after meeting regularly with Corewell's telemedicine providers.

INSPIREADING PROGRAM

Thanks to a CFMC grant from the **Greater Mason County Fund**, Mason County families have access to tools for academic learning opportunities that support literacy success.

The **inspiREading program** is a collaboration between West Shore Educational Service District, Instructional Services Department, and the Great Start Collaborative that provides free books and literacy resources to children aged 0-14 through community events and initiatives.



CARL & ALIDA ANN (AGENS) SORENSEN FUND

"I wanted to do something in my parents' names, in the county that they called home." **Jan Wood** honored her family's Mason County legacy by establishing the Carl & Alida Ann (Agens) Sorensen Fund. The fund supports **educational programs** and

projects to commemorate Jan's mother, who began teaching at 18 in a one-room schoolhouse. With family roots running deep along South Lakeshore and at the family farm, Jan thinks of Ludington as a place where her parents' memory **"will live on forever."**

HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The **2023 Housing Needs Assessment (HNA)** by Bowen National Research provided crucial data confirming housing as a top community priority. This report empowers Mason County with essential information to prioritize development needs and tackle the ongoing housing crisis.

The Mason County Housing Alliance, comprised of local leaders in collaboration with Ryan Kilpatrick of Flywheel Community and backed by a **\$50,000 grant** from the Michigan Office of Rural Prosperity, was formed to address these housing challenges.



*"We believed we had a housing crisis, but this study proves it. The HNA gives us concrete data to share with developers, including that we need **more than 2,400 new housing units** to remedy all of our housing needs."*

- Kristi Lucas-Zimmerman, Economic Development Director for Mason County

CELEBRATING WORKFORCE SUPPORT

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

A grant from **Mason County Funds for the Community** is helping Habitat for Humanity support households in need of **critical home repairs** that are outside of their financial ability. Most of the project referrals Habitat receives are emergency situations that could cause low to moderate-income families to become separated or displaced. With support from the Foundation's grant and other community partners, Habitat helped **13 families** avoid crisis and remain in their homes.



THE LAKESHORE FOOD CLUB (LFC)

The Lakeshore Food Club (LFC) is a **nonprofit grocery store** serving Mason County residents living below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. LFC is dedicated to providing dignified (choice) access to fresh, healthy foods and essential resources to those in need.

In the last 18 months, membership has grown by over 100%, and food costs have increased by more than 85% since 2022. LFC now serves **more than 100 households** daily, with a membership that has exceeded more than 2,400 local households. “We’re not emergency food. We’re sustainability,” explained O’Nealya Gronstal, Executive Director of LFC.

LFC set up a **donor-advised fund** at the Community Foundation for Mason County in 2023. O’Nealya views the fund as a way to build the Food Club’s legacy while building the legacy of its donors: “It’s double the impact of making the community thrive.”



“This is a **life-saving and life-giving program.**”

- Kerry Newberg, Principal of G2S

In September, LFC inaugurated a second location at the **Gateway to Success Academy (G2S)**. The alternative public school, known for its commitment to project-based learning, now hosts a unique food pantry to address food insecurity among its students. Fueled by grants from the Frank & Delores Valenta Fund, Healthy Youth Healthy Seniors Fund, and Mason County Funds for the Community, the hub expands the club’s reach into eastern Mason County while providing a dignified shopping space for students.



Want to Support the LFC?
GIVE NOW!

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*The help we received means so much to us. Without the help of a new well, our family would not have water. The additional help made sure not only did we have water, but that our water was safe to use. **There is no way we could’ve done this without the help of Habitat for Humanity.** My family is blessed that we live in a community that cares for others.*

- Amanda Rockrohr

THE ROCKROHR FAMILY





CONNEXION POINT, INC.

Connexion Point, Inc. is a program focused on **medically assisted treatment and recovery coaching**, positively impacting individuals and families struggling with addiction. Serving all demographics and socio-economic groups, Connexion Point combats opioid addiction, an epidemic across the United States.

The program operates the **Boon House Recovery Living for Men**, supporting six men at a time who are committed to a substance-free life. A grant from Mason County Funds for the Community supported the recovery of occupants at the Boon House by maintaining essential supplies for residents' safety, health, and comfort.

CELEBRATING WORKFORCE SUPPORT

HELP MINISTRY

32 families have access to safe food because of the cooperation of HELP Ministry, community donations, and a grant from Mason County Funds for the Community. HELP Ministry saw a growing need among financially vulnerable families for safe food handling during 2023. The organization assisted two families who suffered from food poisoning due to inadequate refrigeration. By August, HELP had received **requests for refrigerators** from 21 families representing a total of 57 men, women, children, and elderly living in compromised situations. Because of support provided by HELP Ministry, the Community Foundation, and our caring community, families in need received safe refrigerators by Christmas.



*"Many of our clients have very few things they can be happy about and call their own. Giving them working appliances, you see a sense of pleasure on their faces ... **children are excited!**"*

- Larry Lange, Executive Director of HELP Ministry

BLUE HAT MINISTRIES

Blue Hat Ministries works with individuals who are elderly, struggle with mental illness or addiction, or who have a cognitive disability. Staff and volunteers come alongside clients to improve quality of life and, in many cases, become almost like family.

To provide sustainability and ensure Blue Hat Ministries is able to serve the community for years to come, the organization **established a fund** with the Community Foundation last year. The group was **awarded \$5,000** from Mason Funds for the Community and the Five Friends Fund. The grants helped the organization pair dependent adults with home help aides to provide support directly inside their homes, including cleaning, maintaining a safe home, meal planning, and shopping.



*“We appreciate how the Community Foundation sees the greatest needs of our community and works together with partners. It’s our hope that being connected to and creating a fund with the Community Foundation will help show the community that **Blue Hat Ministries is here to stay.**”*

- Lena Bluestein, Executive Director



GIVE A GIFT

Donations to Blue Hat Ministries or their fund are being matched by the Pennies From Heaven Foundation **up to \$50,000** throughout 2024.



LAKESHORE ADVOCACY CENTER

The Lakeshore Children’s Advocacy Center (LCAC) provides compassionate care to children who have experienced abuse or witnessed violence. LCAC projects it will serve approximately **65 child survivors** of abuse living in Mason County during this fiscal year, plus support for non-offending family members.

A grant from **Mason County Funds for the Community** enables LCAC to offer client and caregiver materials for the healing process. With the support of the Community Foundation grant, LCAC is better equipped to assist clients’ healing before, during, and after services.





CELEBRATING RECREATION

Support the park
with a gift!



CONSERVATION PARK

Pere Marquette Charter Township is nearly finished constructing the **Pere Marquette Conservation Park Community Access Site** at the mouth of the Pere Marquette River. Multiple co-investments, including grants from Mason County Funds for the Community, the Thomas William Paine Charitable Fund, and the Pennies from Heaven Foundation supported this **\$1.84 million initiative**.

This is the first parcel of the 290-acre park to be developed. The Community Access Site offers improved access for people with disabilities, addresses historical hazards along PM Highway, and supports tribal fish harvest traditions.

Park plans include restrooms, picnic areas, playgrounds, sports fields, swimming beach, winter sports activity area, hiking/biking trails, and more. The site will **support local businesses** with an ideal location near many restaurants along US-10, where people can enjoy take-out food while observing wildlife, wetlands, and fishing activity. The project will restore and redevelop the former Dow industrial site, providing environmental enhancement and protection, while offering outstanding public access to outdoor recreation and enriching the lives of Mason County residents and visitors.

MULTI-USE TRAIL INITIATIVE

Last June, over a dozen stakeholders, municipal leaders, nonprofits, and state officials convened to revive a multi-use trails initiative that began years ago. With unanimous support, the **Mason County Trails Steering Committee** was established to kickstart the process and then a 2018 feasibility study was updated with 2023 cost estimates.

Grants from Mason County Funds for the Community and Michigan Trails & Greenways Alliance facilitated collaboration with landscape architectural consultant Greenway Collaborative.

Currently, the consultant is working alongside representatives of the Steering Committee to develop a **trails roadmap**. The prep work involves engaging with stakeholders, property assessments, and coordination with local plans.

This extensive economic development project, estimated to cost millions and take several years, will rely on a combination of local contributions and state and federal grants once plans and trail priorities are established.

WEST SHORE AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

The West Shore Amateur Hockey Association (WSAHA) is a community-based organization dedicated to providing a fun and inclusive environment for amateur youth hockey players at all skill levels in collaboration with West Shore Community College. A grant from the Community Foundation for Mason County provided by the **Thomas William Paine Charitable Fund** helped replace worn-out and expired gear, ensuring that hockey remains accessible for our youth.



MEADE TOWNSHIP PICKLEBALL COURT

Meade Township residents and visitors will soon have another opportunity to engage in an active lifestyle with their community. Grants from Mason County Funds for the Community and the Robert R. & Joan Hasenbank Fund are helping Meade Township fulfill requests for a **pickleball court** in the township park.

Due to the rural location of Meade Township, the local pickleball court will make it easier to participate in the popular sport **without having to travel.**

SESQUICENTENNIAL GRANTS



[View the Full Grant List](#)

Rob Always Photos

In February of 2023, the Community Foundation for Mason County, in partnership with the Pennies from Heaven Foundation, City of Ludington, and Love Ludington Fund of the Community Foundation, offered a **Ludington Sesquicentennial Grant** opportunity for area businesses and organizations to support events and activities that promoted recognition of Ludington's 150th birthday. 12 projects received grants, including a West Shore Bank Rhythm and Dunes fireworks display, a City of Ludington Street Party organized by the Chamber Alliance of Mason County, and an Avenue's End historic picture board.

The **Mason County Historical Society** was also a grant recipient, allowing them to provide a re-enactment of "The Trial of the Century" at the 1849 Mason County Courthouse in Historic White Pine Village. Visitors also enjoyed an ice cream social and a pie-baking contest judged by local celebrities.

CELEBRATING OUR YOUTH

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL



LAKE JUMP

Over 60 members of the community participated in the **24th Annual Ludington Lake Jump** on April 22 at Stearns Park Beach, braving 42-degree temperatures and leaping into Lake Michigan to raise funds for YAC.

A resounding **\$60,603 was raised**, including a \$30,000 match from the Pennies from Heaven Foundation. The funds were used to create a public service announcement (PSA) about teen stress, which was shared in a local movie theater and on social media. Additional funding went to the group's endowment, allowing YAC to provide more grants to help local youth.

ANNUAL RETREAT

YAC members attended a **two-day retreat** at Grace Adventures in Silver Lake, MI and participated in team-building activities like laser tag, archery, 9 Square, and more.

The group reflected on a **2021 Needs Assessment** that identified important community issues for Mason County youth. Some of the main topics included mental health, managing academic stress, and substance use prevention. These needs guide YAC's grantmaking decisions.

“*The retreat gave us the opportunity to connect. The bonds we made help make our meetings a more comfortable and collaborative environment.*”
- Holly Bowen, YAC President



Watch **YAC'S Film**
On Teen Stress



katekirbyfilmsandphotos.com

YAC GRANTS

YAC granted **\$6,500** to local groups addressing teen academic stress, mental health, and substance abuse, as well as **\$3,500 for ten teacher mini-grant** requests that supported youth-related projects such as regulating emotions, flexible seating, scanners for readers, professional development, incentives for achievement, link-up recorders, glow-in-the-dark art, high interest books, and technology.

\$6,500 IN GRANTS AWARDED TO:

- **Corewell Health** for a Behavioral Health Telemedicine Program at MCC
- **MCE Schools** for student/environment interaction
- **Circle Rocking S** for baby chicks and gardening supplies to help manage stress
- **Staircase** for a Youth Summer Enrichment Program
- **Oriole Giving Tree** to assist families during holidays
- **Childhood Cancer Campaign** for gas cards



YAC provided the **Childhood Cancer Campaign** with a grant to purchase gas cards for families of children with cancer. The annual cost of helping families commute to and from the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids ranges from \$5,000 to \$15,000, depending on the number of children in Mason County diagnosed with cancer, the cancer type, and the treatment method. The campaign is currently assisting **eight families**, the highest number supported simultaneously to date.



For at-risk youth, summer can pose challenges, increasing vulnerability to risky behavior, abuse, and neglect. YAC provided a grant to support a research-based summer program led by **Staircase Youth Services**, targeting at-risk adolescents ages 13-17. Teens in the program experienced new activities like fishing and horseback riding, enjoyed access to regular meals, and benefited from positive interactions with caring adults.

CELEBRATING GIVING

Thank you to the people who notified us of **planned gifts** through their estates or created **new funds** in 2023. These gifts will do great things in our community...forever.

PROMISED GIFTS: · Wayne & Jeanie Mortensen · Kristen Kyle Biggs · Bob & Kay Neal

NEW FUNDS

- **YAC Lake Jump Fund:** (Learn more on page 16.)
- **Blue Hat Ministries Fund:** (Learn more on page 13.)
- **Lakeshore Food Club Fund:** (Learn more on page 11.)
- **Carl & Alida Ann (Agens) Sorensen Fund:** (Learn more on page 9.)
- **Ludrock Fund:** A committee-advised fund to support youth-related projects, including sponsoring a 5th-grade program for KickStart to Career Child-Savings, With this fund, Ludrock plans to empower the community's youth for years to come
- **KickStart to Career Mason:** (Learn more on page 8.)
- **House of Flavors, Inc. Fund:** (Learn more on page 19.)
- **Food for Families Fund:** Seeing the increase in food insecurity, a donor who wishes to remain anonymous, established a fund to help address this need in our community. Their support will focus on increasing food access now and for years to come.
- **Nancy & Leo Hesting Fund:** Education is so important to Nancy and Leo Hesting. Their fund will help support education and related efforts in our community forever.
- **Campaign for Mason County:** Focused on building long term assets for our community, this Fund for the Community will secure support to address the current and future needs and opportunities in Mason County.

FUNDS FOR COMMUNITY:

Support the greatest needs and opportunities in our community.

- Mason County Funds for the Community
- Charles L. (Sandy) Cabe Fund
- Class of 1957 of Ludington High School
- Charles Conrad Fund
- Richard and Helen Daron Fund
- Paul and Cathy Drewry Family Fund
- Isabelle Hasenbank Fund
- Horizon Financial Fund
- Everett J. Liebetreu Fund
- Maclean Family Fund
- Greater Mason County Fund
- Clinton & Lila Coleman and Charles & Margarette Reader Fund
- Shirley M. Smedley Memorial Fund
- Rick & Sharon Templar Fund
- Karen M. Worten Fund
- Campaign for Mason County Fund
- Todd & Julie Schrader Love Ludington Fund

LEAVING A LEGACY

Bob and Kay Neal's many accomplishments, dedication to community development, and faith have led them to name the Community Foundation for Mason County as a **beneficiary of a charitable account**. This gift creates a Fund for the Community to support the greatest needs and opportunities in Mason County.



SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Provide financial support for area students as they pursue post-secondary education expenses.

- Noble Arent Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Robert J. & Norma E. Bazzett Scholarship Fund
- Bethany Lutheran Church Scholarship Fund
- Drs. Ruth & John Carney & Irene Carney Kendrick Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Richard & Helen Daron Scholarship Fund
- George Dila Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Hamlin Lake Preservation Society Fund
- Sharon Bradley Johnson & Carl Johnson Scholarship Fund
- Knizacky Family Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Joe Lancour Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Margaret M. Lederle Ludington Area Schools Scholarship Fund
- Everett J. Liebetreu Education Fund
- Ludington Education Association Scholarship Fund
- Ludington High School Class of '59 Scholarship Fund
- Ludington Rotary Scholarship Fund
- Michael & Rebecca Magee Scholarship Fund
- Danny McCarty Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Miller Family Scholarship Fund
- Mason-Oceana-Manistee Board of Realtors Scholarship Fund
- Adam Murphy Fund
- Alberta Muzzin Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Fund
- Dr. Charles A. Paukstis Scholarship Fund
- Merry E. Petersen Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Rick & Mary Ann Randall Scholarship Fund
- Craig L. Rasmussen Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Marlene Schoenberger Scholarship Fund
- Virginia Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Lee Shipman Engineering Scholarship Fund
- Lee Shipman WSCC Scholarship Fund
- Emily & Frank Smiddy Scholarship Fund
- Thomas Thompson Family Scholarship Fund
- West Shore Community College Foundation Scholarship Endowment Fund



HOUSE OF FLAVORS

House of Flavors Inc. established a **donor-advised fund** at the Community Foundation for Mason County as part of their commitment to annual charitable giving. The donor advised fund serves as a flexible vehicle, enabling them to thoughtfully distribute funds to organizations that fit their mission and vision.

WAYS TO GIVE

Make a gift to the **Greater Mason County Fund** that can be used to address community needs and opportunities now and in the future.

- Direct your gift to one of the Community Foundation's existing funds that best matches your charitable interests.
- Start your own fund to achieve your charitable goals.
- Honor or memorialize a friend or loved one with a gift in their name.
- Remember the Community Foundation with a legacy gift in your will or trust.

For more details on giving: mason-foundation.org | 231.845.0326

READY TO MAKE
A DIFFERENCE?



COMMITTEE ADVISED FUNDS:

Allow organizations to be involved in selecting what projects they want to support locally..

- Epworth Fund for Ludington
- Lakeshore Food 4 Kids Fund
- Ludington Area Rotary Fund
- Ludrock Fund
- Mason County Eastern Schools Athletic Boosters Fund
- Mason County Veterans Endowment Fund
- Sabin Petunia Parade Endowment Fund
- Scottville Optimist Fund
- Triad Endowment Fund

ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUNDS:

Support the operational costs of organizations.

- A Few Friends for the Environment of the World Fund
- American Red Cross Fund, West Shore Chapter
- Big Sable Point Lighthouse Fund
- City of Scottville Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund
- COVE Mason Endowment Fund
- Robert Dickson MCD Library Endowment Fund
- Disability Network West Michigan Mason Fund
- Emanuel Lutheran Missionary Support Fund
- Habitat for Humanity of Mason County Fund
- HELP Ministry Fund
- Ludington All Sports Booster Club Fund
- Ludington Area Arts Council Endowment Fund
- Ludington Area Catholic School Fund
- Ludington Area Catholic Educational Foundation Tuition Relief/Scholarship Fund
- Ludington Area Catholic Educational Foundation Faith Formation Fund
- Ludington Rotary STRIVE Fund
- Ludington Soccer Club Fund
- Oriole Community Tennis Courts Maintenance Fund
- Mason County Central Educational Foundation Endowment Fund
- Mason County Eastern Educational Fund
- Mason County Sports Hall of Fame Fund
- Mason County Historical Society Endowment Fund
- Mason-Lake Conservation District Fund
- Mason County Promise Fund
- Mason County Walleye Association Fund
- Oakview Medical Care Facility Fund
- Oriole Foundation Fund

ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUNDS (CONTINUED):

- Pere Marquette Memorial Cross Fund
- Sandcastles Children's Museum Endowment Fund
- Scottville Clown Band George F. Wilson Endowment Fund
- Spectrum Health Foundation Ludington Fund
- United Way of Mason County Endowment Fund
- Western Michigan Fair Association Fund
- Zonta/Shirley Smedley Memorial Endowment Fund

BUILD A FUNDS:

Provide an opportunity for donors to start a fund over time to support the causes they care about.

- Susan Bogart & Dan Petterson Build a Fund

COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDS:

Support the administration of a specific program or capital campaign.

- G2S Academy Capital Campaign Fund
- KickStart to Career Mason County Fund
- Ludington Area Arts Council Non-Endowed Fund
- Mason College Access Fund
- Pere Marquette Conservation Park Development Fund
- Sable Points Lighthouse Keepers Association Capital Campaign Fund
- Scottville Optimist Park & Sculpture Fund

DESIGNATED FUNDS:

Provides donors with tools to make a local impact.

- Childhood Cancer Campaign Fund
- Sheriff Kim Cole Legacy Fund
- Fabaz Family Scholarship Fund
- Ludington Dog Park Maintenance Fund
- Ludington Waterfront Park - Sculpture Maintenance Fund
- Mason County Community Mental Health Fund
- Howard D. Olson, Sr. Memorial Fund
- Pere Marquette Conservation Park Fund
- Elmer & Rose Peterson Memorial Fund
- Geri and Harold Rohrmoser Fund
- Arts People (TAP) Fund
- Urka Family Fund

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS:

Donors are involved in selecting what organizations and projects they want to support locally.

- Accessibility for Mason County Fund
- Robert and Mary Anne Andrews Fund
- Raymond A. Biggs Family Fund
- Don Birtwistle Fund
- Paul Bromley Memorial Fund
- Dick and Anne Caldwell Fund
- Change Parts, Inc. Fund
- Thomas A. Coleman Donor Advised Fund
- Donald & Janice Fallis Fund
- Marty & Jenny Gamble Fund
- Gateway to Success Academy All Around Senior Fund
- Dave and Sandy Gibbs Fund
- Dr. Joe & Kathy Grierson Fund
- Dave & Chrissie Hall Fund
- Al and Carole Hardman Fund
- Robert R. and Joan Hasenbank Fund
- Nancy & Leo Hesting Fund
- Marlene A. Haliburda Ladd Fund
- Tim & Andrea Large Fund
- Leibole Family Fund
- Letha Fulton School of Dance Fund
- Love Ludington Fund
- Lowing Family Fund
- Ludington All Around Senior Fund
- Ludington Beverage Company Fund
- Mason County Central All Around Senior Fund
- Mason County Eastern All Around Senior Fund
- Mason County Sheriff's Office Association Fund
- McKnight Family Fund
- Carol Nunn Nelson Fund
- Mike and Jeanne Oakes Fund
- Noah Oakes Fund
- Patrick and Maria O'Hare Fund
- Bob Parker Music Enrichment Fund
- Thomas F. and Gayle F. Peacock Fund
- Frank R. Petersen Community Fund
- Brad, Julia & Ethan Reed Family Fund
- Larry and Vada Reed Donor Advised Fund
- Milan and Dorothy Reed Family Fund
- Milan S. "Budde" and Sheryl Reed II Fund
- Joseph and Janet Sanders Family Fund
- Scatena Family Fund
- Todd and Julie Schrader Family Fund

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS (CONTINUED):

- Margaret Shaw Memorial Fund
- Becky Sopha Community Music Fund
- David K. Stites Fund
- West Shore Bank Spirit of Giving Fund
- John and Anita Wilson Family Fund
- Blue Hat Ministries Fund
- Friends of the Ludington State Park Fund
- Friends of the Ludington Police Department Fund
- Friends of Mason County Sheriff Office Fund
- Good Neighbor Endowment Fund
- Hardman Construction Fund
- House of Flavors, Inc. Fund
- Human Trafficking Prevention & Victim Support Fund
- Lakeshore Food Club Fund
- Mark Boon Ludington Schools Student Resource Fund
- West Shore Amateur Hockey Association Fund

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS:

Addresses a cause or area of concern.

- Drs. Ruth & John Carney Education Fund
- Tom Coleman Fund
- Five Friends Fund
- Food for Families Fund
- Gerald and Dorothy Heslipen Fund
- Thomas L. Horowski Memorial Fund
- Stanley Kleinstein Youth Recreation Fund
- KickStart to Career Mason County Endowment Fund
- Ludington Lions Club Fund
- Mason Youth Advisory Council Fund
- Ludington Area Foundation Recreation Fund
- Rick and Mary Ann Randall Fund
- Daisy Marsh Reek Fund
- Carl & Alida Ann (Agens) Sorensen Fund
- Frank and Delores Valenta Fund
- Bob and Kay Neal Fund
- Lee and Joan Schoenherr Fund

OPERATING FUNDS:

Support the Community Foundation's long and short term operating costs.

- Mason Operating Fund
- Mason Operating Reserve Fund



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