Dear Friends,

In 2015, the Community Foundation celebrated its 18th birthday. Like many 18-year-olds, we sometimes feel more grown up than we are, and we always look forward to what the future may bring. In the past year, we made new friends and celebrated old ones. We reached milestones and set higher goals.

But as we look forward, we must also pause to look back, and 2015 was a good year. We reached a grantmaking milestone and celebrated our largest gift to-date. Two more County Endowment Funds reached their fundraising goal and are now to the grantmaking stage – this means that all five of the counties who embarked on this challenge have succeeded. We also welcomed new staff in 2015 to better serve you. All of this means the Community Foundation can do more of what we’re here for – to give back.

And we did it together. We are your Community Foundation, and we are proud of the generous donors and passionate not-for-profits that are at the core of our work. Your support has made it possible for us to distribute more than $3 million in grants since 1999 improving and advancing thereby the quality of life in our 12-county region.

Our Annual Report highlights the ways in which, together, we’ve given back and invested in the future of West Central Illinois and Northeast Missouri. Through our combined efforts, we’re building better communities. We look forward to doing even more in the years to come.

William McCleery, Jr., Board of Directors Chair

The Leadership of your Community Foundation

The Foundation’s growth since its inception is incredible. I hope to assist the Foundation in continuing to grow and strengthen in the years to come.”

– David Fox, Board Member
Community Foundation
Serving West Central Illinois & Northeast Missouri
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2014 and 2015

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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<th>Assets</th>
<th>2015</th>
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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
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<td>Prepaid expense</td>
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<td>Office equipment, net depreciation</td>
<td>9,795</td>
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<td>Total Assets</td>
<td>$28,429,479</td>
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| Liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable | $1,489 | $4,456 |
| Grants payable | 18,000 | 25,434 |
| Accrued payroll taxes | 328 | - |
| Accrued employee benefits | 242 | - |
| Due to other organizations | 360,143 | 363,859 |
| Total Liabilities | $380,202 | $393,749 |

| Net Assets | | |
| Unrestricted | $12,194,335 | $9,976,971 |
| Temporarily restricted | 4,043,715 | 3,878,876 |
| Permanently restricted | 11,811,227 | 9,256,610 |
| Total Net Assets | $28,049,277 | $23,112,457 |

| Total Liabilities and Net Assets | | |
| | $28,429,479 | $23,506,206 |

Financial information audited by Bennett & Middendorf, Ltd., Quincy, Illinois.
Information regarding investment management, oversight, policies, administrative fees, 990, audited financial statements and body or individuals responsible is available upon written request to the Community Foundation.

Growing Assets to Give Back:
Five Year Growth

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<th>Year</th>
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*Total Assets
Look forward, give back. It’s not just the theme of this year’s annual report – it exemplifies the generosity of our community and perfectly illustrates two major milestones reached in 2015.

On November 10, during our annual Friends of Philanthropy Celebration, we made not one – but two – $3 million dollar announcements. What made them so special is that they represented the philanthropic spirit of our communities and showcased milestones on both the giving and receiving end of our work.

The first milestone shows just how far we’ve come since we started giving back in 1999. Since then, when $10,000 in grants were distributed, we have granted more than $3 million to deserving nonprofits, impacting thousands of residents in each of the 12 counties we serve. These grants have come from more than 170 funds established to support arts and culture, community betterment, education, health and human services. Because most of these funds are endowments, they will continue to grow and give back.

When thinking of looking forward, Bette J. Starnes’ $3 million bequest to the Community Foundation is a perfect example. This bequest marks the largest gift received since the Community Foundation was founded on November 26, 1997. Bette wanted to ensure the things she cared about were taken care of and worked with her advisors to carry out her goals. A lifelong animal lover, a portion of her gift bolstered her previously established fund, the Bette J. Starnes Fund for the Quincy Humane Society. A second portion established the Alzheimer’s Association Endowment to benefit its Quincy chapter, and the third portion established the Bette J. Starnes Endowment for competitive grantmaking throughout the Community Foundation’s 12-county region.

Because Bette and our many other donors looked forward when they considered giving back, causes that matter in our communities will be supported for generations to come.

The National Philanthropic Trust reports that charitable giving by Americans rose 7 percent to $358.38 billion in 2014. The average U.S. household contributed $2,774 — representing 72 percent of the overall amount — and foundations $53.57 billion.

The organization estimates that all charitable contributions will total between $21.2 to $23.4 trillion between 1998-2059, and that by 2055 about $41 trillion will change hands as Americans pass on their accumulated assets to the next generation.

Meanwhile, an analysis by the Chronicle of Philanthropy based on the tax returns filed by Americans who itemize their deductions, including charitable gifts, shows that the median contribution by Adams County residents in 2012 was $3,458, with total contributions of $24.7 million.

Across the Mississippi River in Marion County, Mo., the median contribution was $4,689, and total contributions were $10.62 million in 2012, the last year the data are available.

That level of local commitment is impressive.

The Community Foundation provides much-needed support in 12 counties in West-Central Illinois and Northeast Missouri by building permanent charitable funds to address significant needs and opportunities in those communities. More than 200 organizations have benefited since grants were first awarded in 1999.

Importantly, the Community Foundation has been able to increase awards to the region’s nonprofits. Sprague said it took 10 years for the organization to provide the first $1 million in grants, five years to reach the second million, and less than two years to reach the third million.

“The momentum is great and very positive, and I hope we’re standing here in another year or two and say we’re able to grant a million dollars annually,” Sprague said. “That’s something that keeps us working harder than ever to increase that total per year, so it has the positive impact on our community.”

Clearly, the Community Foundation Serving West Central Illinois and Northeast Missouri continues to have a wide, positive impact on this region. And it appears poised to accomplish much more.

The residents of this region truly understand that we help ourselves when we help others.
Giving Back through **Charitable Funds**

Individuals, families, corporations, organizations, not-for-profits and others are making a difference in their communities by supporting the charities and causes that matter to them through these charitable funds.

**UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS**

Donors establish these funds allowing the Community Foundation to determine how grants will serve various charitable needs and opportunities in our communities.

Anonymous Donor Funds (2)
Karl H. & Bobbi Bowles Family and Quincy Farm & Home Supply Company Fund
Community Endowment Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Merle F. Crossland Fund
Harry Channon Eaton Family Endowment Fund
Fannie (Fusselman) Mayes & Evelyn J. Fusselman Fund
Harry J. & Bernice M. Wiseman Heidbreder Fund
Kirk Family Fund
Mrs. Arthur O. Lindsay Fund
Robert A. & Anne M. Mayo Fund
Robert G. & Melva Campbell Riley Fund
Charles A. & Nancy Scholz Charitable Fund
Margaret J. Finnock Fund
Betty J. Starnes Endowment
Grant L. & K. Georgann Sturhahn Fund
Dorothy L. Swallow Fund
Carl, Althea & Cathy Wiskirchen Endowment

**FIELD OF INTEREST ENDOWMENTS**

These funds serve specific interests and/or geographic areas.

Blessing Community Health Fund
Jayne & Leroy Boekelmann Endowment for Young Musicians
Katherine Broemmell Endowment for the Arts
Communityworks Endowment Fund
Nona Meyers Eaton Fund
Paul & Anne B. Gardner Memorial Fund
~ Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL
Grace United Methodist Church of Quincy Fund
~ Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL and Shelby County, MO
HOMEBANK Fund
~ Benefits Marion County, MO
HOMEBANK of Quincy Fund
~ Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL
Quincy Bicycle Fund
James L. & Dorothy W. Rouner Fund
Raymond, Norbert, and Eleanor Ruetter Fund
Alan L. & Mary Ellen Stiegemeier Charitable Fund
United States Founding Fathers Fund

**COUNTY ENDOWMENTS**

Brown County Endowment Fund (Illinois)
Hancock County Endowment Fund (Illinois)
Lewis County Endowment Fund (Missouri)
Marion County Endowment Fund (Missouri)
Pike County Endowment Fund (Illinois)

**DONOR ADVISED**

Fund advisors may recommend grants, if desired.

Anonymous Donor Funds (2)
Architects/Anthony E. Grane Fund
Bary Community Endowment Fund
Bill & Sue Bergman Fund
Donald A. & Prudence M. Bickhaus Memorial Fund
Sarah Christine Birsic Memorial Fund
Carthage Community Improvement Fund
~ Benefits Carthage, IL
Mary Ridder Cherry Fund
Jerry & Libby Davis Family Fund
~ Benefits Lewis County, MO
Glen & Greg Ely and Emmett & Inez Greenley McCloskey Fund
~ Benefits Knox County, MO
Gardner Denver Education Fund
Brett Keller Gorman Memorial Fund
Diane Nielsen Gossard Memorial Fund
Green-Humphrey Family Fund for Music
P. D. Humphrey Family Fund
Anne Eldridge Huse Memorial Fund
Irwin Family Fund
Arthur O. & Lela B. Lindsey Fund
Mercantile Endowment Fund
T. C. & Mary S. Oakley Descendants Fund
Samantha Otto Youth Opportunity Fund
Quincy Breakfast Optimist Club Friend of Youth Fund
Quincy Foundation Fund
Ty Rylander Fund
Merle “Joe” Schumhart Fund for a Cleaner Quincy Area
Schmiedeskamp, Robertson, Neuf & Mitchell Fund
James A. & Lou Ann Smith Family Fund
The Stamerjohn Family Fund
Thankful Heart Fund
Jim & Jill Tracy Fund
Joe & Jill Tracy Family Fund
Dennis R. Williams & Barbara L. Williams Fund for Arts and Education
Winters Insurance Group Fund

**SCHOLARSHIP**

Amelia E. Bauner, Frances A. Hall, and Walter J. Hall Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits Quincy University Student
George & Sharon Borrowman Agriculture Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits a former student or graduate of John Wood Community College
Becky Swift’s Grove Memorial Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Senior High School Graduate
Hannibal High School Class of 1955 Scholarship
~ Benefits Hannibal High School Graduate
Virginia Kaye Leinweber Leeds Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits Pleasant Hill High School Graduate
Marvin J. Likes & Thomas Leo Likes Math Scholarship
~ Benefits Western High School Graduate
Kenneth & Eleanor Lohr Memorial Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Senior High School Graduate
Dorothy J. Motley Memorial Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits Western High School Graduate
Ben C. & Ella M. Plank Memorial Fund
~ Benefits Highland or Canton High School Graduate
Quincy High School Class of 1957 Scholarship
~ Benefits Quincy Senior High School Graduate
Teresa Lynn Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund
~ Benefits Palmyra High School Graduate
Alton A. Vannice FFA Leadership Fund
~ Benefits Palmyra High School Graduate

**DESIGNATED**

These funds benefit specific organizations.

(Agency Charitable and Endowed)
Adams County Red Cross Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Community Theatre
Alzheimer’s Association Endowment
~ The Arc Fund
Mary West Barton Fund for the Quincy Public Library
Amelia E. Bauner, Frances A. Hall, and Walter J. Hall Charitable Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Service League
Jack W. Boone Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Art Center & Quincy Society of Fine Arts
Brain Trauma Awareness Organization Quality of Life Fund
Brink/Shif Fund for the Quincy Public Schools’ Friends of the Performing Arts
Henry and Betty Brooks & Omer and Doris Walton Saukauskus Scout Reservation Fund
Brown County Public Schools Education Fund
Cheerful Home Children’s Fund
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families Fund
Dr. Richard Eells House Fund
H. Dennis Everly Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Park Band
Herbert G. & Dorothy E. Every Memorial Fund
~ Benefits Adams County Chapter, American Red Cross & The Salvation Army of Quincy Family Planning Fund
Friends of the Castle Fund
Habitat for Humanity Housing Ministry Fund
Edward C. Hinkamer Fund for St. Francis Solarus
~ School Students Historical Society Fund
Lucille Holsinger Memorial Fund
~ Benefits St. Francis Solarus School
Horizons Social Services Fund
The George M. Irwin ARTS Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Society of Fine Arts
Jackson-Lincoln Swimming Complex, Inc. Fund
John Wood Community College Foundation Development Fund
Kaufmann Family Fund for Well House, Inc.
Mike Mason Fund for St. Francis School Meals on Wheels Fund
Mt. Sterling Community Center Fund
Dorothy J. Plank Memorial Fund
The Plank Memorial Fund
~ Benefits Lewis County (MO) Historical Society
Marilyn & Steven Prater Family Fund
~ Benefits St. Francis Solarus School
Quincy Art Center Fund
Quincy Civic Music Association Fund
Quincy Family YMCA Fund
Quincy Humane Society Fund
Quincy Museum Fund
Quincy Notre Dame Foundation Capital and Improvement Fund
Quincy Promise Fund
Quincy Public Schools Foundation Fund
Quincy Senior Citizens’ Center Fund
Quincy Symphony Fund
Quincy University Endowment Fund
Recovery Resources Fund
James T. Riley Fund
~ Benefits Culver-Stockton College
George and Charlotte Spear Charitable Fund
~ Benefits St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church
Jeffrey G. & Theresa L. Spear Fund
Bette J. Starnes Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Humane Society
Sunset Home Fund
Clifford H. Taylor Fund for the Quincy Humane Society
Andrew Tenhouse Memorial Fund
~ Benefits 4-H in Adams County
Transactions of Western Illinois Fund
United Way of Adams County, Inc. Fund
Donald P.W. Voel Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Area Habitat for Humanity
2nd Lt. Albert C. Warford, Jr Fund
~ Benefits Quincy Family YMCA
YWCA – Quincy Fund
Tom and Judy Zengo Fund
~ Benefits Canton, MO R-V High School

**FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION ENDOWMENTS**

These funds support the Community Foundation’s impact and sustainability—today and tomorrow.

Adams Telephone Co-Operative Friends of the Foundation Fund
ADM Friend of the Foundation Fund
Missouri & Illinois Ayers Oil Companies Fund
Blessing Hospital Friend of the Foundation Fund
Karl H. & Bobbi Bowles Family and Quincy Farm & Home Supply Company Friends of the Foundation Fund
D. Reaugh Broemmell Founding Executive Director Fund
Mike & Joan Buckley Family Friends of the Foundation Fund
E. Marilyn Clark Friend of the Foundation Fund
Matthew G. & Rebecca A. Dickinson Friends of the Foundation Fund
DISTek Integration, Inc. Friend of the Foundation Fund
H. Dennis Everly Friend of the Foundation Fund
Friends of the Foundation Endowment
JK Creative Friends of the Foundation Fund
Knapheide Family Friends of the Foundation Fund
Kohl Wholesale Friends of the Foundation Fund
Quincy Newspapers, Inc. Friends of the Foundation Fund
Donation Services Pepsi Friends of the Foundation Fund
S. Dean & Mary Jane Sims Friends of the Foundation Fund
Sprague’s Kinderhook Lodge & Sprague Farms, Inc. Friends of the Foundation Fund
State Street Bank & Trust Company Friends of the Foundation Fund
John G. and Carolyn H. Stevenson Friends of the Foundation Fund
Vocree Family Friends of the Foundation Fund
Dennis R. Williams Friend of the Foundation Fund
Carl, Althea & Cathy Wiskirchen Friends of the Foundation Fund

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OPERATING FUND**

**ACORN (SEEDLING FUNDS)**

Adams County Endowment Fund
St. John’s Anglican Music Fund

As of 5/31/16
2015 Marks $3 Million Grantmaking Milestone

In 2015, the Community Foundation awarded more than $700,000 in grants to organizations that make an impact on the issues that matter in communities throughout West Central Illinois and Northeast Missouri. The funds and grants made follow.

UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUNDS
Anonymous Funds (2)
Karl H. & Bobbi Bowles Family and Quincy Farm & Home Supply Company Fund
Community Endowment Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Merle F. Crossland Family Fund
Harry Channon Eaton Family Endowment Fund
Angie (Fusselman) Mayes & Evelyn J. Fusselman Fund
Harry J. & Bernice M. Wissman Heidbruder Fund
Mrs. Arthur O. Lindsay Fund
Robert A. & Anne M. Mays Fund
Robert G. and Melva Campbell Riley Fund
Charles A. & Nancy Scholz Charitable Fund
Margaret J. Sinnock Fund
Grant L. and K. Georganne Sturhahn Fund
Dorothy L. Swallow Fund
Carl, Althea & Cathy Wiskirchen Endowment

The following organizations were awarded grants.
Adams County RSP
Advocacy Network for Children
American Red Cross, Adams County Chapter
AVENUES
Boy Scouts of America, Mississippi Valley Council
Camp Point Fire Protection District

The Child Center, Inc.
Community for Christ,Assistance Center
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
Douglas Community Services CASA
Douglas Community Services-RSP
Ewing Community Senior Housing Program
Genesee House of Northeast Missouri
Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri, Inc.
Golden Good Shepherd Home
Hancock County Health and Wellness Coalition
Hannibal Arts Council
Hannibal Free Clinic
Horizons Social Services
Illinois Library System Directors Organization
John Wood Community College Foundation
Kids in Motion
Madonna House
Mark Twain Boyhood Home & Museum
Menno City R-1 Schools
Palmyra R-1 School District
Pike County Health Department
Quincy Museum, Inc.
The Salvation Army of Quincy
Two Rivers Resource Conservation & Development

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS
Blessing Hospital Community Health Fund
YMCA of Quincy
Jayne & Leroy Boedekelman Fund for Young Musicians
Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association
Katherine Broemmels Endowment for the Arts
Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association
Communityworks Endowment Fund
University of Illinois Extension
West Central Child Care Connection
Noma Meyers Eaton Fund
Midsummer Arts Faire
Paul H. & Anne B. Gardner Memorial Fund
Advocacy Network for Children
Camp Point Fire Protection District
Care Net Pregnancy Services of Quincy
Cheerful Home Child Care & Early Learning Center
Community for Christ,Assistance Center
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
Friends of the Trails
Horizons Social Services
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Jackson-Lincoln Swimming Complex, Inc.
Midsummer Arts Faire
Quincy Hospitality House
Regional Office of Education Adams/Pike Counties
United Way of Adams County, Inc.
YMCA of Quincy
Grace United Methodist Church of Quincy Fund
Advocacy Network for Children
Camp Point Fire Protection District
Chaddock
Cheerful Home Child Care & Early Learning Center
Community for Christ,Assistance Center
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
Horizons Social Services
Regional Office of Education Adams/Pike Counties
United Way of Adams County, Inc.

Jane’s Kids’ Fund
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
G. Arthur (Art) Keller, Jr. Fund
Cheerful Home Child Care & Early Learning Center
The Learning Center
Quincy Recycle Fund
The Learning Center
James L. & Dorothy W. Rouner Fund
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
Raymond, Norbert, and Eleanor Rueter Fund
Illini West High School
Liberty Elementary School District #2
Washington Elementary School/QPS 172
Alan L. Stiegemeier and Mary Ellen Stiegemeier Charitable Fund
Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association

COUNTY ENDOWMENTS
Brown County Endowment Fund
Advocacy Network for Children
St. Mary School

Marion County Endowment Fund
The Child Center, Inc.
Hannibal Free Clinic
United Way of the Mark Twain Area

Pike County Endowment Fund
Advocacy Network for Children
Barny Food Pantry
Two Rivers Resource Conservation & Development

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS
Anonymous Funds
American Red Cross, Adams County Chapter
Columbus Regional Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence dba Turning Point
Donal Donaldson Plant Science Center
Douglas Community Services, Inc. for Kids in Motion
Friends of Dr. Richard Eells House
Hannibal History Museum
Heritage Seekers, Inc.
Mark Twain Boyhood Home & Museum
Quincy Civic Music Association
Quincy Concert Band
Quincy Society of Fine Arts/Arts Quincy
Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association
Quincy University
The Salvation Army of Quincy
Voice of San Diego
Sarah Christine Binsic Memorial Fund
YMCA of Quincy
Carthage Community Improvement Fund
Western Illinois Works, Inc.
Mary Rideri Cherry Fund
Blessed Sacrament Parish
St. Dominic School
Jerry & Libby Davis Family Fund
Culver-Stockton College
Clayton & Helen Nagel Ely and Emmett & Inez Greenley McCloskey Fund
Culver-Stockton College
Gardner Denver Education Fund
Junior Achievement
Quincy Notre Dame Foundation
Diane Nielsen Gossard Memorial Fund
Make-A-Wish Foundation of Illinois
Green-Humphrey Family Fund for Music
Louisiana High School
Anne Eldridge Huie Memorial Fund
Transitions of Western Illinois Foundation
Arthur O. & Leola B. Lindsay Fund
Historical Society of Quincy and Adams County
Illinois Federation of the Blind
Muddy River Opera Company
Quincy Society of Fine Arts/Arts Quincy
Sunset Home

Mercantile Endowment Fund
Care Net Pregnancy Services of Quincy
Friends of Dr. Richard Eells House
T. G. & Mary S. Oakley Descendants Fund
St. John’s Anglican Parish
United Way of Adams County, Inc.

Merle “Joe” Scharnhorst Fund for a Cleaner Quincy Area
Adams County Emergency Management Agency

Schmiedeskamp, Robertson, Neu & Mitchell Fund
Chaddock
Culver-Stockton College
Good Samaritan Home of Quincy
John Wood Community College Foundation
Quincy Public Schools Foundation
Quincy University
Transitions of Western Illinois Foundation

James A. & LouAnn Smith Family Fund
Blessed Sacrament Parish
Emmanuel Church of the Nazarene

Samantha Otte Youth Opportunity Fund
Big Brothers Big Sisters of West Central Illinois
Cheerful Home Child Care & Early Learning Center
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
Dewey Elementary School
Douglas Community Services, Inc. for Kids in Motion
Girl Scouts of Central Illinois
Good News of Christmas
John Wood Community College Foundation
Madonna House
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Quincy Community Theatre
Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association
Teen Reach
Transitions of Western Illinois Foundation
United Way of Adams County, Inc.
Veteran’s Elementary School
YMCA of West Central Illinois

The Stamerjohn Family Fund
Advocacy Network for Children
Blessing Foundation, Inc.
Catholic Youth Organization
Chaddock
Cheerful Home Child Care & Early Learning Center
Cornerstone: Foundations for Families
Friends of Dr. Richard Eells House
Historical Society of Quincy and Adams County
Madonna House
Quanada
Quincy Art Center
Quincy Catholic Charities
Quincy Museum, Inc.
Quincy Notre Dame Foundation
The Salvation Army of Quincy
St. Mary School

Transitions of Western Illinois Foundation
Mt. Sterling Community Center
YMCA of West Central Illinois

Jim & Jill Tracy Fund
Almost Home Kids
Catholic Diocese of Springfield in Illinois
Chaddock
Church of St. Peter
Global Food Banking Network
Great River TD
Holy Family Catholic Church
Illinois Executive Mansion Association
Jamieson Community Center
Quincy Hospitality House
Quincy Museum, Inc.
Quincy Notre Dame Foundation
Quincy Society of Fine Arts/Arts Quincy
Right to Life of Adams County
Saint Meinrad Seminary
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
St. Mary School

Transitions of Western Illinois Foundation
Network Knowledge WGEC-TV
Mt. Sterling Community Center
YMCA of West Central Illinois

Giving Back for Stronger Communities:
Five Year Grantmaking Growth

- $267,353
- $276,537
- $337,052
- $410,172
- $706,124

2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015
Looking forward to FUTURE LEADERS

The foundation for future success starts early through Junior Achievement’s volunteer-taught work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy curriculum provided at no cost to area schools. In 2015, Junior Achievement expanded its service area to reach more than 10,000 K-12 students in Northeast Missouri and West Central Illinois, 225 of which were supported through a grant from the Gardner Denver Education Fund with the Community Foundation.

“The skills Junior Achievement teach young people are crucial for their future. Many times, families are busy at home just trying to survive,” says District Manager Denise Drebes of the program. “Some families don’t have the background knowledge or time to teach students the concepts Junior Achievement teaches, which are crucial to a successful future.”

Drebes says oftentimes it’s the students “ah-ha” moments that highlight the impact of Junior Achievement. She recalls leading a sixth grade classroom through various financial concepts when a young man raised his hand to observe. “I feel like credit cards could get people into a lot of trouble. Why would a company want to get someone in trouble?”

Junior Achievement volunteers echo Drebes’ sentiment. “Students can learn all the spelling words and math problems they want, but Junior Achievement gives them a real-life experience. When you can take your lesson and turn it into real examples from our community, you can see the kids light up because they have made the connection,” said one volunteer from Hannibal, MO.

Results from pre- and post-testing show that students’ knowledge in these subject areas increases by more than 25 percent at some grade levels. Clearly, these students are looking forward to a bright future.
Legacy Society

The Legacy Society is a special designation given to those who choose to accept it. The Community Foundation recognizes with gratitude those who have made a donation of at least $5,000 and/or who have notified us that they have made provisions to include the Community Foundation in their estate plans.

CHARTER MEMBERS
Anonymous*
Ted and Tena Awerkamp
Family
Katherine R. Broemmel*
Ned and Raagh Broemmel
Mike and Jean Buckley
Bo and Jan Eaton
James M. and Janell B.
Farmer
Mr. and Mrs. H. W.
Knapheide III
Mrs. Arthur O. Lindsay*
Lee P. Lindsay
Robert A.* and Anne M.
Mays
Mr. and Mrs. Richard
McNay
Mr. James E. Mentesti
Ralph and Lisa Oakley
Thomas A. and Anne M.*
Oakley
Margaret J. Sinnock*
John G. and Dale
Stevenson Jr.
Dorothea L. Swallow*
D.A. and Kristy Weibring

LEGACY MEMBERS
Anonymous Friends
Carol Higgins Arnold

Amelia E. Bauner*
Robert and Dorothy Bizer
Jill Arnold Blickhan
Jayne and Leroy
Boeckelman
Jack W. Boge*
Sharen S. Borrowman
E. Marilyn Clark
Dr. Merle F. and Mrs.
Dolores* Crossland
Matt & Becky Dickinson
Dale and Leah Erke
H. Dennis Everly
Evelyn J. Fusselman
Edward C. Hinkamper
John Hollender*
Family of Lucille Hollender*
Michael and J’ann
Humphrey
Elizabeth Hunter Estate in
honor of Clyde Hunter*
George M. Irwin
Becky Knapp
Philip A. Krupp
Mr. and Mrs. Michael F.
McClain
William and Sheila Menke
Roger and Margie Mohrman
Robert Nethery
Hal and Kathy Oakley
Denise C. Pearcy
Dorothy J. Plank*
Ethan E. Prater and Anjali J.
Kalyani
Steven P. Prater
Robert G.* and Melva Riley
Dorothy W. Rouner*
Eleanor M. Rueter*
Dr. John E. Sallstrom
Charles A.* and Nancy*
Scholz
Mary Jane Sims*
James A. and LouAnn
Smith
George* and Charlotte*
Spear
Jeffrey and Theresa Spear
Bette J. Starnes*
John* and Carolyn H.
Stevenson Sr.
Alan and Mary Ellen
Stiegemeyer
Grant L.* and K. Georgann*
Sturhan
Norma Taylor*
Joe and Jill Tracy Family
Patrick F. Tracy
Donald P. Voth*
Dennis R. Williams
Tom and Judy Zenge
*Deceased

Hunters Give Back for Healthy Families

Fifteen percent of Pike County, IL residents are deemed "food insecure," meaning they do not have steady access to food, especially protein. And, food pantries often have little to no source of meat to provide to families in need.

To help combat this ever-increasing issue, Access Illinois Outdoors, operated by Two Rivers Resource Conservation & Development Area, created the "Access Food" program to encourage hunters in the area to donate a deer to be processed for much-needed protein for Pike County food pantries.

"The Access Food program has been very successful in using a resource we have available to us, which is our deer, to meet a critical need, which is families in need of protein," says Brenda Middendorf of Two Rivers RC&D. "A large portion of those seeking assistance with food are from a surprising demographic: the working poor. In these situations, at least one family member is working, but the family still has to make tough choices between paying bills like rent, electricity and medicine over buying food."

A grant from the Pike County Endowment Fund, along with funds from Community Foundation Unrestricted Endowments, through the 2015 Competitive Grant Program were used to pay for processing deer meat before being donated to two local food pantries.

According to Middendorf, "Studies have shown that if a child does not consume enough protein, fatigue and lack of energy result as well as increased infections and muscle weakness. If it were not for the grant funding from the Community Foundation, our program would not have the resources to process the deer meat and fill this desperate need in our community."

The program processed a total of 9,000 pounds of meat from 162 deer, providing a healthy source of protein to approximately 15,700 individuals of all ages.

Founder’s Circle

A group of citizens believed that by working together we can enrich the quality of life in our region.

Their vision and action created the Community Foundation on November 26, 1997. By December 31, which marked the end of the first fiscal year, the Community Foundation held $1,050. Additional financial support was committed. That enabled the newly formed Community Foundation to embark upon work to offer people from all walks of life the opportunity to build funds to help address needs and opportunities today, tomorrow—forever.

The Founders Circle includes those whose vision and generosity have made it possible for the Community Foundation to strengthen communities in West Central Illinois and Northeast Missouri now and for generations to come.

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At Cheerful Home in Quincy, IL, child care is more than just child's play. Research shows that children who receive quality education and intervention before kindergarten greatly benefit from it throughout their lifetime. These benefits include higher graduation rates, greater earnings, less dependence upon welfare, higher rates of home ownership, greater commitment to family and significantly fewer criminal arrests.

According to Amanda Goings, Cheerful Home Business Manager, “Our community benefits substantially when children have access to quality, holistic early childhood education through savings that would have been spent on extra fees in schools, social services, and the juvenile justice system. For every dollar spent on a child’s preschool education and intervention, the child yields at least an average of $8 to $9 return on that investment over the course of his or her lifetime. Some research indicates the return on investment for low-income 3 and 4-year-olds in a quality early education program is as much as $17 per dollar invested.”

In 2015, Cheerful Home received a competitive grant for its Sliding Fee Scale subsidized child care program from the Paul H. and Anne B. Gardner Memorial Fund, the Grace United Methodist Church of Quincy Fund and the G. Arthur (Art) Keller, Jr. Fund.

“Thanks to the generous supporters at the Community Foundation, Cheerful Home Child Care & Early Learning Center provides more families with subsidized child care which gives the children of our community a stimulating, nurturing and educational-based environment in which to grow and learn,” says Goings.

Eighty-eight children aged 6 weeks to 12 years received support from the program, allowing low-income families to give their children a quality early childhood education, setting them up for success in school and beyond.

I decided ‘do it now.’ I made some adjustments to investments. After prayer and ‘sleeping on the issue,’ I have never regretted the decision [to start a fund]. It somewhat answers my ‘Christmas question,’... why can’t we help a little bit all year and not just overflow on one day?”

– Edward C. Hinkamper, Edward C. Hinkamper Fund for St. Francis Solanus School Students
Giving Today  For Tomorrow

OUR ROLE
Your Community Foundation is an endowment builder, donor advisor, community connector and grant maker. We hold more than 170 charitable funds and have awarded more than $3 million in grants.

We serve 12 counties on both sides of the Mississippi and work with donors in each to build charitable funds to support local causes through grants and scholarships.

WHY GIVE?
• What matters to you? We’ll work with you to meet your charitable goals so you can make an impact today and tomorrow.
• We focus on endowments, meaning we build permanent assets to ensure funds will always be available to support your cause.
• We’re flexible. Whether you have a specific agency or cause in mind, or want to support a better quality of life in general, we can help.
• We understand the needs, opportunities and challenges of local communities, because we live here, too.
• We offer a place for donors with similar interests to make a greater impact by working together.

HOW CAN I GIVE?
• You don’t have to start a fund to be a philanthropist. Consider making a gift to a fund that resonates with you.
• Commemorate a loved one with an honor or memorial gift – or, establish a fund in their name to ensure their legacy lives on.
• Ask your professional advisor about the benefits of planned giving to create a charitable legacy.
• If you are 70 ½ or older, consider giving a portion of your IRA directly. The PATH act passed in December 2015 allows eligible individuals to do so annually, tax-free.
• Designate your Community Foundation as a beneficiary with a portion of your estate.