Dear Friends,

In late 2004 I met with my friend, Jean Buckley, to talk about this “foundation” that was at work in the region. She asked if I would be interested in serving on the Board with effectively a group of professionals that I, as a then 25 year old, considered the pinnacle of professionalism. Saying “yes” began a relationship with an organization that I realized exemplified the very core of what my family and community believed and a Board committed to executing those beliefs. That is where my story begins.

Now the Community Foundation celebrates more than 20 years of connecting people who not only care, they act, with causes that truly matter and bless our community.

I could proudly write about our rise to granting more than $1,000,000 annually, that we eclipse $35 million in assets, that we have established County Endowment Funds to bring our touch even closer to who we serve, that the Board has some of the best exemplified the very core of what my family and community believed and a Board committed to executing those beliefs. That is where my story begins.

Now the Community Foundation celebrates more than 20 years of connecting people who not only care, they act, with causes that truly matter and bless our community.

As we move forward, our positive and lasting impact is only made possible by the vision of those that don’t just give, they invest. They invest what they have been blessed with through their work into the very foundation of what enabled them to obtain it, their community. A gift is given and gone; an investment is made and returns well beyond.

We are the stewards of that vision because donors’ relationships with us will impact that very same community well beyond their lifetimes. When I ask you the question about impact, our goal is for you to answer, “YES”. In order to do so, we need you to share this story so that others, like myself many years ago, are brought into a relationship where they can experience the true impact of the Community Foundation.

With gratitude,

Philip Krupps, Chair, Board of Directors

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20 YEAR JOURNEY

A group of civic leaders announce the formation of the Quincy Area Community Foundation, now known as the Community Foundation Serving West Central Illinois & Northeast Missouri.

1997

Civic leaders form foundation

1998

Margaret J. Sinnock establishes the first individual fund, an unrestricted fund for competitive grantmaking.

1999

Eleven organizations receive the Community Foundation’s first grants totaling $10,000.

2000

The Samantha Otte Youth Opportunity Fund is established, marking the first Donor Advised Fund.

2003

The Paul H. and Anne B. Gardner Memorial Trust terminates and transfers its assets of more than $500,000 to the Community Foundation, the largest gift received to date.

2006

The Community Foundation attains National Standards certification, demonstrating organizational and financial practices in accordance with the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations.

2007

West Central Child Care Connection receives the first grant from the Communityworks Endowment Fund, totaling $25,000.

2008

Gardner Memorial Trust establishes the largest gift received to date.
A Decade of Communityworks Grantmaking

In 2003, the Community Foundation embarked upon a five-year, two-phase initiative to establish a permanent endowment focusing on child care, early childhood education and workforce development. The effort was fruitful, resulting in $225,000 generously committed from community members and matched by $250,000 from the Grand Victoria Foundation for the Communityworks Endowment Fund.

In 2007, the fund’s first grant was distributed to West Central Child Care Connection to assist with improving the quality and quantity of child care through an evaluation and mentoring program for family home child care providers.

With Communityworks funding, West Central Child Care Connection has mentored 76 family child care programs, benefitting 766 children during the initial program. Further, funding in 2017 helped develop a recruitment program to find individuals who may be interested in family child care as part of an ongoing effort to increase the number of family child care programs in the area.

Beyond child care, the fund’s grants have helped to connect adults to programs to build essential skills and prepare them for the workforce, supported programs to expose youth to local career opportunities and taught child care workers how to introduce brain-building activities into their programs. In total, $146,000 has been invested into these programs. Because the Communityworks Endowment Fund is permanent, its impact will continue for years to come.

Meanwhile, the Community Foundation continues to evaluate changing needs and opportunities in these critical focus areas in order to make strategic, meaningful grants.
Flappers and philanthropists filled the ballroom while the sounds of live jazz filled the air. Looking hotsy-totsy in fringe and feathers, guests were ready to kick up their heels in celebration of the Community Foundation’s 20th anniversary and those who planted its roots in 1997.

The Roaring 20th Gala, hosted on November 4, 2017 as a 1920s-themed evening, commemorated 20 years of giving, growing and granting. Guests were encouraged to don their best flapper-inspired garb to mark the occasion. The evening began with a cocktail hour followed by dinner and dancing with jazz-era music provided by The Matt McCallie Orchestra.

Highlighting the evening was the presentation of the inaugural VISION Awards, honoring six people and organizations integral to the founding and subsequent success of the Community Foundation. VISION Award recipients included:

Great River Economic Development Foundation (GREDF)
Marion Gardner Jackson Charitable Trust
Mercantile Bank
The late William Myers, Elkhart Community Foundation
Thomas A. and the late Anne M. Oakley
Oakley-Lindsay Foundation of Quincy Media, Inc.

“Each of the people and organizations honored played a vital role in bringing the idea of a local community foundation to fruition. The VISION awardees not only provided time, talent, and treasure to the venture, they also inspired confidence in the cause. By looking back at the dedication of these men and women, the Community Foundation will continue that energy into the future,” said Philip Krupps, Community Foundation Board Chair-elect.

In addition to honoring VISION Award recipients, a grantmaking milestone was announced. Twenty years after its founding, the Community Foundation surpassed $5 million in grants made throughout its service area and beyond – an achievement that underscores the power of endowment.

Each dollar of that $5 million represents the commitment of donors to give back, of the Community Foundation to reinvest, and of the nonprofits to make a difference in our region. And that’s more than enough reason to celebrate.
Leaving a Literacy Legacy

Eleanor Rueter was a straightforward woman who didn’t mince words. “If you can’t read, you can’t do anything,” she said. This belief was a driving factor for Eleanor’s decision to establish the Raymond, Norbert, and Eleanor Rueter Fund, which provides grants used to help students who have difficulty with reading and comprehension skills.

Liberty Elementary School educators couldn’t agree more with Eleanor’s frank philosophy on literacy. With support from the Rueter Fund, the school district implemented the Language for Literacy program, a multi-sensory and evidence-based curriculum, in 2014. As the intervention proved its merits, the program grew with commitment from the school district and support from the Community Foundation.

The grants first allowed Liberty’s special education teachers and reading interventionists to be trained in the intervention with ongoing observation and consultation to ensure its successful implementation. When Language for Literacy saw success with special education students, the program expanded to general education.

Students receiving the Language for Literacy intervention average growth of four reading levels during the nine-month school year. In the 2014-2015 school year, zero percent of the students selected to receive the Language for Literacy intervention read at grade level. By the end of the year, 10 percent read at grade level. By the end of the 2017-2018 school year, 43 percent of students who received the intervention were reading at grade level.

“The Reuter Fund grant dollars have allowed us to close the gap between struggling readers and the grade level expectation,” said Liberty Elementary Principal Jody Obert. “Our students now feel confident when they approach reading. You can see the spark when the child can decode and access the text. They can now understand the English language rules for decoding and encoding words. Our students are readers!”

Eleanor’s legacy lives within each and every student who has reaped the benefits of her generosity.

“A Liberty Elementary student works with a teacher trained in the Language for Literacy program.

2017 GRANTS BY INTEREST AREA

346 grants to 150 nonprofit organizations totaling $1,336,483 and more than $5 million since 1999

This chart represents the unofficial breakout of 2017 grants and scholarship dollars awarded by program area, including interfund grants (grants made by donors from one fund to another at the Community Foundation). The Community Foundation manages more than 180 funds. Some funds enable grantmaking to support a full range of charitable purposes and causes within our entire geographic area. Others require grants be made for specific organizations, interests, causes, and/or geographic areas.

Without support from the Community Foundation, this intervention and resulting reading progress of our students would not have occurred. Our students’ success is directly correlated to Eleanor’s generosity. We wish she could see the way she has changed our little part of the world and the ripple effect of her legacy.

– Liberty CUSD
Unrestricted Endowments

Competitive grants from these funds to nonprofit organizations support a full variety of charitable purposes throughout the Community Foundation’s 12-county service area.

Karl H. & Bobbi Bowles Family and
Gracie Farm & Home Supply Company Fund
Community Endowment Fund
Dr. & Mrs. Merle F. Crossland Family Fund
Harry Channon Eaton Family Endowment Fund
Anne (Fusselman) Moyes & Evelyn J. Fusselman Fund
Harry J. & Bernice M. Wissman Heidbreder Fund
Kirk Family Fund – Huston, Carolyn & Carson
Mrs. Arthur O. Lindsay Fund
Robert A. & Anne M. Mays Fund
Robert G. & Melva Campbell Riley Fund
Charles A. & Nancy Soliz Charitable Fund
Margaret J. Sinnock Fund
Betty J. Starnes Endowment Grant L. & K. Georgann Sturhahn Fund
Dorothy L. Swallow Fund
Jocelyn R. and Katherine H. Williams Fund
Carl, Althea & Cathy Wiskirchen Endowment

Field of Interest
Grants from these funds to nonprofit organizations support specific geographic and/or interest areas such as arts education, children with disabilities, education, health, human services, youth in need, and patriotism.

Blessing Hospital Community Health Fund
Jayne & Leroy Boeckelman Fund for Young Musicians
Katherine Broemmel Endowment for the Arts
Communityworks Endowment Fund
Noma Meyers Eaton Fund
Paul H. and Anne B. Gardner Memorial Fund
- Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL
- Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL
HOME BANK Fund
- Benefits Marion County, MO
HOME BANK of Quincy Fund
- Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL
Jane’s Kids Fund
Joni’s Home Center Associates Fund
G. Arthur (Art) Keller, Jr. Fund
William & Sheila Menke Endowment
- Benefits Quincy, Adams County, IL
Quincy Recycle Fund
James L. & Dorothy W. Rouner Fund
Raymond, Norbert, and Eleanor Rueter Fund
Alan L. & Mary Ellen Stiegemeier Charitable Fund
United States Founding Fathers Fund

County Endowments
Brown County Endowment Fund
Hancock County Endowment Fund
Lewis County Endowment Fund
Marion County Endowment Fund
 Pike County Endowment Fund

Donor Advised
Fund advisors may recommend grants.

Anonymous Donor Fund
Architects/Anthony E. Crane Fund
Barrington Community Endowment Fund
Bill & Sue Bergman Fund
Barry A. & Prudence M. Bickhaus Memorial Fund
Sarah Christine Birsic Memorial Fund
Carthage Community Improvement Fund
- Benefits Carthage, IL
Mary Riddler Cherry Fund
Jerry & Libby Davis Family Fund
- Benefits Lewis County, MO
JMT Family Fund
Clayton & Helen Nagel Ely and Emmett & Inez Greenley McCluskey Fund
- Benefits Knox County, MO
Gardner Denver Education Fund
Brett Keller Gorman Memorial Fund
Diane A. Nelson Gossard Memorial Fund
Green-Humphrey Family Fund for Music
E.R. Hemmings Family Fund
Anne E. Hulse Huie Memorial Fund
Irwin Family Fund
Carol and Gladys Koehler Family Fund
Arthur O. & Lela B. Lindsay Fund
Memorial Endowment Fund
Richard B. and Mary Jane Neu Family Fund
Carol A. & Mary S. Oakley Descendants Fund
Samantha Otte Youth Opportunity Fund
Quincy Breakfast Optimist Club Fund
Quincy Youth Fund
Quincy Foundation Fund
Ty Rylander Fund
Merle “Joe” Scharnhorst Fund for a Cleaner Quincy Area
Betty Schmidt Endowment
Schmiedeskamp, Robertson, Neu & Mitchell Fund
James A. & LouAnn Smith Family Fund
The Stupperlin 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

Designated
Benefit specific organizations.

Adams County Red Cross Fund
Bea & Jack Adams Fund
- Benefits Quincy Community Theatre Alzheimer’s Association Endowment
The ARC Fund
Mary Weems Barton Fund for the Quincy Public Library
Amelia E. Baumer, Frances A. Hall, and Walter J. Hall Charitable Fund
- Benefits Quincy Service League
Jack W. Boge Fund
- Benefits Quincy Art Center & Quincy Society of Fine Arts
Brain Trauma Awareness Organization
Quality of Life Fund
Brink/Shin Fund for the Quincy Public Schools’ Friends of the Performing Arts
Henry and Betty Brooks & Omer and Doris Walton Saukenua 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 C. & Dorothy E. Everly Memorial Fund
- Benefits Adams County Chapter, American Red Cross & The Salvation Army of Quincy Family Planning Fund
Friends of the Castle Fund
Friends of Unit 4 Fund
Lowell & Vickie Ogan Designated Fund
Habitat for Humanity Housing Ministry Fund
Edward C. Hinkamer Fund for St. Francis Solanus School Students
Historical Society Fund
Lucille Hollender Memorial Fund
- Benefits St. Francis Solanus 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.
Patricia M. Lawber Education Endowment Fund
- Benefits Quincy Public Schools
Betsy Logen Fund
- Benefits Griggsville-Perry Unit School District #4
Mike Mason Fund for St. Francis School Meals on Wheels Fund
Mahrman, Family Endowment
- Benefits Chaddock & Sunset Home
Mt. Sterling Community Center Fund
Dorothy J. Plank Memorial Fund
The Plank Memorial Fund
- Benefits Lewis County (MO)
- Historical Society Fund
Marilyn & Steven Prater Family Fund
- Benefits St. Francis Solanus 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 Speake Charitable Fund
- Benefits St. James Evangelical Lutheran School
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 J-H in Adams County
Transitions of Western Illinois Fund
United Way of Adams County, Inc. Fund
United Way of Brown County Fund
Donald P.W. Vath Fund
- Benefits Quincy Area Habitat for Humanity
2nd L. Albert C. Warford, Jr. Fund
- Benefits Quincy Family YMCA
YWCA – Quincy Fund
Tom and Judy Zengel Fund
- Benefits Canton, MO R & V High School
Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Endowment Fund

2017 FUNDS
Grow and Grant for Good
Individuals, families, corporations, not-for-profits and others are making a difference in their communities by supporting the organizations, communities and causes that matter to them through these charitable funds.
Milestone Bequest Celebrates First Grant Impact in 2017

By 2025, experts estimate that the number of people age 65 and older with Alzheimer’s disease will increase by nearly 35 percent to 7.1 million. The Alzheimer’s Association is dedicated to heightening the conversation throughout our region by raising awareness, reducing the stigma, promoting early detection, and providing caregiver support programs.

A 2015 bequest from the Bette J. Starnes Trust established the Alzheimer’s Association Endowment with the Community Foundation to ensure continuing financial support for these efforts in West Central Illinois. In December 2016, the Alzheimer’s Association received its first annual grant resulting from that endowment.

Throughout 2017, the Quincy office of the Alzheimer’s Association used those dollars to help provide programs and services for more than 1,100 individuals. These programs made strides towards the Alzheimer’s Association’s mission as follows:

• 516 people living with or caring for someone with Alzheimer’s increased their knowledge of the disease and gained caregiving skills.

• 2 special programs were held for veterans.

• 47 callers were counseled through the office’s 24/7 helpline.

• 10 support groups were held, reaching 60 individuals.

• 1,436 participated in the September Walk to End Alzheimer’s.

In addition to the Alzheimer’s Association, Starnes’ bequest to the Community Foundation supports the Bette J. Starnes Fund for the Quincy Humane Society and competitive grantmaking through the Bette J. Starnes Endowment Fund.

Because of her vision, her permanent legacy is supporting the causes that mattered to her for generations to come – right here at home.

2017 Funds continued

Friends of the Foundation Endowments

Support the Community Foundation’s work and sustainability.

- Adams Telephone Co-Operative
- 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
- Reauqh Broemmell Founding Executive Director Fund
- Mike & Jean 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

DSTek 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

Kotl Wholesale Friends of the Foundation Fund

Quincy Newspapers, Inc. Friends of the Foundation Fund

Refreshment 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

Vecchie 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)

Funds have five years to grow into a permanent endowment fund.

- Adams County Endowment Fund
- Friends of the Log Cabins Fund
- Kaye & Norman Kemner Education Fund
- Russell and Annette Goehl Endowment Fund
- St. John’s Anglican Music Fund

Funds as of 3/29/18
Grants Reach $5 Million Milestone
More than $5 million has been distributed to serve people in West Central Illinois, Northeast Missouri and beyond. These organizations have received at least one grant from the Community Foundation since its first grants were awarded in 1999.

Action Brown County
Adams County Academic Success Initiative
Adams County Board for Emergency Management
Adams County Council for Senior Citizens
Adams County Emergency Management Agency
Adams County Health Department
Adams County Humane Health Service
Adams County Mental Health & Retardation Association
Adams County RSVP
Adams Victorian
Advocacy Network for Children
Affordable Community Education, Inc.
Almost Home Kids
Anita C. Balaz Center – High Plains Division
American Red Cross, Adams County Chapter
American Red Cross, Hancock County Chapter
American Red Cross, Law County Chapter
American Red Cross, Northeast Missouri Chapter
American Red Cross, Pike County Chapter
American Red Cross, Serving the Quad Cities and West Central Illinois
AOPA Foundation
The Arc of Adams County
Artistic Foundation, West Central Illinois Branch
AVENUES, Inc.
Baldwin Intermediate School
Barry Development Foundation
Barry Food Pantry
Berthel JAE Church
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Adams County
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Great River Area
Big Brothers Big Sisters of West Central Illinois
Blessed Sacrament Catholic School
Blessed Sacrament Parish
Blessing Affiliates, Inc. for Community Outreach Clinic
Blessing in a Backpack
Blessing Foundation, Inc.
Blessing Foundation/Cancer Center
Blessing Hospital for Quincy Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers
Bluff City Theater
Boy Scout of America, Mississippi Valley Council
Brain Trauma Awareness Organization
Brown County Community Unit District #1
Brown County Public Schools Education Fund
Brown County Senior Citizens’ Council
Bluff City Theater
Camp Callahan, Inc.
Camp Fire Protection District
Canton Community Betterment Group
Canton Community Center
Canton School District
Care Net Progams Services of Quincy
Carl Sandburg College – Family Literacy
Carmel Catholic High School
Carthage Elementary School District 317
Carrington Park Board
Carrington School District 338 Foundation
Catholic Diocese of Springfield in Illinois Catholic Youth Organization
Center for Effective Handicaps
Center for Prevention of Abuse
Center of Creative Arts
Central CDU #3
Central Illinois Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association, Quincy
Century Center Committee
Chaddick
CHART Teen Task Force
Children’s Home Child Care & Early Learning Center
The Child Center, Inc.
Christian Brothers College High School
Church of St. Peter
City of Pittsfield
Clark County Council on Aging, Inc.
Colorado State University Foundation
Columbus Regional Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence
Community for Child Assistance Center
Cornerstones: Foundations for Families
Council on Foundations
County of Adams, West Central Illinois Task Force
Creative Learning Center
The Crossing
Croassroads From Coast to Capital
Crestlineigarette Memorial Hospital Foundation
Culver-Stockton College
Donald Danforth Plant Science Center
Douglas Community Services, Inc. – CASA Program
Douglas Community Services, Inc. – Head Start and Early Head Start Program
Douglas Community Services, Inc. for Kids in Motion
Douglas Community Services, Inc. – RSVP
Douglas County
Duke University
Durham Community Center and Bull Park
Emmanuel Church of the Nazarene
Evangel University – Financial Aid
Ewing Community Senior Housing Program
Faith in Action
Fall Creek Friends 4-H Club
Families and Communities Together (EAC LC)
Family Planning, Inc.
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
First Christian Church
The First Tee of Great River
Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri
Food for Thoughts Hancock County Foundation for Barries Jewish Hospital
Fordyce Development Foundation
Friends of the Goose
Friends of Dr. Richard Ells House
Friends of the Jennings Foundation
Friends of the Performing Arts
Friends of the Trails
Friends of Vietnam
Girl Scouts of Central Illinois
Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri
Girl Scouts of Seven Rivers Council
Global Food Banking Network
Golden Good Shepherd Home
Golden Historical Society
Good Shepherd Delaware
Good Samaritan Home of Quincy
GPS Ministries, Inc.
Great River Recovery Resources
Great River TEC
The Greater Keokuk Area Habitat for Humanity
Griegsville-Perry Community Unit School District #4 Foundation
Habitat for Humanity – Quincy Area
Habitat for Humanity – Hancock County Chapter
Hamilton Community Development Coalition
Hancock County Health and Wellness Pathways
Hancock County History Preservation Association
Hancock County Volunteers for Diabetes
Hannah Crafts Council
Hannah Arts Council
Hannah Concert Association
Hannah Free Clinic
Hannah History Museum
Hannah-LaSueur Emergency
Hannah Public Schools
Heartland Resources, Inc.
Heritage Seekers, Inc.
Hendible Hospital Foundation
Historic Bethel German Colony
Historical Society of Quincy and Adams County
Holy Family Catholic Church
Hortonville Social Services of Adams County, Inc.
Hill History Lives, Inc.
Hillbilly Service Club
Hungry for Music, Quincy Chapter
Illini Community Hospital
Illinois West High School
Illinois 4-H Foundation
Illinois ISD Foundation
Illinois Community for Services of Disabled People
Illinois Executive Mansion Association
Illinois Federation for the Blind
Illinois Library System Directors Organization
Immanuel Lutheran Church Kids Club
Independent Network Center
In His Hands Orphan Outreach
Jackson-Lincoln Swimming Complex, Inc.
Jamestown Community Center
John Wood Community College
John Wood Community College Foundation
Junior Achievement
Kansas State University
Knookal Art Center
Knookal Concert Association
Knookal Public Library Foundation
Knookal County Community Foundation
Learning Community
Landmark of Northeast Missouri, Inc.
Lent Learning Center
Lewan Rempke
Lewis County Fair Association
Lewis County Historical Society
Liberty Community School District #2
Liberty Education Foundation
Little Bit Foundation
Little Panthers Athletics
Lomax Food Pantry
Lutherannea Area Historical Museum
Luray High School
Luther Memorial Church
Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois
MacMurray College
Madonna House
Make-A-Wish Foundation of Illinois
Martin County Healthcare, Inc. for Lewis County Health Department
Mark, Twain Boyhood Home & Museum
Mark Twain Legal Services Association, Inc.
Mary Weems Bennett Foundation for the Quincy Public Library
Maywood B4 Fire Department Auxiliary
Meds and Food for Kids
Memorial Hospital Foundation
Mental Health Centers of Western Illinois Midsummer Faire
Mississippi Valley Council, Boys Scouts of America
Missouri State University
Mobley Area Community College-Columbia
Monroe City R-1 School District
Mt. Sterling Community Center YMCA
Muddy River Opera Company
Musical Dysrhythmia Association
Network Knowledge WQEC TV
New Canton Historical Society
Newman Connection
North Adams
Northwest Missouri State University
Operation Food Search
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
Our Senior School
Palmyra Area Community Betterment for the Palmyra Community Church
Palmyra Bicentennial Foundation
Palmyra Community Character Plus
Palmyra R-1 School District
Parish Pride Foundation for Central Schools
Pathways Community Services, Inc. DBA Happy Trails Childcare Center
Paw Pth, Inc.
Payson Seymour Elementary School
Pike County Connections
Pike County Health Department/Dental Clinic
Pike County Matters
Pleasant Plains Chapter Foundation
Pleasant Hill Elementary School
Power Inspires Progress
Pregnancy Resource Center
Quanapmay Area Project
Quanapmay Art Center
Quanapmay Catholic Charities
Quanapmay Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation
Quanapmay Christian School
Quanapmay Civic Music Association
Quanapmay Community Theatre
Quanapmay Concert Band
Quanapmay Family YMCA
Quanapmay Hospitality House
Quanapmay Junior High School PTA
Quanapmay Preserves
Quanapmay Public Schools
Quanapmay Public Schools Foundation
Quanapmay Public Schools Washington Elementary
Quanapmay Humane Society
Quanapmay Museum
Quanapmay Notre Dame Foundation
Quanapmay Notre Dame Foundation/Parachute Music Organization
Quanapmay Park Bond
Quincy Parks Foundation, Inc.
Quincy Preserves
Quincy Public Library
Quincy Service League
Quincy Society of Fine Arts
Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association
Quincy University
Redmen & Lion Youth & Adult Center
Regional Business Council St. Louis
Regional Office of Education serving Adams and Pike Counties
Regional Office of Education for Crisis Assistance Team
Right to Life of Adams County
The Salvation Army
Share the Harvest Food Pantry
Shelby County Senior Citizens Association, Inc.
Sheridan Swim Team, Inc.
Sikh Christian Children’s Ranch
Sisters of Mercy
Southeastern Missouri Community College
Special Olympics Illinois
Splasht Station
St. Dominic School
St. Francis Food Pantry
St. Francis Food Pantry
St. Francis School
St. James Evangelical Lutheran School
St. John’s Anglican Parish
St. Mary School
St. Meinrad Seminary
St. Peter School
St. Rose of Lima
Summit Home
Teen Reach
Transitions of Western Illinois Foundation
Trinity & Immanuel Lutheran Church
Tri-County Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Abuse
Tri-State Family Services
Truman State University
Tremont Point Domestic Violence Services
Twin Pike Family YMCA
Two Rivers Council Foundation
Two Rivers Resource Conservation & Development
Unit #4 Foundation
United Way of Adams County Inc.
United Way of Adams County Inc., Partnership for Unmet Needs
United Way of Brown County
United Way of the Great River Region
United Way of the Mark Twain Area
University of Extension: Adams/Brown Unit
University of Illinois Foundation
University of Missouri – Columbia
Voice of San Diego
Walter Hammond Day Care, Inc.
Warrior Foundation Freedom Station
Washington Elementary School
The Well House, Inc.
West Central Child Care Connection
West Central Illinois Agency on Aging
West Central Illinois Case Coordination Unit
West Central Illinois Center for Independent Living
West Central Illinois Community Centers
West Central Illinois Educational Telecommunications Corporation
West Central Illinois Nutrition Project
Western Community Center YMCA
Western CDUS 12
Western Illinois
Western Illinois Thrashers
Western Illinois University
Western Illinois Works
Wheaton College
Woodland Home
W.O.W. – World of Wonder
WQEC Network Knowledge
Wounded Warrior Project
YoungLife Quincy Mentor Moms
YWCA – Quincy

Since the first grants in 1999, the cumulative total of grants exceeds $5 million. That's significant, right?...
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 Irena Awerkamp Family
Katherine R. Broemmel*

LEGACY MEMBERS
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Amelia E. Baumer*
Robert and Dorothy Bizer
Gary L. Blickhan, CPA
Jill Arnold Blickhan
Jayne and Leroy Boeckelman
Jack W. Boge*
Sharon S. Borrowman
E. Marilyn Clark*
Dr. Merle F. and Dolores* Crossland
Matthew G. and Becky Dickinson
Dale and Leah Erke
H. Dennis Everly
Evelyn J. Fusselman

If you plant a seed...

In November 2012, the Community Foundation celebrated its 15th anniversary by announcing an initiative to help the counties in its service area. It would award $15,000 to each county whose residents chose to raise at least $15,000 to build a charitable endowment for their county. In response, residents of five counties embarked upon the County Endowment Match.

By November of 2015, those five counties, Brown, Hancock and Pike Counties in Illinois, and Lewis and Marion in Missouri, had exceeded $15,000 and received another $15,000 from the Community Foundation, each now having its own County Endowment Fund as a permanent source of charitable support.

“Volunteers serve on each county’s Fund Council. They provide the leadership to build the fund and to make grant recommendations. Their local commitment is tremendous. As others begin to realize what the County Endowment does, support will grow and assets will be reinvested in each county rather than disappearing across the country. A legacy will continue for generations,” said Community Foundation President & CEO Jill Arnold Blickhan. “We hope that the other seven counties in our region will take us up on the $15,000 match to build their own County Endowment Fund.”

County Endowment Funds are exemplary of the Community Foundation’s original goals to reach out, to grow community-based philanthropy, and to do so in a manner that ensures permanent charitable resources exist.

Each County Endowment Fund grants annually to organizations that are making a difference in their county. As of 2017, County Endowment Funds have invested nearly $24,000 back into their communities. These grants reflect the needs and opportunities of each County—including addressing food insecurity amongst children and the elderly, supporting youth programs, and providing arts and culture opportunities.

As County Endowment Funds continue to establish their roots and grow, so will their impact. All it takes is a seed and a passion for a place called “home.”

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“I am proud that my husband’s family can honor their sister for many years to come by doing something as small as donating to a fund. Those contributions will grow over time and have an immense impact on young lives year after year.”

– Kathy Ridder,
former Board member and donor, Mary Ridder Cherny Fund
Your heart is here — for good. So is your Community Foundation, growing and making grants for the projects, programs and organizations that shape our communities. Together, we can find ways to support the causes that matter most to you now and for generations to come.

Contact us to learn how you can make your charitable vision a reality. We’re here for good.