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Impact tomorrow.

LAPEER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2017 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY
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It’s only four words, but the new tagline for the Lapeer County Community Foundation (LCCF) truly summarizes what the LCCF stands for. It reflects our vision for the future and serves as a reminder that what we do today, as donors and grantmakers, will impact tomorrow.

This year’s Annual Report to the Community reflects more than 20 years of giving within Lapeer County and a commitment to continue making an impact for future generations. It shows dedication to making sure we continue to strive for excellence in what we do and that we stay connected to changing community needs, the populations we serve, and our donor’s philanthropic goals. This takes hard work and a willingness to change. This hard work shows both in the content and the design of this report.

2017 was a year of answering the questions of who we are, and where we are going. In answering those questions, we developed a comprehensive strategic plan and completed a rebrand project in November, which was launched with our first-ever #GivingTuesday Challenge and open house. We know that with a new logo, mission, vision and tagline our recognition in Lapeer County will grow, as will our ability to serve the community we all care about so deeply.

Our #GivingTuesday open house also showcased our new offices in the lower level of the historic courthouse in downtown Lapeer. Our updated offices ensure the LCCF team has the resources needed to achieve our goals. The new offices also provide a welcoming space for visitors and we encourage anyone to stop by anytime. We always have coffee and a comfy seat. Our rebranding efforts will continue in 2018 as the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) and Women’s Fund look to define their identity within the Foundation family of funds.

With all of the excitement and internal change, our board and the LCCF team remain focused on our core mission of community giving. In 2017, the LCCF granted over $275,000 to local organizations and over $87,000 in scholarships.

Paul Bowman, Chair
Nancy Boxey, Executive Director
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**WHO?**
The Lapeer County Community Foundation, its trustees, staff, and most importantly, the donors.

**WHAT?**
With a motto of “Give today. Impact tomorrow.” the Foundation builds permanent endowment funds to provide a variety of grants and scholarships to organizations, schools, government entities and students throughout the county.

**WHY?**
The Foundation leads and supports projects and initiatives that impact the quality of life in Lapeer County today, tomorrow, and for future generations.

**WHEN?**
The Lapeer County Community Support Council established the Foundation in 1996 with $20,000 in seed money gifted by Bob and Lura Myers.

**WHERE?**
The Foundation is centrally located in the historic Lapeer County Courthouse and serves all of Lapeer County.

**HOW?**
Thanks to the generosity of local community donors, funds and scholarships are established with the Foundation. As the funds grow beyond their initial gifts, grants and scholarships are awarded to help the community prosper.

The LCCF works in collaboration with other local organizations to assist Lapeer County families in developing healthy lifestyles through the Healthy Living Lapeer group.

The LCCF supports a number of youth-related projects including “Chatfit,” a new physical fitness program for kids at Chatfield School.

Innovative projects such as the Lapeer County Project Raising HOPE received funding which helped to raise and provide 5,427 lbs of meat which was distributed through Stone Soup Food Bank, creating over 21,000 meals to families in need in our local communities.

Through the generosity of local donors, Lapeer County students received nearly $100,000 in scholarships to assist in defraying the costs of post-secondary education.

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### 2017 Grants Given Through the Lapeer County Community Fund

**Totaling: $161,584.42**

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Safe communities are communities where people feel protected from crime and physical and sexual abuse. They are communities where residents feel safe on the road and people have the tools and knowledge to keep their homes protected. Safe communities embrace diversity and promote tolerance and acceptance of others.

The Lapeer County Community Foundation (LCCF) has long supported efforts in Lapeer County to keep residents safe. In 2017 LCCF granted nearly $50,000 to a variety of safety-related initiatives.

There is no denying that the county – the entire country in fact – is suffering from an Opioid crisis. Using a state-wide model for diversion of charges and treatment for qualified individuals who have drug-related issues, a group of community leaders, organizations, and experts led the way to establish a Lapeer County Drug Court. The LCCF awarded a $20,000 grant to assist in the development and implementation of the court. The Lapeer County

SAFETY FIRST

Thanks to a $6,150 grant from the LCCF, a new Safetyville trailer is now on the road. The trailer carries the necessary program equipment including bikes, helmets, crossing signals, life jackets, and more used to teach all Lapeer County students how to stay safe. The program is led by Deputy Jimmy White pictured here.

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Drug Court program reflects collaboration between Lapeer County Mental Health, the Lapeer County Prosecutor’s Office, and area organizations and programs that provide support, counseling, and interventions for offenders and their families. The Lapeer County Drug Court provides the tools necessary for participants to gain control of their lives thereby stopping the cycle of addiction.

Residents in Deerfield Township can rest a little easier thanks to a $12,300 LCCF grant that helped to pay for a new tornado siren. The new siren provides advance warning, covering nearly four square miles and reaching about 20 percent of the area’s population who were not previously covered by an early warning system. Deerfield Twp. Firefighter Tim Reinhardt, who championed the installation, said the siren is a great addition to the community and wouldn’t have been possible without the LCCF.

Developed in 1982, the Safetyville program is presented each year by the Lapeer County Sheriff’s Department to all first-graders in Lapeer County. The hour-long presentation, led by Deputy Jimmy White, stresses the importance of students understanding the meaning of road signs, signals and colors. It also teaches students the importance of utilizing safety equipment, such as bike helmets and life jackets, and covers household hazards such as guns, matches, gasoline and more. Each year about 900 students attend the program. Since its start, more than 30,000 students have participated in Safetyville. After years of use, the original Safetyville equipment trailer needed replacing. The LCCF

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SAFETY (continued from previous page)

Students pose with the new Almont School Resource Officer. A $1,000 grant from LCCF assisted in training costs to educate the resource officer who works with more than 1,500 students in Almont grades K-12.
was happy to assist in this project with a grant for $6,150.

The Child Advocacy Center (CAC) of Lapeer County provides a child-friendly, safe and supportive environment for abused and neglected children. The CAC is a place where professionals work as a team to coordinate investigations and interventions for each case of physical and sexual child abuse. This collaboration expedites each child’s time in the legal system and ensures that children are not re-victimized by the system and that they and their families are provided the support and services needed. Going into the CAC can be a scary prospect for children. To help ease some of that fear, the LCCF Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) awarded the CAC a grant for $7,100 to be used for painting the CAC, the purchase of new furniture, sensory toys, and miscellaneous furnishings in order to create a safe, inviting environment for youth and their families who are most vulnerable. CAC Executive Director Heather Frayer said she and her team were “humbled” and “grateful” to receive the grant and that the updates, and additions will without a doubt better serve every client who walks through the doors at the CAC.

As school districts and communities work to address school safety concerns, they have increasingly looked to place designated law enforcement safety officers within the districts. In 2017, the Village of Almont and Almont Township provided funding to assign a full-time school resource officer to Almont Community Schools. Officer Manning began working with more than 1,500 students in grades K-12 after attending training funded through a $1,000 grant from the LCCF.

Residents in Almont are also safer thanks to a pair of new Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) that are now in the hands of Almont police officers. A $1,000 grant to the Almont Police Department from the LCCF helped ensure the purchase of these life-saving devices.

OTHER 2017 GRANTS
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The Lapeer County Community Foundation (LCCF) proudly revealed their new brand in November 2017, while also inviting the public to their new office space in the lower level of the Historic Courthouse in downtown Lapeer.

A commitment to excellence in serving our donors and local communities requires that the LCCF remains focused on best practices and goal setting while also being mindful to current and future needs and methods of communicating. The Board of Trustees and team at LCCF knew that updates to the organization’s brand had to be made to stay current in a diverse and changing population. For these updates they turned to VIEW Group. The project started in March and wrapped with an exciting reveal at the LCCF’s first #GivingTuesday open house held in their new offices in November.

“With change comes new opportunities. The rebranding process allowed the Foundation’s Board of Trustees and staff to make sure our message remains relevant to all Lapeer County residents for both today and future generations,” said Executive Director Nancy Boxey. “Through this process, we have made sure to preserve our rich history of charitable giving while growing our impact on tomorrow.”

The LCCF rebrand was so

TAGLINE:
Give today. Impact tomorrow.

VISION:
Our foundation will grow in size and impact over the next eight years. We will hold $20 million in funds, striving for 60 percent in undesignated funding.

We will be viewed as the philanthropic leader with visible projects and initiatives that advance the region and attract a growing number of community leaders to join us as donors, committee members, board members and advocates.

We will be proud of what we accomplish together. The public will know and view us as “their” community foundation. They will seek us out for grants and scholarships and will serve as volunteers, partners and donors.

MISSION:
The Lapeer County Community Foundation leads and supports projects and initiatives that impact the quality of life in Lapeer County today, tomorrow and for future generations.
In 2017 the LCCF made the move into their new office space in the lower level of the Historic Courthouse in downtown Lapeer.

successful that both the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) and Women’s Fund are also in the process of developing new logos. All three logos will have a cohesive look, which will ultimately lead to better recognition throughout Lapeer County and their place as part of the Foundation family of funds.

Also, during this time, the LCCF board conducted a strategic planning initiative that included input from a wide variety of community members and organizations. With a comprehensive 5-year strategic plan in place, the LCCF has positioned the Foundation to help donors achieve their philanthropic goals while meeting current and future needs of our local communities. The strategic plan ensures that the LCCF provides the necessary tools and resources needed to support successful schools and students. It ensures employers can recruit the talent they need, and in turn, create a strong economy to grow their businesses. It ensures that the communities served by LCCF are safe places for residents to work, live, and recreate. Thanks to a strong strategic plan, the LCCF is focused on a common destination and vision for tomorrow.

Child Advocacy Center executive director Heather Frayer and LACADA (Lapeer Area Citizens Against Domestic Assault) executive director Tracey Walker enjoy the #GivingTuesday open house.

Michael Walker, of Lapeer, and Curt Carter, a retired banker and former LCCF board member, enjoyed each other’s company on Giving Tuesday evening at Lapeer County Community Foundation’s open house.
Clarke Adams Memorial Scholarship

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THE LAPEER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDED THE FOLLOWING SCHOLARSHIPS TOTALING: $86,000.00

For more information about our scholarships call: 810.664.0691 or visit our website at: www.lapeercountycf.org
Comprised of 7th-12th grade students in Lapeer County, the Youth Advisory Committee - a grant making body of the Lapeer County Community Foundation - is dedicated to learning about and addressing the needs of youth in Lapeer County. It’s that drive that lead the group to give $17,401.79 in grants in 2017.

YAC members volunteer their time to assess community needs, study issues important to youth, report their findings to community leaders and evaluate grant proposals requesting funds for youth-oriented programs. The group is also active in the community, completing four or five community service projects annually.

One of the group’s biggest projects in 2017 was taking on the first-ever Challenge Grant. The LCCF board pledged to match $20,000 dollar-for-dollar for donations given to YAC between Nov. 28 and Friday, Dec. 15. In order to achieve their goal, YAC members crisscrossed around the county with their advisor, Jennifer Phillips, talking to businesses, civic organizations and anyone who was willing to learn more about YAC and what they do for the community.

In addition, the LCCF’s #GivingTuesday open house focused on the Challenge Grant with YAC members greeting guests and encouraging them to donate to the YAC Fund. The board was impressed by the YAC’s results in such a small amount of time. They raised $10,725, which was matched by the LCCF board for a grand total of $21,450 being added to the YAC Fund. More importantly, through their community presentations and public relations surrounding the Challenge Grant, YAC earned wide recognition in the community. Jennifer Phillips said, “We couldn’t have done this without the generosity of our donors and those who allowed us to make presentations.”

Dropping by The County Press office to talk about their #GivingTuesday challenge grant were YAC members Brooke Gibbons, Maxx Atwell, Olivia Phillips, and Alexis Kigar.

YAC members spend time volunteering in the community during the year including including purchasing and stuffing about 400-600 backpacks each year with school supplies for area students.

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### 2017 GRANTS AWARDED THROUGH THE LAPEER COUNTY YAC FUND

**ALMONT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS - ALMONT HIGH SCHOOL** • $381.30
- Purchase of 9/11 graphic novels for World History classes

**LAPEER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS - CENTER FOR INNOVATION** • $910.50
- Project Lead the Way (PLTW) supply purchases for the “Medical Detectives” curriculum

**CHATFIELD SCHOOL** • $750.00
- To fund “Chatfit,” a new physical fitness program for kids

**CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER** • $7,100.00
- Center renovation project and children’s toys

**LAPEER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS - KIDS AND COMPANY** • $1,000.00
- Preschool programming and book purchases

**LAPEER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS - MURPHY ELEMENTARY** • $2,259.99
- Purchase of hands-on Orff Instruments for the music program

**LAPEER DISTRICT LIBRARY** • $1,000.00
- Book purchases to stock “Little Free Libraries” across Lapeer County

**LAPEER ROBOTICS-STRIKE ZONE FIRST TEAM 5460** • $2,000.00
- Purchase of an equipment trailer

**MI CROSSROADS COUNCIL - BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA** • $2,000.00
- Camp scholarships and a summer outreach program

### Learn more about YAC grants on pgs. 7 & 17.

Making history come alive at Almont High School.

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YAC officers for 2017 included Abby Schefka – Secretary, Maxx Atwell – Chair, and Olivia Phillips – Vice Chair.

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The Women’s Fund

Join the Women’s Fund for their 2018 Annual Luncheon on Thursday, September 20th at the White Horse Inn in Metamora.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the Women’s Fund, their activities and mission, and to learn more about the benefits of joining in the efforts of fellow women leaders.

For more info or to reserve your spot please call 810.664.0691

The Women’s Fund, which was established through the vision of 100 Founders as a unique legacy of women helping women in Lapeer County, has blossomed. From Founders, to Friends, and multiple levels of giving – the seed has sprouted and grown into a permanent endowment fund set up by, and for, the women of Lapeer County. The impact of the Women’s Fund grantmaking activities is being felt. Through its membership, the Women’s Fund has the opportunity to make a lasting impact. By connecting women from all backgrounds and stages of life, they bring unlimited potential to network, share ideas, and plan events and projects that support and impact Lapeer County’s women, their children, and families.

The Women’s Fund works in partnership with the Foundation for Mott Community College to offer educational grants to non-traditional female Lapeer County women juggling multiple demands of life as they pursue furthering their education. Funds can be used for non-tuition related expenses including books, fees, childcare, transportation, and program costs. Students may receive up to $1,000.

2017 WOMEN’S FUND GRANTS TOTALING: $5,191.31

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All Women’s Fund Education Grants provide funding for non-traditional female residents of Lapeer County to attend Mott Community College. Funds cover non-tuition expenses including books, fees, program expenses, childcare, and transportation costs.

Consider becoming a Friend of the Women’s Fund with a gift of $500 which can be pledged over a five-year, $100 per year commitment. As a Friend, your gift is held in endowment, contributing to the permanent legacy that will be passed on to future generations of Lapeer County women. Only the earnings are distributed, but as the Women’s Fund grows, so does their ability to help.

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per year. By helping to remove financial barriers, these grants allow women to reach their full academic and professional potential.

In 2017 the Women’s Fund awarded one of these grants to Mariah Wheaton. Photographed here with her daughter Addilyne Rose Wheaton, her thank you card put into words the impact the Women’s Fund grants have on those who receive them. From the letter “As a first generation college student, single-working mom that relies on her amazing group of friends for moral support and guidance, your philanthropic foundation gave me the initiative to keep pushing this semester … It is because of you that we had a home during February and March. It is because of you that I am currently excelling in all of my classes. And, it is because of you that I didn’t have to give up!”

The Women’s Fund is guided by the principle that “Every woman should have a purse of her own.” — Susan B. Anthony
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The Forever Friends Network provides entertainment, and more importantly, support for families on the Autism Spectrum. It allows families to come together and care for one another while offering caretakers an opportunity to talk to other caretakers that understand and live the life of Autism. In 2017 the LCCF awarded a grant for $6,066.80 to the Forever Friends Network to assist them in their goals. The grant provided funding for projects that were able to teach daily living skills. It also allowed the group to implement iPad programs for verbal and non-verbal children. It assisted in providing scholarships, respite care, free internet, a lending library and field trips to those in the group.

Providing food to families in need while educating and training Agriscience and developmentally disabled students, Project Raising HOPE is a truly unique educational experience available at the Lapeer County Ed-Tech Center. To support this innovative program, the LCCF awarded Project Raising HOPE a grant for $6,965. In the program, animals are raised at the Lapeer Ed-Tech Center by Agriscience students, FFA members, and students with special needs from the Lapeer County Intermediate School District. It allows hands-on learning experiences in both farm work and mentoring. Project Raising HOPE provides the locally-grown quality meat to community members in need through the Stone Soup Food Bank.

Producing more than 75 shows since moving into the new North Branch High School in 1994, the North Branch Drama Department has made great use of their theater space. After nearly 25 years, however, the space was in dire need of upgrades, one of those being new curtains. In addition to serving the students and community in North Branch, the high school’s auditorium serves many in Lapeer County thanks to its seating capacity of 455, which makes it the largest auditorium in the county. With a grant of $12,500, the LCCF was able to fund the purchase of new stage curtains which will assist in providing many years of quality programming utilizing this valuable community space.

The students at Murphy Elementary School have the opportunity to learn musical skills thanks to a $2,259.99 grant from the LCCF YAC to purchase hands-on Orff Instruments. Orff Instruments are small pitched and non-pitched percussion instruments that are created specifically for use with elementary children.

The LCCF remains committed to supporting STEM (Science Technology Engineering Math) education across Lapeer County. As participation in local robotics programs continues to grow, so does the need for additional program and equipment resources. The LCCF and YAC supported a trailer purchase for the Lapeer Strike Zone FIRST Team. Additionally, the LCCF provided grants for equipment purchases for the Dryden and Almont Community Schools robotics programs. The LCCF looks to partner with our local educators in providing for innovative curriculum and classroom technology for area students. Students at Lapeer Community Schools Center for Innovation were able to participate in a Medical Detectives course as part of the PLTW (Project Lead the Way) program, while students at Almont Community Schools now have access to a 3-D printer for furthering STEM education.
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In memory of Blanche E. Williams
  Samuel and Charlotte Williams

In memory of Tom L. Acton
  Curt Carter and Marty Homan

In memory of Clarke Adams
  John and Sue Wilmers

In memory of Kaitlyn Becker
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In memory of Judy Swab Bennett
  Mike and Jan Carter

In memory of Josh Bradford
  John and Sue Wilmers

In memory of Barbara Buffin
  Anissa Buffin

In memory of Steve Busick
  Kim and Cindy Brown

In memory of Bill Butler
  Lynne Butler

In memory of Robert Butterfield
  Kim and Cindy Brown

In memory of Thomas Butterfield
  Ed and Doris Heiser
  Samuel and Charlotte Williams

In memory of Terry Carter
  Gaye Butterfield
  Al and Jo Grossbauer

In memory of Connie Clarkson
  Paul and Ann Kinzer

In memory of Ripley Crandell
  Mike and Jan Carter

In memory of Amanda Dalton
  Center for the Arts of Greater Lapeer

In memory of Buck Dawson
  Tim and Nita Oesch

In memory of Carol Ehman
  Fred Ehman
  Dr. Mary Kuhn

In memory of Ellen Fisher
  Gaye Butterfield

In memory of Susan Grosenbach
  Susan Butterfield

In memory of Benjamin and Marion Kinzer
  Paul and Ann Kinzer

In memory of Ed LaClair
  Kim and Cindy Brown

In memory of Donna Leuck
  Tim and Dawn Denney

In memory of Ruth Mabery
  Gaye Butterfield
  Tony and Lou Ann Diodato
  Fred Ehman
  LeRoy and Hazel Mabery

In memory of Nathan Morey
  Cheryl Morey

In memory of John and Eina Mae Oesch
  Tim and Nita Oesch

In memory of Julia Peters
  Tim and Dawn Denney

In memory of John and Leona Shelton
  Mary Wiese

In memory of Dale Scrimger
  Kim and Cindy Brown

In memory of Abi Warner
  Greg and Elaine Adamo
  Susan Adkins
  Richard Austin
  Anne Baker
  Madolin Barry
  Janis Batzloff
  Paula and Dan Bedford
  Steve and Cindy Best
  Lawrence and Michele Blair
  Sylvia Bond Simon
  Rodney and Kathy Bracy
  Gretel Braidwood
  Dennis and Kaye Brisson
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  Kathy (Miklovich) Byzewski
  Beth Carter
  Curt Carter and Marty Homan
  Martha Maier Case
  Joan Childs
  Jean Collins
  David and Jean Coon
  Madelon Gay Dolan
  Kathleen Dragomer

In memory of Ron and Abi Warner
  Capt. Doug and Patricia Braidwood
  Della Hammond

In memory of Anne Watt
  Tim and Nita Oesch

In memory of Blanche E. Williams
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Growing up in North Branch, Jack Griffin and his brothers loved sports. Football, basketball, and baseball were family favorites, providing hours of entertainment for the Griffin siblings. Jack said his mom and dad let him and his brothers participate in everything and his dad never missed a game.

The Griffin boys played hard and worked hard, milking cows by hand daily on his family’s dairy farm. But work and sports always came second to academics. Jack’s mother was a third-grade teacher and stressed the importance of school to her sons, something Jack is eternally grateful for.

“I’ve traveled extensively, and I have seen education systems that are not adequate,” said Jack. “I have so much respect for the North Branch education system.” Jack graduated from the University of Florida with a bachelor’s degree in business administration and major in accounting.

With the help of lifelong friend and LCCF Trustee Ralph Deshetsky, Jack got to work and in 2010 the Jack and Carolyn Griffin Memorial Scholarship Fund was established. The $1,000 Jack and Carolyn Griffin Memorial Scholarship is given to up to five graduating seniors of North Branch High School each year. In 2013 Jack and Carolyn added a second scholarship opportunity that awards up to two $1,000 scholarships to past recipients of the Jack and Carolyn Memorial Scholarship. Recipients of the Griffin scholarships are chosen based on academic achievement, giving back to the community, involvement in extracurricular activities including sports and civic clubs, and financial need.

For the students that receive the Griffin Scholarship, Mr. Griffin wants to see someone who tries hard and gives back to the community as best they can. To date, the scholarship has provided 55 awards totaling $55,000 in scholarship dollars to North Branch students.

Jack, who served in the Army after graduation and then went to work in the manufacturing business, continues to work – calling himself semi-retired – in a small loan business.

“I am in a financial position to be able to provide these scholarships and it honors my parents,” said Jack, who lives near Jacksonville Fla. with Carolyn. “I never want to live my life saying, ‘I wish I would have,’” said Jack. “I want students to have an opportunity to go to school if they want it.”

That respect, and the importance of academics engrained in him by his family, led Jack and his wife Carolyn to establish a scholarship with the Lapeer County Community Foundation (LCCF) in honor of Jack’s parents Fern and Walter Griffin. “My mother and dad were really good to our family,” said Jack, adding that the community of North Branch “gave me a lot.” Jack and Carolyn began their scholarship fund at attending Jack’s 50th class reunion where Jack learned of another scholarship – the DeGrow Scholarship. Jack stated that “if DeGrow can do it, so can I.”

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JACK GRIFFIN
A DESCRIPTION OF ALL THE LAPEER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUNDS

42 Access to Nature Endowment Fund
Supports creating universal, barrier free access to recreation opportunities for people of all abilities in the Lapeer County community.

18 Clarke Adams Memorial Fund
Provides grants and scholarships for Lapeer High School students and programs.

22 Thomas K. Butterfield Administrative Fund
Named in memory of Thomas K. Butterfield, long-time Chair of the Foundation, it supports the Lapeer County Community Foundation’s administrative operations.

38 The Carpenter Fund
Supports the operations of Lapeer Community Schools.

58 Center for the Arts of Greater Lapeer
Supports the Center for the Arts of Greater Lapeer.

54 Thomas Daley Memorial Fund
Created in memory of Thomas Daley, it supports broad charitable purposes with primary focus on music, traumatic head injuries, children, and agriculture.

08 Marguerite deAngeli Library Endowment Fund
Supports programs and special projects at the deAngeli branch library.

11 Family Literacy Center Endowment Fund
Supports programs of the Family Literacy Center of Lapeer County.

19 Family Literacy Center Fund
The non-permanent fund supports programs and operations of the Family Literacy Center of Lapeer County.

38 GLBLCL Conservation Easement Fund
Provides monitoring support or legal defense of conservation easements.

27 Joseph Property Capital Defense Fund
The non-permanent fund supports the legal defense of the development easement at the Joseph property at 9302 McWain Road, Grand Blanc, MI.

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00 Lapeer County Community Fund
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14 Lapeer County Historical Society Fund
Benefits the efforts of the Lapeer County Historical Society.

21 Lapeer County Probate Children’s Fund
Supports programs that address needs of children who come to the attention of the Probate Court.

06 Lapeer County YAC Fund
Created with matching grants from the Kellogg Foundation, it supports grantmaking and other programs for youth in Lapeer County.

09 Lapeer Courthouse Restoration Fund
Supports the continued restoration and maintenance of the historic Lapeer County courthouse.

16 Lapeer District Library Endowment Fund
Supports the activities and programs of the Lapeer District Library.

35 Lapeer Vocational Fund
Supports alternative educational experiences in Lapeer Community Schools.

25 Lapeer West Boosters Endowment Fund
Supports Lapeer West High School through scholarships and educational programs.

15 George D. Lutz Camp Fund
Supports Michigan Christian Youth Camp programs through the Lapeer Kiwanis Club.

34 Adam & Corrinne Moore Music Fund
Promotes and enriches the music program beyond normal expenditures in Lapeer High School.

23 North Branch Area Schools Endowment Fund
Supports scholarships and school-related expenses not part of the operating budget.

59 Optimist Club of Lapeer County Fund
Supports operations of the Optimist Club of Lapeer County.

51 Doris F. and Burns L. Rolland, Sr. Endowment Fund for Rolland-Warner Students
Established for the enrichment of the lives of Lapeer’s Rolland-Warner Middle School students.

29 Six Rivers Land Conservancy Endowment Fund
Supports the monitoring of property in determination of any violation of conservation easements.

39 Suncrest-Lapeer County Medical Care Facility Fund
Enhances the Lapeer County Medical Care Facility’s ability to provide healthcare services for the aging.

33 The Taylor Fund
Supports kindergarten, industrial arts, home economics, and agriculture programs in Lapeer Community Schools.

21 United Way of Lapeer County Endowment Fund
Supports programs and operations of the United Way of Lapeer County.

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13 Valley Lapeer Community Schools Library Endowment Fund
Supplements district spending for elementary and secondary school libraries in the purchase of printed and audio visual materials directly used by students.

03 Wakaresku Cultural Fund
Established by Joseph Wakaresku, this fund supports education and cultural projects for the benefit of children and youth in Lapeer County, including study in foreign countries.

24 Women’s Fund
Supports women and their families in need.
05 Ross P. Broesamle Educational Fund
Provides educational assistance to students residing in Almont or Dryden.

52 Mary Jane Congdon Memorial Scholarship
The non permanent fund in memory of long-time Lapeer educator, Mary Jane Congdon, supports scholarships to Lapeer Community Schools graduating seniors.

54 Daley Acres Agricultural Memorial Scholarship
Established in loving memory of J. Clifford “Kip” Daley and Thomas J. Daley, the fund awards scholarships to Lapeer County students pursuing a career in agriculture.

13 Christopher Jon Dirks Memorial Fund
The non-permanent fund provides annual scholarships to the Outstanding Graduating Senior at Lapeer High School.

31 Irma Gelhausen Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships for Lapeer County students in at least their third year pursuing a career in education.

49 Jack and Carolyn Griffin Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships to North Branch graduating seniors and past recipients of the Griffin Scholarship.

12 Philip Hart Scholarship Fund
Honors the life and work of Michigan’s U.S. Senator Philip Hart. Supports scholarships for graduating seniors of Lapeer Community Schools.

41 The Wayne Hildebrant Police Scholarship Fund
The non-permanent fund supports education in the law enforcement field in memory of Wayne Hildebrant, long-time Metamora Chief of Police.

48 Jacob N. Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Provides scholarships to graduating Lapeer Community Schools students who have experienced a health challenge, who excel in leadership and community service, and who possess artistic abilities.

40 Kiwanis Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships at Lapeer High School.

63 LakeVille Community Schools Memorial Scholarship Fund
Established with funds donated by family & friends of deceased staff members Ms. Mary Marsh and Mr. Olan Mishler to honor their memory and to provide scholarships to graduating seniors of LakeVille Memorial High School.

57 LakeVille Memorial High School Alumni Scholarship Fund
Established by graduates of Lakeville High School for graduating seniors of Lakeville High School.

10 Lapeer Community Scholarship and Student Loan Fund
Supports financial assistance through scholarships and loans to graduates of Lapeer Community Schools.

26 Lapeer Community Scholarship & Student Loan Fund Non-Endowed
Supports financial assistance through scholarships and loans to graduates of Lapeer Community Schools.

37 Lapeer County Bar Association Endowment Fund
Provides scholarships for graduating Lapeer County high school students and other charitable purposes designated by the Lapeer County Bar Association.

97 Lapeer County Medical Fund
Created in memory of Herbert M. Best, M.D. by the Lapeer County Medical Society, the fund awards medical scholarships to Lapeer County students enrolled in accredited medical programs.

02 Lapeer County Medical Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships for Lapeer County students pursuing post-secondary education in medical and health related fields.

53 P.E.O. Chapter DX Scholarship Fund
Established by this philanthropic educational organization, it supports higher education of women.

44 Renwick Lapeer Community Schools Loan Fund
The non-permanent fund created in memory of George and Ernestine Renwick supports loans from Lapeer Community Schools for students seeking further education.

51 Dr. James and Doris Richardson Scholarship Fund
In honor of Columbiaville’s long-time residents, this fund awards scholarships to students pursuing a profession in the medical field.

59 John Sak Memorial Scholarship Fund
Created in memory of long-time Lapeer educator John Sak, it supports higher education for a graduating senior or graduate of Lapeer Schools.

60 Schiedegger Engineering Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships to Lapeer County students pursuing a career in engineering.

04 Hazel Simms Nursing Scholarship Fund
Provides scholarships for Lapeer County students pursuing a nursing career and enrolled in a clinical program in the state of Michigan.

55 Jimmy Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships to graduating seniors of Lapeer High School.

56 Tracey Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Supports scholarships to graduating seniors of Lapeer High School.

62 Traver-Carter Fund
Provides scholarships to graduating seniors of Lakeville Community Schools or Lapeer Community Schools accepted into or attending a not-for-profit college, university or technical school in the state of Michigan.

47 Ronald C. & Abi E. Warner Scholarship Fund
Created in memory of Ronald and Abi Warner, it supports scholarships to students in the education, health sciences, and agricultural fields.

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In ways big and small, each of us has given our time, talent and/or treasure to make an impact both today and tomorrow. Lapeer County is filled with individuals who have given of themselves for their community. Each leaves their own legacy of generosity and a shared belief in impacting the future of our local communities.

What will your legacy be? Estate planning is often overlooked as a way to contribute to your favorite charity(s). The Lapeer County Community Foundation (LCCF) encourage you to consider planned giving as a way to support nonprofit organizations and the causes that you care about most. Planned giving through bequests provides each of us the opportunity to support and perpetuate for future generations those values and ideals most important to us and our families during our lifetime.

Joining the Legacy Society of the LCCF means leaving a gift upon your death that ensures that the charitable causes that are meaningful to you continue to be supported.

As a Legacy Society member, you may specify the purpose of the fund you would like to establish or designate the existing fund that you would like to support with your gift. You may also remain anonymous if you choose.

Making current or future bequests to the LCCF is an easy way to transfer cash, appreciated stocks or bonds, real or personal property or other assets. Depending on the type of gift, a donor’s tax liability could be reduced or eliminated.

The LCCF team is happy to provide you and your professional advisors with the best and most relevant charitable gift solutions. We encourage you to contact us to discuss how you can join this group of forward-thinkers who are planning their giving today for Lapeer County’s future and are looking to make a lasting impact tomorrow.

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2017 LAPEER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

62 Number of funds

59 Grants made to community organizations

1.5% Low administration fee

80 Grants in the form of scholarships to students

8.5% Total asset growth from 2016

$363,000 Total grants made

$3.7 million Invested back into the community

$10,130,000 Total assets as of December 31, 2017

*Copies of the most recent audited financial statements may be found on the Lapeer County Community Foundation website at: www.lapeercountycf.org or obtained by contacting the Foundation office at: 810.664.0691.