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A Message From the Director

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

April 2019 marks the official 30th Anniversary of the Foundation and the beginning of our celebration and campaign to raise awareness of the impact the organization has had on our community over the years. All of us at the Foundation are incredibly proud of all that has been accomplished and look forward to many, many more years of serving this wonderful community!

In this edition of the newsletter, you will find a listing of the Cycle 1 grant recipients, which were approved by the Board of Trustees at their March 21st meeting. Please note that the Cycle 2 preliminary grant reports are due Monday, May 13th. Feel free to contact me or Abby King with any questions. In addition, we have included an article prepared by Suzanne Lang from Stebelton Snider outlining estate planning options for the charitably inclined.

As always, we are incredibly grateful to our donors throughout Fairfield County who have supported us throughout the years.

Amy Eyman
Executive Director

Foundation Celebrates 30 Years of Building a Legacy in our Community

The Fairfield County Foundation is pleased to announce it is celebrating its 30th Anniversary this month. After 30 years of quiet service to the community, the Foundation is launching a public awareness campaign to educate community members about how the Foundation works and the local impact it has created, as well as how they can get involved.

Since 1989, the Fairfield County Foundation has been building a legacy in our community by providing opportunities for local citizens, businesses and organizations to positively impact their neighbors based on their own charitable goals. **During that time, the Foundation has established 305 new funds, awarded over \$35.5 million in grants and scholarships, and received more than \$52.9 million in contributions.**

"We're honored to have reached this milestone and are truly grateful to our donors and supporters throughout Fairfield County, who have contributed to our success," said Amy Eyman, Executive Director. "It is always fun to pause and reflect on all that we've

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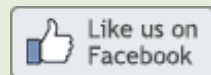
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accomplished over the years, but our focus remains on the future and identifying ways we can continue to grow and enhance the impact we have on the Fairfield County community."

As part of the public awareness campaign, the Foundation will be launching a series of videos titled "30 Ways in 30 Years" that demonstrate their local impact and offer a look into the many ways local citizens, businesses and organizations can get involved or potentially benefit from the Foundation. The first video in the series can be found below. In addition, Foundation staff will be available to speak at local events or meetings to share information about charitable giving, grants, scholarships and other Foundation programs. Anyone interested in scheduling a speaker should reach out to the Foundation directly.



Foundation Announces Cycle 1 Grant Recipients

The Fairfield County Foundation recently announced the recipients for the first of three grant cycles in 2019. The Foundation awarded grants totaling \$325,937 to 22 local organizations at their March Board meeting.

"We're pleased to have the opportunity to support the work of so many deserving organizations across Fairfield County," said Amy Eyman, Executive Director of the Fairfield County Foundation. "We continue to expand our reach and are excited to add new organizations to our list of recipients each cycle."

Below is a complete listing of the Cycle 1 grant recipients:

Alma S. Busby Fund

Meals on Wheels - Parking Lot Project

Janet S. Crist Fund

Decorative Arts Center of Ohio - The Ohio Presidents: Surprising Legacies exhibit

Fairfield County Foundation Health Fund

Fairfield Department of Health - Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan

Fairfield Medical Center Foundation - Script Assist Diabetes Outreach

TWIG 6 - Recumbent Stepper for PT and AccuVein Finder

TWIG 9 - Script Assist Fund

TWIG 12 - Vital Signs Monitor

TWIG 16 - Tympanometer for Audiology Department

Ward R. & Dorothy Delancy Halteman Fund

Fairfield Community Health Center - Spot Vision Screener

Terry A. McGhee/Sally J. Grimm Community Fund

AHA! Children's Museum - Fairfield County Book Project
Fairfield Center for disAbilities & Cerebral Palsy - Wheelchair Ramp and Home Modification Project

The Lancaster Festival - Art Education Programming and Events
Ohio Glass Museum - Interactive Media Project

United Way of Fairfield County - Feeding our Futures Program

Pickering Family Fund

Fairfield Community Health Center - Spot Vision Screener
Friends of the Fairfield County District Library - Early Literacy Center at Main library

Robert A. Schatz Fund

Compassion Furniture Bank - Purchase of Forklift

Elza and Christina Wears Barney's Fund

Fairfield Area Humane Society - Office and Adoption Room Expansion

Wendel Family Fund

The Lancaster Festival - Funding of the Lancaster Festival Orchestra
Panger Productions - Picktown Palooza Reusable Event Supplies

George and Dollie L. Zimpfer Memorial Fund

Decorative Arts Center of Ohio - The Ohio Presidents: Surprising Legacies Exhibit

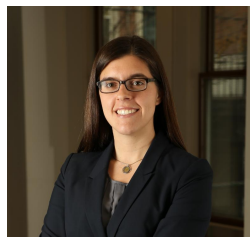
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Foundation Dinners - Building Purchase

Kiwanis Club of Lancaster/Friends of the Lancaster Parks and Recreation - All Abilities Multi-Generational Playground

Meals on Wheels - Parking Lot Project

Giving and Your Estate Plan



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Fairfield County Foundation Board Member

There are many ways to benefit your favorite causes in life and after death. Below is a brief summary of a few options to consider as you plan for future giving.

Giving during life:

Donor Advised funds offer all of the lifetime tax benefits of an outright cash gift, but with the added benefit of allowing your legacy of giving to live on after you're gone. Donors transfer funds or appreciated assets to an account with the Fairfield County Foundation or similar organization. The transfer to the account qualifies as a charitable tax deduction in the year of donation, even though the funds may not be fully distributed for years to come. If a Donor has money in a Donor Advised Fund at death, they can either name a successor advisor who can have input on future giving, or name a charity that will receive the balance of the account. Donor Advised Funds allow you to establish a legacy of giving that will outlive you while enjoying the emotional and tax benefits of charitable giving today.

Have you considered donating appreciated stock? By doing so you can avoid paying capital gains tax on the amount of appreciation. One strategy is to take the money that you would have used to make a cash donation and use it to purchase more stock, giving you a higher basis in the same type of asset. If those new shares are sold in the future, the higher basis could result in a much lower capital gains tax burden or even a loss depending on market performance.

Giving at death:

According to Giving USA, Americans bequeathed \$35.7 billion to non-profits in 2017. Bequests, or gifts incident to death, can come in many forms. Bequests can be easily incorporated into a Will. Your Will can include a gift of specific stock shares to a specific charity, or a gift of a certain dollar amount or percentage of your

estate to a specific charity.

We commonly see clients use Trusts to leave assets to non-profits. As with a Will, this can be as straightforward as leaving \$10,000 to one charity or 5% of your assets to another. However, sometimes clients want to make sure their spouse is provided for, then have their remaining funds divided between their children and charities after both spouses are gone. Others make more complex arrangements in order to avoid estate tax issues. Charitable Remainder Trusts allow you to put funds aside that are first used to pay a beneficiary for life, or for up to 20 years, before the remaining funds are transferred to the non-profit of your choice. With a Charitable Remainder Trust you receive a fixed amount of the trust's funds each year-commonly either 5% of the amount you contributed, or 5% of the value of the trust in the given year. For those who would rather have the charity receive funds now and have the remainder pass to their beneficiaries upon their death, a Charitable Lead Trust may be an option.

These are just some of the many ways charitable giving can be built into an estate plan. Consider speaking to an estate planning attorney, the Fairfield County Foundation, or another non-profit you care about to see how you might be able to use your estate plan or creative lifetime giving strategies to make an impact.

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