

FOUNDATION CONNECTION



IMPORTANT UPDATES & DEADLINES



- Scholarship Application Deadline: March 12
- Cycle 1 Grants Awarded: March 18
- Cycle 2 Preliminary Grants Applications Due: May 10
- Fairfield County Diversity, Inclusion and Empowerment Fund Application Deadline: March 18
- PNC Bank Martens Trust Grant Application Deadline: April 1
- Women's Giving Circle: May 19 via Zoom

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



2021-2022 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE NEXT WEEK!

The 2021-2022 scholarship application deadline is fast approaching! Applications must be fully submitted by 11:59 pm, Friday, March 12th in order to be considered. All applications must have an official transcript attached. If you are a high school senior, make sure your counselor has the transcript attached to your application prior to the deadline. If you were an applicant who was eligible for one of the few scholarships requiring letters of reference, you must make sure those are submitted prior to the deadline as well.

It is highly recommended that you submit your application PRIOR to the deadline as some scholarships require more questions or letters of reference that you cannot answer until AFTER you submit the general application.

FOUNDATION GRANTS AT WORK



GRANT PROVIDES FUNDING FOR LITTLE LIBRARIES

The Evelyn Hazel Miller Foundation was granted funds from the Janet S. Crist Fund to build, install and supply books for three little free libraries in Fairfield County to be known as "Evie Bear's Little Libraries". The foundation, established in Evelyn's memory by family and friends, was founded to celebrate Evelyn's life by providing services and efforts that support children.



Evelyn loved books and being read to. Her grandma smiles whenever she recalls her little voice saying "more, more" when one book was complete and she wanted to hear another. To celebrate her love for books and reading, her family has a goal of creating "Evie Bear's Little Libraries" across Fairfield County. Funding would be utilized to support access to free books for children in Pre-K through high school in the Bloom Carroll, Pickerington and Canal Winchester School Districts.



FUND SPOTLIGHTS



JIM AND SARAH MILLER FUND

The Jim and Sarah Miller Scholarship Fund was established by the Lancaster Rotary Club to honor Jim and Sarah's many years of service to the Lancaster community.

Jim and Sarah met while both were serving in Japan during the Korean War -- Jim as an officer in the U.S. Army and Sarah with the American National Red Cross. They were married for 65 years.



Jim graduated from The Ohio State University College of Law in 1955 and later joined his family firm, where he practiced law until his retirement in 2010. Beyond his professional role, Jim served in many civic leadership roles, including Secretary of the Lancaster Parks Board and Governor of District 669 (Southeastern Ohio) of Rotary International.

Sarah was an active member of the Board of the Lancaster Chapter of the American Red Cross, served as a board member for Fairfield Medical Center for eight years and was on the board of the Fairfield County District Library for 21 years.

This scholarship will be eligible to graduates of a Fairfield County high school who are accepted or currently attending law school and can show proof of community service. This scholarship will become available for the 2022-2023 academic year.

MARTENS TRUST FUND

Martens Trust provides grants that benefit the people of Fairfield County, with an emphasis on Lancaster, Ohio. An eligible non-profit must be approved as a 501©(3) public charity with the IRS and have a copy of its IRS Letter of Determination. PNC Bank manages the trust and all applications must be submitted to the [PNC Charitable Trusts online portal](#).

- Applications are reviewed two times a year with deadlines of **April 1** and **October 1**
- Organizations that receive funding are asked to wait 18 months to reapply
- Focus on program support, limited capital campaigns or general operating grants

PNC Charitable Trusts Committee is the centralized administration arm of all grant-making from this trust. PNC Bank works in partnership with the Fairfield County Foundation to ensure a local collaborative spirit to enhance the quality of life and economic viability in Lancaster, OH.

GET TO KNOW OUR BOARD MEMBERS



LYNN BARBOZA

Lynn Barboza is one of nine children and was born and raised in the great state of Michigan. She and her husband of 42 years moved to Columbus and ultimately to Lancaster, where he has worked at Fairfield Medical Center for the past 15 years. They love the fact that the community embraced them in the warmest manner and are fortunate to encounter so many wonderful people who are passionate about Fairfield County.



Lynn retired after 30 years in nursing and enjoys spending her free time traveling abroad. Lynn said her travels abroad “give a new perspective on different cultures, which has solidified my belief that, in the end, we are all humans with the same needs and joys regardless of language, skin color or creed.”

Lynn’s involvement with the Cameo League in support of the Lancaster Festival, the Fairfield Medical Center Foundation and most recently with the Fairfield County Foundation, stems from her conviction that we must constantly strive to improve the lives of others so our collective future may be brighter. As a board member, Lynn hopes to improve the educational opportunities of youth in Fairfield County and improve the knowledge of community members about all that the Foundation has to offer.



OUR MISSION...

Building a legacy through philanthropy and stewardship to strengthen our community.

Since 1989, the Fairfield County Foundation has helped donors create lasting charitable legacies that carry on their names, their values and their priorities. Within the Foundation are more than 390 individual charitable funds, each created by donors to address those local causes they are most passionate about. Today, Foundation grants support the arts, children’s programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics and much more. From scholarships for deserving Fairfield County youth and equipment to keep people fit and healthy, to improvements to green spaces throughout our county and grants to feed the hungry, the Fairfield County Foundation touches every member of our community in some way.

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