

FOUNDATION CONNECTION



IMPORTANT UPDATES & DEADLINES



- **Cycle 3 Grants Due: October 10**
- **Giving Tuesday 33-Hour Give: November 29-30**
- **Ambassadors' Club Donor Reception: November 30**
- **Scholarship Application Opens: December 1**

33-Hour Give

INCREASE YOUR IMPACT DURING THE 33-HOUR GIVE!

The holiday season will be here before we know it, which means it's time, once again, to think about how you can increase your impact by participating in the 33-Hour Give. Over the past nine years, the Fairfield County Foundation has generated more than \$914,300 in charitable donations during our annual "Give" events held in conjunction with #GivingTuesday, a national movement to encourage spending with a purpose.

This year's 33-Hour Give event will begin at 8am on #GivingTuesday, November 29th, and donations will be accepted until 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 30th. Again this year, we will be providing local donors and non-profits that have a fund at the Foundation with a toolkit to help them promote the 33-Hour Give to their donors and friends. If you have any questions, please call the Foundation at 740-654-8451.



#GivingTuesday is held annually on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving (in the U.S.) to kick-off the holiday giving season and inspire people to collaborate in improving their local communities by making a charitable contribution to a fund at the Fairfield County Foundation, or to any cause or charity they are passionate about. **If you have any questions regarding the 33-Hour Give, please call the Foundation at 740-654-8451.** *Please note: Contributions cannot be made by the organizations themselves. Contributions must be made by individuals or organizations other than the recipient of the funds. Fundraisers cannot be held prior to the Give and funds held and submitted during the hours of the Give. Facebook fundraisers are NOT eligible for the 33 Hour Give—as the funds come in with no donor information and no designation as to which fund receives the donation. *No single gift, by an individual, to a single organization, can receive more than 20% of the total match amount. Please contact the Foundation offices if you have questions.

250 Plates Community Meal

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US AT THE TABLE!

This year's 250 Plates Community Meal was a tremendous success, with 312 supporters joining us for a delightful evening of food, fun and community. Thank you again to our sponsors, who made the event possible and allowed us to raise critical funds for our local food pantries and Keller Market House! Please save the date for next year's event, which will be held on September 24, 2023.



Scholarship Update

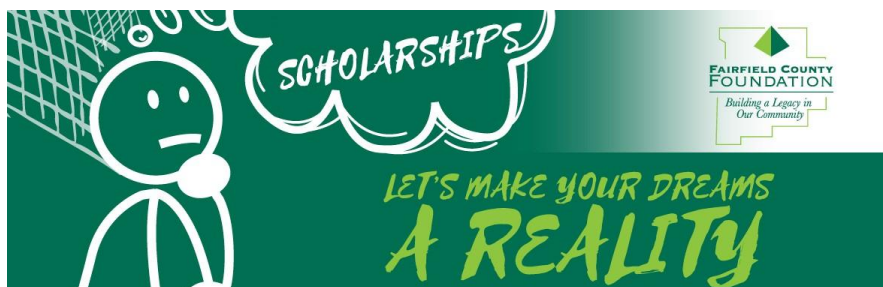


2023-2024 FAFSA is Now Open; Scholarship Application Opens December 1

Preparation has started for the 2023-2024 academic year! You can get a head start on your scholarship application by filling out the FAFSA now. The Foundation's general scholarship application requests the applicant upload a copy of the first page of their Student Aid Report (SAR) to verify their Estimated Family Contribution (EFC), as determined by the FAFSA. Scholarships with the criteria of financial need must have this to help reviewers determine the need of applicants.

Many high schools hold their own Financial Aid nights to help high school seniors and their guardians in filling out the form online. Please

check with your school to see if they will be holding one. The scholarship application will open December 1, 2022 and the deadline is Friday, March 10, 2023. If you'd like to be included in an email reminder when the application opens, please email Andrea Spires at aspIRES@fairfieldcountyfoundation.org to be added to our list.



Grants Update



Fairfield County Foundation Grant Supports Beginning Beekeeping Program

The Fairfield County Foundation recently awarded a grant from the Pickering Family Fund to the Fairfield County Beekeepers Association to purchase supplies for their Beginning Beekeeping program.

"The Fairfield County Beekeepers Association is very grateful for The Fairfield County Foundation grant awarded to our Beginning Beekeeper Program. Because of this grant we were able to provide supplies to two Lancaster High School agriculture students, Carolyn and Adriana, as well as two Military Veterans, Roy and Jody," said Jeannie Saum, FCBA President and Scholarship Committee Chair.



The recipients picked up their hive building kits in March, then spent the next few months watching how-to videos, building the kits, and painting their hives. Next, they set up their hives in a chosen apiary space. Participants picked up their packages of bees once they arrived and received a demonstration of how to install their bees. Each of these new beekeepers were assigned a mentor, with several years of experience. They were encouraged to attend the association's monthly meetings, which always include an educational speaker. Then, the new beekeepers headed home to install their package of bees in the hives that they had built.

Carolyn, a Lancaster High School FFA member, was able to set up her hives at Lancaster High School. These hives are shared with the agriculture classes with support of the instructor. The high school shop class worked with Carolyn on the building and painting of her hives. A sign has been erected in the Lancaster High School bee yard, thanking the Fairfield County Foundation for the support and funding of the Beginning Beekeeper program.



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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