

2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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# CORNERSTONES

### **A Letter from the CEO**



March 2017

I am pleased to release the Muskingum County Community Foundation's "2016 Annual Report: Cornerstones."

2016 was the year the board approved our strategic plan and we started to focus our work around four Cornerstones: Arts & Culture, Wellness & Recreation, Economic Vitality, and Education. We are looking forward in 2017 to meeting and working with community leaders

in each of those areas to begin collaborating on opportunities to improve Muskingum County.

In this report, we'll dive deeper into the Cornerstones, you'll see a list of new funds and hear the story about one of the many new scholarships created in 2016. We'll recap the spring scholarship recognition event. Finally, you'll learn about projects that received a grant from the 2016 Spring Grant Competition.

As I have said many times before, MCCF is YOUR community foundation and if there is ever anything we can do for you please feel free to stop by the office at 534 Putnam Avenue, call us at 740-453-5192, or visit us online at www.mccf.org.

Sincerely,

Brian Wagner

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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Muskingum County Community Foundation

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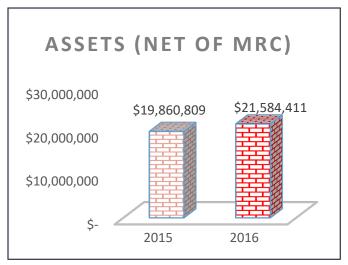
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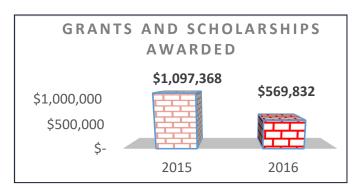


## **Financial Report**

2015 vs. 2016: (Unaudited)



Refer to the Foundation's 2015 Audit for information about the assets related to the MRC.



In 2015, MCCF served as the fiscal agent for four charitable projects that distributed nearly \$546,000. These projects were not repeated in 2016.



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# Community Youth Foundation (CYF) Fall 2016

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## **CYF Youth Grant Competition**

In April 2016, CYF awarded grants to two youth projects:

Muskingum Valley Park District

\$1,000 to build four "Little Free Libraries" (book drop-off containers)

Tri-Valley Table Tennis Club

\$200 to purchase ping pong tables

The annual Youth Grant Competition allows CYF members to learn about the grantmaking process. CYF members are responsible for raising funds to support the awards before reviewing and selecting grant winners.

To learn more about applying for our CYF Youth Grants, visit our website, <a href="https://www.mccf.org">www.mccf.org</a>



Pictured above: CYF President Abigail Neal and Muskingum Valley Park District Commissioner President Brian Newton at the Little Free Library dedicated at Mission Oaks Gardens in June 2016.

# **Groundhog Day 2016**

### MCCF's 31st Anniversary Celebration!

On Friday, January 29, 2016, Muskingum County residents gathered at the Ohio University Zanesville / Zane State Campus Center for MCCF's annual Groundhog Day Celebration. The event marked the Foundation's 31st anniversary. Nearly 400 guests attended, purchasing hundreds of items featured in silent and live auctions. More than \$55,000 was raised and the Foundation recognized two community members for their accomplishments and efforts to improve the quality of life in Muskingum County (See opposite page.) If you want to learn more about the past recipients of the Dick Johnson Civic Leadership Award or the Brian T. Wagner Community Leadership Award, visit our website, www.mccf.org.

Pictured at right:
CYF members Emma Lee
and Amanda Carpenter lend
a hand at the Coat Check.





Pictured at left:
Guests at the Groundhog Day
Celebration look at items
on the Silent Auction tables.



# **Groundhog Day 2016**



The Brian T. Wagner Community Leadership Award went to Joey Osborn, who has worked with numerous Muskingum County area non-profits, specifically Eastside Community Ministry. She has volunteered with Muskingum County 4-H, Zanesville Daybreak Rotary, MCCF, and the Women of the Achievement Steering Committee. She owns a photography business with her husband.



The Dick Johnson Civic Leadership Award was given to Larry Triplett, a long-time Muskingum County entrepreneur. Triplett co-founded the healthcare software company Resource Systems in 1980, and later founded the East Central Ohio Tech Angel Fund, a private/public collaborative that helps Southeastern Ohio's entrepreneurs find private equity investors.

# **2016 Spring Grant Winners**

MCCF's Distribution Committee reviewed grant requests and voted to provide more than \$36,000 in funding to the following organizations and projects in the spring of 2016:

#### Zanesville-Muskingum County Convention & Visitors Bureau

"A Storybook Christmas" holiday beautification project... \$3,000

#### Artist Colony of Zanesville (COZ)

Children's area at the 2016 Y-Bridge Arts Festival...\$3,000

#### Zanesville Community Theater

Renovation of Women's Restroom Facilities... \$4,000

#### Zanesville-Muskingum County Convention & Visitors Bureau

Lighting at Zane's Landing Park... \$4,000

#### Appalachian Hills of Ohio Territory (AHOOT)

"All Ohio Contemporary Ceramics Competition Prizes... \$2,500

#### **Eastside Community Ministry**

Operation & Programming Costs for the Youth Program... \$4,000 Franklin Local Youth Baseball, Inc.

Complete 4 New Ball Fields at Bergin Park, Duncan Falls... \$4,000

#### Girl Scouts of Ohio's Heartland Council, Inc.

Funding for imagineCON program... \$2,520

#### National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Six County

"Quinn Family Bash" and "Recovery is Beautiful" Walk... \$2,500

#### Police Athletic League of Zanesville-Muskingum County

Equipment for "Life Fitness" program...\$2,500

#### Zanesville Concert Association

\$1,500 to provide free concert admission to students

#### Zanesville Memorial Concert Band

\$2,500 to purchase new music and aid in administrative costs



# **Spring Grant Spotlight:**

# Quinn Family Bash

Each spring, MCCF awards grants to Muskingum County organizations whose goal is to improve the quality of life in the community.

One of 2016's recipients was the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Six County.

MCCF's Distribution Committee awarded the grant to the organization in order to assist with finances for the 17th annual Quinn Family Bash.

The Quinn family hosts this yearly event to recognize those dealing with mental illnesses. More than 200 guests attended 2016's bash, consisting of consumers, family members, caregivers, and friends involved with mental health awareness.

The Quinn family provides entertainment and music, with each family member taking a turn on lead vocals. The event is meant to provide those suffering with mental health issues one day to forget about their illnesses and have fun.

"The Bash has grown over 17 years," Paul Quinn said. "Paying for the facility, audio system, gifts, prizes, snacks, and refreshments has become expensive for our small not-for-profit affiliate. The support of MCCF ensures the success of this signature event, saves our funds for programs, and allows us to be more inclusive."

To learn more about applying for our Spring Grant Competition, visit our website www.mccf.org.



### New Funds in 2016

Muskingum County Dog Pound Building Pass -Through Fund Kirby, Mitchell, Montgomery & Spillman Endowment Fund VEX Robotics Pass -Through Fund

Project Relief Fund

Coach Keller Memorial Athletic Scholarship Fund

Howard & Norma Lavy Veterans Memorial Scholarship Fund

Howard Chandler Christy Documentary Pass -Through Fund Bricks to Brushes Documentary Pass -Through Fund

Herb P. "Tim" Jones Music Scholarship Fund

Gracie Bateson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Muskingum County Dog Park Pass -Through Fund

Cornerstone Fund

Allwell Behavioral Health Services Endowment Fund

The Varsity Foundation Pass -Through Fund

The College Access Advisor Scholarship Fund

#### East Muskingum Component Funds:

John & Annie Glenn Appalachian Scholarship Endowment Susan E. Mahoney Writing Award Scholarship Endowment

Jenny Cornelius & Susan Mahoney Memorial Scholarship

Jack Hazard Memorial Scholarship

New Concord H.S./John Glenn H. S. Alumni Scholarship Endowment

Sue Bates Scholarship

Roger Bates Award Scholarship

Kathryn McCoach Scholarship

Ken Reed Scholarship

Walt Thieman Scholarship

Norwich Homecoming Association Scholarship Larry Miller Fund



### **New Funds**

### Matthew B. Robinson Scholarship

2016 brought about the establishment of a new fund: The Matthew B. Robinson Scholarship. Established in memory of Robinson, the scholarship provides financial assistance to college students majoring in Special Education. The fund's first scholarship was awarded to Elizabeth Dingey, a student attending Marietta College.

Born on June 7, 1976, Matthew Robinson graduated from Zanesville High School. He later influenced the lives of many students as a kind, caring, and dedicated Special Education teacher. He first taught at Greenville City Schools; however, he went on to teach at Marysville Exempted Village Schools and London City Schools. Later, Robinson returned to his hometown to teach at his alma mater. His teaching career spanned 16 years.

Robinson passed away on February 14, 2015, but through the *Matthew B. Robinson Scholarship Fund*, he is still making an impact in the lives of local students.

If you have any questions about MCCF's scholarship funds or want to establish one of your own, go to www.mccf.org.



Pictured above (L-R): Michael Robinson, Judy Robinson, 2016 scholarship recipient Elizabeth Dingey, and Jim Robinson.



# **Scholarship Central**



#### Scholarships awarded in 2016 included:

Margaret Carol Barringer Scholarship Harlee Rush, Philo High School

Bucci-Dietz Art Scholarship Normandy Pierce, West Muskingum High School

Ryan Church Scholarship Caleb Zinn, Maysville High School

Ashley Cordial Memorial Scholarship Olivia House, West Muskingum High School

Oliver Flanagan Scholarship Sarah Holdren, Elon University

Jesse Miller Scholarship Shelby Hewitt, West Muskingum High School

Muskingum County Democrat Club Scholarship Shelby Peadon, Mid-East Career and Technology Services

Traci Lynne Reed Scholarship Kaylie Callihan, John Glenn High School



#### Scholarships awarded in 2016 included:

Matthew B. Robinson Scholarship Elizabeth Dingey, Marietta College

Pamela Smith Jackson Scholarship Lydia Beardsley, Waterford High School Blake Stubbins, West Muskingum High School

Michael Strohl Scholarship April Bartenschlag, Philo High School

Corley and Melodie Thomas Scholarship Kassandra Settles, Zanesville High School Caleb Saunders, Philo High School

Nick Tilton Memorial Scholarship Brandon Swope, West Muskingum High School

Carolyn Ann Weiner Scholarship Parker Moore, Bishop Rosecrans High School Jamera Goins, Zanesville High School

Celine Wyatt Scholarship Alexis Baker, John Glenn High School Erin Rockstroh, William Mason High School

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Sydney Nicholson, Bishop Rosecrans High School Noah Townsend, Home School Program Kaylie Callihan, John Glenn High School Madeline Dunn, Tri-Valley High School Ben Kaufman, Zanesville High School Emma Kimberly, Zanesville High School Kassandra Settles, Zanesville High School Meagan Ulbrich, Zanesville High School

Tom Johnson Memorial Scholarship Carmelita Shook, Zanesville High School

Gene Menhorn Athletic Scholarship Carmelita Shook, Zanesville High School

Charles & Charlotte Love Education Fund Helen Davis, Ohio University Zanesville Montana Green, Muskingum Univsersity



#### Scholarships awarded in 2016 included:

**Beckwith Farm Scholarship** 

Kelsey Baker, Youngstown State University Marisa Bishop, Ohio University Tyler Blake, University of Akron Tabitha Burch, Ohio University Zanesville Hannah Daley, Muskingum University Elizabeth Dingey, Marietta College Andrew Dorman, Capital University Amanda Fitz, Ohio University Zanesville Katlyn Flowers, Ohio University Zanesville Ashley Hoffer, Ohio University Kimberly Kelly, Miami University Aubrey Lyons, Ohio University Zanesville Marissa McConaha, University of Rio Grande Bailee Mumford, Ohio University Zanesville Darci Robinson, Muskingum University Hunter Smith, Capital University Tayler Swingle, Ohio University Zanesville Richelle Whitehouse, Ohio University Zanesville Cadelyn Bell, Philo High School Drake Dozer, Philo High School Kassandra McConaha, Philo High School Madison Smith, Philo High School

Josephine Sebach Scholarship

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Ray & Eva Thomas Scholarship

Aaron Berry, Ohio University Zanesville Amanda Walton, Ohio University Zanesville



#### Scholarships awarded in 2016 included:

Forest M. and Meryl C. Cale Scholarship
Tyler Blake, University of Akron
Ellison Fellers, University of Miami
Bradley Palmer, Zane State College
Sophie Didier, UMKC School of Pharmacy
Andrew Thomas, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical
Hannah Stephen, University of Akron
Amanda Fitz, Ohio University Zanesville
Ashonda Underwood, University of Pikeville
Shala Daniels, Zane State College
Jacelyn Fisher, Ohio University
Capria Hall, Ohio Dominican University

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# Scholarship Reception

Each spring, Muskingum County high schools host assemblies to award senior scholarships. However, not every scholarship is awarded at these events. Therefore, MCCF hosted its own scholarship reception to celebrate winners who were not recognized at their schools.

Nearly 50 guests attended the reception, which took place at MCCF on May 31, 2016. Old and new generations of Muskingum Countyleaders mingled during the event, as recipients were able to interact with scholarship donors and selection committee members.

The event proved to be a success for Scholarship Central, whose many goals include seeing an increase in Muskingum County students pursing education past high school.



Pictured above: Scholarship recipients and donors attend the MCCF Scholarship Reception in May 2016.

### GEAR UP

# GEAR UP, What Is It?



GEAR UP - Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs. GEAR UP is a nationwide competitive grant program that works to increase the number of students who are prepared for and are successful in postsecondary education. Scholarship Central at MCCF was awarded the GEAR UP grant in 2014 and has expanded services to students at Crooksville Exempted Village Schools.

The project's goals reflect a commitment to eliminate major college access barriers for priority students and:

- Improve academic performance
- Assist with preparation for postsecondary education
- Increase rates of high school graduation and enrollment in postsecondary education
- Increase students' and their families' knowledge of postsecondary options, preparation, and financing

GEAR UP includes educational, college access, and business partners, providing direct services and scholarship funding support to students. The grant works under the direction of, and in partnership with, the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE).

Moving forward, increased community involvement will help sustain the sites and spread GEAR UP practices to other school sites and communities across Southeastern Ohio.



## **GEAR UP**



Scholarship Central Access Program and GEAR UP are focused on embedding a college-going culture in schools and communities to increase the number students prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education. Scholarship Central has helped thousands of area students since its inception and continues to impact the education climate in Southeastern Ohio. To get involved, contact scholarshipcentral@mccf.org or gearup@mccf.org!



# **Scholarship Central**

### **AmeriCorps Ohio College Guides**

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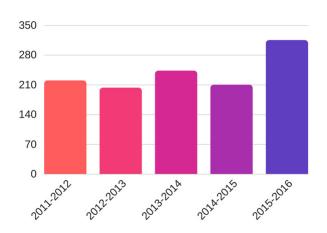
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# One-on-One Advising at Scholarship Central



Students Served by Academic Year





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