



Annual Report 2023 ♥
A NETWORK OF COMMUNITY GIVING

GROWING THROUGH CONNECTIONS

Greetings Friends—

Over the course of our Foundation’s history, we have celebrated the impact made possible when we come together. Through our growth, we have seen one constant—our connection to you. The Foundation exists through the collective legacy of everyday people with a heart for the places they live, work, and play. These strong relationships with our donors, nonprofit partners, community leaders, and board members are the connections that make our Foundation thrive.

Dr. John Kurelja, outgoing board chair, would often challenge us to think about the Foundation’s “special sauce”. Our superpowers—personalization, personal relationships, knowledgeable staff, and being in touch with community needs—define the work that we do. But this work is only possible in a community where philanthropy is part of our culture. Perhaps these connections are the real “special sauce” that makes our Foundation a force for community giving and impact.

This past year, our Foundation staff had the opportunity to revisit and refresh our processes and goals to refocus on our mission to ignite local philanthropy across the region.

- ♥ *We created our 350th unique charitable fund in 2023. Each of our 350+ funds is a personal way for individuals, families, and organizations to support the causes and values they are passionate about in communities across the region.*
- ♥ *Our Youth in Philanthropy program, which began with just one school in Berwick, celebrated the start of its 20th year in October. Through regional growth and success, 15 schools and over 200 high school students are now part of the educational program.*
- ♥ *We held a third-party review of the Foundation’s investment policy statement, demonstrating fiduciary responsibility and our commitment to good stewardship of our donors’ money.*
- ♥ *Through the continued generosity and trust of our donors, we awarded over \$2.5 million in grants and \$450,000 in scholarships in 2023.*
- ♥ *Foundation staff participated in many opportunities for professional development. Locally, Karri Harter, grant and scholarship administrator, completed the Leadership Central Penn program through the Columbia Montour Chamber.*
- ♥ *We worked with boards and committees to welcome 19 new board members to the Foundation office during our December board orientation. We look forward to the impact these dedicated individuals will have in 2024 as we support our local communities.*
- ♥ *2024 marks 25 years of community giving through our Foundation. We were excited to kick-off anniversary celebrations in December with our holiday party and the release of our 2023 Storybook, which highlights giving and storytelling campaigns that will continue in 2024.*



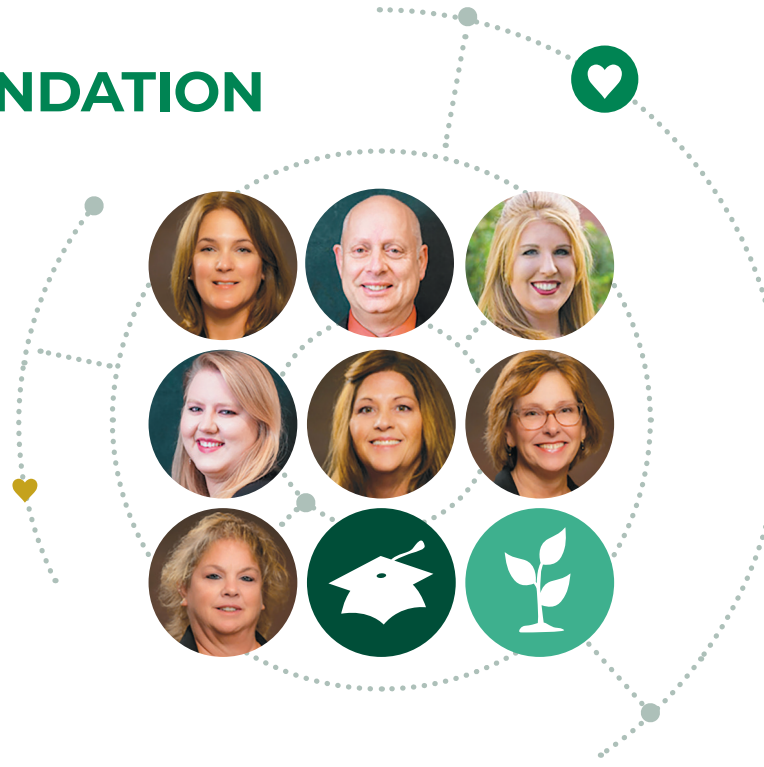
We look back with gratitude for the thoughtful decisions made by our visionary founders to set us up for this journey of growth, and I am continually honored to proudly lead our Foundation towards an exciting future. Through the trust and connections we have built these last 25 years, we know that we can achieve even bigger and better things together—**FOR GOOD. FOR EVER.** ♥

KARA G. SEESHOLTZ
President and CEO
Community Giving Foundation

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION

STAFF 2023

- KARA G. SEESHOLTZ**
President and CEO
- ALBERT MEALE, CPA**
Chief Financial Officer
- ALYSSA MEYERS-SANONU, MED**
Director of Philanthropy
- KATIE SIMPSON**
Communications Officer
- KARRI HARTER**
Grant and Scholarship Administrator
- SHELLI SARGE**
Operations Assistant
- KIM GROSHEK**
Administrative Assistant



REGIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023

- JOHN M. KURELJA, ED.D.** | Chair
- HARRY MATHIAS** | Vice-Chair
- MARISSA MARSHALL GOLLA, ESQ.** | Secretary
- JOHN THOMPSON** | Treasurer
- ROBERT L. ALBERTSON, O.D.**
- HON. RICHARD P. CASHMAN**
- JEFFREY CERMINARO**
- SEN. LYNDA SCHLEGEL CULVER**
- JULIE ERIKSSON**
- MICHAEL P. GORESH, JR.**
- JOHN J. GRABUSKY** *(not pictured)*
- JEFFREY HOLLENBACH**
- CYNTHIA LOMBARD**
- NANCY J. MARR**
- RYAN MCNALLY**
- ANGELA MOTTO**
- WENDY TRIPOLI, ESQ.**



STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	2022	2021
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 797,492	\$ 972,398
Pledges receivable	246,833	323,083
Accrued interest receivable	61,338	58,284
Prepaid expense	34,724	530
Total current assets	1,140,387	1,354,295
Noncurrent Assets:		
Land, Buildings and Equipment:		
Land	95,324	95,324
Land improvements	224,501	224,502
Building and building improvements	1,417,493	1,417,493
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	76,624	76,624
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(685,280)	(641,182)
Land, buildings and equipment, net	1,128,662	1,172,761
Investments	60,832,864	74,168,442
Investment in private company	—	5,955,000
Beneficial interest in charitable remainder trusts	9,961	12,711
Beneficial interest in remainder trusts held by others	417,165	514,349
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts held by others	784,231	997,728
Total noncurrent assets	63,172,883	82,820,991
Total Assets	\$ 64,313,270	\$ 84,175,286

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	2022	2021
Liabilities:		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 19,523	\$ 6,167
Grants payable	73,795	192,731
Refundable Advance	—	100,000
Total current liabilities	93,318	298,898
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Grants payable, net of current portion	206,722	184,392
Funds held as agency endowments	5,247,744	6,621,427
Total noncurrent liabilities	5,454,466	6,805,819
Total Liabilities	5,547,784	7,104,717
Net Assets:		
Without donor restrictions	57,554,129	75,545,781
With donor restrictions	1,211,357	1,524,788
Total Net Assets	58,765,486	77,070,569
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 64,313,270	\$ 84,175,286

DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

Community Giving Foundation investments are overseen by Wilmington Trust, part of the M&T Bank corporate family.

We invest to protect your charitable giving. With an experienced investment team and asset manager and a wide variety of investment types, we operate on a 16-quarter rolling average to protect your giving in the good and bad times.

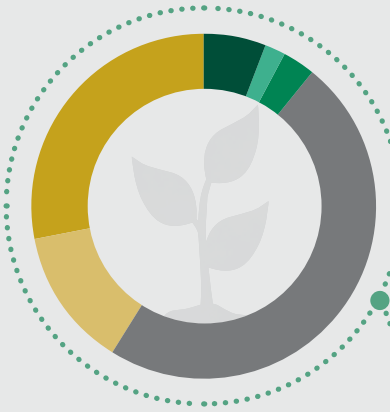
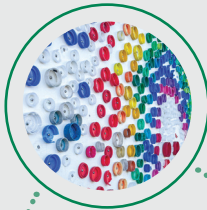


If numbers are your thing, be sure to check out the Foundation's Dashboard resource. Produced bi-monthly, each report includes data summaries, graphs, year-to-date totals, and more from the Foundation office. An ongoing archive of Dashboards is available at csgiving.org/dashboard or scan the QR code.

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION

Established 2003

Serving Columbia, Lower-Luzerne, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder and Union Counties in central and northeastern Pennsylvania.



GRANT INVESTMENTS BY PROGRAM AREA

- ♥ Arts & Culture **\$224,172**
- ♥ Civic & Community Development **\$56,775**
- ♥ Education **\$102,757**
- ♥ Health & Human Services **\$1,686,740**
- ♥ Scholarships **\$449,478**
- ♥ Youth & Recreation **\$994,407**



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CFNS
ACCREDITED FOUNDATION

Confirmed in Compliance with National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations

*2023 Totals shown are unaudited and internally prepared, and reflect an overall amount for Community Giving Foundation and its five affiliates. These totals were calculated 12/31/2023, and may be adjusted for trust assets, late vendor invoices, etc.

2023
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS
\$71,500

2023
TOTAL FUNDS
59



2023
TOTAL GIFTS
\$144,256

2023
TOTAL ASSETS
\$34,222,596

2023
TOTAL GRANTS
\$1,494,996



COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: BERWICK



Founded 1998

Enriching the lives of residents in 8 boroughs and 15 townships throughout the greater Berwick area.

- Jeffrey Cerminaro | *Chair*
- Damien Scoblink | *Vice-Chair*
- Justine Bridge | *Financial Liaison*
- Kari Dyer
- Matt Getty
- Michael Goresh, Jr.
- Cynthia Lombard
- Marc Nespoli
- Brooke Nickles
- Michelle Pace
- Thomas Popko
- Ken Strish
- Dr. Amanda Stutzman

BOARD 2023



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2023
TOTAL FUNDS
10

2023
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS
\$3,600

2023
TOTAL ASSETS
\$492,176

2023
TOTAL GIFTS
\$22,880



2023
TOTAL GRANTS
\$46,128



Founded 1996

Making an impact on Bloomsburg area communities through superior stewardship of enduring charitable gifts.

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: BLOOMSBURG



- Chair | Pam Young
- Vice-Chair | Jessica Lehman
- Financial Liaison | Patricia Leighow
- Adam Bowman
- Donna Coombs
- Lynn Cromley
- Elizabeth Dowd
- Dr. Heather Feldhaus
- Jeff Lylo
- Stephanie Severn
- Leo Sokoloski

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2023
TOTAL GRANTS
\$333,072




2023
TOTAL GIFTS
\$1,384,121




2023
TOTAL ASSETS
\$10,818,476



2023
TOTAL FUNDS
105



2023
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS
\$134,200




COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: DANVILLE



Founded 1999

Serving the greater Danville area communities through superior stewardship of enduring charitable gifts.

- Bonnie Trump | *Chair*
- Linda Brown | *Co-Vice-Chair*
- Dennis Hummer | *Co-Vice-Chair*
- Wendy Tripoli | *Financial Liaison*
- Marsha Albertson
- Marc Baranouski
- David Betz
- Kimberly Burke
- Greg Cole
- Donna Cush
- Timothy Karr
- Shelley Nemeth
- Dr. Mary Petrick
- Robert Stoudt
- Gary Visneski

BOARD 2023



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2023
TOTAL
GRANTS
\$140,767



2023
TOTAL
GIFTS
\$188,661



2023
TOTAL
ASSETS
\$2,442,758



2023
TOTAL
SCHOLARSHIPS
\$38,100



2023
TOTAL
FUNDS
27



Founded 1994

Enriching the quality of life in the Selinsgrove area and surrounding communities through stewardship of enduring charitable gifts.

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: SELINGSGROVE



- Chair | Donna Schuck
- Vice-Chair | Jodi Cope
- Secretary | Philip Winger
- Financial Liaison | William Bucher
- Robert Bertram
- Malcolm Derk
- Dr. Nicole Henry
- Dr. Katie Hess
- Dr. Frank Jankowski
- Sara Lauver
- Stacey Napoli
- Patricia Pinkowski
- Jason Robinson
- Raven Rudnitsky

BOARD 2023

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2023
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS
\$54,478



2023
TOTAL FUNDS
28



2023
TOTAL GIFTS
\$259,888



2023
TOTAL GRANTS
\$241,920



2023
TOTAL ASSETS
\$7,533,185



COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: SUNBURY



Founded 2005

Serving a multitude of charitable needs in the Sunbury area through superior stewardship of enduring charitable gifts.

- Craig DeFazio | *Chair*
- Cory Fasold | *Vice-Chair*
- Stephen Engle | *Financial Liaison*
- Stephen Dagle
- Michael Martz
- Justin Michaels
- William Roll
- Lindsie Wolfe
- Frances Zartman

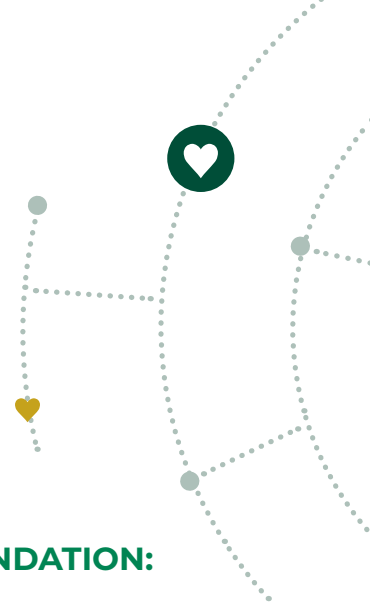
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NEW FUNDS IN 2023

The Foundation was honored to partner with individuals, families, and organizations to establish 22 new funds this year. Some of these funds will meet immediate needs in the community today, while others are planned for the future sustainability of our region. It is because of the trust and connections the Foundation has built throughout our history that these gifts last and grow forever. We are thankful for the donors who made these new funds (below) possible, magnifying our local impact.



COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION

- ♥ *Diane Ringawa Magagna Fund*
- ♥ *Erica Magagna Fund*
- ♥ *Ernest Harold Bogert Science Scholarship Fund*
- ♥ *Jeffrey Erdly Fund*
- ♥ *Joan M. Miller/Dancing Hen Farm Scholarship Fund*
- ♥ *John Flock Hauser Magagna Fund*
- ♥ *Marlin K. Troutman Memorial Arts Award Fund*
- ♥ *Mifflinburg Supporting All Students Fund*
- ♥ *William P. Flaim Scholarship Fund*

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: BERWICK

- ♥ *Berwick Arts Association Agency Endowed Fund*
- ♥ *Dale Baker Endowment Fund*

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: BLOOMSBURG

- ♥ *Bloomsburg Area School District Class of 1972 Scholarship Fund*

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: DANVILLE

- ♥ *Gutknecht Family Charitable Fund*
- ♥ *Joanne McCall Spaid Simington and Paul F. Simington—Montour County Historical Society Fund*
- ♥ *Joanne McCall Spaid Simington and Paul F. Simington—Northumberland County Historical Society Fund*
- ♥ *Joanne McCall Spaid Simington and Paul F. Simington—Pennsylvania Forestry Association Fund*
- ♥ *Lynn Shoop Scholarship Testamentary Fund*

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: SELINGROVE

- ♥ *John M. Cooper Pharmacist Scholarship Fund*
- ♥ *Rudnitsky Susquehanna Valley Chorale Tenor 1 Fund*

COMMUNITY GIVING FOUNDATION: SUNBURY

- ♥ *Bill and Ann Roll Charitable Fund*
- ♥ *Bill and Ann Roll Conservancy Fund*
- ♥ *Bill and Ann Roll Library Fund*



COMMUNITY GIVING PROGRAMS

YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY SCHOOL DISTRICTS 2023-2024

- Benton
- Berwick
- Bloomsburg
- Central Columbia
- Columbia-Montour
- Vo-Tech
- Danville
- Lewisburg
- Line Mountain
- Midd-West
- Mifflinburg
- Millville
- Northwest
- Selinsgrove
- Shikellamy
- Warrior Run

The Youth in Philanthropy program provides high school students across the region an opportunity to learn about philanthropy and participate in the grantmaking process. Celebrating its 20th year, the program kicked-off in October with a record fifteen school districts participating. Contributions from generous community members and Foundation funds allow each school to award up to \$5,000 in grants to support area youth programs each spring. Learn more at csgiving.org/youth-in-philanthropy.

This year, the Foundation partnered with the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit to bring Rachel's Challenge to Youth in Philanthropy. Rachel's Challenge addresses the root causes of school violence, bullying, prejudice, and self-harm through student wellness programs that build connection, hope, and resilience.



The Women's Giving Circle of the Community Giving Foundation is a membership-driven group that empowers, connects, and inspires women and girls by supporting initiatives and resources that better their lives. Membership follows a calendar year, pooling donations together to create a larger impact in the region. With several different levels of giving available and opportunities throughout the year to network with and learn from other members, there is a place for everyone to join! Learn more at csgiving.org/womens-giving-circle.

During the Women's Giving Circle 2023 annual meeting, four grant finalists presented their proposals to members and community partners. Taking an active role in the grantmaking process, members were asked to cast their vote to decide grant awards. DIG Furniture Bank and Union County Giving Closet received \$10,000 each to support their programs in our region. The Columbia County Traveling Library and Girls on the Run also presented proposals and received \$500 each.

- Chair | Linda Brown
- Vice-Chair | Brianna Apfelbaum Kula, Esq.
- Secretary | Patricia Leighow
- Athena Aardweg
- Tiffany Bienkowski
- Linda Neyhart
- Pam Stetler
- Amanda Stutzman
- Deborah Templeton
- Joanne Troutman
- Ellen Withrow
- Elaine Woodland

WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE STEERING COMMITTEE 2023



THE POWER OF “TOGETHER”

Your Giving ♥ Our Stewardship ♥ Lasting Impact

The Community Giving Foundation is made up of a collection of stories. Each of our staff, board members, fundholders and donors, grant recipients, and community partners bring their own passions and motivations to the work that we do. When we come together, our loyalty to community and desire to help others connects us to create a philanthropic network of good.

2024 will mark 25 years of community giving through our Foundation. We celebrate this milestone year and the over \$50 million we have granted back into our community for lasting impact. Thank you for your place in our Foundation story. We look forward to the next 25 years and beyond with excitement for even bigger and better things—

FOR GOOD. **FOR EVER.** ♥



Looking for more information?
Visit csgivingreport.org or scan the QR code to find:



- ♥ *A list of Foundation funds.*
- ♥ *Donations made in 2023.*
- ♥ *Grants and Scholarships awarded in 2023.*
- ♥ *Stories from Foundation stakeholders.*
- ♥ *Information on the Foundation’s 25th anniversary campaign.*



Community Giving
FOUNDATION™

ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE CENTRAL SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY

Achieving Donors' Intentions

The Community Giving Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that develops, manages, and distributes funds for charitable purposes in communities across the Central Susquehanna region. With a deep understanding of local needs and a commitment to stewardship through personal relationships with donors and area nonprofits, the Foundation helps individuals, families, and businesses turn their own story into a legacy of community giving.

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