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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

for Mason County

2024/2025

# MISSION

To engage donors and connect them with opportunities to make a lasting impact, build community endowment, provide leadership on key issues, and make grants that reflect the communities we serve.

# VISION

Be a leader in community philanthropy to build a vibrant community with great opportunities for all.

**FOR GOOD. FOR EVER.**

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## Leadership Letter

As we reflect on 2024, we are filled with a sense of pride and gratitude for the progress we have made together in building a more vibrant community with opportunities for all. The strength of this community lies in the collective efforts of our donors, partners, and volunteers.

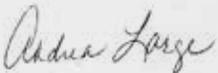
We continued our tradition of grantmaking and connecting resources around shared goals: education, recreation, and economic development. Grants and scholarships exceeded \$1.5 million thanks to those who make a difference locally. From critical home repairs to regional learning opportunities for youth, the stories within these pages illustrate the impact of a community working together.

We also announced the creation of our Legacy Circle, honoring and celebrating the generous donors who have included the Foundation in their planned giving. These visionaries are ensuring the future of our community for generations to come, and we are deeply grateful.

Early in 2025, we launched the Campaign for Mason County: Building a Stronger Community Together. We invite you to join us as we work together to triple our grantmaking capacity. Just imagine the difference this will make for the programs and projects that mean so much to all of us. We can't wait to share the incredible results!

As we come together to continue the work of building a more vibrant community with opportunities for all, we thank you, our community, for your commitment to the people of Mason County. For good. For ever.

Sincerely,

  
**Andrea Large**  
Executive Director

  
**Carol Nelson**  
Chair, Board of Trustees

## 2024 Highlights

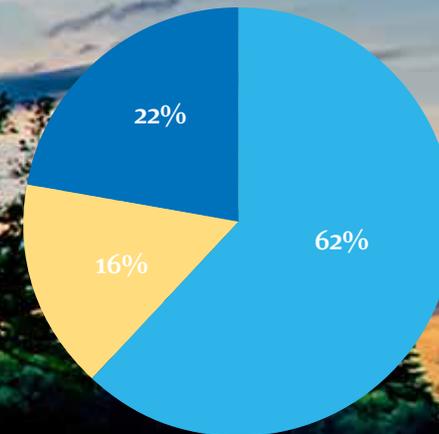
**Gifts Received: \$1,323,618**

**Grants and Scholarships  
Awarded: \$1,598,409**

**Total Assets: \$29,082,812**

### Strategic Funding:

-  Improve Workforce Supports
-  Community Development
-  Advancing Educational Attainment



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## Annual Gathering

Our annual gathering provided valuable insights into Mason County's economic initiatives, particularly in housing and trail development, and the Community Foundation's investment in advancing educational attainment, improving workforce supports, and increasing recreation and quality of life opportunities. The lively reception was a community-building event that honored the people and programs that make our community a vibrant place with opportunities for all who live and work here, while reinforcing the importance of continued collaboration and growth.





## Rotary Charities Leadership Learning Lab

## Capacity Building

Through targeted learning opportunities, the Community Foundation for Mason County has made significant investments in nonprofit success. A Canva workshop led by LakeFX Media encouraged participants to build graphic design skills. We also supported local leaders through the Rotary Charities Leadership Learning Lab—a 10-month program designed to strengthen organizational leadership. Additionally, a donor development workshop led by The Solvent Group equipped nonprofits with practical fundraising strategies, and our Grant Seekers Workshop helped enhance grant writing skills. These workshops reflect our ongoing commitment to supporting nonprofits in building a lasting impact in Mason County.



“This workshop left me feeling inspired and ready to start an internal mind shift in our organization about how we fundraise.”

~ Dani McGarry, executive director of the Mason-Lake Conservation District and Fundraising Workshop attendee



Fundraising  
Workshop



Canva Workshop



Grant Seekers  
Workshop

# education

## Youth Advisory Council

In 2024, the Mason County Youth Advisory Council (YAC) approved 16 grants through its competitive and teacher mini-grant rounds. YAC awarded nearly \$10,000 to support classroom projects and community initiatives addressing key concerns identified by local youth, including mental health, academic stress, and substance use. YAC also conducted a needs assessment in the fall, which resulted in adding bullying/cyberbullying and home life as top areas of concern for local youth. New this year - YAC added a recreation grant round to enhance, add, or open up youth recreation opportunities. YAC welcomes members from every high school in Mason County.

Do you know a high school student passionate about enhancing our community through philanthropy and active engagement? Encourage them to connect with us!



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## KickStart to Career

KickStart to Career (K2C), a partnership between the Community Foundation, West Shore ESD, Mason County schools, and financial institutions, provides Mason County students with child savings accounts for future education. Each kindergartener receives a \$50 seed deposit, thanks to the John & Anita Wilson Family Fund. Students and families can grow accounts through school deposit days and West Shore Bank branches.

Generous support from the Robert R. & Joan Hasenbank Fund, grade-level sponsors, and volunteers fuels K2C's success. Sponsors include West Shore Bank, Ludington and Scottville Optimist Clubs, Safe Harbor Credit Union, United Way of Mason County, and – new in 2024 – Ludrock and Carol Nelson. Financial planning education is provided by Safe Harbor Credit Union, West Shore Bank, and West Shore ESD.

Now in its 6th year, more than 1,600 students in grades K-5 have savings accounts. These accounts have accumulated more than \$60,000 in personal deposits and nearly \$165,000 in incentive deposits.



“KickStart to Career helps build a foundation for responsible financial habits starting early and reinforces the idea of saving for the future. It provides students with skills that will enrich their lives no matter what path they choose.”

~ Heidi Urka, a retired teacher and current K2C volunteer



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## On Track Reader Program

Book Mark in Ludington is fostering a love of reading in young learners through its “On Track Reader” program. Thanks to a grant from the Community Foundation, provided by the House of Flavors, Inc. and Drs. Ruth & John Carney Education Funds, the program is expanding its reach and impact.

This grant enabled Book Mark to grow its free tutoring program for K-3 students, which includes one-on-one sessions with trained volunteers, parent training in the science of reading, and the development of a website with free, valuable resources for parents and educators.

“On Track Reader” is an example of the power of community collaboration. Book Mark, Nautical Yarn, volunteer tutors, Ludington Area Schools, fiduciary United Way of Mason County, and the Community Foundation have come together to provide a program that helps children develop the essential reading skills they need to succeed in school and beyond.



## FIRST Robotics Practice Facility

The West Shore Educational Service District (WSED) is driving innovation and hands-on learning with a new FIRST Robotics Practice Facility. This collaborative project provides a space for local robotics teams to practice and experience real-world application of classroom learning to bridge the gap between education and career readiness, preparing students for future careers in technology and engineering.

A Community Foundation grant from the House of Flavors, Inc. and Drs. Ruth & John Carney Education Funds enabled WSED to purchase an official AndyMark FIRST Robotics perimeter, creating a full-sized competition field. The facility, housed at UACJ Whitehall Industries, also provides space for teams to build game elements.

The impact of this collaborative partnership by WSED, MiSTEM Network Region 9, UACJ Whitehall Industries, Cooper's Floor Covering Sales and Service, Ferris State University, West Shore Bank, and volunteers will be felt by students across Mason County, who now have access to a dedicated space to hone their STEM skills for robotics competitions and, potentially, future careers.

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“The future depends on a skilled and innovative workforce, and we're fortunate to have a number of caring community partners and sponsors working alongside us.”

~ Local MiSTEM Region 9 Director Brian Dotson



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## Smiddy Scholarship Supports STEM Dreams

Scholarships for our youth are an investment in the future of our community. In 2024, the Community Foundation awarded more than \$182,000 in new and renewing scholarships to 68 students.

One such student benefiting from this investment is Olivia Klevorn, a 2023 Ludington High School graduate who is excelling in her software engineering studies at Michigan Tech. Her journey is made possible in part by the Emily & Frank Smiddy Scholarship, a four-year award she calls “life-changing.”

Frank Smiddy, former owner of ProAct Environmental Services, has always had a passion for STEM and wanted to give back to the community that supported his family. He and his wife, Emily, established the Emily & Frank Smiddy Scholarship to help students get their college education with as little debt as possible.

With dreams of a tech career and a future in clean energy, Olivia hopes someday to return to Mason County. She would like to establish her own scholarship fund, echoing the Smiddys’ generosity.



## Rick Chapman Legacy League Scholarship Fund

Rick Chapman was a self-taught businessman who bought Chuck Wagon at 21 years old, learning through experience rather than formal education. To honor the late restaurant owner, the Rick Chapman Legacy League established a scholarship fund at the Community Foundation. The fund supports aspiring entrepreneurs and students pursuing a career in business, reflecting Rick’s love of mentoring and passion for supporting local business owners. With every scholarship awarded, the Legacy League keeps Rick’s memory alive and lifts up future entrepreneurs.



“The fund is about investing in the community and inspiring others to start and sustain businesses right here in Mason County.”

~ Jen Tooman, Rick Chapman Legacy League

# recreation & quality of life

## John's Place

John's Place, an after-school program for teens at St. John's Lutheran Church, received a grant provided by the Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund and Mason County Funds for the Community. This program fills a gap in after-school options for middle and high school students and offers a variety of gym and table games, including pickleball, curling, basketball, carpetball, pool, and air hockey. The program also provides arts and crafts and opportunities to learn cooking, tea making, and other creative skills from guest presenters. Regular adult volunteers engage with the teens and help provide a welcoming space for all students, regardless of their interests or backgrounds.

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“John's Place is built on helping the average teenager navigate life with support.”

~ David Goehmann, program director





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## Multiuse Trails Planning Project

The Chamber Alliance of Mason County made significant progress in its Mason County Multiuse Trails Planning Project, thanks to a grant provided by the Mason County Funds for the Community. This funding enabled the Chamber to partner with Greenway Collaborative, a consulting firm specializing in trails development, to create a comprehensive plan for a network of multiuse trails within the county. With the consultant's assistance, the project team identified potential trail segments, selected an initial segment for development based on several factors, and created a feasible design plan and potential funding plan for the segment. The first trail is expected to spark interest in further expansion. The Foundation grant played a crucial role in moving the project forward, bringing the dream of a connected multiuse trail system in Mason County closer to reality.

## Robert A. Smith & Patricia A. Smith Fund

After moving to Mason County from Detroit, Patty Smith found a home and built a life with her husband, Robert. Grateful for the community that embraced her, she established the Robert A. Smith & Patricia A. Smith Fund at the Community Foundation. This fund honors her late husband and will support a variety of causes throughout Mason County, forever. The new fund demonstrates Patty's belief that when we are blessed, we should share those blessings with others. Patty hopes her generosity will inspire others to give back to the community she loves.

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“The most rewarding part is creating a legacy and being thankful for the blessings I've received. I hope future generations will continue to be thankful and give back.”



## Ludington Area Curling Club

Curling in Ludington is catching on, thanks to a grant provided by the Mason County Funds for the Community to the Ludington Area Curling Club. The grant helped the club expand curling access for youth and adults by supporting improved marketing, including a new website (curlludington.com) and social media outreach. Grant funds also supported the purchase of a portable floor curling set to bring the sport directly to youth in schools. By helping the club expand its reach, the Community Foundation supported greater access to recreational opportunities, making Mason County a more vibrant place to live and work.



## Todd & Julie Schrader Love Ludington Fund

Todd and Julie Schrader embody the heart of a small-town community. These local philanthropists established the Todd & Julie Schrader Love Ludington Fund at the Community Foundation – an unrestricted fund to benefit their neighbors in Mason County, where Todd grew up and the couple built their life together. Longtime supporters, the Schraders appreciate the Foundation’s ability to connect donors with community needs and opportunities – whether current challenges like food insecurity or future community development opportunities yet to be identified.



“We may not know exactly what challenges lie ahead, but we’re creating a resource that will adapt and respond to whatever our community needs in the future.” ~ Julie Schrader



## Multigenerational Community Center Feasibility Study

Partners across the county came together in early 2024 to pursue a community center feasibility study to be used as a valuable resource in community planning efforts and highlight opportunities for innovation and investment. The study, led by Pros Consulting, provides an analysis of existing amenities and assets and identifies gaps and opportunities to enhance and expand recreational offerings in Mason County.



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# community & economic development



## Home Team Housing Makes Critical Repairs, Removes Barriers

Thanks to a grant provided by the Mason County Funds for the Community, Home Team Housing was able to help 18 families safely remain in their homes. This funding, combined with support from other community partners, covered 75% of the costs for urgent repairs, including heating, plumbing, and structural issues. By making these home repairs affordable, families were able to avoid crises, contributing to stronger lives and a more vibrant community.



“We are stronger together. By working collaboratively in the community, we maximize our impact.”

~ Jamie Healy,  
Home Team Housing  
Executive Director



## Housing Initiatives Fund

As a member of the Mason County Housing Alliance, a local committee of community leaders focused on making Mason County housing ready, the Community Foundation made a pivotal commitment to address the ongoing housing challenges in our community by establishing the Mason County Housing Initiatives Fund. This fund is designed to allow the Community Foundation to be strategic and responsive as we support community partners to build capacity in addressing and advancing affordable housing solutions.



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## Lee & Joan Schoenherr Community Fund

Lee and Joan Schoenherr, a couple who have been married for nearly 57 years and own FloraCraft, established the Lee & Joan Schoenherr Community Fund at the Community Foundation. Lee’s love for Mason County stems from cherished childhood memories. Once a “taker,” as he puts it, he now embraces the role of a “giver,” finding joy in contributing to the place that once provided him with free haircuts and rides to games. Joan, a Pennsylvania-born transplant and former counselor, is passionate about education and arts opportunities for local youth. Lee and Joan’s unrestricted fund will support evolving community needs, ensuring Mason County remains a vibrant place for future generations.

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## Hand2Hand

The Hand2Hand weekend meal program, serving 150 students in grades K-12 at Mason County Central and Mason County Eastern schools, received crucial support through a grant from the Community Foundation, provided by the Frank & Delores Valenta, Food for Families, and Lee and Joan Schoenherr Funds and Mason County Funds for the Community. The grant offset grocery and logistical costs, ensuring consistent access to nutritious food and supporting healthy development and educational success.



## West Shore Bank Community Reinvestment Fund

The establishment of the West Shore Bank Community Reinvestment Fund is a powerful example of West Shore Bank serving its neighbors and making Mason County a better place to live and work. The fund will be used to address the community’s greatest needs and opportunities, strengthening the bank’s ability to support underserved community members. Through strategic partnerships, employee engagement, diverse initiatives, and a genuine desire to *make a difference*, West Shore Bank continues to be a driving force in shaping a brighter future for Mason County.



“It’s our community. And if we want it to be a better place to live, go to school, retire, we have to be willing to reinvest.”

~ Ray Biggs, president and CEO of West Shore Bank

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## United Way's Auto Loan Program Expands

Thanks to a grant provided by the House of Flavors, Inc. Fund of the Community Foundation to the United Way Auto Loan Program, lives are changing for the better. This program, a vital component of the Lakeshore Employer Resource Network (LERN), is designed to help local workers overcome transportation barriers and improve their job stability.

LERN, a collaborative effort between employers and community organizations, boosts productivity and reduces turnover by addressing employee challenges like financial difficulties, housing instability, and transportation issues.

The grant helped 23 families of LERN company employees avoid crises with the purchase of eight vehicles, sixteen repairs, three payments on auto loans, and other transportation support. This investment will contribute to a more stable workforce, stronger local businesses, and a more prosperous Mason County.

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“By addressing transportation needs, we’re empowering individuals to achieve greater stability.”

~ Lynne Russell, United Way of Mason County executive director



## Caritas Food Pantry

Caritas in Custer, Michigan, serving more than 4,600 individuals, addressed food insecurity with a grant from the Community Foundation at a critical time, as rising food costs and increasing demand placed additional strain on the food pantry’s resources. Funding from the Rick & Mary Ann Randall Fund and the Mason County Funds for the Community enabled the pantry to make strategic food purchases and expand nutritional options for those in need.



## Lakeshore Children's Advocacy Center Fund

Melissa and Cornell Boggs, Ludington residents and dedicated community advocates, established Lakeshore Children's Advocacy Center Fund at the Community Foundation. The couple hopes to raise awareness and provide a foundation for sustainable funding for the Lakeshore Children's Advocacy Center (LCAC) a local organization providing critical services to child survivors of abuse and their families.

LCAC offers comprehensive services, including forensic interviews, family advocacy, trauma therapy, and prevention education programs – all at no cost. LCAC's ultimate goal is to create meaningful, long-term change in the community, ensuring it is a safe place to be a child.

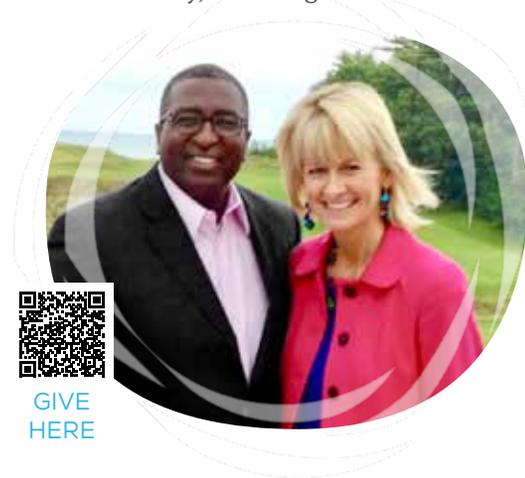


“Melissa and Cornell's gift shows their long-term commitment to children in crisis. And, it shows our organization's commitment to being here long-term for the community – for every child and every family who needs us.”

~ Megan McCarthy, executive director of  
Lakeshore Children's Advocacy Center



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## Safe Harbor Credit Union Invests in Mason County

Safe Harbor Credit Union, a valued partner in Mason County for over 70 years, established the Safe Harbor Credit Union Community Fund, an unrestricted endowment fund, to address Mason County's greatest needs and opportunities. Giving back is integral to this financial institution; its team and members strive to make a tangible difference in the lives of their neighbors every day. Safe Harbor's investment in our community demonstrates the credit union's commitment to strengthening Mason County now and in the future.



“By partnering with the Community Foundation, we know our support can go further and help even more people.”

~Safe Harbor Credit Union President  
Adam Johnson

## 2024 ADVISORY BOARD

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## The Legacy Circle

The Community Foundation launched the Legacy Circle this year, honoring donors who have made a commitment to the future of our community by supporting the Community Foundation through a planned gift from their estate, will, or other giving instruments. This inaugural group gathered in September for a reception at Pere Pointe Marina in Ludington featuring celebration, conversation, and an update on the Pere Marquette Conservation Community Access Site by Kelly Smith, PM Township supervisor. One of

many highlights included guests sharing memorable giving experiences, evidence that Mason County is a generous, caring community. If you have already included the Community Foundation in your estate plans and don't see your name listed or would like more information about the Legacy Circle, contact Andrea Large at [alarge@cffmc.org](mailto:alarge@cffmc.org).



[VIEW A GLIMPSE OF THE RECEPTION HERE](#)

## LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBERS

2024 Inaugural Members

Anonymous

Dr. Bret & Tara Autrey

Kristen Kyle Biggs

Susan Bogart & Daniel Petterson

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Mary Church

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\* Deceased

2 donors have chosen to remain anonymous

## DONOR ADVISED FUNDS:

Donors are involved in selecting what organizations and projects they want to support locally.

- Accessibility for Mason County Fund
- Al & Carole Hardman Fund
- Becky Sopha Community Music Fund
- Blue Hat Ministries Fund
- Bob Parker Music Enrichment Fund
- Brad, Julia & Ethan Reed Family Fund
- Carol Nunn Nelson Fund
- Change Parts, Inc. Fund
- Dave & Chrissie Hall Fund
- Dave & Sandy Gibbs Fund
- David K. Stites Fund
- Dick & Anne Caldwell Fund
- Don Birtwistle Fund
- Donald & Janice Fallis Fund
- Dr. Joe & Kathy Grierson Fund
- Frank R. Petersen Community Fund
- Friends of Mason County Sheriff Office Fund
- **Friends of the Ludington Police Department Fund**
- Friends of the Ludington State Park Fund
- Gateway to Success Academy All Around Senior Fund
- Good Neighbor Endowment Fund
- Hardman Construction Fund
- House of Flavors, Inc. Fund
- Human Trafficking Prevention & Victim Support Fund
- John & Anita Wilson Family Fund
- Joseph & Janet Sanders Family Fund
- **Lakeshore Children's Advocacy Center of Mason County Fund**
- Lakeshore Food Club Fund
- Larry & Vada Reed Donor Advised Fund
- Leibole Family Fund
- Love Ludington Fund
- Lowing Family Fund
- Ludington All Around Senior Fund
- Ludington Beverage Company Fund
- Margaret Shaw Memorial Fund
- Mark Boon Ludington Schools Student Resource Fund
- Marty & Jenny Gamble Fund
- Mason County Central All Around Senior Fund
- Mason County Eastern All Around Senior Fund
- Mason County Sheriff's Office Association Fund
- McKnight Family Fund
- Mike & Jeanne Oakes Fund
- Milan & Dorothy Reed Family Fund
- Milan S. "Budde" & Sheryl Reed II Fund
- Nancy & Leo Hesting Fund
- Noah Oakes Fund
- Patrick & Maria O'Hare Fund
- Paul Bromley Memorial Fund
- Raymond A. Biggs Family Fund
- Robert & Mary Anne Andrews Fund
- Robert R. & Joan Hasenbank Fund
- Scatena Family Fund
- Thomas A. Coleman Donor Advised Fund
- Thomas F. & Gayle F. Peacock Fund
- Tim & Andrea Large Fund
- Todd & Julie Schrader Family Fund
- West Shore Amateur Hockey Association Fund
- West Shore Bank Spirit of Giving Fund

## FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS:

Address a cause or area of concern.

- **Birtwistle Education Fund**
- Bob & Kay Neal Fund
- Carl & Alida Ann (Agens) Sorensen Fund
- Daisy Marsh Reek Fund
- Drs. Ruth & John Carney Education Fund
- Five Friends Fund
- Food for Families Fund
- Frank & Delores Valenta Fund
- Gerald & Dorothy Heslipen Fund
- KickStart to Career Mason County Endowment Fund
- Lee & Joan Schoenherr Fund
- Ludington Area Foundation Recreation Fund
- Ludington Lions Club Fund
- Mason County Youth Advisory Council Fund
- Rick & Mary Ann Randall Fund
- Stanley Kleinstei Youth Recreation Fund
- **The Boon House Legacy Fund**
- Thomas L. Horowski Memorial Fund
- Tom Coleman Fund
- **West Shore Bank Community Reinvestment Fund**

## OPERATING FUNDS:

Support the Community Foundation's long and short term operating costs.

- Mason Operating Fund
- Operating Reserve Fund - Mason

## BUILD A FUNDS:

Provide an opportunity for donors to start a fund over time to support the causes they care about.

- Susan Bogart & Dan Petterson Build a Fund

New Funds are highlighted in black.

## ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUNDS:

Support the operational costs of organizations.

- A Few Friends for the Environment of the World Fund
- American Red Cross Fund, West Shore Chapter
- Big Sable Point Lighthouse Fund
- City of Scottville Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund
- Corewell Health Foundation Fund
- COVE Mason Endowment Fund
- Disability Network West Michigan Mason Fund
- Emanuel Lutheran Missionary Support Fund
- HELP Ministry Fund
- Home Team Housing Fund
- Ludington All Sports Booster Club Fund
- Ludington Area Arts Council Endowment Fund
- Ludington Area Catholic Educational Foundation Faith Formation Fund
- Ludington Area Catholic Educational Foundation Tuition Relief/Scholarship Fund
- Ludington Area Catholic School Fund
- Ludington Rotary STRIVE Fund
- Ludington Soccer Club Fund
- Mason County Central Educational Foundation Endowment Fund
- Mason County Eastern Educational Fund
- Mason County Historical Society Endowment Fund
- Mason County Promise Fund
- Mason County Sports Hall of Fame Fund
- Mason County Walleye Association Fund
- Mason-Lake Conservation District Fund
- Oakview Medical Care Facility Fund
- Oriole Community Tennis Courts Maintenance Fund
- Oriole Foundation Fund
- Pere Marquette Memorial Cross Fund
- Robert Dickson MCD Library Endowment Fund
- Sandcastles Children's Museum Endowment Fund
- Scottville Clown Band George F. Wilson Endowment Fund
- United Way of Mason County Endowment Fund
- Western Michigan Fair Association Fund
- Zonta/Shirley Smedley Memorial Endowment Fund

## COMMITTEE ADVISED FUNDS:

Allow organizations to be involved in selecting what projects they want to support locally.

- Epworth Fund for Ludington
- Lakeshore Food 4 Kids Fund
- Ludington Area Rotary Fund
- Ludrock Fund
- Mason County Eastern Schools Athletic Boosters Fund
- Mason County Veterans Endowment Fund
- Sabin Petunia Parade Endowment Fund
- Scottville Optimist Fund
- Triad Endowment Fund

## COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDS:

Support the administration of a specific program or capital campaign.

- G2S Academy Capital Campaign Fund
- KickStart to Career Mason County Fund
- Ludington Area Arts Council Non-Endowed Fund
- Mason College Access Fund
- **Mason County Housing Initiatives Fund**
- Pere Marquette Conservation Park Development Fund
- Sable Points Lighthouse Keepers Association Capital Campaign Fund
- **Sandcastles Solar Energy & Roof Restoration Fund**
- Scottville Optimist Park & Sculpture Fund

## DESIGNATED FUNDS:

Provide donors with tools to make a local impact.

- Arts People (TAP) Fund
- Childhood Cancer Campaign Fund
- Elmer & Rose Peterson Memorial Fund
- Fabaz Family Scholarship Fund
- Geri & Harold Rohrmoser Fund
- Howard D. Olson, Sr. Memorial Fund
- Ludington Dog Park Maintenance Fund
- Ludington Waterfront Park - Sculpture Maintenance Fund
- Mason County Community Mental Health Fund
- Pere Marquette Conservation Park Fund
- Sheriff Kim Cole Legacy Fund
- Urka Family Fund

New Funds are highlighted in black.



With more than 207 different funds, the Community Foundation offers multiple ways to support good work in our community.

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Provide financial support for area students as they pursue post-secondary education expenses.

- Adam Murphy Fund
- Alberta Muzzin Chamber Alliance of Mason County Fund
- Bethany Lutheran Church Scholarship Fund
- Craig L. Rasmussen Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Danny McCarty Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Dr. Charles A. Paukstis Scholarship Fund
- Drs. Ruth & John Carney & Irene Carney Kendrick Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Emily & Frank Smiddy Scholarship Fund
- Everett J. Liebetreu Education Fund
- George Dila Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Hamlin Lake Preservation Society Fund
- Joe Lancour Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Knizacky Family Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Lee Shipman Engineering Scholarship Fund
- Lee Shipman WSCC Scholarship Fund
- Ludington Education Association Scholarship Fund
- Ludington High School Class of '59 Scholarship Fund
- Ludington Rotary Scholarship Fund
- Margaret M. Lederle Ludington Area Schools Scholarship Fund
- Marlene Schoenberger Scholarship Fund
- Mason-Oceana-Manistee Board of Realtors Scholarship Fund
- Merry E. Petersen Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Michael & Rebecca Magee Scholarship Fund
- Miller Family Scholarship Fund
- Noble Arent Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Richard & Helen Daron Scholarship Fund
- Rick & Mary Ann Randall Scholarship Fund
- **Rick Chapman Legacy League Scholarship Fund**
- Robert J. & Norma E. Bazzett Scholarship Fund
- Sharon Bradley Johnson & Carl Johnson Scholarship Fund
- Thomas Thompson Family Scholarship Fund
- Virginia Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund
- West Shore Community College Foundation Scholarship Endowment Fund

## FUNDS FOR THE COMMUNITY:

Support the greatest needs and opportunities in our community.

- Campaign for Mason County Fund
- Charles Conrad Fund
- Charles L. (Sandy) Cabe Fund
- Class of 1957 of Ludington High School Fund
- Clinton & Lila Coleman and Charles & Margarette Reader Fund
- **Daniel King & Carissima "Kelly" Aloe Community Fund**
- **Dick & Cathy (Coleman) Reader Fund**
- Everett J. Liebetreu Fund
- Greater Mason County Fund
- Horizon Financial Fund
- Isabelle Hasenbank Fund
- Karen M. Worten Fund
- **Kenneth & Karen Klegon Community Fund**
- **Lee & Joan Schoenherr Community Fund**
- **Les & Jill Kaines Fund**
- Maclean Family Fund
- Marlene A. Haliburda Ladd Fund
- Mason County Funds for the Community
- **Michigan Power Fund**
- **Milan & Dorothy Reed Community Fund**
- Paul & Cathy Drewry Family Fund
- Richard & Helen Daron Fund
- Rick & Sharon Templar Fund
- **Robert A. Smith & Patricia A. Smith Fund**
- **Ron & Dawn Sarto Family Fund**
- **Safe Harbor Credit Union Community Fund**
- Shirley M. Smedley Memorial Fund
- **Thomas W. Paine Community Fund**
- **Todd & Julie Schrader Love Ludington Fund**

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## Ways to give.

Make a gift to the Greater Mason County Fund that can be used to address community needs and opportunities now and in the future.

- Direct your gift to one of the Community Foundation's existing funds that best matches your charitable interests.
- Start your own fund to achieve your charitable goals.
- Honor or memorialize a friend or loved one with a gift in their name.
- Remember the Community Foundation with a legacy gift in your will or trust.

For more details on giving: [mason-foundation.org](http://mason-foundation.org) | 231.845.0326

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