Our Mission
Our Mission is to improve the quality of life for all people in Eastern West Virginia. The Community Foundation embraces the concept that people working together can make a difference. We seek a common philosophy whereby people recognize, understand, and act upon the benefits philanthropy brings to our community. We build permanent endowment. We offer maximum flexibility to our donors, meet high professional standards, promote effective and efficient grantmaking, and strengthen charitable organizations in our community.

What Is the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation?

• We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a collection of charitable funds established by a wide variety of donors to help meet local challenges and improve the quality of life in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.

• We receive charitable gifts, and work with families, individuals, businesses, other nonprofits, attorneys, and estate and financial planners to devise plans to ensure a donor’s contributions are used to the fullest extent and for maximum benefit.

• We place those gifts into endowed funds, manage the assets for long-term growth, and award grants and scholarships from the investment gains.

• We understand donor needs and represent their charitable interests, expertly handling complex gifts, wisely managing charitable funds and leveraging a wealth of community knowledge to increase charitable impact.

• We are not a cause, but rather a causeway, serving as a collaborator between philanthropists, nonprofits and other funding organizations across the community.
For 20 years, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation has been a leading grantmaker in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties, working with donors to create endowed funds to benefit local nonprofit organizations and charitable causes. We have prospered under the guidance of a strong board of directors, a highly professional staff, skilled investment advisors and a remarkably generous community. What began with an initial $100,000 scholarship fund established by George Hancock in 1995 has grown to more than 180 component funds with over $18 million in endowed assets.

To celebrate the Community Foundation’s 20th anniversary, the board of directors created the EWVCF Centennial Visionary Fund (page 23) to leave a legacy for our great grandchildren and their families. In the past 10 years we expanded into Hampshire and Hardy counties (pages 33–38) and created unrestricted funds to help address pressing needs in each of the five counties we serve. Our Corporate Partners in Philanthropy (page 9) are incredibly supportive of our mission, and they underwrite our Nonprofit Education & Training workshops, this annual report, the Scholars & Donors Reception and much more.

In this Report to the Community, you will read about things that are happening this year and learn a little more about our history (page 5). We hope that the photos and stories help you gain a better understanding of what a remarkable organization this is and how we play a vital role as one of the Eastern Panhandle’s anchor institutions. If you have any questions, please give us a call at 304-264-0353.

Scott Roach, President

As Executive Director of the Foundation I have the pleasure of working with three remarkable ladies: Felicia Fuller, Finance and Administration Manager; Amy Pancake, Affiliates Director and Scholarship Coordinator; and Nancy McKeithen, part-time Communications Associate. With such a small staff, we wear lots of hats, which makes what we do even more enjoyable. In addition to her finance and office responsibilities, Felicia also coordinates our Mini-Grants to Teachers program and helps all of us focus on our top priorities. Amy works out of a pro-bono office in Romney and does a splendid job of nurturing the affiliates and handling all things related to our scholarship program. Nancy, our newest team member, writes news releases, coordinates our social media and is in charge of the web site—all while working only 16 hours per week. Because of Amy and Felicia’s willingness to scale back their hours, we were able to afford to bring Nancy on board and for that I am truly grateful. On behalf of all of us here at the Foundation, thank you for twenty remarkable years. We are honored to serve our community and looking forward to the next two decades of helping local donors create endowed funds to support their favorite charities.

Michael Whalton, Executive Director
**Foundation Officers**

**Board President D. Scott Roach** is a lifelong resident of Martinsburg and a 1980 graduate of Shepherd University. He currently serves on the Grants, Investment and Executive committees. In his free time, he enjoys fishing and horseback riding.

**Darlene Truman, vice president**, resides in Shepherdstown with her husband, Brian. Currently, she serves as chair of the Investment Committee, and also serves on the Governance and Executive committees. Truman is a CASA of the Eastern Panhandle volunteer and enjoys ballroom dancing.

**Lisa Welch, treasurer**, of Shepherdstown is a member of the Grants, Investment and Executive committees. When she is not tending her pancy patch along German Street, she enjoys meeting people and helping them to connect with others.

**C.W. (Chip) Hensell III, secretary**, is a lifelong resident of Berkeley County and broker/co-owner of a third-generation family business, Hensell Realty Co. Inc.

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**2015 Board of Directors**

We are fortunate to have a strong and engaged board of directors representing all three counties of the Eastern Panhandle. The board meets four to six times per year and each director also serves on at least one of our many active committees.

**Diane Dailey** is a charter member of the board and past president. She lives in Martinsburg and is secretary of W. Harley Miller Construction Inc.

**Joan A. Ergin**, a Jefferson County resident, had a 40-year career in professional nursing. Since her retirement, she has been active in the community through the Jefferson County League of Women Voters, the Shenandoah Community Health Center and CASA of the Eastern Panhandle.

**George Karos**, Mayor of Martinsburg, WV, served in the U.S. Navy and received a Bachelor of Science from Medical College of Virginia, School of Pharmacy. The owner/operator of Patterson’s Drug Stores, Inc., Karos has been honored with numerous awards for his devotion to civic and church activities.

**Dr. Jim Keel**, of Jefferson County, is a doctor of veterinary medicine and has a master’s degree in food science and radiobiology from Purdue University. He serves on the Grants Committee.

**Judi McIntyre** retired from Columbia Basin College in Pasco, WA as Associate Dean of Research, Planning and Assessment. After moving to the Eastern Panhandle in 2005 she was Director of the First Year Experience Program at Shepherd University until 2013. She currently serves as president of the Spring Mills Women’s Association.

**Neil R. McLaughlin**, a native Eastern Panhandle resident, is president of War Memorial Hospital in Berkeley Springs and Hampshire Memorial Hospital in Romney. He has a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Alderson-Broaddus University and master’s degrees from Penn State and WVU.

**Diane Melby** has served as the vice president for advancement at Shepherd University since 2008. Prior to Shepherd, she served in Virginia at Shenandoah University, Lord Fairfax Community College and Grafton School.

**Charlotte Norris** is secretary of the board of the United Way of the Eastern Panhandle, and serves as chair of Burke Street Promise Neighborhood. She and her husband, Bill, are active in many civic organizations and are members of Destiny Baptist Church in Martinsburg.

**Chris Palmer**, president of Palmer Investment Properties, LLC, and a graduate of Shepherd University, is a lifelong resident of Berkeley County. He and his wife, Trisha, have two children.

**Ruth Smith Pritchard** is chair of the Grants Committee and member of the Governance Committee. She is the owner of Smithfield Farm, Smith Meadows Meats and Smithfield Farm Bed & Breakfast. Pritchard enjoys traveling and gardening.

**B. Lee Snyder** graduated from Shepherd University with a Bachelor of Science and an MBA. He is President and Founder of Snyder Environmental Services, and of Jefferson Utilities, Inc. Mr. Snyder also serves on the City National Bank Advisory Board.

**Terry L. Walker Sr.**, of Jefferson County, serves on the Grants Committee, is a graduate of Salem University with a bachelor’s in business administration and is a Realtor with Coldwell Banker.

**Bill White** and his wife, Nancy, have lived in Berkeley County for over 20 years. A graduate of Marshall University, Bill has been Community and Provider Relations Director at Hospice of the Panhandle for the last year and a half. Prior to that, he spent 21 years with U.S. Silica Company, the last 7 as CFO.

**Jan Wilkins**, of Berkeley Springs, is director of the Tom and Virginia Seeley Foundation in Morgan County. She serves as co-chair of the Grants Committee.

And special thanks to our Technical Advisors, who attend meetings, provide support services and offer professional guidance to the Community Foundation:

- David DeJarnett • Michael Caryl
- Leslie Crabill • Keith Unger
- Fred Hollida • Marty Keesacker
- Ed Slonaker • Jay Rutkowski
- Adam Stewart • Tom Peterson
The Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia, like so many other rural communities in America, was slow to establish its own community foundation. Although the movement that began in 1914 in Cleveland, Ohio was immediately embraced by major cities, few rural areas set up their own community foundations until late in the second half of the 20th century.

Thanks to the vision of a number of community leaders in Jefferson, Berkeley, and Morgan counties, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation (EWVCF) was established in 1995 and Doug Roach was elected the organization’s first president. Doug would type meeting minutes on an old IBM Selectric typewriter in the back office of Roach Oil. He and the other board members volunteered their time and did everything those first six years while laying the groundwork for future success.

Tia McMillan followed Doug as president and recruited Amy Owen as the organization’s first paid employee. During her decade-long tenure, Amy did a remarkable job of cultivating relationships with donors, financial institutions, and nonprofit organizations.

In 2005, during Diane Dailey’s term as president, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation moved into its first permanent offices at the Caperton Station at 229 E. Martin Street in Martinsburg. As total endowments under management grew, Amy was able to bring onboard two exceptional employees—Amy Pancake to coordinate scholarships and help expand operations into Hampshire and Hardy counties; and Felicia Fuller to serve as Finance and Administration Manager, responsible for the complex fund accounting systems and daily financial operations.

When Stew Borger became president in 2007, investment markets were at an all-time high and total assets at the Community Foundation had grown to over $7 million. In September of 2008 the Great Recession began and over the next six months investment markets suffered their worst losses since the 1930s. Fortunately, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation stayed the course and, thanks to a diversified investment portfolio, experienced fewer losses than either the benchmarks or its peers that year.

In order to make budget in 2009, staff took voluntary furloughs, grants were reduced, and donors stepped up to make “pass-through” contributions so scholarships and grants could be awarded. Investment markets began to improve steadily in the spring of 2009 and by the end of 2010, virtually all losses had been erased and funds were back above historic dollar values.

When former Berkeley County Sheriff W. Randy Smith won the PowerBall Jackpot in 2010, he donated $5.9 million to the Community Foundation and almost immediately began recommending donor-advised grants, which have been benefiting Berkeley County nonprofit organizations ever since.

Near the end of 2011, after almost a decade as Executive Director of the Community Foundation, Amy Owen informed the board that she and her husband, Don, were moving to Virginia to build their dream house and take on new challenges. With Amy’s departure date set for May 15, 2012 the board jumped into action, appointed a Succession Committee chaired by board member Jan Wilkins, and began the search for a new executive director. After reviewing 43 applications, interviewing 10 candidates, and narrowing the field down to a final three, the board selected Michael Whalton as the organization’s second executive director.

Stew Borger completed his tenure as board president in 2012 and handed the reins to incoming president Scott Roach. In a fitting tribute to family and legacy, Scott began serving his first term as president the same year that his father (and founding president) Doug rotated off the board due to term limits.

Donors and investment markets alike have been very kind to the Community Foundation during the past few years, with the average endowed fund growing by 11.87% in 2012, 14.4% in 2013, and 5.6% last year. By December 31, 2014 the Community Foundation was managing more than 180 endowed funds with assets of just over $18 million.

The Community Foundation celebrates its 20th year in 2015, with new programs and projects that will help the organization continue to grow and serve the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia for generations to come.
Legacy Society

Legacy Society members are helping us build charitable endowments tomorrow by making a planned gift today. Recording one’s charitable intentions also serves as a guidepost for family and friends, thereby establishing a simple way for loved ones to support nonprofit organizations and charitable causes which are near and dear to you.

Please consider adding your name to this group by becoming a member of our Legacy Society today.

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Accolades and Awards

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation has received numerous accolades and awards during the past year, and we are honored to share two of these stories with you.

Philanthropy West Virginia, the statewide association of grantmakers, awarded the 2014 Spirit of Philanthropy Critical Impact Award to the W. Randy Smith Family Fund. The organization commended Randy Smith and the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation for funding the construction of a new $2.1 million Recreation Center in south Berkeley County.

Built adjacent to Musselman High School, the W. Randy Smith Recreation Center is Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks & Recreation’s newest indoor facility. Rather than construct a simple building without any architectural design elements, Smith proposed that Parks & Recreation hire an architectural firm to create a structure that was both attractive and functional.

The project exceeded expectations by incorporating school colors, strong graphic elements, and a variety of interesting angles. During the past year thousands of boys and girls have participated in youth basketball and other indoor sports programs previously unavailable in the southern part of the county. The W. Randy Smith Recreation Center includes two basketball/multipurpose courts, locker rooms, showers, a common area, and a snack bar. Thanks to forward thinking planners, the building was designed and constructed with room for expansion as the population continues to grow.

Berkeley County School Board Members presented a golden apple and the Champion for Education Award to EWWCF Executive Director Michael Whalton. The award was in recognition of the Foundation’s establishing and funding the Mini-Grants to Teachers program featured in the story on the next page.
**EWVCF Mini-Grants to Teachers Program Expands**

What do a wireless microphone, three tricycles, a life-size abacus and a catapult have in common? All these are now being used in local classrooms thanks to an innovative Community Foundation program that’s invested thousands of dollars in grassroots education.

The Mini-Grants to Teachers program was first introduced in Berkeley County in 2013. Because of the overwhelming response to it that year, the program was expanded last fall to include Jefferson, Morgan and Hampshire counties. As a result, Berkeley County Schools officials formally recognized the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation for this program by presenting Executive Director Michael Whalton with its Champion for Education Award.

Recalling those early days, Berkeley County Schools District Communications Director Elaine Bobo still vividly remembers Whalton’s enthusiasm about reaching out to and helping county educators. Through the program, teachers can receive up to $500 to support great ideas that will enhance the learning experience for students.

“These grants cover many of the expenses normally shouldered by teachers who use their own money to purchase supplies for special projects and other classroom resources—especially when it comes to projects not covered by school budgets,” Bobo said. “This was a great idea and one that has been extremely popular with our teachers. They really appreciate this show of support.”

In the first year of the program, 165 mini-grant applications were received and 37 teachers from 17 schools were awarded grants totaling $12,439.

“It’s been fun to see the teaching tools and programs that have been awarded, including science materials for a Back Creek Valley Elementary kindergarten class, a wireless microphone for the drama program at Martinsburg High School and an Autism Cafe at Martinsburg South Middle School. A chicken-hatching egg kit and tricycles for a K-2 autism class were also funded,” Bobo said with a smile.

Thanks to a second year of funding, 47 teachers from Berkeley County, 16 from Jefferson County, 8 from Morgan County and 13 from Hampshire County were awarded grants totaling just over $28,541 in November 2014.

Berkeley County Mini-Grants included classroom book sets for the entire fifth grade at Tomahawk Intermediate; a Jeopardy-style, hand-held buzzer system for Spring Mills Middle School; sheet music for Mountain Ridge Intermediate; and after-school science club materials for Burke Street Elementary. Jefferson County Mini-Grants funded Apple TVs, a zylophone, a life-size abacus and graphics tablets. Mini-Grants to Morgan County teachers included pBone musical instruments, a projector and kindergarten writing materials. Grants funded in Hampshire County included digital cameras, art supplies, a river tank system and materials to build a catapult.

The Foundation has provided more than $41,000 in Mini-Grants to Teachers in just two years, and has handled all of the behind-the-scenes work required to make this possible.

“The impact of those small grants to teachers has been truly remarkable,” Whalton said. “It’s also gratifying to see how much teachers appreciate having a little something extra to touch their students’ lives.”

A kindergarten teacher from Morgan County called the Community Foundation office earlier this year to share that he’d been opening a box of writing materials funded by an EWVCF Mini-Grant when Dr. Michael Martirano, the West Virginia State Superintendent of Schools, walked into his classroom. The teacher was proud that his classroom was getting this community support, and pleased to know how meaningful it was to his students.

**Special thanks to Journal reporter Jenni Vincent for her contributions to this story.**
Community foundations help donors support their favorite charitable causes and nonprofit organizations by creating permanent endowments that will last forever. Whether it’s your alma mater, an environmental cause, a local theater, daycare, recreation center or senior citizen program, a gift to the Community Foundation can make your generosity live on. By establishing an endowed fund or adding to an existing one, a donor can continue their great tradition of giving.

We’ve all heard about the power of compounding, and the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation thrives by investing with a focus on long-term growth. We keep our costs low to grow the funds and we award grants back to the community from a portion of the gains. In 2013 our endowed funds earned an average annual rate of return of 14.4% and last year 5.6%. Returns are net of our very reasonable investment fees of 0.35% annually. We put those gains to good use awarding nearly $540,000 in charitable grants and scholarships in 2014.

To help support operations, each endowed fund contributes 1% annually, which covers approximately 60% of our expenses. Corporate Partners in Philanthropy, private foundations, and individual donors also help with annual operating expenses. Thanks to lower than anticipated expenses and several unexpected gifts to our Annual Fund, we ended the year with a surplus of $49,789, which was used for grantmaking and building endowments and reserves.
Investment Committee

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation Investment Committee is chaired by Vice President Darlene Truman and includes members of the board, community leaders and financial professionals. This group convenes four times a year to monitor investment returns, meet with our six financial advisors, and review the Investment & Spending Policy to make certain we meet or exceed the National Standards established by the Council on Foundations.

The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation enjoys the support of many businesses in the area. Our Partners in Philanthropy contribute amounts ranging from $1,000 to $5,000 per year. These funds pay for the Scholars & Donors Reception, where we recognize area students who are receiving scholarships, our Mini-Grants to Teachers Reception in the fall and this year’s Spirit of Giving Summer Fete.

Our Partners in Philanthropy also fund challenge grants to help build the endowments of local nonprofit agencies, Nonprofit Education & Training (NET) Workshops, and new unrestricted Community Funds established in each of the three Eastern Panhandle counties to support causes specific to the county. Total contributions from our Partners in Philanthropy amount to nearly $30,000 annually. These funds are vital to the success of our many community outreach programs.

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How to Establish a Fund

Creating a fund in your Community Foundation is economical and easy. Donors receive prudent fund management, generous tax advantages, and access to a committed staff with knowledge of the community and the charities in our area. We handle administrative responsibilities, file necessary tax returns, evaluate charities, and monitor changes in the community to help you achieve your charitable vision. A wide variety of endowed funds can be created with a lump-sum gift of as little as $5,000. Here are the basic steps for creating a fund:

1. Define your charitable and financial objectives. Consider how you want your gift to be used and how much you and other family members would like to be involved in making grant recommendations. You may have a favorite charity you want to support, or be passionate about youth and education programs, or want to provide scholarships to area students.

2. Select the type of fund that matches your charitable interests.

   **Agency Fund.** Charities often wish to create endowments in perpetuity to benefit their mission and purpose. The Community Foundation provides an excellent vehicle to ensure endowed gifts are prudently invested and managed for long-term growth. Nonprofit organizations that establish an agency-endowed fund often create campaigns to encourage other donors to help build the funds. Agencies may elect to receive annual distributions or simply allow the endowed fund to grow until a need arises.

   **Donor-Advised Fund.** Provides a donor or donors with the opportunity to recommend charitable distributions to favorite nonprofit organizations, schools, and churches for general support or specific programs. Grants can be awarded throughout the year from a donor-advised fund and the Community Foundation staff is here to help with recommendations based on current pressing needs.

   **Designated Fund.** A donor designates a specific charity or any number of nonprofit organizations to benefit from this type of endowed fund. Annual distributions will be made to each named charity based on the guidelines established by the donor at the time of the gift. Should a designated nonprofit organization cease to exist at any time in the future, the Community Foundation has the flexibility to reallocate grants to another agency that most reflects the donor’s original vision.

   **Field-of-Interest Fund.** Allows a donor to target an area of need rather than a specific charity. The Community Foundation will make grants to those organizations most effectively serving the people and causes you want to help—youth programs, the elderly, homelessness and hunger, arts and cultural organizations, education, the environment, historic preservation, and recreation are all examples of causes a field-of-interest fund can address.

   **Scholarship Fund.** A donor may choose to dedicate a fund’s purpose entirely to helping students study and advance their education. Annual scholarships generally range from $500 to $5,000 and are awarded based on the criteria established by the donor. We currently offer scholarships based on financial need, academic achievement, major field of study, community service, and a wide range of other criteria. The Community Foundation works with area school staff, community volunteers, and our Board of Directors to review student applications, conduct interviews and award scholarships to deserving students.

3. Determine which asset you will use in creating your fund. Gifts of cash, securities (publicly traded or closely held), personal property, or real estate can be accepted by the Community Foundation to set up a fund. Assets with a low cost basis are often wise choices, since they offer maximum tax advantages: You pay no capital gains tax and receive a favorable income-tax deduction. You may also wish to review assets inside your retirement plan for no capital gains tax and receive a favorable income-tax deduction.

4. Choose a name for your fund. Many donors choose a family name, but you can use any name that is meaningful to you.

5. Make your gift to the Community Foundation. While your gifts to establish a fund will be commingled with other Community Foundation assets to maximize investment returns, income and appreciation are tracked and tied to your fund, benefitting your fund for its growth and charitable grantmaking.

6. Plan a gift through your Will. We can help provide appropriate language to make sure your Will meets legal and tax criteria.

From here on, your charitable vision is nearly worry-free. The Community Foundation takes care of government filings, grant paperwork, auditing and accounting. Most importantly, you will have joined with hundreds of other local donors who have created a personal legacy that is true philanthropy.

To get started, contact the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation at (304) 264-0353 or via email at info@EWVCF.org, or Hampshire County Community Foundation at (304) 822-7200 or via email at info@HampshireCCF.org, or Hardy County Community Foundation at (304) 538-3431 or via email at info@HardyCCF.org.
Generosity comes in many forms and for 20 years the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation has been blessed to be involved in giving on many levels. We've received gifts from hundreds of generous donors, awarded grants and scholarships to worthy nonprofit organizations and students, and recognized volunteers and philanthropists who have made significant contributions to our community. We could fill dozens of pages with our favorite photos, but only have space for these few. To see more, scan the QR code below.
Advantages of a Donor Advised Fund Over a Private Foundation

A Donor Advised Fund allows you to remain actively involved in suggesting grant awards each year — targeting the issues you care about most. Grant distributions are made to charities in the name of your fund (or anonymously, if you prefer). It’s a simple, powerful, and highly personal approach to giving.

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FAQs

Can I make a grant outside of Eastern West Virginia? Yes. Please be sure to give us ample time to perform due diligence on charities new to the Community Foundation.

Can I give to my church or children’s school? Yes. Places of worship and educational institutions are charitable. So are grants that lessen the burden of government through poverty abatement and community improvement.

Can I recommend grants and be anonymous to the public? Yes. The Community Foundation will protect the anonymity of its donors. Please be sure to let us know of your wishes.

Can I recommend grants in memory or in honor of someone? Yes. Include this information with your grant recommendation.

Can I make a grant to a charity on whose board I serve? Yes, as long as you do not make an advanced pledge or personally benefit from the grant.

Can I fulfill a pledge to give to a charity? No. Memberships, pledges, sponsorships and tickets, as well as gifts that provide a personal benefit to you or your family, cannot be made.

Can I recommend multi-year grants? Yes. The Community Foundation will consider such requests. But, don’t overextend your fund’s resources.

Can staff help me with ideas and research on area charities? Yes. Our day-to-day work includes helping you learn as much as you wish about our community and its charities. We can assist in a number of ways. Please call us.

When and how much can I add to my donor advised fund? Unless your fund is set up otherwise, you or anyone may add any amount at any time, including gifts of stock, real estate, insurance, and other forms of giving.

Is there a limit to how many grants I can recommend in a year? No. However, a minimum grant of $100 is suggested.
Martinsburg, West Virginia’s “For The Kids, By George” Children’s Museum has been turning heads since it opened in the summer of 2013. Located in the renovated Caperton Train Station, the museum has something to capture the interest of every age. And although it’s named for George Washington, it’s not only about George!

The museum aims to let visitors experience “300 years of American life on what was once a vital part of the nation’s ‘first frontier.’” A trip through the museum will connect you with George Washington’s time as a surveyor in the Eastern Panhandle, Native American history, the Colonies and the birth of the American rail system—in an interactive, hands-on fashion. “It’s expansive, diverse and immersive,” says Lisa Dall’Olio, vice-president of the museum’s board of directors.

First stop is the Information Station, where visitors can purchase tickets, trace Washington’s footsteps through the Panhandle, and explore the gift shop. “We have toys without batteries,” says Bree Myers, executive director, and of course, train whistles, books about George Washington, t-shirts and more. From there, visitors have a choice of different “journeys”: On the Bridge, you may see a real train come down the tracks below as you explore the exhibits. Trackside takes you inside a Native American wigwam, a furnished 1740s log cabin and an 1850s general store. In the Pedal-a-Watt gallery, you can take a virtual bike ride down the Washington Heritage Trail. In the Grand Idea, the oldest room of the museum has been transformed into the “Working On the Railroad” exhibit, with an original ticket counter and interactive displays that let you experience what it’s like to be a train conductor.

In November 2014, the museum was the recipient of a $15,000 grant from the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation’s (EWVCF’s) Solomon Fine Fund. The fund annually makes a grant to a charitable, religious or civic organization in Martinsburg or Berkeley County in commendation of outstanding work and leadership that improves the lives of citizens in the area. “The 2014 grant is the largest ever,” said Michael Whalton, EWVCF’s executive director during the presentation at the Purple Iris. On hand to receive what was a well-kept surprise to museum staff were Chris Amores, president of the museum’s board of directors; Lisa Dall’Olio, vice president; and Myers.

The museum board chose to reinvest one-third of the grant with the Foundation; the balance will go to creating marketing materials, and to programming. Two exhibit areas that have been designed and laid out are awaiting completion: the 90-foot-long Timeline Collage, an interactive game designed to entertain kids ages 10 to 12, while the magnet wall behind it is designed for younger kids. The second exhibit is entitled “Young George on the Frontier.”

The museum has regular operating hours: Wednesdays 3–7 pm and Saturdays 11 am to 5 pm. Summer hours begin the weekend of Heritage Day and will add 11 am–5 pm Sundays. During the week, the museum is available for group tours and birthday parties.
Agency Endowed Funds

—HELPING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS BUILD PERMANENT ENDOWMENT—

Nonprofit organizations can establish an Agency Endowment at the community foundation. It’s a simple and efficient way to build an endowment — and help create sustainability — for your nonprofit organization. The community foundation’s experienced staff can also help your organization develop a campaign to build your endowment.

—AGENCY ENDOWED FUNDS—

Berkeley County Historical Society Legacy Fund 2013—Founded in memory of longtime director Don Wood, this fund supports Historical Society research programs and provides funds for archival supplies and other items necessary for history preservation.

Camp Frame 4-H Fund 2007—Members of the community have supported Camp Frame in Berkeley County for years. In 2007 the 4-H Board established this fund with a legacy gift in order to build an endowment that will provide annual funding for Camp Frame and for future generations of 4-H campers to learn about leadership, citizenship and life skills.

Community Networks, Inc. Endowment Fund 2008—Created with assistance from the 2008 Eastern WV Community Foundation Charity Challenge, this fund provides support for Community Network, Inc., which operates Bethany House and provides assistance to low income families, women and children.

For the Kids, By George Children’s Museum Endowment Fund 2014—Established by this Martinsburg-based museum shortly after receiving the 2014 Solomon Fine Memorial Fund Grant for Outstanding Community Service, this fund will provide distributions to the museum to support operations.

Friends of Senior Life Services of Morgan County Endowment Fund 2009—Established with help from the Charity Challenge grant and matching Senior Life Services donors, this fund benefits the Berkeley Springs-based group.

Robert L. Hawvermale Sr. Saint Mark’s Episcopal Church Camp Fund 2009—Created by the Trustees of St. Mark’s Church and with the generosity of the Hawvermale family, this fund supports youth attending Peterkin Camp of Romney, WV, or a similar camp program.

Hospice of the Panhandle Endowment Fund 2000—This was our very first agency endowed fund. Earnings help offset Hospice expenses throughout the community as the organization fulfills its mission to provide resources for caregivers, patients and families.


Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks and Recreation Fund 2011—Created by the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks & Recreation Board, this fund supports its county-wide public recreation programs.

Martinsburg-Berkeley County War Memorial Park Fund 2005—For this favorite community park in the heart of Martinsburg, fund distributions aid in restoration and upkeep of facilities and provide programs for the thousands who love and enjoy War Memorial Park.

Mountain Heart Foundation Fund 2005—Mountain Heart Foundation operates a West Virginia summer camp for children with heart conditions. This fund provides scholarships for children from the Eastern Panhandle to attend this special West Virginia camp.

Old Opera House Theatre Endowment Fund 2009—Created with assistance from the 2009 Charity Challenge and matching gifts from Old Opera House donors, this fund benefits the Charles Town-based community theatre.

Panhandle Home Health Endowment Fund 2003—Panhandle Home Health’s Board of Directors created this fund as a permanent organizational endowment. Distributions from the fund will help offset annual expenses as Panhandle Home Health fulfills its mission to provide quality health care services in the comfort of patients’ homes.

Shepherdstown Day Care Endowment Fund 2006—Created by the Board of Directors of the Shepherdstown Day Care Center, the fund helps this child-care provider serve many at-risk and in-need children from our community.

Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church Fund 2011—Created by the leadership of the church, this fund serves as an endowment to support the church’s work in the community.
United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Community Safety Net Fund 2008 — The fund assists families who face an immediate crisis and are unable to meet their basic needs, such as food and shelter.

United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Endowment Fund 2005 — This fund was established to help offset the costs of day-to-day operations of the United Way in an effort to ensure donors’ gifts are maximized to meet critical needs.

United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Independent Seniors Endowment Fund 2008 — This fund provides senior citizens with services and opportunities to attain a decent quality of life and be safe, healthy and engaged.

United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Strong Families Endowment Fund 2008 — This fund helps families meet their full potential by acquiring the skills and securing the resources to meet their housing, health and other basic needs.

United Way of the Eastern Panhandle Thriving Children Endowment Fund 2008 — This endowment fund ensures that children and youth enjoy normal growth in emotional, educational and social competencies.

WV-20021 AFJROTC Angels Fund 2011 — Created by the leaders of WV-20021 AFJROTC, this fund provides the group with resources to promote education and Jr. ROTC student advancement at Jefferson High School.

United Way of the Eastern Panhandle has been serving our community for generations and in 2005, leaders of the organization established the first of five United Way agency endowed funds at the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation. The first fund was created to support United Way operations and during the past 10 years it has grown to over $65,000. In 2007, the Community Foundation partnered with the Royal Scott Foundation and West Virginia Grantmakers to create a “Charity Challenge” to help nonprofit organizations in our region build endowed funds to support their programs and operations. United Way was one of the first groups to step up and answer the challenge, establishing funds to provide a community safety net, support independent living for seniors and help build strong families and thriving children. The total value of all the funds has grown over the years to nearly $240,000 and we plan to help United Way continue adding to these endowments in order to assist future generations.
**Donor Advised Funds**

**BUILDING A TRADITION OF LEGACY GIVING FOR GENERATIONS TO COME**

A Donor Advised Fund allows you to make a gift to the Community Foundation and remain actively involved in suggesting uses for your gift. You can work with the Community Foundation staff to suggest ongoing uses for the fund — targeting the issues you care about most. Grant awards are issued to charities in the name of the fund (or anonymously if you prefer). It’s a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving.

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**DONOR ADVISED FUNDS**

**Austin Family Fund 2007**—Honored as a 2007 Spirit of the Panhandle awardee, Bonnie Austin created this fund to benefit the tri-county community.

**Berkeley County Industrial Park Development Fund 2009**—The Berkeley County Industrial Park Development board established this fund as all lands in its jurisdiction were developed and projects were completed. Annual distributions from the fund support economic development, job creation, workforce development, business recruitment and creation, and employability training initiatives.

**Berkeley County Reads Fund 2006**—This fund supports the efforts of the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Library system by providing financial assistance in construction of new facilities and for ongoing operations of existing ones.

**Boehm Family Fund 2005**—Jeff and Denise Boehm established this fund to support religious organizations, charitable causes, and education opportunities in and around the Eastern Panhandle.

**Borger Family Fund 2013**—This fund was established with donations honoring EWVCF Past President Stew Borger for his years of service to the Community Foundation.

**Linda Case and John Rayburn Family Fund 2004**—This fund supports charitable programs that address conservation, environmental stewardship, historic preservation and human welfare programs, as well as the long-term vision of CraftWorks at Cool Springs, a Jefferson County-based nonprofit organization.

**City National Bank Charitable Fund 2008**—To celebrate their expansion in the Eastern Panhandle, City National Bank established this fund to provide employees with an opportunity to recommend local grants in the tri-county area.

**Diane M. and James W. Dailey II Fund 2006**—Provides grants to area charities that serve poverty-based populations, educational programs and economic development in distressed areas.

**DeJarnett Family Fund 2014**—David and Dana DeJarnett established this shell agreement, which entitles them to membership in the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation Legacy Society. The fund agreement is structured so that it can be activated with a gift to EWVCF at any time.

**Executive Director Fund 2009**—Launched by Amy Owen, the Eastern WV Community Foundation’s first paid staff, this fund is advised by the currently employed executive director to benefit Eastern Panhandle programs and charities.

**Gabe’s Gift Memorial Fund 2015**—This fund was established by family and friends of Gabe Bauserman, who lost his life while riding his bike near his home in Jefferson County in the summer of 2014. The fund will celebrate Gabe’s life by awarding grants to help support STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) summer programs, Jefferson County ROTC, and other charitable causes that Gabe supported.

**Glenna Merica Grove Fund 2007**—This namesake fund enlists family members to serve as the advisors, in order to recommend grants that will benefit nonprofit organizations in the tri-county area.

**Home Hill Charitable Fund 2003**—This fund, created by Margaret Drennen and overseen by the governing board operating the Home Hill Corporation, supports a broad range of charitable programs in Jefferson County and the Eastern Panhandle.

**Kreinik Family Fund 2011**—Animal rights, advocacy and rescue are some of the causes supported by Herb and Betty Kreinik with annual distributions from this fund and additional pass-through grants made possible thanks to a charitable rollover from their Traditional IRAs.

**Larry Lower Morgan County Food & Farms Association Fund 2013**—Morgan County’s 2013 Spirit of the Panhandle winner established this fund to support the local farm and food movement.

**McMillan Family Fund 2000**—Established by Bob and Tia McMillan, this fund allows family members to recommend grants to benefit charities of interest.

**Robert W. and Gina M. Miller Fund 2007**—This donor-advised fund was created to make grants to nonprofit organizations and charitable causes in the tri-county area.

**Morgan County Youth Fund 2005**—Founded by Tom and Virginia Seely, this fund aids sick, needy, dependent, neglected and disadvantaged children in Morgan County; and provides support for athletic, social, civic and community activities so important to a well-rounded life.

**Owen Family Fund 2012**—Created by members of the board and technical advisors in honor of Amy Owen’s 10 years of service as Executive Director of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation, this fund awards grants to various programs in the region based upon recommendations made by Amy and her husband, Don.
Roger and Wanda Perry Fund 2005—This fund provides the Perrys with the opportunity to recommend grants for charitable programs and activities in Jefferson County.

Restorative Justice Fund 2012—This fund was established by an anonymous donor to help fund restorative justice initiatives intended to address substance abuse in the Eastern Panhandle.

Doug and Joan Roach Charitable Fund 2015—The Doug and Joan Roach Visionary Fund will finance this endowment, and descendants of the Roach and Gruver families, along with members of the community-at-large appointed by the Foundation, will serve as advisors. Grantmaking will focus primarily on faith-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations serving the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.

Doug & Joan Roach Visionary Fund 2015—The fund was established by Doug and Joan Roach in recognition of the Community Foundation’s 20th anniversary. Assets will be invested without making any grant distributions for 30 years, then one-third of the fund will be transferred to the Doug & Joan Roach Charitable Fund. The remaining assets will be distributed similarly to the Roach’s Charitable Fund over the next 60 years.

Joan Roach Volunteer Fund for the Needy 1999—Friends, colleagues and family members of Joan Roach established this donor-advised fund to honor her outstanding and ongoing volunteer work. The fund benefits tri-county faith-based programs for sick, needy, dependent, neglected or disadvantaged people.

Scott and Linda Roach Fund 2004—This family-oriented fund awards grants to nonprofit organizations and charitable causes that serve local needs throughout the Panhandle.

Shenandoah Community Health Endowment 2006—This fund is a grantmaking arm of the Shenandoah Community Health Foundation. Its distributions aid community programs, charities and educational institutions that promote and support comprehensive health-care service in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties. Operations of the Shenandoah Valley Medical System also benefit from the fund.

Desiree Shields Fund 2007—Established in memory of Desiree Shields, who died in an automobile accident, her legacy fund is advised by her mother, Darlene Truman.

Stephen G. Skinner Family Fund 2102—Created primarily to help fund West Virginia nonprofit organizations that provide services to at-risk families and economically disadvantaged citizens.

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The City National Bank Charitable Fund was established in 2008 when Charleston based City National Bank expanded operations into the Eastern Panhandle and donated $100,000 to the Community Foundation. This gift, like all of our endowed funds, was invested and employees of the bank have been recommending grants from the investment gains ever since. Currently the market value of the City National Bank Charitable Fund has grown to just over $125,000 and more than $25,000 has been awarded to charities recommended by the employee-advisors.

Grants from the fund have been made to Main Street Martinsburg, Shenandoah Women’s Center, Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Panhandle, Faith Christian Academy, Berkeley County Historical Society, Hospice of the Panhandle, Morgan County Starting Points, Berkeley Senior Services, Children’s Home Society of West Virginia, Birthright of Charles Town, Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic, American Cancer Society, Poor House Farm Arena Committee, Blue Ridge Community & Technical College, Shepherd University Friends of Music, and the Eastern Panhandle Juvenile Drug Court.
---DONOR ADVISED FUNDS---

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W. Randy Smith Family Fund 2010—Sharing his good fortune with the Eastern Panhandle community, Mr. Smith created his family fund soon after winning the Powerball Jackpot lottery. Distributions benefit nonprofit organizations serving Berkeley County, its public safety, human welfare and advancement of quality of life.

Social Change Fund 2010—An anonymous donor in our community established this fund to benefit area charities.

Solomon Fine Memorial Fund 2005—Created through a bequest and in cooperation with BB&T Wealth Management, this community fund provides an annual grant to charitable, religious or civic organizations in Martinsburg or Berkeley County as a special commendation for outstanding work and leadership for the betterment of citizens in the area.

SPARC Foundation Fund 2003—Founded by Bill and Barbara Scott, this fund is dedicated to encouraging human development among youth and families in the Eastern Panhandle.

Arnie and Becky Stotler Fund 2011—Named 2011 Spirit of the Panhandle, the Stotlers created this fund to aid charities serving Morgan County.

Strauch Family Fund 1999—This fund was established by Dr. Robert S. Strauch to benefit primarily arts, culture and education.

Thornton Family Charitable Fund 2013—Established as a seed fund by friends of Larry Thornton upon his retirement from City National Bank, the fund was fully endowed with a gift from Larry and Pam in late 2013.

Two Rivers Giving Circle Fund 2008—Established by a group of area donors, this fund enjoys the flexibility of the Community Foundation by both building endowment and providing “pass-through” grants to benefit area programs and charities that focus on historic preservation and area conservation. Donors who make gifts of predetermined amounts (set by the group) serve as donor-advisors for grantmaking recommendations.

Van Order and Barney Family Fund 2013—Great Cacapon residents Anne Barney and Stephen Van Order established this fund to support a number of favorite charitable causes, including ones in Morgan County.

Paul and Lisa Welch Fund 2009—This fund follows the charitable vision created by its founders, Paul and Lisa Welch, primarily supporting nonprofit organizations in Shepherdstown, Jefferson County and throughout the Eastern Panhandle.

Bill and Nancy White Charitable Fund 2010—Established with an end-of-year gift in 2013, this fund will primarily support educational programs and nonprofit organizations in the Eastern Panhandle. Donors Bill and Nancy White and their daughters, Ashley and Amy, serve as advisors.

Valerie S. Wilbur Health Policy Fellowship Fund 2015—Grants from the fund are awarded to nonprofit organizations that specialize in programs for frail, disabled and chronically ill persons who are dually eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid. The fellowship program administered by these nonprofit organizations helps provide onsite, practical, short-term, real world learning experiences for legislative and regulatory staff in Washington D.C.

Geri Wissinger Fund 2006—Created by her sister in memory of the late Geri Wissinger, the fund supports wildlife refuges and birding sanctuaries.

Wurzburg/Hill Family Church Fund 2008—Thanks to the generosity of Gretchen Wurzburg, four churches in the Martinsburg area benefit from this fund.

Wurzburg/Hill Family Fund 2008—Charitable organizations providing recreational programs in Berkeley County receive grants from this fund, which is advised by Travis and Scarlett Hill.

June Zimmerman Health and Fitness Fund 2005—This fund provides grants to promote exercise and health in our community.

Valerie S. Wilbur Health Policy Fellowship Fund

Valerie S. Wilbur lived in Jefferson County and worked in Washington D.C. with her husband, Rich Bringewatt. Christmas was her favorite time of year and when she passed away in late 2014, family and friends decided to honor her with a Christmas-themed Celebration of Life and an endowed fund at the Community Foundation.

Valerie was a national leader advocating for quality health care for poor, frail, disabled, and chronically ill persons. She had a unique understanding of legislative and regulatory processes at the federal level and how policy translates to health care in the real world.

The Valerie S. Wilbur Health Policy Fellowship Fund was established with gifts from family, friends and associates to help her work live on by creating a program to bridge the gap between policy and practice by providing short-term but intense learning experiences.

This donor advised fund will award grants to nonprofit organizations to offer career support for legislative and regulatory staff in Washington D.C. to advance policy to help the more than 9 million poor, frail, disabled, and chronically ill persons who are often unable to speak on their own behalf.
Designated Funds

—SUPPORTING FAVORITE CHARITIES IN PERPETUITY—

Establishing a Designated Fund allows you to support the good work of a specific nonprofit organization — a senior center, museum or virtually any nonprofit charitable organization. Because it’s given through your Community Foundation, your gift provides the organization you select with funding and investment management services through the power of endowment.

**Designated Funds**

**EWVCF Administrative Endowment Fund 2004**—Originally founded by Community Foundation former Presidents Doug Roach, Tia McMillan and Diane Dailey, this fund’s distributions help offset the annual operating expenses of the Community Foundation — our own endowment for the future.

**Ambrose Park Children’s Garden Fund 2013**—This fund was created to help provide financial support for the new Children’s Garden in Ambrose Park next to the Wurzburg Dog Park in Martinsburg.

**Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County Fund 2010**—A planned gift by Helen Jackson Bowser created this designated fund to benefit the Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County.

**Berkeley Arts Council Endowment Fund 2012**—This donor-designated fund supports the operations of the Berkeley Arts Council, which serves Martinsburg and Berkeley County, West Virginia.

**BBBS—Junior Mentoring Programs (JUMP)**—Multiple donors — Don Owen, Andrew Michael, Robert Strauch and Joanna Abbruzese — helped to begin this endowment fund to benefit this organization that matches high-risk and at-need children with volunteering adults, or “Bigs,” who spend time to build long-term relationships with their “Littles.”

**Boys and Girls Club of the Eastern Panhandle Fund 2006**—Launched by Richard Durham, this fund provides general support to this group, which offers safe-haven, programs, clubs, recreation and activities to many area youth.

**Boys and Girls Club of Morgan County Gail A. Shade Fund 2004**—This fund supports the Boys and Girls Club of the Eastern Panhandle and its Morgan County facility in honor of 2004 Spirit of the Panhandle volunteer Gail Shade, who helped to create the club. CNB Bank, Inc. donated funding to establish this endowment.

**CASA of the Eastern Panhandle Fund 2007**—This charity serving abused and neglected children in the tri-county will forever benefit from the generosity of Tari Hampe-Deneen, 2007 Spirit of the Panhandle honoree, with this permanent endowment made possible by CNB Bank, Inc.

**C-CAP Loaves and Fishes Fund 2008**—Generously founded by Trinity United Methodist Church, this fund provides annual support to this core health and human service organization serving Berkeley County residents in rent assistance, financial management and general aid.

**Charles Town Rotary J.B. Smith Memorial Fund 2003**—Set up in memory of Harpers Ferry’s J.B. Smith, who was killed in an automobile accident in 1998 at age 23, this fund was established by the Charles Town Rotary to benefit Jefferson Memorial Park, public high-school baseball athletics in Jefferson County and the Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic.

**Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic Fund 2005**—Created in honor of Katharine Costea, named 2005 Spirit of the Panhandle. She selected the Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic as her endowment beneficiary to support its commitment to serving those in need with medical care. The fund was sponsored by Bank of Charles Town.

**Eastern Panhandle Young Life Endowment Fund 2006**—This designated fund will forever benefit the local chapter of Young Life, a program dedicated to reaching out to school-aged youth with faith-based gatherings, activities and programs.

**Endowment for Special Needs 2004**—This fund supports the Hedgesville-based Groves Center, which provides training and occupational involvement for special needs adults.

**First Presbyterian Church Angel Fund 2007**—Created by a charter Board member of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation, Phil Seibert, this fund allows the leaders of the church congregation to help individuals and families in need in our community who suffer from catastrophic and unexpected events.

**Habitat for Humanity Endowment Fund 2005**—Launched by C. David and Barbara L. Miller, this fund provides annual general operating support for this tri-county organization that brings together community resources to build housing for those in need.

**Hawkins & Whalton Family Fund 2013**—A Legacy Society gift will fund this endowment to support favorite nonprofit organizations and charitable causes of Michael and Susan Hawkins Whalton.

**George W. and Holly Woods Hancock Memorial Fund — Mt. Zion Methodist Church Fund 1995**—Mr. Hancock honored his wife’s memory and their faith by creating this organizational endowment fund to benefit Martinsburg’s Mt. Zion Methodist Church.

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Healthy Smiles Dental Health Fund 2007—Created by Dean and Betty Russell — and added to by dozens of friends and caring citizens in the community — this fund helps to address the dental health needs of our community, including some 10,000 Medicaid children needing dental service in the tri-county area.

Jefferson County Public Schools Fund 2006—This fund provides funding for the support, continuation and advancement of public education K–12 programs in Jefferson County.

James E. Keel Jefferson County Community Ministries Fund 2008—This fund provides a perpetual funding source for the Jefferson County Community Ministry, serving those in need with clothing, a food pantry and other aid.

Floyd and Mike Kursey Fund 2011—Named 2011 Spirit of the Panhandle, Floyd and Michaela “Mike” Kursey’s fund benefits Hospice of the Panhandle.

Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission Fund honoring Bill and Libby Crowe 2012—Established by an anonymous donor who wanted to pay tribute to Pastor and Mrs. Crowe, this fund will provide financial resources to support the Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission and its programs.

Arthur H. Miller Fund 2006—Created by bequest, Arthur Miller designated his fund to provide annual grants to benefit Berkeley County Senior Services.

Ginnie Molnar Fund for Special Athletes 2004—Created by BB&T Wealth Management in honor of 2004 Spirit of the Panhandle volunteer Ginnie Molnar, this fund provides annual support to Special Olympians in Berkeley County.

Pat & Bev Murphy Boys & Girls Club Arts Fund 2013—Our 2013 Berkeley County Spirit of the Panhandle honoree Pat Murphy and his wife, Bev, established this fund to support art programs at the Boys & Girls Club in Martinsburg. Annual distributions will be used to purchase supplies, equipment and reference materials for the photography program and other arts programs offered by the Club.

Norborne Preschool/Sarah Steptoe Charitable Fund 2013—Established in honor of one of the founders and long-time champions of Norborne Preschool, this endowment fund will provide resources to assist in operating this highly respected organization.

Ron Nordeen/Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Fund 1999—Founded in honor of Ron Nordeen, this fund provides an endowment for the Good Shepherd Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, which provides caregiving and support for elderly, homebound and needy citizens in Jefferson County. A gift from Conrad C. Hammann, Sr., first “seeded” the fund.

Patient Care of Hospice Fund 2007—With funds made possible by BB&T Wealth Management and through the charitable vision of 2007 Spirit of the Panhandle honoree Betty Jo Stout, this fund helps financially needy patients under the care of Hospice of the Panhandle.

Peterkin Camp and Conference Center Fund 2013—Shell Agreement—Bonn “Buzz” Poland has established this legacy gift to benefit the Episcopal Dioceses of West Virginia to help maintain and operate the Peterkin Camp and Conference Center in Romney, West Virginia.

Poland Lodge and Camp Rock Enon Fund 2013—Shell Agreement—A legacy gift has been earmarked by Bonn “Buzz” Poland to benefit the Shenandoah Area Council of Boy Scouts of America by providing annual funds to help with upkeep and maintenance of Poland Lodge at Camp Rock Enon.


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The Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic has been serving the medical needs of uninsured and underinsured residents of West Virginia for 14 years. Originally established as a group of dedicated volunteers who saw a need and stepped up to help solve it, the organization has evolved into a highly professional team of nurses, physicians, and support staff who do remarkable work on a shoestring budget. When volunteer Kathy Costea was recognized by the Community Foundation as Jefferson County’s 2005 Spirit of the Panhandle, she created a designated fund for the CARE Clinic with her award. That original $5,000 gift has attracted additional contributions and the endowment has grown to over $30,000. As a United Way Partner Agency, the CARE Clinic is one of the organizations that benefits from the Day of Caring.
Reliving History Fund 2009—This fund supports programs that enrich and support the restoration, preservation and interpretation of historic sites with significant relevance between years 1750–1800 in the Eastern Panhandle, such as the Peter Burr House (the oldest wood frame structure in West Virginia) in Kearneysville, WV.

Steven M. and Tina F. Roach Camp and Mission Fund 2009—This designated fund supports youth attending camps and/or mission trips in the U.S. or abroad. The fund works with Young Life, St. Luke’s United Methodist Church and Otterbein United Methodist Church to identify interested youth.

Rosabell and James Roman Fund 2009—Rosabell Roman was honored as a 2009 Spirit of the Panhandle honoree. She designated her fund to benefit her church, Mount Zion United Methodist Church, Martinsburg.

Myrtle Schneiderhan Fund 2008—This legacy fund supports the programs and services provided by Trinity Episcopal Church, Martinsburg.

Ernie Schrider and Friends Fund 2009—Named a 2009 Spirit of the Panhandle, Ernie Schrider designated his fund to equally benefit Morgan County Starting Points and the American Cancer Society.


Shenandoah Women’s Center Fund 2005—Created in honor of 2005 Spirit of the Panhandle Ruth Veach, this fund supports the critical day-to-day work of the Shenandoah Women’s Center.

Trinity Episcopal Church Angel Fund 2007—Founded by Phil Seibert, this fund allows the leaders of the church congregation to help individuals and families in need from our community.

Trinity Episcopal Church Fund 2013—Bonn “Buzz” Poland established this shell agreement in his estate plan to provide future funding to support the operations of Trinity Episcopal Church in Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Trinity Lutheran Church Needmore Cemetery Fund 1997—The Trustees of Trinity Lutheran Church established this endowment fund for maintenance, repair and upkeep of Berkeley County’s Needmore Cemetery, Arden, West Virginia.

Dan VanBelleghem Fund 2011—Named for the 2011 Spirit of the Panhandle, Dan’s honorary fund supports programs offered by Good Shepherd Interfaith Caregivers and the Eastern Panhandle CARE Clinic.

The George Washington Chair of Living Ethics at Shepherd University 2002—The Fund for the George Washington Chair of Living Ethics was established with an initial gift from Dr. Donald Patthoff in order to endow a Community Ethics Chair at Shepherd University in Jefferson County, West Virginia. Until the fund reaches $300,000 in total endowment (the minimum necessary to support an Ethics Chair), periodic grants will be made to Shepherd University for programs and projects that explore and nurture the character of our communities as embodied by our nation’s first president.

The Washington family was instrumental in settling our region; their ideals and ethics intermingled with their neighbors, and helped shape our nation. West Virginia’s Eastern Panhandle remains a living legacy and a guiding light for our region and our nation.

John S. Wharton Charitable Fund 2004—Created through the estate of John Wharton and in cooperation with First United Bank and Trust, this fund benefits eight specific charities yearly: Junior Mentoring Programs (JUMP), Hospice of the Panhandle, Martinsburg Public Library, Martinsburg Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, Shawnee Girl Scouts Council, Shenandoah Area Council Boy Scouts of America, and Shenandoah Women’s Center.

Helen Wolford Humane Society Fund 2010—Ms. Wolford created this designated fund as a legacy to support the Berkeley County Humane Society with annual distributions to help offset expenses of providing care for animals waiting to be adopted.
Field-of-Interest Funds

By establishing a Field-of-Interest Fund, you can target your gift to address needs in an important and specific area of community life: Arts. AIDS. Aging. At-risk youth. Historic Preservation. Conservation. You identify your personal interest area when making your gift; our board awards grants to community organizations and programs that are making a difference in the area you select. Your gift stays flexible enough to meet community needs in your interest area — even as they change over time.

Field-of-Interest Funds

Endowment for the Arts 1997 — The Shepherdstown Rotary Club helped to seed this fund with a gift to benefit an area orchestra no longer in operation. Grants from the fund now support arts and cultural programs in the Eastern Panhandle.

EWVCF Endowment for Recreation 1997 — Created with collective gifts, this field-of-interest fund supports recreational programs in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

Frada Fine Berkeley Education Fund 2006 — Launched with the support of BB&T Wealth Management, this fund provides resources to Berkeley County public schools, and their educational programs and initiatives.

Housing Action Fund 2005 — Launched by Dan Ryan Builders, this fund aids charities that address homeless conditions in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

Catherine S. and Clarence E. Martin, Jr. and Juanita and Vernon L Gray Charitable Fund 2012 — Established by CEM and Judy Martin and based on financial need, this fund will provide assistance to Berkeley County First Responders injured in the line of duty, and to the families of those First Responders killed in the line of duty.

Bonn Poland Family Roundhouse Recreation Fund 1998 — This fund was established by Bonn “Buzz” Poland based on his interest to include youth programs and recreational opportunities within the renovation of the Baltimore and Ohio Roundhouse in Martinsburg.

Robert A. Sanders Fund 2005 — Created in his memory by his wife, Sylvia Sanders, this fund provides grants for programs that address poverty, and support economic development in and improvement of distressed neighborhoods and communities in the Eastern Panhandle.

Tom and Virginia Seely Children’s Fund 2007 — Tom and Virginia Seely, known for their long-time philanthropy to support, promote, aid and educate youth, set up this field-of-interest fund to support such programs in Morgan County.

C. Scott and Elizabeth C. Shade Youth Fund 2004 — This field-of-interest fund provides support for youth programs in Berkeley County as a legacy to Elizabeth Shade, who spent her lifetime as a nurse and loved children.

Jane P. Snyder Youth Fund 1997 — Jane Snyder’s interest in the health and well being of our youth and her desire to improve their opportunities and quality of life led her to create this field-of-interest fund through a bequest to the Community Foundation.

West Virginia Nursing Home Resident Fund 2011 — Seed — Created by Meredith Rose Frank as inspired by her late father, Guy Frank, this fund provides resources to assist needy residents in local nursing home facilities with financial resources to cover quality-of-life essentials, such as hearing aids, eyeglasses and more.

Helen Parker Willard Fund 2006 — Created by her grandson, Henry Willard, this field-of-interest fund benefits specially designated Jefferson County cemeteries with their efforts to maintain and protect civil war gravesites and public-use areas of community history.

Youth Advisory Council Fund 2012 — Established to help teach philanthropy to young men and women by providing financial resources for youth advisory councils to make grants to West Virginia nonprofit organizations.

The Tom and Virginia Seely Morgan County Children’s Fund

The Tom and Virginia Seely Morgan County Children’s Fund was established by the Seelys to provide financial resources to charities that help sick, needy, dependent, neglected and disadvantaged youth. Additionally, the fund awards grants to schools and agencies that provide educational, athletic, social, civic and community based activities that involve or support children. When Mrs. Seely passed away in 2013, Mr. Seely continued their efforts to improve the quality of life for all children who live in Morgan County. Through the Seely Foundation and this Fund, the man who founded Tom Seely Furniture in the 1960s is leaving a lasting legacy for all of us in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.
Unrestricted Funds

— ENVISIONING FUTURE NEEDS TODAY —

When you establish an Unrestricted Fund, your gift can address a broad range of local needs — including future needs that often cannot be anticipated at the time your gift is made. We evaluate all aspects of community well-being: arts and culture, economic development, education, environment, health and human services, neighborhood revitalization and more. The flexibility of your unrestricted gift enables your Community Foundation’s program experts to respond to the community’s most pressing needs, today and tomorrow.

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**Unrestricted Funds**

**Centennial Visionary Fund**—This Fund was established by the Members of the Board of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation in honor of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first community foundation. The funds will be invested without being assessed any administrative fees by EWVCF or making any grant distributions for 50 years, when in 2065 one-half of the total assets will be transferred to the EWVCF Endowment for the Community. The remaining half will be invested without being assessed any administrative fees by EWVCF or making any grant distributions for the next 50 years, when in 2115 the total accumulated assets will be transferred to the EWVCF Endowment for the Community.

**EWVCF Endowment for the Community 2002**—The Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation’s Board of Directors established this fund to meet the many changing needs of our community. Such Board-directed grantmaking is an all-important resource for the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation and its mission to improve the quality of life for all people in Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

**Jefferson County Community Endowment Fund 2014**—This fund was established to provide distributions to support Jefferson County West Virginia-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, churches, schools and government agencies that primarily serve distressed communities or economically disadvantaged individuals and families.

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**Centennial Visionary Fund**

Inspired by the 100th anniversary of the founding of America’s first community foundation, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation (EWVCF) has created the Centennial Visionary Fund, an endowment that will be invested with the organization’s other assets and, over the next 100 years, grow to more than $25 million. Along the way, the fund will distribute more than $1.3 million to area nonprofits and, beginning in 2115, grant approximately $1.2 million annually to fund the Eastern Panhandle’s most pressing charitable needs.

“We believe in providing a lasting legacy for generations to come, and through the power of compounding we’ll be able to do that with this Visionary Fund,” said EWVCF President Scott Roach. “Based on historic investment returns, we project that the Visionary Fund will grow at 8% annually and by 2065 will top $1.1 million.” No administrative fee will be assessed and no distributions will be made during the first 50 years, after which one-half of the fund will become an unrestricted endowment awarding annual grants of $25,000 or more per year to area charities; the other half will grow undisturbed until 2015.

The concept was inspired by Ben Franklin, who in his Last Will and Testament left bequests to Boston and Philadelphia predicated on their stewardship of the asset for 100 years before expending funds to benefit their citizens.

After learning about the concept, Doug and Joan Roach were so moved that they also established a $25,000 Visionary Fund in recognition of the Foundation’s 20th anniversary. Assets in the Doug and Joan Roach Visionary Fund will be invested for 30 years, then one-third of the total assets will be transferred to an advised fund where descendants of the Roach and Gruver families, along with members of the community-at-large, will recommend grants to faith-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations serving the Eastern Panhandle. The remaining assets will continue to grow and be distributed to the Roach’s Charitable Fund over the next 70 years.
Scholarship Funds

—HELPING STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS—

In creating a Scholarship, you invest in your community’s future and show students you care. Your community foundation provides the expertise to help you meet your personal goals and awards scholarships to deserving students. Your gift can help students — from preschool to postgraduate — achieve their lifetime dreams.

BERKELEY COUNTY TEACHERS’ SCHOLARSHIP FUND 1996 — Corning Glass Works and the Corning Foundation founded this fund to help send Vicky Bultett’s family to the 1992 Summer Olympics, where Ms. Bultett won a gold medal playing with the USA women’s basketball team. Surplus gifts started this permanent endowment to benefit college-bound teachers.

Deborah, Leslie, and Christopher Bright Achievement Fund 2007 — Created by Dr. Harold and Mrs. Janice Bright, this fund, named for their children, provides scholarships to talented science and music students from Morgan and Hampshire counties as they participate in scientific research programs or private and conservatory music lessons.

Walter and Mary Jo Ziler Brown Fund 2006 — This fund helps Eastern Panhandle students study animal husbandry, agriculture or veterinary medicine.

Emily C. Cooper Bee Line Chapter of N.S. Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship Fund 2011 — Female residents in Jefferson County with good grades, financial need and solid character, and who seek a higher education benefit from this fund.

Emily C. Cooper Jefferson County ROTC Scholarship Fund 2011 — Enrollees with Jefferson County’s ROTC program with financial need benefit from this fund as they seek higher education.

Anna Jo Crosby Scholarship Fund 2003 — Anna Jo Crosby’s friends, family and husband created this tribute in her memory. Scholarships support Morgan County high school graduates pursuing a degree in biology or veterinary medicine.

Derflinger Earth Sciences Scholarship Fund 2006 — This fund, created by Jerry Derflinger, helps Berkeley County students with financial need attend a West Virginia college or university to study agriculture, forestry, geology, archeology or environmental science.

Destiny Baptist Church Patrick J. Walker Scholarship Fund 2013 — This community scholarship fund was established by Destiny Baptist Church congregants in honor of much-beloved former pastor Patrick J. Walker. College-bound graduates who are members of Destiny Baptist Church are eligible to apply.

Polly Dillon Scholarship Fund 1998 — Mary Coe Dillon, a retired school teacher, invested her professional career in educating Berkeley County children. Her fund is dedicated to providing scholarships to Hedgesville High School graduates interested in pursuing a four-year degree in agriculture or related natural sciences.

Mary and Walter Duke Teachers Scholarship Fund 2007 — In creating this scholarship, Walter and Mary Duke were inspired by the generosity and fond memory of Francis and Virginia (Hon) Frye, business owners and civic leaders in Jefferson County, who nurtured and mentored Mary Duke as she began her teaching career. Since Walter and Mary both dedicated many years of their lives to teaching, they designed their fund to support future generations of Shepherd University students seeking a degree in teaching.

Harry H. Hardie—James Rumsey Scholarship Fund 2012 — Established in the Last Will and Testament of Harry Hardie, this needs-based scholarship benefits students from Musselman High School who will attend James Rumsey Technical Institute.

Fischer Family Fund 1999 — This scholarship fund was established by Dr. Frank H. Fischer to provide scholarships to eligible recipients pursuing an associate degree in business or accounting.

Dr. N. Blaine Groves/Rotary Scholarship Fund 2001 — The Martinsburg Rotary Club created this scholarship fund in memory of Dr. N. Blaine Groves to benefit Berkeley County high-school graduates.

Chad Hammond Memorial Scholarship Fund 2014 — Founded by friends of Chad Hammond, this scholarship helps a graduating senior from Musselman High School who has participated in sports, has a proven financial need, and will attend Marshall University or another college or university in the State of West Virginia.

George W. and Holly Woods Hancock Scholarship Fund 1995 — George Hancock became the charter donor of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation when he established this fund with a gift of $100,000. Mr. Hancock directed YMCA organizations around the nation for 43 years. His wife taught kindergarten. Their work inspired this fund that provides higher education scholarships to African American students graduating from Berkeley County high schools.
David A. “Hawk” Hawkens Scholarship Fund 2003—Created by friends and family of USAF Captain David Hawkens, this fund serves as a memorial to his life. College-bound students with financial need from Jefferson, Morgan and Hampshire counties are eligible.

Floyd and Isabel Jacques Memorial Scholarship Fund 2010—Established as a legacy gift through his estate, Mr. Jacques created this endowed fund to honor his late wife and to benefit students graduating from Musselman High School in the top 10% of their class.

Karos Family Fund 2006—Created by Martinsburg Mayor George Karos, this scholarship helps Berkeley County students who intend to become pharmacists.

Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund 2000—To honor the memory of one of the nation’s great leaders, the Martin Luther King Scholarship Committee established this endowed fund to distribute scholarships to graduating seniors from Jefferson, Berkeley and Morgan counties.

Susan Knott Memorial Scholarship Fund 2014—Established in memory of longtime Jefferson County teacher Susan Knott, this academic scholarship will be awarded to a Jefferson High School student who is pursuing a degree in History or Political Science at a college or university in West Virginia.

Martinsburg 200th Anniversary Scholarship Fund 1996—Berkeley County high-school graduates seeking a four-year degree are eligible for scholarships from this fund, established with surplus funds from the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the founding of Martinsburg.

Martinsburg High School Class of 1964 Fund 2009—Created with gifts from dozens of Class of ‘64 graduates, this fund provides scholarships for future graduates of Martinsburg High School attending a West Virginia higher education institution.

Mullers Electric Scholarship Fund 2007—Berkeley County students at James Rumsey Technical Institute ready to study Electrical/Electromechanical Technology, Heating/Ventilation/Air Conditioning & Refrigeration, or Culinary Arts benefit from this fund created by this family-owned business.

Todd Mosby Memorial Scholarship Fund 2011—Inspired by the remarkable athleticism of the late Todd Mosby (a 2000 Musselman High graduate), the Eastern Panhandle WVU Mountaineer Fan Club created this fund in his memory to benefit Berkeley County students with a sports background and financial need who seek to attend WVU.

Dr. Theodore K. Oates Nursing Scholarship Fund 2014—The advisors of the Berkeley County Industrial Park Development Fund established this scholarship fund for students who are graduating from, or are graduates of, a Berkeley County high school and are planning on studying nursing at one of the colleges, universities or technical institutes in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia. One scholarship of approximately $5,000 will be awarded annually.

Lauren Le-An Porterfield Oblak Memorial Scholarship Fund 2014—Seed—Established by Lauren Porterfield’s siblings, Rhonda, Andrew and Joyce Porterfield, and funded with memorial gifts from family and friends, this fund will award scholarships to female athletes from Martinsburg High School.

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Dr. T.K. Oates Nursing Scholarship Established to Honor City Hospital Founder

MEMBERS OF THE Berkeley County Industrial Park Development Fund recently established a scholarship at the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation to help Berkeley County high school graduates pursue a career in nursing. Named in honor of the founder of Martinsburg’s City Hospital, the Dr. Theodore K. Oates Nursing Scholarship Fund will annually award one $5,000 scholarship to a student enrolled in a nursing degree program at Shepherd University, Blue Ridge Community & Technical College, or James Rumsey Technical Institute.

Dr. Oates was born in Hampshire County, WV in 1869, went to public schools in Capon Bridge, attended Shenandoah Normal College, and earned his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Maryland School of Medicine in 1896. Soon after graduation, he married Altha S. Oglesbee and their only child, Max Oglesbee Oates, was born in 1901 in Capon Bridge, where Dr. Oates had established his medical practice. The family moved to Martinsburg in 1903 and the following year Dr. Oates founded City Hospital. A School of Nursing was established in 1909 and for nearly 50 years Dr. Oates was the moving force behind City Hospital and the School of Nursing. Several retired nurses who graduated from the School of Nursing still live in the area.

The award will be paid directly to the school in equal annual installments and the scholarship recipient need not be a recent high school graduate, but must have graduated (or earned a GED) from a Berkeley County, WV high school. In addition, individuals interested in applying for a scholarship must be planning on remaining in the area and working as a nurse upon graduation.
Applying for a Scholarship

The process to apply for a scholarship from the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation is fairly simple, as all of our scholarships, along with the guidelines and restrictions, are listed in one place. That way a student can read about each of the thirty-some scholarships offered, select the one (or ones) he or she wants to apply for, then download the guidelines and application and follow the instructions. Of course it is more complicated than just “filling in the blanks” so give yourself plenty of time to get it right. Since all scholarship applicants must also write and submit an essay, we suggest that you begin the process just before the end of the calendar year so you have plenty of time to submit everything prior to March 1st. To read the guidelines for each of the scholarships go to www.EWVCF.org, and follow the link to our scholarship page.
Congratulations to our 2014 Scholarship Recipients and Heartfelt Thanks to the Donors who Established the Scholarship Funds.

Natalie Adams
Eastern Panhandle WVU Alumni Association Scholarship

Jimmie Austin
Whalton Family Fund

Misha Awad
Polly Dillon Scholarship

Taylor Bayer
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Allyson Bayer
Floyd and Isabel Jacques Memorial Scholarship

Robert Blair
Todd Mosby Memorial Scholarship

Roosevelt Boh
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Emma Bostic
Walter and Mary Jo Ziler Brown Scholarship

Jada Brown
George W. and Holly Woods Hancock Scholarship

Sabrina Buhagiar
Berkeley County Teachers’ Scholarship

Matthew Burdette
The Woods Resort Scholarship

Taylor Butts
George W. Whitehair Scholarship

Shania Campbell
Wurzburg Family Scholarship

Olivia Carlisle
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Clifford Corbett
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Lindsey Criswell
Berkeley County Teacher’s Scholarship

Ryan Decker
Dr. N. Blaine Groves / Rotary Scholarship

Lindsay Dodds
Steeley Memorial Scholarship

Savana Earnest
George W. Whitehair Scholarship
2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Antonia Feliz-Redman
David A. “Hawk” Hawkens Scholarship

Kaylee Femi
Berkeley County Teacher’s Scholarship

Ryan Fischer
The Woods Resort Scholarship
Anna Jo Crosby Scholarship

Sarah Fizer
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Kiersten Franklin
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Elisha Freeman
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Samantha Gardner
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Anna Gilpin
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Ahry Green
Martin Luther King Scholarship

Jenna Hardy
Clyde E. Smith, Jr. Scholarship

Thomas Hargroves
Martinsburg 200th Anniversary Scholarship

Destiny Harrison
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Margaret James
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Madison Smallwood
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Alexis Smallwood
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Ronald Stephens
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Cheyenne Steuer
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Brittany Stillwell
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Kendra Wenner
Terry Lee Walker Jr. Scholarship

Alexa White
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Katie Wingert
Overington Scholarship
### 2014 Foundation Grants

**AWARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO QUALITY PROGRAMS**

In 2014, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation granted more than $500,000 to local nonprofit organizations, churches, and government agencies. Our field-of-interest funds support competitive youth and education grants, while our many other funds provide financial assistance to a wide variety of charitable causes and nonprofit organizations.

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**Robotics Rule!**

*The following email is the kind of correspondence we love to receive!*

Hi,

Morgan County 4-H leaders were awarded a Community Foundation grant last May for our Robotics program. I must say a huge THANK YOU, because that initial grant led us to several more grants totaling over $21,000 and allowed us to bring Lego robotics to Morgan County 4-H and to Morgan County schools! With these other grants, we were able to buy classroom size kits that included the siteware license and therefore do not need the software packs as initially requested. We also received several donated tablets, so we do not need one of those either. May we purchase four laptops with the funds we've saved since we will now have four Robotics kits for our 4-H club?

Thank you,

Cindy Smalley, WVU Extension Agent
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Like so many other animals in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia who face an uncertain future, Dolly was rescued from a hoarder and is now living the good life thanks to the efforts of one of many nonprofit organizations helping animals in our community. In 2014, the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation awarded grants to the Animal Welfare Society of Jefferson County, Berkeley County Humane Society, Days End Farm Horse Rescue, Hedgesville Hounds, and Reach Out Rescue and Resources.

Most 501(C)(3) nonprofit organizations, schools, churches, and government agencies are eligible to apply for grants from the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation. Applications for Youth and Education Grants may be submitted at the beginning of the year and grants are announced in May. Deadlines for other grant programs fall at different times of the year so organizations interested in learning more about the grant process, and what grants are available, should visit our web site at www.EWVCF.org, then navigate to the Grants page within the site. There you will find information about grant types, deadlines and more.
A decade ago, the Hampshire County Community Foundation (HCCF), an affiliate of the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation, was founded in Romney. Since 2005 the foundation has been dedicated to improving the quality of life in the county by connecting people with causes they care about. Education is one of those causes.

In celebration of its 10th anniversary, HCCF is working to create a new endowed fund—the Hampshire County Education Fund—to honor Hampshire County teachers. The foundation hopes to raise $10,000 in a year-long campaign to endow the fund and provide annual funding for education-based initiatives such as its newly established “Mini-Grants to Teachers” program, launched in 2014.

The Mini-Grants program had a serendipitous beginning in Hampshire County: A donor from Jefferson County with ties to Hampshire County attended a reception in Martinsburg in 2013 where more than $12,000 in mini-grants was awarded to area teachers. He was moved by the enthusiasm of the teachers—and wanted to help teachers in Hampshire County have the same opportunity as those in Berkeley County—that he made a gift to HCCF with a request that it be used to launch a teacher mini-grants program.

The program is competitive and open to public school teachers from kindergarten through 12th grade. In its inaugural year in Hampshire County, teachers from Augusta Elementary, Capon Bridge Elementary, Hampshire High and Romney Middle applied for and received grants up to $250 to purchase teaching tools, such as classroom sets of nonfiction books, plays by Tennessee Williams, digital cameras for introducing photography as art, and materials to construct a catapult for hands-on application of physics concepts.

Community partners who helped make this program possible include the Bank of Romney, Northern Eagle Inc., FNB Bank, Valley Health, Richard Durham, Christ Community Church, Romney Moose Lodge #1371 and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 91.

Even before the campaign for the new endowed fund officially launched on February 1, it was off to a great start with its first $1,000 pledge, from Bill and Fran Wylie. “We are delighted to support an initiative that has the potential to provide a lasting source of support for the education of Hampshire County students,” said the Wylies.
Agency Funds
The Rotary Club of Romney Endowment Fund 2013 – Founded by the Rotary Club of Romney, this fund supports the club’s charitable works and programs.

Donor Advised Funds
Erin Michele Pancake Memorial Fund 2009 – In loving memory of Erin, this fund primarily supports charitable organizations promoting positive youth development and substance abuse prevention and education in Hampshire County.

El Dorado Fund 2014 – The primary intent of this fund is to provide services, education support, and career/life-skills. The fund will also provide assistance to economically disadvantaged citizens in economically disadvantaged areas.

Designated Funds
The Hampshire County Energy Express Fund 2010 – Established by the Hampshire County Community Foundation Board of Directors, this fund supports the Energy Express summer reading and nutrition program in Hampshire County.

The Hoy Shingleton Sr. Teen Center Fund 2010 – Established in honor of Hoy Shingleton Sr., by friends and family in celebration of his 90th birthday, earnings from this “seed” fund benefit programs for teens.

Slanesville Presbyterian Angel Fund 2007 – Families suffering from fire, medical catastrophe, and other unexpected hardships will receive some relief from this fund dedicated to Hampshire County.

Field of Interest Funds
Hampshire County Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Fund 2009 – established by multiple donors as a way to acknowledge and support the essential role EMS plays in helping preserve life and supporting the health and well-being of people living in and visiting Hampshire County, distributions from this fund will provide support for their operations.

William Brady and Jean Taylor Rannels Fund 2006 – Distributions from this fund, founded to honor the donor’s parents who met, lived, loved, and raised a family in Hampshire County, will benefit youth and health programs in Hampshire County.

J. Holland and Anita Rannels and Gordon and Mona Saville Fund 2011 – Established by the family of Buford and Gloria Rannells Saville, this fund benefits hunger-relief programs in Hampshire County.

Scholarship Funds
Deborah, Leslie, and Christopher Bright Achievement Fund 2007 – Founded by Dr. and Mrs. Harold Bright in honor of their children, this fund supports science internships and advanced instruction in classical music performance.

David A. “Hawk” Hawkens Scholarship Fund 2003 – Created by the friends and family of USAF Captain David Hawkens, this fund serves as a memorial to his life. College-bound students from Hampshire, Berkeley, Morgan and Jefferson counties with financial need are eligible.

Rae Ellen Scanlon McKee Scholarship Fund 2010 – Founded in honor of Rae Ellen, who was named the 1991 National Teacher of the Year when she was a teacher at Slanesville Elementary School, this scholarship supports Hampshire High Schools graduates pursuing a degree in education, language arts or reading at a West Virginia college or University.

2014 Spirit of Giving
The Community Foundation celebrated Hampshire County’s generous spirit by shining the spotlight on five organizations and volunteers during its 2014 Spirit of Giving reception. Honorees included Angela McQuaid (Hampshire County Teen Court), Brenda Keckly (Romney Moose Lodge #1371), Emilynn Corbin (Herders & Homemakers 4-H Club, Henry & Lorrie Krautwurst (Capon Valley Neighbor to Neighbor), and Enid Saville (Jersey Mountain Ruritan club).
Wilda Michael Memorial Scholarship Fund 2003 — The family of Wilda Michael established this fund to honor her memory. The fund benefits Hampshire County high school graduates pursuing continuing education.

Jerry Shingleton Scholarship Fund 2012 — Established to provide scholarship assistance to high school graduates in Hampshire and Hardy who want to pursue advanced education and training in the automotive field.

The Bill and Fran Wylie Scholarship Fund 2010 — Established by the 2010 Hampshire County Individual Philanthropist of the Year, this fund will help ensure that young students have the opportunity to participate in statewide educational competitions.

— Unrestricted Funds —

Hampshire County Community Endowment 2006 — Founded by the charter Board of Directors for the Hampshire County Community Foundation, this fund helps to meet changing charitable needs in Hampshire County.

Youth Advisory Council Fund 2012 — Established to help teach philanthropy to young men and women by providing financial resources for youth advisory councils to make grants to West Virginia nonprofit organizations.

—— Grants ———

Totaling $5,986

ANIMAL WELFARE
Hampshire County Commission — $250

EDUCATION
Augusta Elementary School—$750 | Capon Bridge Middle School—$999
Hampshire High School—$1,237 | Romney Middle School—$250

HEALTH
Augusta Volunteer Rescue Squad—$160 | Capon Springs Fire Department—$160
Potomac Highlands Guild—$750 | Romney Rescue Squad—$160
Slanesville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company—$160
Springfield Area Rescue Squad—$160

HUMAN WELFARE
Capon Valley Neighbor to Neighbor—$250 | Children’s Home Society of WV—$200
Herders and Homemakers 4-H Club—$250

YOUTH
Burlington United Methodist Family Services—$250

—— Scholarships ———

Totaling $1,500

RAE ELLEN SCANLON
MCKEE SCHOLARSHIP
MACKENZIE KERNS
Attending Shepherd University

DAVID A. “HAWK” HAWKENS
SARAH FORD
Attending West Virginia University

WILDA MICHAEL MEMORIAL
JOSEPH GRAVES
Attending Lord Fairfax Community College

7th Grade English students at Capon Bridge Middle School reading “Rocket Boys.”

A middle school English teacher applied for a grant through the 2014 Hampshire County Mini-Grants to Teachers program to purchase a classroom set of the novel Rocket Boys. The teacher selected this title as a means to improve reading skills, particularly among boys, who generally score lower than girls on Reading/Language Arts tests. He also liked the fact that the book explores themes like the importance of friendships, believing in your dreams, and family relationships and that the importance of getting a good education is a central message.

He submitted the following midterm grant progress report.

“Rocket Boys has really grabbed my students even though we’ve read only four chapters. Yesterday we read the section where Homer and his friends built their first “rocket” out of an old flashlight and used cherry bombs as “fuel.”

When I asked my class how many of them knew what a cherry bomb was, many hands went up.

This memoir easily captures the imaginations of my 7th graders. The cherry-bomb rocket episode is just one example. My students have easily made personal connections to Rocket Boys, and those connections are important. Connections open minds and enable deeper understanding of the themes of family, perseverance and education that will be explored later in the memoir.”

—Capon Bridge Middle School English Teacher
The Hardy County Founding Fund

The Hardy County Founding Fund is the Hardy County Community Foundation’s charter fund, established by Mrs. Ruth Cook Heishman when she created her will in 2003. This donor advised fund was established, in part, to create, enhance, and sustain educational programs available to students attending public schools in eastern Hardy County, where Mrs. Heishman lived for many years and where she served as a substitute teacher. During her lifetime, she worked to help children and adults in her community succeed in school and life, and the fund she established continues that legacy.

To date, the fund has awarded 35 grants totaling more than $105,000. Grants from the fund have helped update and expand book collections as well as support technology upgrades for the school libraries. Grants have also made educational field trips for students possible and helped teachers enhance student learning with classroom supplies and materials.

Donor advised funds are flexible and convenient, allowing donors to support a variety of charitable causes through their fund anytime they choose. These funds offer a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving.

—— Agency Funds ——

Red Funkhouser Town Park Fund (2009) – Founded by the Wardensville Town Council in honor of Mr. Red Funkhouser, earnings from this fund helps support general operations and maintenance of the J. Allen Hawkins Community Park in Wardensville.

—— Donor Advised Funds ——

Hardy County Founding Fund (2009) – Established by Ruth Cook Heishman through a bequest, this donor advised fund supports educational programs in East Hardy county and general support for the Hardy County affiliate operations.

Margaret Allen Fund (2009) – Founded by Betty Baker, the 2009 Spirit of Hardy County, this fund supports programs and operations of the Hardy County Public Library.


Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College Entrepreneurial and Economic Development Fund (2014) – Distributions from this fund support Eastern West Virginia Community & Technical College’s entrepreneurship and economic development programs.

Marcella Foltz and Don Biller Fund (2010) – Created by the 2010 Spirit of Hardy County, Stanley Foltz, this fund benefits the Mathias Civic Center.

Dyer, Vance, and Harmon Wardensville Recreation Fund (2012) – Established by the 2012 Spirit of Hardy County, Les Barr, this fund provides general support to the Wardensville Community Center with specific focus on the gym and adjoining ball field.

John and Shobie Fisher Fund (2014) – Distributions from this fund are added to the Hardy County Community Endowment, increasing the capacity of the community foundation’s unrestricted fund to address pressing community needs and opportunities.

—— Field of Interest Funds ——

Frances Frye and June Orndorff Fund (2008) – Created by Virginia Vance, the 2008 Spirit of Hardy County honoree, this fund memorializes two individuals who volunteered countless hours to build and maintain the J. Allen Hawkins Park in Wardensville. This field of interest fund supports public parks in the Town of Wardensville.

—— Designated Funds ——

—— Scholarship Funds ——

John and Alvina Chalmers Pappas Memorial Fund (2011) – Winning contestant essayists from East Hardy Early Middle School receive a U.S. Savings bond through this fund created by Capon Valley Bank and the estate of John Pappas.

Kaylee Grace Whetzel Scholarship Fund (2010) – Created in memorial to Kaylee Grace Whetzel, distributions from this fund benefit graduating seniors intending to pursue a degree in a medical field at a West Virginia college or university.
— Unrestricted Funds —

Hardy County Community Endowment (2008) – Grants for a variety of needs and programs specific to Hardy County are provided through this fund.

Youth Advisory Council Fund (2012) – Established to help teach philanthropy to young men and women by providing financial resources for youth advisory councils to make grants to West Virginia nonprofit organizations.

— Grants —

Totaling $24,725

EDUCATION
East Hardy Early Middle School—$10,500 | East Hardy High School—$10,500
Moorefield Lions Club—$500

RECREATION
Town of Wardensville—$3,225

— Scholarships —

Totaling $950

KAYLEE GRACE WHETZEL SCHOLARSHIP
RUBY FRIDLEY
Attending Potomac State College

JOHN AND ALVINA CHALMERS PAPPAS SCHOLARSHIP
HOLLY WILLIAMS
(no photo)
Attending East Hardy Early Middle School

The Hardy County Community Foundation enjoys the support of many businesses in the area. Our Partners in Philanthropy contribute amounts ranging from $500 to $2,000 per year. These funds provide underwriting support for our annual events, including our Volunteer Hardy day of giving, Spirit of Hardy County celebration, and our annual Donors & Grantees reception. They also support endowment-building and grant making and help us undertake new programs and initiatives that promote local giving.

We extend our sincere thanks to our 2014 Partners in Philanthropy!

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There are two things I believe wholeheartedly in,” said Summit Community Bank Vice President Rob Tissue, “education and free enterprise. I wanted to start something that would support those two things and something that would endure.”

Tissue has established an endowment fund through the Hardy County Community Foundation—The Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College Entrepreneurial and Economic Development Fund—which will support the program of the same name.

Tissue, who grew up in St. Albans and lives in Greenbrier County, said Hardy County is his “adopted home” and he wanted to give something back. “What better way than to support two organizations that mean a lot to me, the Community Foundation and the community college” he said. Tissue has served on the Board of Governors of the Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical College (EWVCTC), known as Eastern, for seven years and has been chair for three.

“Entrepreneurial economic development is very beneficial to a community,” he said. “We have the Rural Development Authority, which brings industry, but the real driver of jobs is small business.”

Tissue said he thinks many small businesses fail because their owners aren’t properly prepared. “They don’t adequately assess the market and determine who they’re going to sell to,” he said. “That’s where Eastern comes in. It’s not just a place for kids getting out of high school. It’s a place for all ages and backgrounds. There is so much opportunity there.”

Eastern’s Adjunct Professor of Entrepreneurial Studies, Joe Kapp, agrees. “Entrepreneurship and small businesses are the cornerstone of economic development in the Potomac Highlands,” said Kapp. “This fund will help launch additional initiatives aimed at expanding entrepreneurship in our region.”

“Eastern established the Institute of Rural Entrepreneurship and Economic Development (IREED) to create, support and sustain an innovation-based economy in the Potomac Highlands,” said Eastern President Dr. Charles Terrell. “The recent opening of the New Biz Launchpad in Wardensville and having an Entrepreneur in Residence demonstrates Eastern’s commitment to small business development in the region. I am delighted and appreciate Rob Tissue’s generous gift of establishing an endowment fund through the Community Foundation. His gift demonstrates a commitment to support students, individuals and entrepreneurship initiatives.”

Special thanks to Jean A. Flanagan of the Moorefield Examiner for her contribution to this story.
When former Berkeley County Sheriff Randy Smith won $44.3 million in a PowerBall jackpot in August 2010, one of the first things he did was establish the W. Randy Smith Family Fund at the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation with gifts totaling $5.9 million. During the past four years this donor advised fund has awarded more than 80 grants, totaling nearly $3 million, to Berkeley County nonprofit organizations.

Most recently, the W. Randy Smith Family Fund has installed new commercial grade freezers and refrigerators in several food pantries in the county, made a sizeable grant to Martinsburg-Berkeley County Parks and Recreation for the new Children’s Garden at Ambrose Park, commissioned two bulldog sculptures for Martinsburg High School, and purchased professional grade exercise and weight training equipment to outfit the Berkeley County Sheriff's Department fitness center. The fund has also awarded grants to the local Boy Scouts in honor of Buzz Poland, and made a generous gift of two brand new pickup trucks, one to Panhandle Home Health and the other to Hospice of the Panhandle.

A wonderful thing about the W. Randy Smith Family Fund is that, even while millions of dollars in grants are being awarded, the balance of the fund continues to grow thanks to prudent investing and strong market returns. Our community will forever be grateful to Randy Smith for his support of so many local nonprofit organizations, schools, churches, and government agencies. We wish him and his family the very best and we look forward to the day when he hits another PowerBall jackpot, for we are certain that no one could be more generous to our community.
2014 Foundation Gifts

—CONTRIBUTING FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION—

Donors who make contributions to the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation do so for a number of reasons. Some want to leave a legacy for generations to come, while others simply want to support a favorite nonprofit organization or charitable cause. Whatever their reason for giving, we are most grateful for their kindness and generosity.

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D. Scott and Linda Roach
Doug and Joan Roach
Rotary Club of Charles Town
United Way of the Eastern Panhandle
Bill and Nancy White

UP TO $10,000

Berkeley County Historical Society
Donald E. Patthoff, DDS, Inc.
Charles and Debra Hockensmith
Bob and Tia McMillan
John and JoAnn Overington
Robert Owens
ROCS Convenience Stores and Roach Energy
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Sam Mills
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A Legacy Gift of Real Estate

Included in the assets that were transferred to the Community Foundation was Miss Wurzburg’s residence on Tennessee Avenue in Martinsburg. We welcome gifts of real estate, personal property, appreciated stock and mutual funds, and traditional IRAs. Please call the Community Foundation offices at (304) 264-0353 if you have any questions or would like more information.

Berkeley County native Gretchen Wurzburg was born during the Great Depression and graduated from Martinsburg High School in 1955. Miss Wurzburg was an accomplished equestrian, loved dogs and all animals and was a member of numerous civic groups and professional organizations. An astute businesswoman who worked as an accountant for over 45 years, Miss Wurzburg built a sizable estate and decided to leave a substantial legacy gift to the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation.

When Miss Wurzburg passed away in 2008 she named her nephew, Travis A. Hill, Jr., and his wife, Scarlett James Hill to be the advisors of the Wurzburg/Hill Family Fund. Because of her love of dogs, Travis and Scarlett recommended spending a portion of the fund to build Berkeley County’s first dog park. Completed last fall, the Wurzburg Dog Park is located in Ambrose Park in downtown Martinsburg. Thanks to Miss Wurzburg’s generosity, its beautiful gates and state-of-the-art facilities will be enjoyed by area dog-lovers for years to come.

As we were about to go to press with this, our 20th Report to the Community, we learned that a good friend and founding board member Conrad “Connie” Hammann passed away. He was a giant among men, and he will be missed by all of us here at the Community Foundation.
Appreciation

We are most grateful to these men and women who previously served on the board or as technical advisors of the Community Foundation.

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