The Sidney Dance Company Swan Lake cast speaks to local 4th graders.

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Your Support Provides Community Grants

Thank you for giving over the years to funds that awarded grants in the Fall round of Community Grants. Nearly \$123,000 was awarded to organizations throughout the county from charitable funds at the Community Foundation that give discretion to our board and Grants Committee regarding the direction and size of grant awards. Funds include the FISH Fund, the Monarch Machine Tool Company Legacy Fund, the Memory Fund and the Community Foundation's Impact and Operations Reserves Funds.

Fall 2022 Community Grants were awarded to:

Alpha Community Center - \$20,000 for a collaborative effort to establish a furniture bank.

Compassionate Care of Shelby County - \$5,000 for Nurse Practitioner hours.

Gateway Arts Council - \$4,000 for the Presents Series.

James P. Humphrey Sidney-Shelby County Black Achievers -

\$2,500 for Shelby County student scholarships.

Mercy Mission House - \$20,000 to support a Client Manager.

Raise the Roof for the Arts - \$20,000 for programming and roof replacement.

Random Acts of Christian Kindness - \$2,000 for gas and grocery cards.

Village of Russia - \$20,000 for construction of a pavilion in the park.

Rustic Hope - \$2,600 for food for families.

Samaritan Works - \$5,000 to sponsor program fees.

Shelby County CASA/GAL - \$2,500 for marketing.

Shelby County Historical Society - \$6,600 for their Just for Kids programming.

Sidney Dance Company - \$2,630 to support live performances given to county 4th graders.

Van Buren Twp. Fire Dept. - \$10,000 for a Lucas heart compression device.

In addition, several donor advised funds graciously supported another six requests including Women's Center-Sidney, Imagination Library and partial requests of four of the grants listed above. Thank you to those who joined in the joy of supporting grants requests and allowing Community Foundation dollars to be focused in other areas!

The next round of Community Grants awards will be announced this spring. The 2023 Fall Community Grants application window opens in June.

NEW FUNDS

Thank you to those who created and supported charitable funds at the Community Foundation, including these new funds:

Daniel and Lori Bensman Family Foundation

Edward L. and Viola A. Dietz Scholarship Fund

Ken and Mary Beth Monnier Engineering Scholarship Fund

Veronica Perin Presas Scholarship Fund

Dave Ross Foundation

The Rev. Daniel Snider Endowment Fund for Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

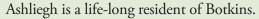
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2 Your LEGACY

Welcome Ashliegh Maurer

Stop by and say hello to Ashliegh Maurer who joined the staff in March as Donor Relations Director.

She is the point person for those thinking of creating a charitable fund and those who already have a fund established. Prior to joining the Foundation, Ashliegh worked as the professional relations coordinator for a regional ophthalmology group.



She and her husband Evan purchased an historic home near the center of town that she has admired since childhood. An interesting fact about Ashliegh: She is not a fan of peanut butter.

In February, Jessica Fortkamp, who had served in the Donor Relations Director role for six years, moved on to another position. She remains local and is using her nursing background to assist the sales team of a medical equipment manufacturer. Thank you and best of luck, Jessica!

Matt Hoying Joins Board



Matt Hoying joined the board at the start of 2023. He is a Civil Engineer and President at Choice One Engineering. He also serves on the board of the Wilson Health Foundation. Matt and his wife Amanda reside in his hometown of Russia with their five children. Welcome Matt!

We also want to express thanks to the Hon. Norman Smith, who served as a board trustee for the past ten years. Judge Smith completed his final term at year-end, but remains on our Grants Committee. Thank you, Norm!

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Giving Back, So Others Move Forward

Each time you give to an existing charitable fund or to establish a new one, you're advancing things that serve others and doing more than you probably know.

Receiving gifts from a Will or other estate document is even more humbling, because it is done with a great deal of thought and trust in the recipient charity. If you have done that, please accept our gratitude. If you have considered a future gift, you can either make your plans without informing us or sit down with us to create a dormant charitable fund agreement that will activate later with an estate gift. Sometimes called a deferred or planned gift, these future gifts allow you to use your assets as needed during your lifetime and then give them for the greater good later.

There are several types of planned gifts:

Bequests

These statements in your Last Will and Testament direct portions of your assets to loved ones and charitable organizations. A bequest may give a specific dollar amount, an asset, a percentage or the remainder of your estate. The Giving section of our website has printable bequest language that your attorney can customize and insert into your Will.

Retirement Plan

Naming the Community Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or IRA may help your heirs avoid taxes while fulfilling your charitable goals. Contact your plan provider if you want to update your beneficiary designation to the Community Foundation of Shelby County.

Life Insurance

Making the Community Foundation the beneficiary, a contingent beneficiary or the owner of a policy, provides a way to carry out your charitable goals. A licensed agent can discuss various types of policies.

As with any big financial decisions, it's important to meet with your professional advisors to determine what's best for your situation. Find our website at commfoun.com and see the Giving tab for information and other options.

Contact us today with your questions about giving to provide a lasting benefit that strengthens a part of our community.

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Match Day 2022 Produces Super Giving

Hero-sized giving was showcased during the November 29th Match Day event. More than \$812,000 was given and disbursed to 25 participating charities.

"Thank you to every person who gave, and nearly 2,000 of you made a gift," said Marian Spicer, Executive Director. There were 222 first-time Match Day donors.

"We are tremendously grateful to Dave Ross, who sponsors the pool of money that enables participating organizations to receive a dollar for dollar match of up to \$5,000. Every organization achieved the full amount of the match and raised extra dollars to support programs that serve others."

Grab your capes, super givers, and be ready for the 2023 Match Day on Tuesday, November 28th!

