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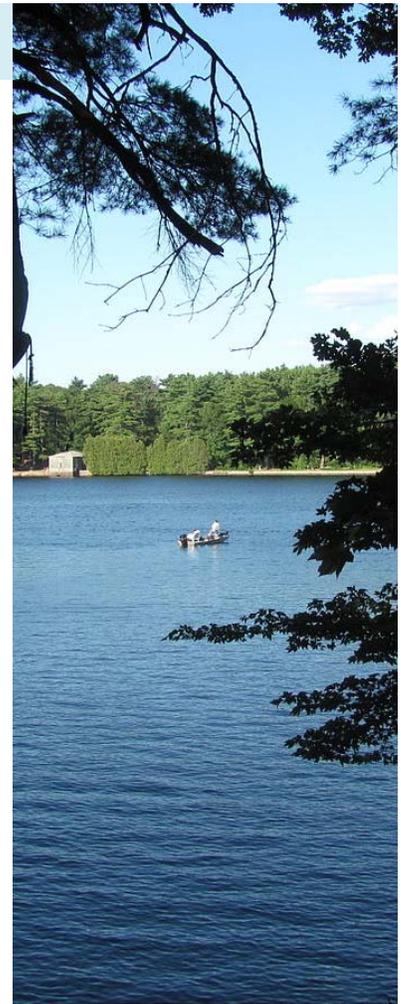
On June 26th, your Community Foundation hosted a celebration of 30 Years of Philanthropy at “The Market”. As attendees enjoyed hors d’oeuvres and desserts, a brief program laid out the history and current “health” of the Foundation. The evening was capped by the surprise presentation of 3 grants worth a total of \$30,000. The grant recipients, whom were each awarded \$10,000, are:

After 26 Project, a volunteer organization who took on the mission to employ developmentally disabled and cognitively impaired adults in our community at The After 26 Depot restaurant.

Healing Private Wounds, an organization that offers programs to help victims and families heal from the painful trauma of sexual abuse. These programs include Recovery Groups, Parents Support Groups, Book Studies, Counseling Services, Mentorship and Online Support Programs. They also offer a sexual abuse prevention education program to help protect children from sexual abuse.

Since 1984, **OASIS/FRC** has served Wexford and Missaukee Counties by providing shelter and services to victims of domestic violence and their children. They also offer a variety of counseling support services for adults and children, as well as parenting education. Their primary mission is to end domestic and sexual violence in Wexford and Missaukee Counties’.

We would like to thank everyone who was able to attend our 30th Anniversary Celebration at The Market. We appreciate the support you have shown us over the last 30 years, and look forward to working together the next 30 years!



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**GRANT
APPLICATION
DEADLINES**

**CADILLAC AREA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Community/Trustee
Grant Program
Oct. 31, 2019

Pell Grants for Organizations
and Institutions ONLY
Oct. 31, 2019

Wex.-Miss. Veterans Fund
Accepted Anytime

Women's Giving Circle
March 1, 2020

Youth Grant Program
Accepted September – May

Applications for Cadillac Area
Community Foundation Grant
and Scholarship Programs may
be found on our website
www.cadillacfoundation.org

**MISSAUKEE AREA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Trustee Grants Program
October 1 – 31, 2019

Youth Grants Program
Accepted September - May

Applications for Missaukee
Area Community Foundation
Grants and Scholarships may
be found on their website at
www.missaukeefoundation.org

RECENT COMMUNITY GRANT AWARDS

The following grants were awarded by the Board of Trustees at their July meeting.

The Cadillac Housing Commission was awarded a grant, in the amount of \$2,500, from the Unrestricted Community Fund for the **Cornerstone Community Garden**. Established in 2010, the Garden is located on the site of the Cornerstone Apartments, a public housing community for low-income families, disabled persons, and the elderly. Plots at the garden are available to Cornerstone Apartments residents and community members for a small fee, or free if low-income. This allows garden participants to have fresh, nutritious foods that they may not have otherwise been able to afford. The grant funds were used for maintenance and upkeep of the greenhouse and gardens equipment.

The Michigan State University Extension Service was awarded a grant, in the amount of \$1,035, from the Helen and Harvey Pell Fund for Education for **Parenting Education Classes**. The goal of the program is

to deliver 2 sessions of classes to 15—20 parents per session. One session will focus on children ages 3—7 and present ideas on how to talk and engage with children productively. The second class series will assist parents of children ages 0—3 years and, and focus on building early emotional skills. The grant covers educational manuals and other items for the classes.

New Hope Shelter was awarded a grant, in the amount of \$3,750, to install air-conditioning in the Women's' Shelter to give the women and children better living conditions during their stay. Installation of the new air conditioning system will help prevent heatstroke, dehydration, and other conditions related to overheating.

New Hope Shelter is an organization that provides housing, showers, and meals to men, women and families experiencing homelessness in Wexford and Missaukee Counties.



Tending the garden at the Cornerstone Community Garden.



TAXES, CHARITABLE GIVING, AND THE NEW NORMAL

Amid a complex climate for charitable giving, Americans gave an estimated \$427.71 billion to U.S. charities in 2018, according to *Giving USA 2019: The Annual Report on Philanthropy for the Year 2018*. Americans' record-breaking charitable giving in 2018 demonstrates that even in divisive times our commitment to philanthropy is solid.

On Wednesday, August 14th your Foundation hosted a breakfast meeting, with local agents of wealth and nonprofit organizations, to discuss how to find smart tax strategies for philanthropic clients and potential donors.

Leading the meeting was David Bennett, creator and President of the Community Foundation

Research and Training Institute. David earned his Bachelor's degree in Economics from Williams College, and a Master Degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University. He is a C.P.A., and served for 22 years as the Executive Director of the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne (Indiana). Under David's leadership, the Foundation assets grew from \$30 Million to \$150 Million, and the annual grantmaking increased from \$1 million to \$10 million annually.

Topics addressed at this meeting included "The Estate Tax—does it Still Matter?", "Gifts with Income and their Tax Consequences", and "Smart Tax Strategies in Today's Environment."

IRA ROLLOVER OFFERS TAX BENEFITS TO THOSE WHO QUALIFY

The IRA Charitable Rollover allows individuals who are 70 1/2 years old to make a Qualified Charitable Distribution of up to \$100,000 to charitable organizations directly from their IRA, without that donation being counted as taxable income when it is withdrawn. For married couples, each spouse can make QCDs up to the \$100,000 limit for a potential total of \$200,000.

To qualify, contributions must come from a traditional IRA or Roth IRA, and they must be made directly to a qualified charitable organization. The distribution may be made to one qualified charity, or split between several as long as the total does not exceed to allowable limits as stated above.

Additionally, the donor may not receive goods or services in exchange for the donation, and they must retain a receipt from each charity to which a donation is made.

For a Qualified Cash Distribution to count toward your minimum annual IRA distribution, it must be made by the same deadline as a normal distribution, which is usually Dec. 31 of the tax year in question.

For further information regarding the IRA Charitable Rollover, and to find out if this will benefit your specific situation, please contact your financial advisor or tax professional.

***FOR A LISTING OF CHARITABLE FUNDS HELD BY THE CADILLAC AREA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.CADILLACFOUNDATION.ORG AND CHOOSE THE "ABOUT US" TAB.***

A BRIEF HISTORY--by Dr. Robert Van Dellen



Dr. Robert Van Dellen

A little over thirty-one years ago, a group of visionaries believed in a dream for the Cadillac community. This dream is based on an ingenious but very simple concept: You establish a non-profit organization, called a Community Foundation; you ask citizens of the community to donate dollars; you invest these donations in permanently endowed investments; you take the earnings made from the investments and re-invest them as grants to support other non-profits in the community; and you do this year-after-year-after-year. Simple, amazing, ingenious, and very workable. Looking back over these thirty-one years, we can clearly see

that the dream continues to be very much alive and vibrant.

Those volunteer visionaries were Lee J. Brown, who served for several years as President of the Board of Trustees, Peter Barry, John Bishop, Clayton Jesweak, Eleanor Peterson, Fred Sprague, and Ron Swanson. They wisely guided the Foundation as its founding Trustees by building solid footings so that it could grow, mature and flourish to where it is today.

Sometime in 1989, Peter Barry approached me to develop a marketing strategy for the Foundation. I had a business development consulting firm at that time, and Peter was aware of some of the work I had done for Cadillac Rubber and Plastics. I told him I'd never heard of a community foundation, had no knowledge of what it was, and that I was not the right person for the job. Those of you who know Peter also know he can be very persuasive. He convinced me to tackle the assignment, and he paid me out of his own pocket.

After designing the initial marketing materials, the Board asked me to serve as its Executive Director under a part-time contract, using my office as its base. That was in 1990. I served as the Founding Executive Director for twelve years. It was also in 1990 that Ken Joynt and Melissa Sjogren joined the Board replacing Peter Barry and Clayton Jesweak.

Beyond the actual formation of the Foundation in 1988, one of the most significant events that shaped the future of the Foundation was the matching challenge grant for Michigan Community Foundations by the W.K Kellogg Foundation. The Kellogg Foundation pledged a grant of one dollar for every two dollars raised locally up to a maximum match of One Million Dollars. We embarked on the ambitious goal of raising Two Million Dollars to qualify for the Kellogg match. We raised \$1,958,000, a real tribute to the generosity of our community and to the vision of the founding trustees. The Kellogg Foundation awarded us a match in the amount of \$980,000.

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A BRIEF HISTORY--by Dr. Robert Van Dellen
continued

Two important points about the Kellogg match. First, the matching funds from Kellogg had to go into a permanently endowed Youth Fund and the Foundation was required to establish a Youth Advisory Committee to award Youth Grants from that Fund. Imagine the brilliant foresight of the Kellogg Foundation. Today, there are more than sixty Community Foundations throughout the State, each with its own Youth Fund and Youth Advisory Committees. Our Youth Fund and its Advisory Committee have significantly impacted local youth programs and projects for thirty years. Importantly, the youth on the Advisory Committee determine these grants.

The second important point about the Kellogg Match is that Peter Barry, who was President of Cadillac Rubber and Plastics, had arranged a very generous donation for the Foundation. John Raffaele, Steve Frisbie, Paul Taylor, and Peter were the principal stock-holders of Cadillac Rubber and Plastics when it was purchased by Avon Rubber of England in 1989. They personally gave a founding gift in the amount of \$500,000, a huge start-up asset from which to build. Although this gift was already in hand when the Kellogg Foundation Matching Grant was launched, it was a huge incentive that gave us leverage to tell a convincing story, which the citizens heard and to which they positively responded. Kellogg allowed us to apply \$250,000 of the \$500,000 toward the match.

This gives you a brief overview of the start of your Foundation. It's a history well worth remembering. Behind the history was the vision. The dream has been achieved. Our challenge now is to nourish, sustain, and support it for many years to come. As the Founding Executive Director, followed by nine years as a Trustee, I am proud to have been a part of this dream and to help make the vision of on-going possibilities waiting to happen. I am confident that the Foundation will grow stronger and continue to make meaningful and significant grants that enhance our community well beyond the 5.6 Million grant dollars already awarded. Thank you for the honor of being here today to celebrate this remarkable success.

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OUR MISSION

The Cadillac Area Community Foundation enhances the quality of life for all members of our community through philanthropy – connecting donor gifts with the needs of our community .

Let's Make History Together!

With the support of our many donors, your Foundation has been able to invest over \$5.6 million dollars in grants and scholarships back into the Cadillac area. At its core, the Community Foundation is an organization created with gifts from generous people committed to local causes. For donors, the Foundation serves as a philanthropic advisor. For the community, the Foundation serves as a convener, a grant maker, and a civic leader. Through the support of its donors and fund holders, the Foundation has been able to address some of the community's most pressing needs. For more information, visit www.cadillacfoundation.org

**WE MAKE A LIVING
BY WHAT WE GET.**

**WE MAKE A LIFE
BY WHAT
WE GIVE.**

-WINSTON CHURCHILL-

CADILLAC & KELLOGG FOR YOUTH COMMITTEE



The Youth Committee held their first orientation in August. The Committee will be back to work in September after the start of classes. Established in 1990, the **Cadillac and Kellogg for Youth Committee (YAC)** is part of the Michigan Community Foundations' statewide Youth Project (MCFYP) funded by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation. This program builds community foundation capacity, establishes youth as philanthropists, and builds permanent and growing funds within the community to meet local youth needs. The Cadillac & Kellogg for Youth Committee represents the geographic, socio-economic, ethnic and educational differences within the community. The purposes of the Youth Committee are to train young people in decision-making skills, to provide a forum for youth interests and needs, to commit resources for youth projects and programs, and to involve youth in both volunteerism and philanthropy.

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