



# THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION of FREDERICK COUNTY

*For Good. Forever. For Frederick County.*



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## HONORED TO See You Again

**O**n a warm and sunny early spring day and for the first time in more than a year and a half, The Community Foundation of Frederick County held a live in-person event to thank its Cornerstone Society donors. It was long overdue.

In March 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic upended our lives. However, as the calendar turned to spring 2021, there was reason to be optimistic. Each day provided more hope that we would once again be able to gather with loved ones, friends, and our community without restrictions.

At the Community Foundation, we have missed seeing all of you, our donors, volunteers, and community members. This past year has been trying for everyone. We have missed the daily human interaction with our supporters, the people who enable us to serve the Frederick County community. But as things began to look more optimistic, we were thrilled to be able to hold our annual Cornerstone Society event, just with a different twist this year.

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To ensure the safety of our donors and staff while still maintaining the energy and enthusiasm of our traditional event, the Community Foundation held a “Drive Through to See You” event at Dutch’s Daughter. More than 100 of our Cornerstone Society members drove through to pick up a to-go meal from Community Foundation staff.

Our Cornerstone Society members have taken steps to ensure that Frederick County continues to be a place that future generations

will be proud to call home. They have left a legacy of giving by entrusting the Community Foundation with a planned gift. Their special intentions are helping create positive impact in Frederick County, and we were grateful that we could show our gratitude to them in person once again.

Another group of people that has played a significant role in the Community Foundation’s success this year has been our Scholarship Committee. Each committee



*More than 100 of our Cornerstone Society members*

**DROVE THROUGH TO PICK UP A TO-GO MEAL FROM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION STAFF**



member puts in countless hours to review scholarship applications. The committee’s recommendations are presented to the board of trustees for scholarships from funds which the Community Foundation has the responsibility of choosing awardees.

Thanks to the committee’s dedicated service and belief in the value of education, each volunteer has helped students achieve their post-secondary educational goals.

We were honored to recognize this group’s hard work by holding a similar drive-through event at Dutch’s Daughter. Our staff and Scholarship Committee Leadership braved the rain to hand out to-go meals to our Scholarship Committee volunteers.

We thank all of our supporters who have been with us over the last year and a half. As things slowly return back to normal, we look forward to seeing more of you out in the community. Thanks to all of your support and generosity, you have helped us ensure that **#NothingStopsPhilanthropy**.

## SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHT: The Frederick Art Club Fund

The Frederick Art Club Fund recognizes and rewards students with artistic merit and promise, primarily with scholarships for further artistic study and with awards for exemplary work.

The 2021–2022 scholarship recipient for this fund is Jessica Fitzgerald, a graduate of Governor Thomas Johnson High School who is entering her senior year at Hood College. Jessica is majoring in art and archaeology with a concentration in art education. She said the scholarship will allow her to pursue her goal of becoming an art teacher. During her time in Hood College’s education program, she has had the opportunity to learn from art teachers and students within Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS). It has been an extremely positive experience that has solidified her desire to pursue a career in art education, and she would like to become an FCPS teacher and teach in the community that she loves.



**Thank you for your generous gift. I truly appreciate your support for art students and the opportunities you have given me as a recipient of this scholarship.**

—JESSICA FITZGERALD

*Recipient of 2021–2022 Scholarship from The Frederick Art Club Fund*

The following list of scholarships were approved and awarded after our advertisement in *The Frederick News-Post* ran on June 19, 2021.

We wanted to make sure these scholars and donors were recognized. The Community Foundation is proud to congratulate the post-secondary scholarship recipients for the 2021-2022 academic year and sincerely thanks each donor, who, because they believe in the value of education and the future of Frederick County, has made these scholarships possible. Our generous donors have helped us ensure that **#NothingStopsPhilanthropy**.

### THE ERNEST W. AUSERMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Daniel Kochler  
Brooklyn Poff

### THE LISA A. ORNDORFF LAJEWSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sarah Burton  
Triston Dorfman  
Brenna Hadley  
Rebekah Shullenbarger  
Emily Stockman

### THE DISTRICT 8, MARYLAND NURSES ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Elisabeth Cartwright

### THE FREDERICK ART CLUB FUND

Jessica Fitzgerald

### THE MARYLAND MASTER FARMERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Adriana Archila Arriaga  
Justin Arnold  
Kayla Brody  
Mark Chaney  
Sydney Grossnickle  
Hannah Hartness  
Daniel Hickle  
Giulianna Kukor  
Daniel Summers

### THE ROTARY CLUB OF FREDERICK/W. MEREDITH S. YOUNG AND HELEN B. YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Jaxen Farrell  
Bishoy Ibrahim  
John Kmiecik  
Emma Rubin

### THE SHIRAZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ridhi Chaudhary

### THE W. MEREDITH S. YOUNG AND HELEN B. YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kelby Benjamin  
Jacqueline Greeves  
Nathan Sanders

### THE E. RUTH NIKIRK SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Adam Everett

### THE NELSON AND CELIA ZAHLER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Zach Crum



For a complete list of this year’s scholars, visit [www.FrederickCountyGives.org/2021scholars](http://www.FrederickCountyGives.org/2021scholars).

# GRANT SAMPLER

This is a sampling of grants that were provided to local nonprofits during fiscal year 2021.

In 2021, the Community Foundation remained committed to supporting our community as it began to come out of the pandemic.



Grants from **The Feeding Frederick's Frontline Fund** provided free meals to Frederick's frontline workers and supported downtown Frederick restaurants during the pandemic. Grants supported meals from local restaurants for health care workers, emergency workers, shelter providers, and other government or nonprofit workers who worked with COVID patients or persons at high risk of COVID.



Thanks to grants from **The John L. and Lucille H. Ponton Charitable Fund** and **The Health Fund for Frederick County Youth**, this young girl's parents were able to receive lodging assistance and family resources while she was receiving active oncology treatment at Children's National Hospital, located over an hour from their home in Frederick.

Grants from **The D. Hunt and Joan Hendrickson Fund** and **The Walter W. and Catharine Prentiss Plummer Endowment Fund** provided support for Chesapeake Bay Foundation's local projects that are critical to water quality and those living downstream. A group of staff and volunteers is pictured here planting trees on a farm in Frederick. By planting trees near streams, the flow of harmful pollutants into the sensitive waters of the Chesapeake Bay watershed is slowed.



A grant from **The Frederick County Business Roundtable for Education Fund** supported the Frederick County Public Schools Youth Apprenticeship Program. The program, now in 18 school districts across the state, pairs students with a mentor in a state-approved industry to learn valuable skills and earn industry credentials while receiving high school credit. The grant supported Olivia Sullivan, a senior at Tuscarora High School, who was a youth apprentice at Frederick Health Hospital in its Biomedical Engineering Department. She assisted with testing medical equipment and accessories.



Partners in Care received grants from **The Health Care Strategic Initiatives Fund** and **The Partners in Care Fund** to support its mission of offering services and programs that allow greater independence for older adults. This includes transportation for medical appointments, handyman repairs, person-centered support, and social engagement. In this photo, a woman is receiving a ride for a scheduled appointment.



A grant from **The Responding to Substance Use Disorder Strategic Initiatives Fund** supported Phoenix Foundation of Maryland's Phoenix Recovery Academy, which is a recovery high school that meets the individual educational needs of teens recovering from substance use disorder with care, compassion, respect, and rigor. Phoenix Foundation also received support from **unrestricted funds** for security and technology needs at Phoenix Recovery Academy.

# BECOME A LIGHT IN Frederick County



## Become an Annual Meeting Sponsor with The Community Foundation of Frederick County **TODAY!**

**C**an you see the light at the end of the tunnel? We have experienced a year unlike any other. As we come out of the darkness and work our way back to the life we once knew, we challenge you to join us and become a light in Frederick County.

Although times have been difficult, the Community Foundation has continued to carry the torch and ensure local nonprofits received grants, scholarships were awarded to those furthering their education, and leadership was offered as our community strived to emerge from the pandemic even stronger than before. With the support of our community, we were able to change lives. As an **Annual Meeting Sponsor**, you can help us share stories of these lives that were forever changed. You will be a light for those who still struggle in the darkness.

In recognition of your gift, you will be listed in our Annual Report, acknowledged on the Community Foundation website and (if we are able to host an in-person event) mentioned at our Annual Meeting dinner.

To become a sponsor, please tear away and complete the enclosed form and return it in the envelope provided by September 17th, 2021. For more information, contact Becki DeLauter, Philanthropic Services Manager, at 301-695-7660 or [b.delauter@FrederickCountyGives.org](mailto:b.delauter@FrederickCountyGives.org).

Your sponsorship today will be a bright light that is ***For Good. Forever. For Frederick County.***

## 2022 ANNUAL MEETING SPONSOR



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*(an individual contact name is required in addition to company name.)*

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☐ Check enclosed (made payable to the Community Foundation)

☐ Please invoice me at the following time(s): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ My gift will be made online at the Community Foundation's website at [www.FrederickCountyGives.org/AMS](http://www.FrederickCountyGives.org/AMS)

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I can provide my logo as a jpg file for use on the Community Foundation's website. Please email to [office.assistant@FrederickCountyGives.org](mailto:office.assistant@FrederickCountyGives.org).  
*(If logo not available, the Community Foundation will place your organization's name in text on the website.)*

### ☐ YES, I WANT TO BE A 2022 ANNUAL MEETING SPONSOR

Indicate your giving level below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Emerald	\$10,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Green Diamond	\$7,500
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<input type="checkbox"/> Silver	\$1,000
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<input type="checkbox"/> Bronze	\$250
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I would like my organization's name to appear in all publicity and printed materials as follows (please print clearly):

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*(Please note: if gift is made through a Community Foundation fund, the fund name will be listed in all publicity materials.)*

## Thank you for your consideration and support for the Community Foundation's Annual Meeting.

Businesses and civic groups becoming an Annual Meeting Sponsor **before September 30, 2021 are considered sponsors of the Community Foundation's 35th Annual Report to the Community.** Sponsors will be listed prominently in the annual report, in publicity, and will be invited to a special partner reception.

Businesses and civic groups are welcome to contribute after September 30, 2021 and will be considered Partners in Philanthropy. **All gifts made by businesses and civic groups between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 will be featured on the Community Foundation's website.**

Because Annual Meeting Sponsors receive nothing tangible in return for their gifts, all contributions are tax-deductible to the furthest extent possible under charitable giving law.

## QUESTIONS?

Please contact the  
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# CALENDAR *Listings*

Please note, event dates are subject to change due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021**

## **Widening Circles Society Reception**

Community Foundation office  
5:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m., by invitation

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021**

## **Forever Frederick County Campaign Reception**

Ceresville Mansion  
5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m., by invitation

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021**

## **The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Report to the Community Sponsor Reception**

Ceresville Mansion  
5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m., by invitation

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021**

## **Professional Advisor Council Education Event**

Dutch's Daughter Restaurant  
7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m., by invitation

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021**

## **The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Report to the Community**

Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center  
5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., public invited, RSVP required

# DONOR IMPACT | New Funds

### **THE ROY AND GLORIA CLABAUGH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Founded by Matt and Sandra Wiley for graduates of Catocin High School attending trade or technical school in Maryland.

### **THE A. BRYANT CONVERSE CHARITABLE FUND**

Founded by Mr. Converse through his estate provisions to support Frederick County Animal Control with the intention of preventing cruelty, abuse, and neglect of animals in Frederick County.

### **THE EDWIN R. CORNISH, JR. MEMORIAL FUND**

Founded by Erin (Ellyn) Cornish in memory of her father to support nonprofits that provide services to non-traditional learners.

### **THE EMMONS FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND**

Founded by Harold and Anna Emmons to provide grants to nonprofits that serve the aging population or individuals with disabilities.

### **THE FCARE FUND**

Founded by Frederick County Association of Realtors (FCAR) to provide grants to local nonprofit organizations, primarily nonprofits serving Frederick County.

### **THE FEEDING FREDERICK'S FRONTLINE FUND**

Founded by Downtown Frederick Partnership to supply free meals for Frederick's frontline workers while also supporting Downtown Frederick's restaurant community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **THE HALLEIN ADVISORY FUND**

Founded by Katrina Suzanne Hallein as a donor-advised fund to provide grants to local nonprofit organizations in support of the Community Foundation's mission.

### **THE DRS. MARY P. HOWELL AND STEVEN J. KLEIN FAMILY FUND**

Founded by Drs. Mary Howell and Steven Klein to provide scholarships to residents of Frederick, Garrett, Allegany, and Washington Counties who are pursuing education in graduate and doctoral programs.

### **THE DAVID J. AND SARA LEVINE FUND**

Founded by the Levines for grants supporting health and wellness initiatives and for grants in support of services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

### **THE MCGOWAN-DAVISSON FUND**

Founded by B.J. and Krista Davisson as a donor-advised fund to provide grants to local nonprofit organizations in support of the Community Foundation's mission.

### **THE DONALD G. AND HELEN W. SCHLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Founded by Helen Schley to provide scholarships to graduates of Frederick County Public Schools who are members of the National Honor Society.

### **THE F. LAWRENCE SILBERNAGEL, JR., TRUSTEES ADMINISTRATIVE ENDOWMENT FUND**

Founded through Mr. Silbernagel's charitable remainder trust to support the Community Foundation's operating budget.

### **THE LARRY AND SHIRLEY SILBERNAGEL ENDOWMENT FUND**

Founded through Mr. Silbernagel's charitable remainder trust to support Calvary United Methodist Church.

### **THE SGT. DAVID J. SMITH VETERANS RELIEF FUND**

Founded by Sgt. Smith's family to provide grants in support of assistance for veterans in Frederick County.

### **THE DR. LARRY J. WARNER FUND**

Founded by Natalie Warner in memory of her husband to provide grants to nonprofits that support educational programs for non-traditional learners in Frederick County.



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### **OUR MISSION**

The Community Foundation of Frederick County is dedicated to connecting people who care with causes that matter to enrich the quality of life in Frederick County now and for future generations.

Thank you for helping us maximize our resources! If you receive a duplicate newsletter or wish to be removed from our mailing list, please call 301.695.7660.