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HIGHLIGHTS OF 2012

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Thank you to the family of Glo Sessions for allowing Main Street Community Foundation to display her artwork in this annual report.

Front Cover, "Last of Main Street" Back Cover and Inside Front Cover, "Snowy Boulevard" Bequests - page 18, "View from Chippens Hill"

Highlights of 2012

\$28.1 million in total assets

\$602 thousand in contributions received

\$833 thousand in grants and scholarships to our community

> 169 funds established since 1995

supporting the Main Street Community Foundation

Recognized with the **Outstanding Community Partner Award** from Bristol Community Organization



Vision, Mission, and Core Values **OUR VISION**

To be widely recognized as the comprehensive center for philanthropy in the communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott

OUR MISSION

To enhance the quality of life for both present and future generations in the communities we serve. We accomplish our mission by encouraging and promoting: Gift Planning ~ Prudent Stewardship of Assets

Effective Grantmaking ~ Community Leadership

OUR CORE VALUES

Excellence, Integrity, Inclusiveness and Transparency in all we do.

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Whether you are a longtime supporter or have just heard of the Main Street Community Foundation for the first time, you are sure to learn something new in this 2012 annual report. The Main Street Community Foundation exists to help generous people fulfill their charitable goals—and to make sure every donation finds its way to the most deserving organizations. We invite you to join us. Whether you are curious about how to make lasting impact, or have an idea for an initiative to address an urgent need, our door is always open.

As you flip through the pages, you will read about the good that occurs locally because of the Main Street Community Foundation and those that care about the communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott. We have been the community's philanthropic center for 18 years and currently administer over 160 charitable funds. Stewarding assets of \$28.1 million, the foundation has awarded over \$9.7 million in grants and scholarships since 1995.

In 2012, the community foundation had many accomplishments. We are proud to report that we again met the nation's highest philanthropic standards for operational

quality, integrity and accountability, receiving another five-year accreditation from the Community Foundations National Standards Board. Our investment strategy led to a healthy 10.4% net return and our financials received an unqualified opinion from the accounting firm, Grant Thornton. In May 2012, we were recognized with the Outstanding Community Partners Award from Bristol Community Organization.

We continued to keep abreast of changes in the charitable sector. In 2012, the independent and nonprofit sectors diligently worked to extend the IRA charitable rollover. Finally, on January 2, 2013, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 was signed into law allowing individuals aged 70 ½ and older to donate up to \$100,000 from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) to qualified public charities like Main Street Community Foundation without having to pay federal income taxes on the distribution. This tax incentive is in effect through 12/31/13.

As the community foundation grows, so does our reliance on volunteers who serve on our board of directors and share their individual and collective expertise to enhance our community philanthropic efforts. In early 2013, Board leadership changed as board chair Bill Tracy passed the gavel to Janis Neri. We bid farewell to well respected board members Mark Blum, Dwight Harris and Robyn Poulos and welcomed new board members David Aldieri, Todd Burton, Kristine Dargenio and Jeffrey Sonenstein. To each and all, we are very grateful for your generous donation of time and vast array of expertise.

Many caring individuals, families, businesses and organizations have created a community foundation of significance. This annual report is our opportunity to share with you the stories of our donors and their investments in the communities we serve. It is also an opportunity to recognize the collective philanthropy of all who supported and continue to support the Main Street Community Foundation so we can continue to build a permanent resource of funding for our local communities – forever.



Sincerely,



Susan D. Sadecki President & CEO

Janis L. NeriChairman of the Board

Accreditation Achieved for Five More Years

In October 2012, the Main Street Community Foundation received official confirmation from the Community Foundations National guide sound foundations Standards Board, a national accreditation organization based foundations in Arlington, Virginia, that it had again met national out the comstandards for U.S. community foundations. This important accreditation is granted for five years.

"This designation is critically important to our donors," explains Susan Sadecki, President & CEO of MSCF. "When people make a charitable bequest or establish a fund, they are putting their trust in us. They are counting on us to manage the investment wisely and honor their charitable wishes. The National Standards confirmation says our house is in order." The official National Standards Seal denotes achievement in establishing legal, ethical, and effective operating practices that show transparency and financial responsibility under increased public scrutiny of foundation practices.

The Standards are designed to demonstrate financial responsibility, guide sound policies and accountability, distinguish community foundations from other philanthropic vehicles, build capacity to carry out the community foundation's mission, and assist in self-regulation in

a manner viewed positively by the Internal Revenue Service, which has increased its examination of charities offering donor advised funds. Main Street Community Foundation received its first National Standards for U.S. Community FoundationsTM

accreditation in 2007, one of the first community foundations in Connecticut to receive such designation. The accreditation renewal process occurs every five years.

Thank you to members of the Main Street Community Foundation Board of Directors who shared many hours of review and counsel to assist in the preparation of compliance materials.

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STANDARDS*

FUNDS ESTABLISHED IN 2012 2012

Since our founding in 1995, endowed gifts and bequests have been the cornerstone of charitable contributions to the Main Street Community

Foundation. Each of the following funds established in 2012 reflects a donor's interest or philanthropic objective to leave a legacy and make a difference in one or more of the towns in our service area ~ Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

FUNDS ESTABLISHED IN 2012











Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education

Glo Sessions, a well-known, award winning Connecticut artist and friend to many, wanted to leave a legacy to future artists in the greater Bristol community. Before her passing in late 2011, Glo left a bequest in her estate plan to establish a permanent scholarship fund to provide tuition assistance to Bristol residents for post-secondary education necessary to pursue an art career. Glo's works can be viewed at the Glo Sessions Gallery at the New England Carousel Museum in Bristol and at the New Britain Museum of American Art. Read more about Glo's gift to the community on page 18.

Estela Wilderness Education Fund

Kevin Estela, a high school teacher in Bristol, created this fund to provide support for camperships, program development, and trail maintenance at the Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut (ELCCT). ELCCT is a non-profit organization that provides environmental education experiences to young people and adults, encourages the conservation and enjoyment of the natural environment throughout Connecticut, and serves as a land trust in the vicinity of Bristol, CT.

Bristol Eastern High School Athletic Fund

This fund will serve as a collection mechanism for donations and grant funds which will be used to purchase and install lights and a press box on the football field at Bristol Eastern High School. Project completion will assist in fostering the positive aspects of football and other athletic programs at Bristol Eastern High School located in Bristol, CT.

City of Bristol Treasurer's Fund for Financial Awareness

The City of Bristol Treasurer, Tom Barnes, Jr., established this fund to foster a pilot project to promote financial awareness among middle school age students in Bristol.

Hap Barnes Fire Safety Trailer Fund

Dedicated in memory of Carlyle "Hap" Barnes, this fund was established with memorial gifts from family and friends to purchase and maintain a fire safety trailer, which is a mobile classroom, to be used to instruct children about fire safety topics, including real life demonstrations of sprinkler systems, room fires, warning signs, and other topics as part of the "risk watch" program. Mr. Barnes served as a fire commissioner in Bristol for 36 years.

Clement J. Roy Scholarship Fund

Established in 1972 by teachers at Bristol Eastern High School to honor the memory of fellow teacher and baseball coach Clement J. Roy. In 2012, the fund was transferred by his family to the Foundation to administer this fund in perpetuity. Scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors at Bristol Eastern High School pursing post secondary education at a two or four year college or university.

DECOMMOBECOMING A DONOR/ESTABLISHING A FUND

There are many ways to donate to the Main Street Community Foundation and support worthwhile charitable organizations in our service area of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott, Connecticut The Foundation offers a range of personalized services to help donors fulfill their charitable goals. As partners in philanthropy, we work with each donor to establish a fund or gift plan without complex administrative burdens.



BECOMING A DONOR ~ GIVE TO AN EXISTING FUND

A donor can support the Foundation's ongoing work with an unrestricted gift of any amount. Contributions can also be made to any of the Foundation's permanent endowment funds which benefit a diverse range of charitable purposes.

ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND

Our donors are individuals, families, companies and charitable organizations. Donors can establish a fund using a variety of gift giving vehicles including: cash, stock, retirement assets, other tangible personal property, bequests and other planned gifts. The Foundation requires a minimum of \$10,000 to establish a permanently-named fund. This gift can be given as a lump sum or over a period of time during a donor's life. Donors may also leave charitable assets upon their death in the form of a bequest in will or trust, retirement plan designations or beneficiary designation in a life insurance policy. A fund can be established as a permanent endowment or as a temporary fund in which income and principal will be distributed.

OUR FLEXIBLE FUND OPTIONS INCLUDE:

UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY FUNDS

Flexible and responsive to emerging and changing community needs. Donors place no restrictions on their gifts and leave decisions about charitable use of the funds to the Foundation.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Allow donors to support a broad category of need such as the arts, healthcare, education, environment or a geographic area. Grant recipients are selected by the Foundation's Distribution Committee.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Help donors participate actively in grantmaking by suggesting charitable organizations to receive grants. Foundation staff assist donors by researching grant requests and connecting donors with potential grant recipients.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Allow donors to designate support for a specific charitable organization. If the named charity ceases to exist, another organization with a similar purpose is selected by the Foundation's Board of Directors to assure their purpose for giving will be honored in perpetuity.

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Established by a nonprofit organization as a means of protecting their charitable dollars for the future and to ensure an annual source of support for their programs and operations.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Allow donors to establish a named fund for any level of education. Donors may designate a particular school, field of study and select eligibility criteria.

SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS

Allow donors to make gifts that provide support for the ongoing work of the Foundation.

DONOR SERVICES

The Main Street Community Foundation provides permanent, professional management of charitable funds without the expense or effort of establishing a private foundation. The Foundation's assets are professionally managed with oversight by the Investment Committee and Board of Directors. There is no cost to set up a fund. There is a modest management fee which supports the administrative operations of the Foundation. Donor's benefits include:

- Choice of fund type and fund name Grantmaking support and counsel
- Administration of gifts and grants Maximum tax advantages allowed by law
- Prudent investment management
- Permanent recognition or remain anonymous at donor's discretion

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The Foundation can assist private foundations or other grantmaking institutions in a variety of ways that include:

- Administration of grantmaking programs
- Project review for possible funding
- Advisement on community needs and priorities
- Assistance to private foundations to meet pay-out requirements

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS - AGENCY ENDOWMENTS - DESIGNATED & PROJECT FUNDS

AGENCY ENDOWMENTS:

Community College Endowment Fund

Community College Endowment Fund II

United Way of West Central CT, Inc. Fund 1999

The Wheeler Clinic/Dennis Keenan Fund 1999

The Bristol Career Center of Tunxis

These funds allow donors to participate These funds provide nonprofit organizations a actively in grantmaking by making grant full range of endowment management services. recommendations to the Foundation's American Clock & Watch 1999 Board of Directors. Museum, Inc. Fund 2004 Tom & Melanie Barnes Family Fund Bristol Hospital Development 1999 John Brozinski and Anne Povilaitis 2003 Foundation Fund Pulmonary Rehabilitation Fund Bristol Boys and Girls Club 2004 Bradley Henry Barnes Fund for the Clement Family Fund 2010 **Endowment Fund** 2008

2003 Denorfia Family Charitable Fund **Burlington Historical Society Fund** Burlington Land Trust, Inc. Fund The Dumont Family Charitable Fund 2000 Cheryl Dumont-Smith Community Fund 2007 **Burlington Library Association Fund** Pattie & Bill Dunn Charitable Fund 2011 **Environmental Learning Centers** of CT, Inc. Fund Fiondella Fund 2001 Plainville Affordable Housing Terry & Marguerite Fletcher Family Fund 2007 Corporation Fund 2005 Furey Family Charitable Fund Plymouth Library Association Fund The Greater Bristol Chamber of 2000 St. Andrew Mission Endowment Fund Commerce Fund Tunxis Community College Fund Hamzy Family Charitable Fund 2010 Tunxis Community College II Fund Ercole and Pamela Labadia Family 2001 The Bristol Career Center of Tunxis Charitable Fund

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DESIGNATED AND PROJECT FUNDS:

Provide donors the opportunity to designate support for a specific charitable organization. If the named charity ceases to exist, another organization with a similar purpose is selected by the Foundation's Board of Directors to assure their purpose for giving will be honored in perpetuity.

Southington YMCA transferred in	2011
Southington Community YMCA	
Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel	
Trust transferred in	2007

Trust transferred in Originally established in 1936, for the maintenance and upkeep of the Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel

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Hap Barnes Fund for Fire Safety	
and Prevention	2002
Museum of Fire History in Bristol, CT	

2012 Hap Barnes Fire Safety Trailer Fund To purchase and maintain a fire safety trailer to instruct children about fire safety

Bristol Eastern High School Athletic Fund 2012 Bristol Eastern High School football field, to purchase and install lights and a press box on the football field

Bristol Sports Hall of Fame Fund (BSHOF) 2005 For the general purposes of BSHOF and scholarships for Bristol High School student athletes

For a full description of each named fund, visit www.mainstreetfoundation.org.

Estela Wilderness Fund

John & Sandra Leone Family

Muncy/Smith Family Fund

Zomick Family Fund

Smith Family Charitable Fund

The Technical Education Fund

Tim and Mary Walsh Charitable Fund

Charitable Fund

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS:

"If you have a passion, you should share it," advises Kevin Estela. He remembers hiking for the first time as a child on the Barnes Nature Center property in Bristol with his father. That experience was the catalyst for a life-long interest in the outdoors.

In March 2012, he established the Estela Wilderness Education Fund at Main Street Community Foundation. "This is my way of going back to my roots and ensuring the next generation will have the opportunity to learn from the outdoors the way I did," explains Estela, a Bristol Central High School History teacher.

The purpose of the fund is to provide support on an annual basis to the Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut (ELCCT), a non-profit organization located in Bristol that provides environmental education experiences to young people and adults; encourages the conservation and enjoyment of the natural environment throughout Connecticut; and serves as a land trust in the vicinity of Bristol. The ELCCT is responsible for managing the Barnes Nature Center and Indian Rock Nature Preserve.

Distributions will be used toward camperships, program development, and/or trail maintenance.

Estela, a Bristol native, has taught outdoor skills since his teenage years: kayaking, canoeing, and more recently, wilderness survival through the Wilderness Learning Center of New York. When the History Channel filmed Expedition Africa in 2009, he appeared on the show to give advice about the importance of shelter and fire to survival.

Estela currently shares his knowledge of primitive, traditional and modern survival skills by writing for various magazines, and traveling around the country to offer speaking engagements and wilderness skills courses. He also tests and evaluates equipment for outdoor sporting goods companies. He plans to hold fundraising events over the next few years to promote continued growth of the Estela Wilderness Education Fund.

DESIGNATED & PROJECT FUNDS/FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Julius D. Bristol Trust transferred in	2007
Originally established in 1888, for the back	-to-
school needs of financially disadvantaged ch	nildren,
administered by Southington Community Se	ervices
Department	
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City of Bristol Treasurer's Fund for 2012 Financial Awareness

For a pilot project to promote financial awareness among middle school age students in Bristol

Connecticut Quilt Registry Legacy Fund 2002 Connecticut Quilt Project of the Connecticut Historical Society

2012 Estela Wilderness Education Fund **Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut** (ELCCT) for camperships, program development, and trial maintenance

Tyler James Gingery Memorial Fund 2009 Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Association

2011

Edward Ingraham Fund Bristol Boys & Girls Club and Family Center, to provide summer camp experiences for Bristol youths

2006 Inside Rebecca's Backpack Fund Southington Community Services for school supplies, summer school, or other educational opportunities

2007 Kristen's Wishes Fund Southington Community Services "Wishes" for Youth

Charles Kushlan Memorial Fund transferred in 2006 Bristol Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year Award

2008 Bob and Carol Messier Family Fund **Bristol Business Education Foundation** mini-grant program

Eva M. Pierce Memorial Charitable Fund 2008 Meals for the Needy, Meals on Wheels, St. Vincent DePaul Society of Bristol, the Prudence Crandall Center, The Cancer Center at Bristol Hospital

Sky Bight Foundation Fund for the Bristol Boys & Girls Club 2011

Endowment for the new Bristol Boys & Girls Club and Family Center facility



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FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS:

These funds allow donors to support a broad category of need such as the arts, healthcare, education, environment or a geographic area. Grant recipients are selected by the Foundation's Distribution Committee.

Bradley Henry Barnes & Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust transferred in 2004 To meet the healthcare needs of Southington residents

Fuller and Myrtle Barnes 1998 Fund for Education

To provide special educational programs and opportunities for teachers and students in the pre-school to 12th grade populations

The Becker Family Fund 1996 For healthcare, education, social action

Bristol Board of Education 2005 Immediate Response Fund

To provide immediate response grants for the children, families and employees of the Bristol School system in need of assistance

Burlington Bell Community Fund 2011 For charitable projects and programs that will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Burlington

Ciccarelli-Vitale Community 2001 Advancement Fund

For distribution in the fields of education and the environment; to provide assistance to Bristol residents acutely in need

Dan Cistulli Memorial Music Award 2004 Funding for lessons and/or instruments to young people in Bristol who may need financial assistance

2011

2011

Iohn and Gloria DiFrancesco Fund for Women and Girls

To advance initiatives identified by the Women and Girls' Fund of the Foundation

Karen DuCotey Fund for Kids For students in Region 10 Schools in need of immediate assistance due to a particular life situation or unexpected financial hardship

Margaret Haberman Memorial Fund for Music 2010 For the promotion and appreciation of music in

the communities served by the Foundation Barbara Hackman Franklin 2011 Fund for Women

To support initiatives identified by the Women and Girls' Fund of the Foundation

Jaspersohn Family Memorial Fund 2001 To support programs and organizations which provide humanitarian efforts to the greater Bristol area

Paige Wartonick Laferriere Memorial Fund 2001 To support programs and organizations

with preference to health care, education and social action

Leading Ladies Immediate Response Fund

2010

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1998

For immediate response grants to women and girls in Southington with emphasis on basic needs, health, safety, education, and employment opportunities

Main Street Children's Fund 2006

To provide immediate response grants to address the basic needs of children under the age of 18, or to promote the general well-being of area youth

Make a Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund 2009 To advance special and creative initiatives to benefit the students who attend public schools

in Burlington and Harwinton Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

2005 To provide grants to non-profit youth sports organizations in Bristol and Burlington for field improvements or field maintenance equipment

Elizabeth I. and Louis I. Matt 2006 **Animal Protection Fund** To provide for the care and support of animals in need in the state of CT

Merriman Family Fund To promote environmental and ecological preservation, conservation, education, research and advocacy

James R. Parker Trust transferred in To meet the needs of residents of the town of Burlington

Plainville Community Fund To provide funding for charitable projects and programs that will enhance the quality of life for Plainville citizens

2006 Plymouth Century Club To provide mini-grants to Plymouth's teachers and other school personnel for creative and innovative instructional practices

Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund

To support community programs focused on building self-esteem, confidence and strong values in young people

Jay and Elizabeth Tyrrell Fund for the Arts

To advance artistic and cultural opportunities in

the greater Bristol Area

2000 The Werner Family Fund To provide immediate assistance for basic needs and opportunities for inclusion to families with

children facing financial hardship Women & Girls' Fund

To support programs which improve the conditions and opportunities for females in the towns served by the Foundation

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:		Andrew and Murielle Giacomini		Scott W. Organ Student-Athlete	
These funds enable a donor to establish a		Scholarship	2003	Scholarship	2000
named fund for any level of education.		Azilda Hebert Music Scholarship	2000	Estelle Delano Peterson Scholarship	2003
Donors may designate a particular school field of study and select eligibility criteria.		Grace & Norma Joy Scholarship Fund	2008	Dorothy Dewey Picard	
Christian Arndt Scholarship Fund	2006	John Kalinoski		Scholarship Fund	1999
E. Bartlett Barnes Journalism Award	1999	Scholarship Fund transferred in	2004	Plainville Blue Dolphins Scoreboard Fund	2008
Sid Bernard Memorial Art	1,,,,	Keating-Monaghan Memorial Scholarship	2008	Plymouth Community Club	2002
Scholarship Fund	2009	Lena M. and Peter L. Korotie	1007	Scholarship transferred in	2003
Sylvia Bodak Memorial Scholarship	2001	Scholarship Fund	1997	Alice C. Pulsifer Memorial Scholarship Fund <i>transferred in</i>	1997
Peter and Marjorie Bossi Educational Fund		Vincent T. Kozyrski Scholarship Fund	2010	Max and Ruth Rabin Scholarship Fund	2006
Bowerman Scholarship Fund	2008	Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship	2008	Radcliff Family Education Fund	2000
Bristol Boys & Girls' Club		Doris Lazorik Memorial Scholarship	1997	Radcliff Plainville High School Fund	2002
Schulman Scholarship	2000	Leger Initiative for Education (L.I.F.E.)	2005	Louis J. Rascoe Scholarship	2005
Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani		• , ,	2003	Douglas Roland Aid for the	2003
Memorial Scholarship Fund	2008	Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship Thérèse MacCallum "Great Kid"	2003	Trades Scholarship Fund	2009
Bristol Police Scholarship Fund	1999	Scholarship Fund	2005	Clement J. Roy Scholarship Fund	2012
Bristol Yale Scholarship	1999	Nicholas P. Maglio ACE Fund	2011	St. Matthew School Scholarship Fund	2000
Burlington Lions Charities		Main Street Community Foundation	2011	Lawrence (Larry) Selza Memorial	2000
Scholarship Fund	2000	Scholarship Fund	1997	Scholarship Fund	2010
The 4 Burns Scholarship -	2000	Malerbo Memorial Scholarship Fund	2005	Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education	2012
St. Joseph/St. Paul	2000	Elizabeth I. & Louis J. Matt		Southington Observer/Step Saver	
CONN Acoustics Scholarship Fund	2006	Medical Scholarship	2007	Scholarship	2005
Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship Fund	2000	Robert E. & Angeline P. McCormack		Jay W. & Elizabeth M. Tyrrell	
Richard A. DellaVecchia	2002	Scholarship	2002	Scholarship Fund	2011
Scholarship Fund transferred in		McMaster Moulthrop Scholarship Fund	1999	Peggy Ann Walsh Memorial	
Karen Finder Scholarship Fund	2003	Ken Micloskey/Dorothy Ives Award	2002	Scholarship Fund	2011
Carolyn Fisher Scholarship transferred in	2003	NESMA Scholarship Fund	2010	Kristen Warner Scholarship Fund	2004
William E. Furniss, M.D. and Doris I. Furniss Scholarship	2004	AJR Nocera Memorial Fund	2007	John Whitcomb Scholarship Fund	2001
Don's I. I diffuss scholarship	2001			Yarde Metals Memorial Scholarship Fund	2005

For a full description of each named fund, visit www.mainstreetfoundation.org.

A colorful, animated character beckons to a young patron visiting Burlington Public Library. The child accepts the invitation to play, and touches the screen of an AWE Early Literacy Station (ELS), to launch an interactive learning program. The child uses his finger to navigate around the screen, solving math problems as he earns clues to



Photo courtesy of Danielle Curtis

find a hidden treasure. "The touch screen is especially beneficial to young children who are still developing fine motor and cognitive skills necessary to use a mouse or keyboard effectively," observes Laurie Meheran, Childrenís Librarian. The library was able to purchase two Early Literacy Stations with a grant in the amount of \$6,225 from the James R. Parker Trust at the Main Street Community Foundation.

The ELS offers a child-safe browser featuring sixty preloaded educational software titles, spanning seven curricular areas: 1) math and problem solving 2) reading, words, and phonics 3) science and nature 4) social studies and geography 5) writing and computer skills 6) reference 7) music and art. The programs are geared toward children ages two to eight. Each educational program has a built-in learning assessment to help

individual users set goals for their learning, and provides feedback about their progress toward those goals.

"These very accessible learning tools stimulate children's natural love of learning, motivating them to learn more while enjoying the process," reports Marie Spratlin-Hasskarl, Director of the Burlington Public Library, "Children are dazzled by the touch screen, parents find them to be educational in many disciplines, and the programs are entertaining. The units are dependable and patrons need almost no assistance from staff to navigate the various programs. The average session is approximately 27 minutes, indicating that they hold the children's attention well. There have been over 1400 sessions in the past nine months, a very strong endorsement in itself."

UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY FUNDS/SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY FUNDS:

These funds are flexible and responsive to emerging and changing community needs. The Foundation distributes grants from these funds where they are needed most.

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund	1998
Bristol Savings Bank Fund	1996
Angela & Al Caruso Family Charitable Fund	2006
Ronald F. and Emilie P. Duhaime	
Family Fund	2003
The Formagioni-Lodovico Family Fund	2009
Jim & Eleanor Frawley Community Fund	2010
Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable Fund	2000
Edward W. and Audrey K. Mink	
Memorial Fund	2000
The Tedesco-Gallant Charitable Fund	2005
Turkus Family Fund	2000

SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS:

Sustainability Funds strengthen the Community Foundation's role as a funder, community leader, convener and advocate.

Barnes Group Inc.	
I 50th Anniversary Fund	2007
Main Street Community	
Foundation Endowment Fund	2000
Dave and Edith Scarritt Fund	2004
Yarde Metals Community Support Fund	2005

Healthy Choices

Imagine you are a skilled female, not quite 20-years-old, walking onto the floor of a manufacturing company staffed entirely by males...until you arrived. What potential challenges would you need to prepare yourself for? A Bristol Technical Education Center (BTEC) student did not have to imagine this scenario, she experienced it firsthand. Fortunately, the BTEC administration is paying attention to current trends in the workplace, and is motivated to take action by empowering students with specific communication and relationship strategies as they embark on their careers.

With the help of a grant in the amount of \$1,600 from the Women & Girls' Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation, BTEC is offering a healthy choices support group facilitated by the Prudence Crandall Center. The support group has given female students

the opportunity to develop strategies for dealing proactively with workplace issues. The facilitator, Nikita Carmona, encourages the students to share their experiences by asking, "What types of workplace issues do you face in the classroom, at your

internship, or in your current job environment?" At the end of the ten week spring session, students will be given a book, funded by the Parent Faculty Organization (PFO), "Odd Girl



The Healthy Choices group members convene.

Out", which deals with the topic of bullying and its impact on females. The program will run again for ten weeks during the 2013 fall semester. Currently, BTEC serves 152 students in eleventh and twelfth grade, as well as post-graduate registrants. All of the trade teachers are male. Currently, only twelve students are female. Courses of study include: automotive, manufacturing, welding, heating and air conditioning (HVAC), electronics, and culinary arts.

"I have learned that confrontation does not always have to be negative. This group has taught me that it's okay to let others know how you're feeling because a conflict can sometimes give people the opportunity to work a problem out and turn a situation around. Confrontation doesn't always have to be an argument," explains Johna, a Bristol Technical Education Center student. Six of her peers nod in agreement. Kara adds wisely, "Sometimes you have to allow yourself and others a cooling off period before having a discussion about a problem or disagreement. By taking the time to get your emotions under control, you're less likely to say things you might regret."

"How do you create a healthy work environment where you are a member of the team and not just the clean-up crew?" posits Bristol Technical Education Center Principal Joyce Mowrey, "Women who encounter similar situations need to develop communication skills to assertively and respectfully set clear expectations for equal work responsibilities and fair division of labor. Women in male dominated

workplaces
must
effectively set
boundaries as
they strive to
cultivate
positive,
productive
working
relationships
with their
colleagues."

Participants have explored the following topics through discussion and role playing: characteristics of healthy relationships; how to develop healthy relationships through effective communication and appropriate behavior; responsible and respectful ways of dealing with the opposite sex in the workplace; sexual harassment; and group generated topics. The program will also include an assembly for male students of the school to give them the opportunity discuss and learn about most of the same topics.

Joyce Mowrey and Michelle Andrade, School Counselor, agree that the healthy choices support group is making a significant impact with a ripple effect throughout the school and surrounding communities. Mrs. Mowrey explains, "Through participation in this program, students have developed the interpersonal and communication skills necessary to create and maintain positive relationships at Bristol Technical Education Center. Teachers have noticed a difference in the way students interact as a result of this program. The benefits also carry over into the students' family and personal relationships, as well as their work relationships in their internship placements. Therefore, this program has the potential to positively impact workplace climates in our local communities."



THE WOMEN & GIRLS' FUND

"The Women & Girls' Fund taps the power of women to strengthen our communities and our world. We are a primary source of funding, and a catalyst, for initiatives that empower and celebrate women of all ages."



Representatives from the 2012 Women & Girls' Fund grantee organizations.

Women & Girls' Fund

2012 was an incredible year for the Women & Girls' Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation as the Advisory Board continues to work tirelessly to share the Fund's mission of empowering women. Strengthening the endowment and growing the Fund's presence throughout the six communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott were the top priorities throughout the 2012 year. In keeping with this goal, the Women & Girls' Fund has been able to award over \$225,000 in grants to more than 80 organizations and programs throughout the 11 year life of the Fund.

In 2012, \$25,000 in grants was awarded to eight organizations serving women and girls in the local communities. These grants will support a range of programs, from youth projects and programs to empower girls to professional development of women working in licensed home-based childcare.

In addition to the incredible grantmaking initiatives of this year, the Women & Girls' Fund hosted workshop sessions for current, past and future grantees on grant writing and opportunities to partner on community issues affecting women. During 2012, a review of work plans for the future was conducted and major areas of focus were identified, including: increasing the Fund's presence in communities served; continuing to grow

the endowment; strengthening capacity to increase grantmaking; and continuing to diversify board membership. The Fund engaged more people in its work - as friends, advisory board members, committee members, donors and ambassadors; and widened the circle so that more people became familiar with the mission and the important work of our grantees.

The Women & Girls' Fund welcomed two new Board Members in 2012, Kimberly James and Lisa King, and said farewell to four dedicated board members whose terms had expired: Melanie Dumont, Ann Frenette, Leslie Moore and Jill Schoenfuss. Looking toward the future of the Fund, a Community Engagement Committee was established to take on the task of marketing, community outreach, and endowment building. The progress and energy displayed by this committee is wonderful and the committee looks forward to promising results in the next year.

April 23, 2012 marked the 11th Annual Wonder of Women (WOW) event at the Aqua Turf Club. WOW featured Faith Middleton, host and producer of popular nationally-syndicated NPR shows. Faith was funny and inspiring as she challenged everyone to continue their work on behalf of women and girls. The 2012 WOW event would not have been a tremendous success without the sponsors and, in

particular the presenting sponsors, Barnes Group Foundation, Inc., Comcast, Farmington Bank and KPMG.

The Women & Girls' Fund has set its sights high for years to come, welcoming newcomers to join in the effort to empower women and girls and to celebrate the Fund's success with grantmaking initiatives. A special thanks to all those who support the Women & Girls' Fund's vision for the future and hope of women and girls.

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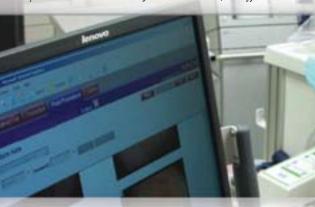
THE BRADLEY BARNES MEMORIAL TRUST/COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

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Bradley Henry Barnes Leila Upson Barnes

The Bradley Henry Barnes and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust

Under the trusteeship of the Main Street Community Foundation, the Bradley Henry Barnes and the Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust once again provided funding for the Bradley Memorial campus of The Hospital of Central Connecticut to improve the health and well-being of Southington residents. \$602,534 was distributed from the trust to support new capital items including new video endoscopy equipment and to make the final payment on the \$2.4 million dollar interest-free construction loan from the Trust for the Barnes Medical Office Building that was completed in late 2007 near the town's center. The video and electronic record system connects with the procedures equipment to produce high definition images and allows physicians to dictate during the exam. This technology truly enhances the delivery of patient information allowing for the highest quality of care for patients at the Bradley Memorial campus. The Advisory Committee for the Trust as well as the Foundation's Board of Directors continued to honor and ensure that Mr. Barnes' wishes for his gift to the residents of Southington would be permanently safeguarded.

The Plainville Community Fund

The Plainville Community Fund has distributed \$20,000 to sixteen different organizations benefitting Plainville residents over the past six years. In 2012, grant distributions totaling \$6,000 were made from the fund. The Plainville Community Food Pantry was granted \$1,500 to provide holiday baskets to clients. 2012 Plainville High School/YMCA Project Graduation received \$1,000. PARC was given \$345 to support the Healthy Living Program with a Wii Fit console and games. The YWCA of New Britain was able to provide prevention education programs at Plainville High School with a \$1,500 grant. The New Britain Symphony Orchestra received \$1,655 to support family concerts in Plainville and a concert for fifth grade Plainville students. Past recipients have also included Middle School of Plainville, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, the Wheeler Clinic, and Nutmeg Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

A "Bountiful Basket" fundraiser was held by the Plainville Community Fund as a new initiative at the Downtown Plainville Block Party in September 2012. A total of \$700 in proceeds will add to the 2013 grant cycle. Eighteen organizations, churches and individuals assembled and donated baskets with various themes. The most popular basket themes were "Family Fun Night" and "Time to Tailgate."

The Plainville Community Fund, established by a group of dedicated community leaders as an endowed fund at the Main Street Community Foundation, was created to provide a permanent source of funding for charitable projects and programs that will enhance the quality of life for the Plainville community.

2011-2012 PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL

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COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund

The Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund is committed to sustaining and extending the excellence of the Region 10 School District, serving the communities of Burlington and Harwinton. The fund was created to expand educational opportunities that cannot be provided through the regular school district's budget. This permanently endowed fund positively impacts a student population of 3,000 children. The Make a Mark Advisory Committee solicits grant applications for projects that demonstrate creativity and innovative instructional practices to enhance the learning of students. Continued growth of the fund can be attributed to donations from individuals, families, and businesses, as well as fundraising events that promote a united sense of community among Harwinton and Burlington residents in support of their shared school district.

In 2012, Make A Mark sponsored the 2nd

Annual Community Chess Tournament at Lewis S. Mills High School with over 125 participants. Together with the Burlington Lions Club, the Johnnycake Music Fest debuted in June



Puppet made for the Cultural Caravan project

of 2012. Over 600 people from the community attended. Proceeds from both events were donated to the Fund.

The Make A Mark Advisory Committee considered its third round of grant applications in 2012. Three grants were distributed totaling \$1,435 to fund programs that promote reading, physical activity, and cultural diversity. Grants awarded from the Make A Mark Enrichment Fund continue to provide creative learning opportunities to enhance the educational experience for students and teachers in Region 10.

2012 Make A Mark Advisory Committee

Dwight Harris, Chairman
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Ted Shafer, Burlington First Selectman, ex officio

Susan Sadecki, Main Street Community Foundation, ex officio

The Burlington Bell Community Fund

The Burlington Bell Community Fund is an endowed fund at Main Street Community Foundation created to provide a permanent source of funding for charitable projects and programs that will enhance the quality of life for Burlington residents. The bell, donated to the citizens of Burlington by long-time resident Bob Merriman, stands as a symbol for this community fund.

In 2012, the Burlington Bell Community Fund granted \$1,000 to the Safe Harbor Youth Service Bureau, a professional counseling service created to help teenagers. The Safe Harbor initiative began in the summer of 2012, in a joint effort by town leaders, residents, and a Student Advisory Board to address the needs for services and programs for adolescents in Burlington and Harwinton. The youth bureau is currently located in a satellite office at Harwinton Town Hall, and is advised by Torrington Youth Service Bureau's Tom Donaldson and Jessica Wright from McCall Foundation.

Safe Harbor allows professional adult counselors to confidentially advise local teens concerning their social and stress issues. The youth bureau also offers a summer youth employment program, a community based life skills/mentoring program, a positive youth development program, and prevention activities.

The Burlington Bell Community Fund also made two \$500 grants to the Burlington Fuel Bank in 2012 - the first in February, and the second in December. There has been an increased need for assistance with home heating costs among Burlington residents in the last few years.

On November 3, 2012, the founding group and dedicated volunteers held a fundraiser at K.C. Dubliner's restaurant to build the endowment fund for the continued betterment of the community. Cajun Ray and the Steamers provided music and entertainment. The band motivated the crowd to dance the night away! A silent auction was held, and close to \$3,000 was raised for the Burlington Bell Community Fund at that event.



Advisory Council presenting a grant to Safe Harbor

2012 Burlington Bell Advisory Council

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Janet Schwartz, Chairman
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Ted Scheidel



Anne Walluk

Allison Yudelson





"The partnership between Tunxis

Community College's VISTA program

and Main Street Community Foundation

was designed to get students interested

Community Benefits from VISTA Service Learning Projects

Charity and generosity are two of the values that brought together a small team of eight students from Tunxis Community College and Main Street Community Foundation in the spring semester of 2012. The students, enrolled in sociology class taught by Professor Marie Clucas, PhD, participated in a VISTA service learning project which benefitted six

immediate response funds at the Foundation: Bristol Board of Education Immediate Response Fund, Karen DuCotey Fund for Kids, Leading Ladies Immediate Response Fund, Main Street Children's Fund.

Werner Family Fund and the Women & Girls' Immediate Response Fund. The immediate response funds assist families and individuals in need with a one-time grant.

The students determined that as of the 2010 census, there exists a higher-than-stateaverage unemployment rate in four of the six towns served by MSCF. The area's higher unemployment rate is one of the causes for the increase in immediate response fund requests from social service agencies.

VISTA Coordinator Susan Dantino suggested a service learning project to add resources to these funds. After speaking with Foundation staff and learning that one way

of disbursing the grants is through gift cards, the students decided to hold several gift card drives to contribute to the immediate response funds, while raising awareness about the effects of the economic downturn on individuals. At the end of the project, over \$600 in gift cards and donations were donated to benefit the funds during a

ceremony at Tunxis Community College.

Main Street Community Foundation was participating in the VISTA

in service learning, in the hopes of fortunate to developing future leaders of non-profit again partner with Tunxis organizations, as well as community Community volunteers and philanthropists," explained College students Susan Sadecki, President and CEO of Main Street Community Foundation. project

during the Fall 2012 semester to create a Community Wish List. The list is a collection of the needs of nonprofit organizations serving the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

Inspired by the Connecticut Council for Philanthropy's annual "Ways to Share... A Holiday Wish List", the students gathered information from several organizations and added it to the already existing Wish List. The Community Wish List is updated regularly and can be found on the Foundation's website, www.mainstreetfoundation.org.

Strengthening Our Local **Nonprofit Organizations**

For the third year, Main Street Community Foundation, in partnership with the Connecticut Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), offered a web/audio conference series, consisting of six sessions, to enhance the development and knowledge of nonprofit professionals, Board members and volunteers. These sessions provided nonprofit leaders and volunteers with advice and guidance on board development and fundraising issues, among other timely and important topics.

New in 2012 was the addition of four workshops that complemented the web/ audio conferences offered by AFP. Deborah Polydys, principal of Strategic Management Resources, LLC, a business advisory firm founded in Southington in 1985, partnered with the Foundation to offer workshops on topics of interest: "The Power of Social Media to Influence Your Community and Attract Board Members & Volunteers." "Harness the Power of Proactive Communications to Educate & Influence Your Community," "Get Your Board On-Board with Your Vision," and "Strengthening the Role of Board Members & Volunteers - Vital to the Growth of your Organization."

All sessions were held at Tunxis@Bristol. 430 North Main Street, and were offered at no charge to local nonprofits. Thank you to Tunxis@Bristol for providing the location for these educational sessions and to Deborah Polydys for sharing her experience and words of wisdom with the nonprofit community.



DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE GENERAL GRANT PROCESS

\$61,427

Meeting the Needs of Our Most Vulnerable Citizens

Children in Placement CT, Inc. \$5,000

To support a new program to train and utilize volunteers in the Bristol Probate Court to work on behalf of children

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund Gnazzo-Reidy Charitable Fund

Christian Fellowship Center, Inc. \$2,500

To support the purchase of food for the soup kitchen and food pantry

Ciccarelli-Vitale Community Advancement Fund Edward and Audrey Mink Memorial Fund Formagioni-Lodovico Family Fund

Connecticut Community Care, Inc. \$2,000

To support the Independent Living Fund for clients in our service area

Edward and Audrey Mink Memorial Fund Jim & Eleanor Frawley Community Fund Jaspersohn Family Fund

Covenant to Care for Children \$3,600

To support the Critical Goods special project which supplies beds, cribs and bedding to children in our area

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund Jim & Eleanor Frawley Community Fund

Parent & Child Center at \$5,000 the Bristol Hospital

To support the Family Life Works Program, which provides education and referral services to at-risk families

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

Plymouth Community Food Pantry \$1,100

To support the purchase of a laptop, projector and screen for marketing and dissemination of information to and for clients

Paige Laferriere Wartonick Memorial Fund Jaspersohn Family Fund

Southington Community YMCA \$2,500

To support the Strong Kids Campaign which provides financial assistance to families and children in the YMCA programs

Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund

Strengthening Education and Development of our Youth

Bristol Board of Education \$2,500 & West Bristol School

To support a peer-to-peer mentoring program at the new West Bristol School

Fuller & Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education

Burlington Library Association, Inc. \$6,225

To support the purchase of two Early Learning Stations

James R. Parker Trust

Family Resource \$3,655 Center of Southington

To support the purchase of furniture and materials for the new permanent Family Resouce Center at Hatton Elementary School

Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund



Members of the SMART Girls program learn about nutrition.



Loel, "big brother", with his "little brother" Colin of Southington were matched through the Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters program.

Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters \$1,000

To support the mentoring of a student from Southington

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

Plymouth School to Career/ \$1,250 Plymouth Board of Education

To support the purchase of 3 iPads to enhance instruction for technology classes

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

Talcott Mountain Science Center \$3,540

To support twelve camperships at the summer program for students from our service area Fuller & Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund

YWCA of New Britain

\$3,000

To support the "tough guise" program at Lewis Mills High School James R. Parker Trust

Expanding Audiences and Supporting Local Arts Institutions

Bristol Historical Society & Museum \$500

To support the printing of marketing material for the Young Artists Series

Turkus Family Fund

Nutmeg Public Access Television, Inc.

\$4,500

To support the purchase of a new field shoot system Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

Nutmeg Symphony

\$2,500

To support educational children's concerts for third grade students from schools in our service area

Fuller & Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education Bristol Brass General Grant Fund James R. Parker Trust

Promoting Physical Activity and Youth Sports Programs

Burlington Little League

\$4,182

To support the purchase of fence covers and a storage shed

James R. Parker Trust
Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

Forestville Little League

\$2,400

To support the reinstallation of batting cages and repairs to the bathrooms

Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

Preserving History and Cultural Heritage

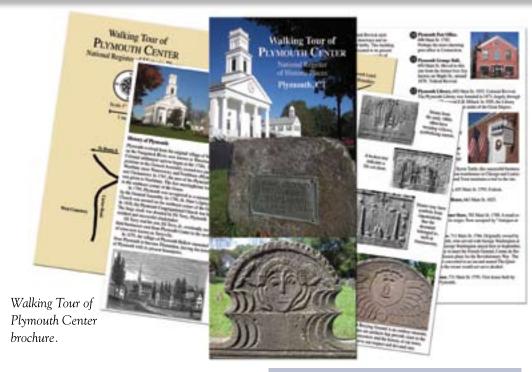
DAR Katharine Gaylord Chapter \$750

To support the restoration and repairs of the Samuel Newell gravesite

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

New England Auto Museum \$975

To support the purchase of brochures and a hanging banner to market the Museum Bristol Brass General Grant Fund



Plymouth Land Trust, Inc.

\$750

\$2,000

To support the printing of the new Walking Guide to Historic Plymouth Center

Merriman Family Fund Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

Protecting The Health and Welfare of Citizens

Office of the Fire Marshall, Town of Plymouth

To support the purchase of two mobile data information technology devices

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

GRANTS FROM THE PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY FUND

\$6,000

New Britain Symphony Orchestra \$1,655

To support family concerts in Plainville and a concert for fifth graders from Plainville

PARC \$345

To support the Healthy Living Program with a Wii Fit console and games

Plainville Community Food Pantry \$1,500

To provide holiday baskets to clients in 2012-2013

2012 PHS/YMCA Project Graduation

\$1,000

To support an event for the benefit of graduating seniors from Plainville High School

YWCA of New Britain

\$1,500

To support prevention education programs at Plainville High School



The Wheeler Family Regional YMCA decorated and ready to greet 2012 Plainville High School graduates for Project Graduation.



PARC clients engaged with staff playing Wii Fit as part of the Healthy Living Program.

GRANTS FROM THE WOMEN & GIRLS' FUND

\$25,000

Boys & Girls Club and Family \$2,000 Center of Bristol

To support the SMART Girls Program

Bristol Family Resource Centers \$4,000

To provide professional development and support to self-employed women providing licensed day care and early educational services for children in their home

Bristol Girls Little League Softball \$4,000

To support skills and confidence building pre-season clinics

Bristol Technical Education Center \$1,620

To support a group of female students with education in two sessions of ten classes on safe and healthy life choices put on by Prudence Crandall Center

Bristol Youth Services \$1,600

To support 12 high school females with life education through the Skills to Pay the Bills program

Charter Oak State College Foundation

\$3,600

To support the Women in Transition Program, which provides low income single mothers an opportunity to complete their college degrees on line

Living in Safe Alternatives

\$5,900

To support the Girls on the Rise Project, this provides young girls, living at the group homes in Bristol and Wolcott, with academic support and the tools to negotiate life's decisions

YWCA of New Britain

\$2,280

To support a teen empowerment group at Plainville High School

GRANTS FROM THE \$1,435 MAKE A MARK REGION 10 ENRICHMENT FUND

HarBur Middle School

\$300

To support the Cultural Caravan project by providing funds to be used for the materials and supplies needed to build the puppet(s)

Lake Garda Elementary School

\$500

\$635

To support reading through the Sky's the Limit summer program

Lewis Mills, HarBur, Harwinton Consolidated and Lake Garda

To support the Physically Active Classrooms project

GRANTS FROM THE BURLINGTON BELL COMMUNITY FUND

\$2,000

\$1,000

Town of Burlington/Fuel Bank \$500

To support Burlington residents in need of fuel assistance

Town of Burlington/Food Bank \$500

To match a collection for the Food Bank from students at Lewis Mills

Town of Burlington/ Safe Habor Program

To support professional counseling services for teenagers

GRANTS FROM \$683,440 DESIGNATED FUNDS/ AGENCY ENDOWMENTS

Bradley Memorial Campus of the Hospital of Central CT

\$602,534

Bradley H. Barnes and Leila U. Barnes Memorial Trust

Burlington Land Trust, Inc. \$1,220

Burlington Land Trust Fund

City of Bristol \$33,205

Hap Barnes Fire Safety Trailer Fund

New England Carousel Museum \$2,455 (Fire Museum)

Hap Barnes Fund for Fire Safety & Prevention



A member of the SMART Girls program participating in the "Caring for Others" session.

Plymouth Board of Education \$400

Plymouth Century Club Fund

Bristol Boys & Girls Club \$1,000

Charles Kushlan Memorial Fund

Bristol Business \$505 Education Foundation

Bob and Carol Messier Family Fund

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Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy \$360 Association

Tyler James Gingery Memorial Fund

Shepard Meadows Therapeutic \$7,171 Riding Center, Inc.

Shepard Meadows Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc. Endowment Fund

Southington Community YMCA \$4,305

Bradley Henry Barnes Fund for the Southington Community YMCA

Bristol Career Center \$13,280

Bristol Career Center of Tunxis Community College Endowment Fund Bristol Career Center of Tunxis Community College Endowment Fund II

Tunxis Community College \$4,450

Tunxis Community College Fund Tunxis Community College II Fund

West Cemetery Association \$12,270

Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel Trust

GRANTS FROM \$51,291 DONOR ADVISED FUNDS SUPPORTED THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS AND CHARITABLE INTERESTS

Bristol Boys & Girls Club and Family Center **Bristol Community Organization** Bristol Hospital Development Foundation Bristol Sports Hall of Fame The Bushnell Connecticut Public Broadcasting Inc. Connecticut Science Center Environmental Learning Centers of CT First Congregational Church of Bristol Living in Safe Alternatives Main Street Community Foundation National Conference for Community & Justice Renbrook School St. Ann Church Southington YMCA Trustees of Deerfield Academy University of Hartford United Way of West Central CT Women & Girls' Fund at the Main Street Community Foundation

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS \$96.993

IMMEDIATE RESPONSE \$8,588 FUNDS

Bristol Board of Education
Immediate Response Fund
Karen DuCotey Fund for Kids
Main Street Children's Fund
Elizabeth I & Lewis J. Matt
Animal Protection Fund
Werner Family Fund
Winter '09
Women & Girls' Immediate Response Fund

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES AND OTHER GRANTS

\$3,414

Connecticut Voices for Children McCabe Waters Little League Bristol Eastern Closet

SUSTAINABILITY FUND GRANTS

\$17,945

Main Street Community Foundation

\$17,945

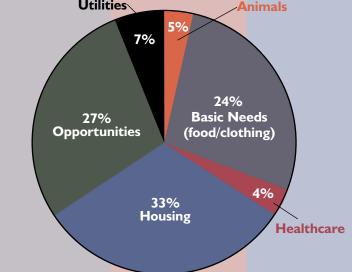
Barnes Group 150th Anniversary Fund Main Street Community Foundation Endowment Fund Yarde Metals Community Fund

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED \$957,533

Immediate Response Grants

Main Street Community Foundation's seven immediate response funds provide assistance to local residents who need a helping hand. Requests are initiated by a social service organization, other nonprofit or school. Grants support individuals or families faced with a particular life situation or unexpected financial hardship to assist with needs that may relate to food, clothing, shelter, health, safety, animal care, extracurricular educational experiences, and opportunities for inclusion (i.e. sports, camperships, testing fees). In 2012, forty-five immediate response requests were fulfilled.





2012 SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

E. Bartlett Barnes Iournalism Award

Nicole Jacques Jacqueline Stoughton

4 Burns Scholarship -St. Joseph/St Paul

Zachary Jones Ashley Kosikowski

Sid Bernard Memorial Art Scholarship

Tiffani Barley

Peter and Marjorie Bossi Scholarship

Elizabeth Jeanne Pelletier

Bowerman Scholarship

Leslie Lewis

Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani Memorial **Scholarship Fund**

Chelsea Conlon

Bristol Police Union Scholarship

Corinne Malley

Bristol Yale Scholarship

Brandon Conlon Nicole Jacques

Burlington Lions Charities Scholarship

Rebecca Borovsky Shannon Larkin Katelynn Mudgett

Conn Acoustics Scholarship

Kayla Maciejewski

Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship

Taylor Darby

Richard A. Della Vecchia **Scholarship**

Ashley Wheeler

Karen Finder Scholarship

Jasmine Betts

William E. Furniss MD and **Doris I. Furniss Scholarship**

Chelsea Conlon Ivy Yung

Andrew and Murielle Giacomini Scholarship

Elizabeth Jeanne Pelletier

Dorothy Ives Award

Lindsey Armstrong Schaffrick

Grace and Norma lov Scholarship

Chelsea Conlon

Keating Monaghan Memorial Scholarship

Madison and Makayla Bloom Gabriella Capasso Alexa Celi & Guillermo Nathan Dionne Luke Dognin Sam Gaughan Madison Hagaman Matthew Harkey Peter Miller Makendra Mowad

Kaleah Richards Xavier Rosario

Nicholas Ruffino

Nathan and Zachary Saucier

Anthony, Derek and Gabrielle Schinkel

Joseph Spanilo Noah Stevens Iulian Vinuelas

Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship

Matthew E. Volz

Doris Lazorik Memorial Scholarship

Michael Petit

Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship

Nicole Jacques

Nicholas P. Maglio ACE Fund

VernaJean Michaud

Malerbo Memorial **Scholarship**

Jonathan Hylan Kimberly Hylan Felicia Knight Adam Levesque Andrew James Pahl Amethyst Peterson Chadd Richardson Paul Robert Wieck

McMaster Moulthrop Scholarship

Nathan Casale Mitchell Gagnon Elise Galipo



2012 scholarship recipients were honored at the Foundation's Scholarship Reception held on June 27, 2012 at the Bristol Public Library.

Hristos Giannopoulos Nicole Jacques Ashley Pecorelli Alino Te Emily Zygiel

Robert E. and Angeline P. **McCormack Scholarship** Margaret Feltz

Ken E. Micloskey Award Elizabeth Haylette

NESMA Scholarship

Brandon Conlon Hristos Giannopoulos

AIR Nocera Memorial Fund

Julia Jarmoszko Brenna Belletti

Scott W. Organ Student-Athlete Scholarship

Brenna Belletti

Estelle Delano Peterson Scholarship

Ramsha Khan

Dorothy Dewey Picard Music Scholarship

Noelle Currie

Plainville Blue Dolphins Scoreboard Fund

Peter Dalena Kayla Quealy

Plymouth Community Scholarship

Vannesa Kello

Max and Ruth Rabin **Scholarship**

Vernalean Michaud

Radcliff Family Education Fund

Maria Hoppe

Anastasia St. Hilaire Ivy Yung

Radcliff Plainville High School Fund

Alexis Rodriguez Charles Romanov

Douglas Roland Aid for the Trades Scholarship Fund

Dillon Griffith

Lawrence (Larry) Selza **Memorial Scholarship Fund**

Kaitlyn Vieira

St. Matthew School **Scholarship Fund**

Aaron Matthews Nicholas Sward Lucas Sward Cassandra Sward

Southington Observer/ StepSaver Scholarship

Michael Petit

Peggy Ann Walsh **Memorial Scholarship**

Nicole Jacques Ashley Pecorelli Ivy Yung

John Whitcomb Scholarship Christina Cvr

Yarde Metals Memorial **Scholarship**

Iamie Corda Noelle Currie Katharine Graham Laura Miller Christopher Rothkugel Martyna Rusinowicz Joseph Russo Tyjee Williams



"I still see paintings everywhere and I think that is what I should do with whatever time I have left on this planet, just create small areas of beauty and color"

~ Glo Sessions

"I still see paintings everywhere and I think that is what I should do with whatever time I have left on this planet, just create small areas of beauty and color," wrote Glo Sessions in a 2007 Christmas card to friends. A well known local artist and former resident of Bristol, she died November 20th, 2011 at the age of 89.

Glo Sessions left a bequest in the amount of \$10,000 to create the Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education at the Main Street Community Foundation. Memorial donations have significantly contributed to the growth of the fund, which will provide scholarships to Bristol residents for post-secondary education necessary to pursue a career in art. The first scholarship is expected to be granted in 2014.

"A strong candidate for a Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education scholarship would be someone who has passion for art. An applicant does not have to be a great artist, or someone right out of high school. This fund could also benefit someone who commits to developing artistic talent later in life," explained Molly Bartram, Glo Sessions' youngest child, "The process of creating art was what my mother valued most. She always had a work in progress, and if she wasn't pleased with it, she would take a step back, paint over what she'd done, and try again."

Glo Sessions was named Gloria May at birth and raised in Massachusetts. As a child, she was always drawing. Glo received her early art education from Skidmore College. Honoring her father's expectation that she would earn a living with her art degree, Glo landed a job in the Art Department of Macy's in New York City after graduating. In 1945, she married Jim Sessions, a young man from Bristol whose family owned J.H. Sessions, a trunk hardware manufacturer.

As much as possible, Glo incorporated art into daily her life and routines. A garden could be a palette, and she planted elaborate flower gardens most of her life, paying close attention to color and texture. She also produced an annual Christmas card each year that featured her artwork, and this tradition continued until her death in 2011.

In the late 1950's, Glo contacted Bill Thompson, an artist who lived in Bristol to ask him how to set up a studio. Glo learned to stretch her own canvas and soak watercolor paper before applying paint. She also began to take classes from Wick Knaus, a well-known artist from Canton and "her most influential teacher by far," according to daughter Ruth Sessions. Many years later, Glo became a teacher and shared her own knowledge with other aspiring artists.

Over the years, Glo's skills expanded and became much more diversified. "I think one of the remarkable aspects of her work was that she tried everything: drawing, watercolors, oils, acrylic, sculpture, printmaking... She studied and was always reading articles on new methods or new approaches toward a particular subject. She taught herself how to create prints that were multicolored. This is a time consuming process because the paper needs to be pulled through the press several times in order to allow the colors to build up. Not a project for the faint of heart," reflected daughter Tulis McCall.

Glo's work is on display in universities, museums, and corporate offices throughout New England, and in private homes throughout the country. She received more than 40 awards over the course of her career. Sessions considered herself to be a painter and printmaker of people, places and things people cherish.

"Just keep loving and spread it around so it gets to soak in like butter on warm toast," Glo Sessions advised wisely. She lived by those words. Glo's love of her Bristol community was evident. Her legacy and generosity will continue through the Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education.



Memorial Gifts, Bequests and Planned Giving

The Main Street Community Foundation is built on the dreams and desires of people who are part of the Foundation's service area. For some people, the desire to create a legacy motivates them to make a current gift during their life. For others, these legacies are shaped by the donor as future bequests or planned gifts. At still other times, a tragic event, such as a sudden death, will be the impetus for memorial gifts that may then be used as the beginning of an endowed fund in a loved one's name. Large or small, all of these gifts will enhance the quality of life in our community for generations to come.



The Main Street CornerStone Society

A cornerstone provides a strong support to a structure for its future stability. Laying this groundwork for the future is critical. Like this permanent support, Cornerstone Society members lay the groundwork for the organizations and causes they care about most and the future stability of the foundation.

The opportunity to give later is simple. You can leave a bequest to the Main Street Community Foundation for the community causes you care about in a will or trust, through a retirement plan designation, life insurance designation, remainder interest in real estate, or other planned giving vehicles. We are pleased to recognize the following very generous individuals who have made or have communicated their plans to leave a gift to the Foundation in their will, estate plan or some other deferred gift.

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Grant application guidelines are available
for each of grant programs listed.
Interested organizations should contact
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to first discuss any proposal ideas
and the application process.

The distribution process for grants from both Immediate Response and Donor Advised funds are approved throughout the year, as requests or special initiatives are presented to the Foundation.

These requests are matched to the interests of specific funds.

Scholarships are available to individuals pursuing educational goals at various levels of education and in a variety of fields.



General Competitive Grants

March 31 ~ Application Deadline Competitive grants are made to eligible community organizations for future, planned expenditures and not to cover operating deficits or previously incurred obligations. Preference is given to an organization if the program/project:

Responds to changing or emerging needs of the community;

Leverages or generates other funding or resources;

Promotes collaboration among nonprofit agencies without duplication of efforts;

Enhances an existing program to encourage sustainability.

The Foundation's Distribution Committee, a volunteer group of appointed community representatives, recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in June.

Women & Girls' Fund

September 30 ~ Application Deadline The Women & Girls' Fund mission is to make it possible for women and girls to improve the quality of their lives. Competitive grants are made to organizations that align with this mission and serve females in the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott. The funding focus seeks to assist women and girls to obtain skills and competencies to develop their potential and improve the quality of their lives. In addition to the programmatic focus on women and girls, preference will be given to proposals that identify ways the organization will build capacity as a tool for programmatic and organizational sustainability.

The Women & Girls' Fund Advisory Board recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in December.

Plainville Community Fund

March 15 ~ Application Deadline

The Plainville Community Fund was established by a group of community leaders in early 2006 as an endowed fund to create an additional resource for charitable projects and programs that benefit the Plainville community. Competitive grants are made to organizations for projects that will enhance the quality of life for residents in Plainville.

The Plainville Community Fund Advisory Board recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in June.

Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund

Application Deadline Varies

The Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund is committed to sustaining and extending the excellence of the Region 10 School District by providing a source of funding for expanding educational opportunities that cannot be funded at a meaningful scale through the regular school district's budget. Grant applications can be submitted by teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, students or other school personnel for projects that demonstrate creativity and innovative instructional practices that will enhance the learning of students.

The Make A Mark Advisory Committee recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in June.

Scholarships

Deadline varies by scholarship

The Foundation administers over 55 named scholarship funds, each with different application criteria requirements. The list of available scholarships is posted annually on the Foundation's web site at www.mainstreetfoundation.org by January 15. Scholarships are available at elementary, secondary and higher education levels.

Most award decisions are made in May.

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We gratefully acknowledge the Friends of Main Street listed on this page that generously supported our 2012 annual appeal. This annual campaign, overseen by past board member and founder Tom Barnes, provides the necessary administrative financial support to advance the charitable activities of the Foundation to better serve our communities.

In appreciation, a donor and friends reception is hosted annually by a Foundation supporter. In 2012, food, music and nearly seventy friends made for a delightful June gathering at the beautiful home of Dennis and Eileen Cleary in Wolcott. Attendees enjoyed meeting friends and colleagues who support and value the Foundation's work and mission while relaxing in a park-like setting on the Cleary patio. Sincere appreciation to Dennis and Eileen for their generosity and hospitality. Special thanks to Garrett Printing & Graphics for their generous donation of printing for our invitation. Many thanks to all who support our annual friends appeal and to all donors who value the work of the foundation. You can be proud of the strong and solid base you have created for the philanthropic future of the communities you care about.





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Main Street Community Foundation's Board of Directors took up a collection and purchased a duck for Ducks on Parade in Central Connecticut, a public art project that brought together local artists, businesses and community organizations.

"Grant" was painted by Brian Troccolo, an art teacher at Chippens Hill Middle School in Bristol. Designed with a patchwork quilt pattern, Grant represents the six communities the Foundation serves as well as the types of grants awarded by the Foundation.





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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
ASSETS		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 3,899,173	\$ 944,291
Investments	24,184,050	24,883,366
Notes Receivable		367,534
Pledges Receivable	49,638	80,795
Prepaid expenses	561	2,790
Furniture and equipment, net of depreciation	7,788	4,877
Total assets	\$ 28,141,210	\$ 26,283,653
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 3,268	\$ 2,033
Grants payable	57,533	22,234
Agency endowments	2,560,621	2,401,918
Total liabilities	\$ 2,621,422	\$ 2,426,185
Net assets	\$ 25,519,788	\$ 23,857,468
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 28,141,210	\$ 26,283,653

Historical Investment Performance

Returns as of December 31, 2012, reported net of investment management fees:



Strength in Numbers

Charitable dollars brought together become powerful. The Community Foundation Board administers them carefully, because wealth earned and generously given away is a solemn trust to us. And we're mindful, always, of how much these resources will be needed in the future.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
SUPPORT AND REVENUES*		
Gifts and contributions	\$ 602,552	\$ 821,048
Interest and dividend income	634,517	635,436
Other income	83,593	116,989
Investment gains/(losses)	1,639,661	(423.678)
Total revenues and support	\$ 2,960,323	\$ 1,149,795
GRANTS AND EXPENSES		
Grants	\$ 735,604	\$ 694,654
Scholarships	97,993	78,026
Other expenses	64,929	84,709
Operating expenses	399,478	393,929
Total grants and expenses	\$ 1,298,003	\$ 1,251,318
Change in net assets	\$ 1,662,320	\$ (101,523)
Net assets at beginning of year	\$ 23,857,468	\$ 23,958,991
Total net assets at end of period	\$ 25,519,788	\$ 23,857,468
*net of agency fund activity		

How your Community Endowment is Invested

Asset Allocation as of December 31, 2012



Community Foundation resources are managed differently than personal assets and retirement accounts. And they are managed differently than the short-term cash a nonprofit or business invests to cover payroll, rent, program delivery, or inventory. Set and monitored by our Investment Committee, our asset allocation plan guides us to preserve and grow our endowments in a manner that reduces exposure to market volatility through diversification within risk managed asset classes.



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