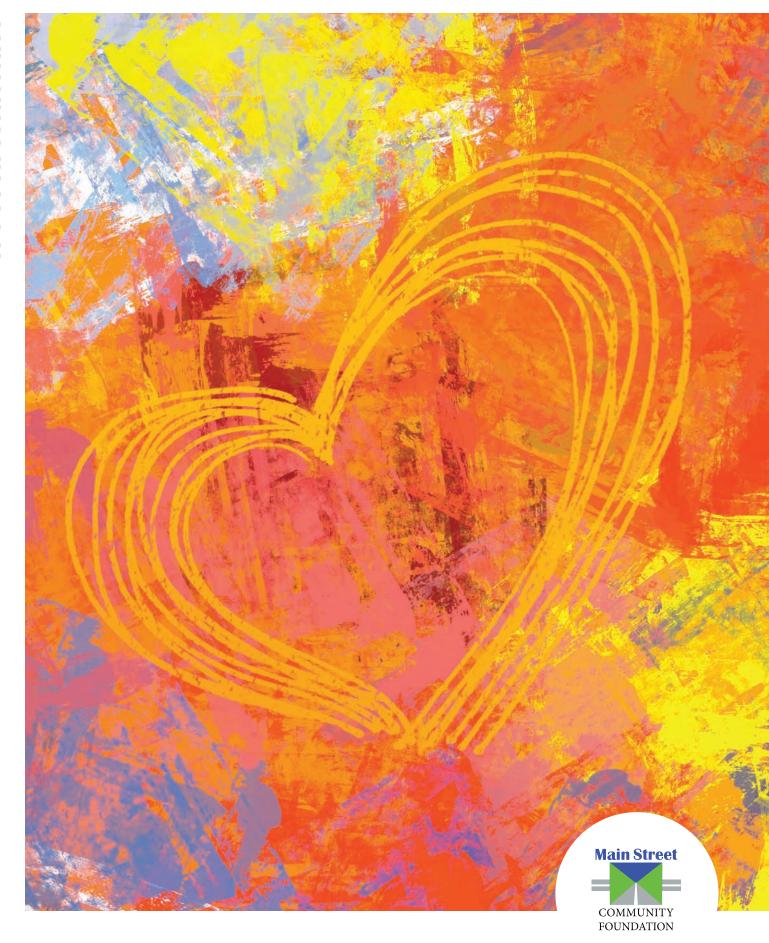
# IT'S PERSONAL





It's Personal Because... It's Your Community. Your Legacy. Your Way – Everyday, people in our local communities are finding ways to leave their legacy through very personal decisions that will provide lasting impact. MSCF is forever grateful to the many donors who have entrusted those decisions to us and we take those responsibilities personally. Each fund has its own personal story and we are honored to steward each one.

We are proud to report that over 285 named funds have been established since our founding in 1995 totaling nearly \$56.9 million in assets as of 12/31/23. Over the last 29 years, MSCF has awarded \$28.2 million in grants and scholarships to advance opportunities for residents and nonprofits in the Connecticut communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington, and Wolcott.

Our continuous adherence to sound financial practices led to an unmodified audit opinion of our 2023 financials from the accounting firm CliftonLarsonAllen LLP. We are also confirmed in compliance with the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations, a distinction we have held for over nineteen years.

Dependent on volunteer leadership to fulfill our mission, those who serve on our board of directors and committees expand our community philanthropic efforts by sharing their individual and collective knowledge and expertise. In early 2024 board leadership changed as chair Scott Fournier passed the gavel to Dan Daigle. We bid farewell to highly respected board member Margi Fletcher and welcomed new board members Dale Clift and Paula Knight. To each and all, we are very grateful for their generous donation of time, talents and community insight.

On behalf of the Founders, Board of Directors and staff of MSCF, we thank you for your partnership. This annual report is our opportunity to share with you the charitable intentions of our donors and their investments in your community. It is also an opportunity to recognize the collective philanthropy of all and to invite you to join with us, so together we can create lasting impact – forever.

Sincerely,

Susan D. Sadecki, *President & CEO* Daniel J. Daigle, *Chair of the Board* 

285 million in total volunteers million awarded funds assets supporting established contributions in grants and **Main Street** scholarships received **since 1995** Community to your **Foundation** community

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# OUR VISION OF IMPACT FOR THE COMMUNITY

Vibrant communities where people have equitable and inclusive opportunities to prosper, participate, and be inspired to give.

#### **OUR MISSION**

Inspiring donors and community partners to foster a sustainable legacy of impactful giving 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.

#### **GIFT PLANNING**

Endowed gifts and bequests have been the cornerstone of charitable contributions to Main Street Community Foundation, helping to ensure that a permanent resource of assets will forever support the local communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

## FUNDS ESTABLISHED IN 2023



Rendering for new Bristol Police Memorial



Lieutenant Dustin DeMonte and Sergeant Alex Hamzy



Ann Gudegast

#### **Bristol Police Memorial Fund**

This project fund was established by the Bristol Police Benevolent Association to memorialize fallen Bristol Police Officers. The fund will serve as a collection mechanism for donations and grant funds that will be used to build a new memorial monument adjacent to the Bristol Police Department in Bristol, CT. The project is being planned, organized and executed by members of the Bristol Police Benevolent Association in coordination with the City of Bristol Mayor's Office and Police Department. Once the project is completed, any remaining funds will assist with future maintenance of the memorial.

## Lt. Dustin DeMonte and Sgt. Alex Hamzy Public Safety Scholarship Fund

Following the tragic events of October 12, 2022 when both Lieutenant Dustin DeMonte and Sergeant Alex Hamzy were killed in the line of duty, the Bristol Board of Education came together with the Bristol Police Department and in collaboration they established this scholarship fund. Scholarships will be awarded annually to a graduating senior at Bristol Central High School and a graduating senior at Bristol Eastern High School who are pursuing a major in public safety or criminal justice. Dustin and Alex are forever honored and remembered for their selfless service and commitment to the Bristol community, and this scholarship fund will continue that legacy.

# Ann Gudegast Fund for the Bristol Boys & Girls Club

Ann Gudegast established this designated fund to provide annual funding to the Boys & Girls Club of Bristol in support of programs and services that will assist young women and girls in developing healthy lifestyles, including nutrition, selfconfidence, financial literacy, education attainment and participation in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) learning opportunities. A lifelong resident of Bristol, Connecticut, Ann attended Immanuel Lutheran School and spent much of her after school time at the Bristol Girls Club where she developed friendships, attended summer camp and learned to cook and sew. Both of her parents worked, and living so close to the Club afforded her the opportunity to benefit from the many programs offered. Ann stated that "Of all the things I've been grateful for in my life, one of them would definitely be the Girls Club."

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**Louise Lauretano DeMars** 

### Louise Lauretano DeMars Love of Art Fund

Louise Lauretano DeMars helped build and develop a vibrant arts and culture community in Bristol. This fund, established by Louise via bequest, will honor her memory and her passion. Louise's contributions to the arts and culture and the museum industry were many. Most notably in the greater Bristol community, her 28-year tenure as the Executive Director of the New England Carousel Museum established the museum as a national tourist destination. Louise was a valued mentor and member of many organizations and associations over the course of her career. This scholarship fund will continue her joy and passion for art while inspiring future artists, something she spent her life doing.



Tricia Louise O'Connor

## Tricia Louise O'Connor Charitable Fund

Tricia Louise O'Connor was a bright light, someone who touched the lives of many with her adventurous spirit and kindness. She made the world beautiful for so many and inspired them through her art, love of travel, friendship and creativity. This donor advised fund was established in loving memory of Tricia as a way to continue to inspire others. Grants from this fund will be awarded to organizations at the recommendation of Tricia's family for projects that Tricia would have loved and that represent her passion for the arts and life.



## Plymouth Human Services Scholarship Fund for Healthcare Students

This scholarship was transferred to Main Street Community Foundation by the Town of Plymouth Human Services Commission; it was originally established when the Plymouth VNA closed. The Plymouth VNA served the town and its residents for many years and this scholarship will continue the organization's legacy forever. Scholarships will be awarded annually to residents of Plymouth who are graduating high school seniors seeking financial assistance to further post-secondary education or career training in the healthcare field, which can include a healthcare program at a vocational school or community college in an allied health profession, or acceptance at a two-year or four-year college or university pursuing a degree in a healthcare program of study.

AND THROUGH MSCF REASONS TO GIVE **Broad Expertise on Expertise in Managing & Support Diverse, Equitable** and Inclusive Initiatives **Community Issues Investing Funds** and Needs **Trust & Accountability Honor or Memorialize Your Community Leadership Loved One Keep Your Giving Local Tax Advantages** Leave A Legacy

#### **BECOMING A DONOR/ESTABLISHING A FUND**

There are many ways to donate to Main Street Community Foundation to support charitable organizations and causes in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott. 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

You 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.

#### Establish a new fund

Our donors are individuals, families, businesses and charitable organizations. You can establish a fund using a variety of gift-giving vehicles. Most new endowment funds can be established with a minimum donation of \$10,000; to establish a new scholarship fund, the minimum is \$25,000. Funds can be established as a permanent endowment or as a temporary fund in which income and principal will be distributed. To learn more about establishing a new fund, visit our website.

#### **WHAT TO GIVE**

An outright gift to the Main Street Community Foundation is the simplest way to make a difference in the community you care about.

You can donate cash, securities/stocks, bonds, real estate or other tangible personal property. Most charitable gifts qualify for maximum tax advantages under federal law.

While many people give liquid assets, such as cash, giving other assets may be better for you and should also be considered.

Planning wisely for the final distribution of stocks, IRAs or another retirement plan, life insurance, your home, vacation home, business, automobile(s), boats, jewelry, checking and savings accounts, can reduce unnecessary federal, state and property taxes your heirs may have to pay. Be sure to consult your professional advisor for guidance.

For more information and specifics on what you can give to make a difference, visit the MSCF website:



#### **DONOR SERVICES**

Main Street Community Foundation provides permanent, professional administration of charitable funds without the expense or effort of establishing a private foundation. All assets are professionally managed with oversight by the Investment Committee and Board of Directors. There is no cost to establish a fund. There is a modest management fee which supports the administrative operations of the Foundation. Your 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 anonymity 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 funding consideration
- Advisement on community needs and priorities
- Assistance to private foundations to meet pay-out requirements



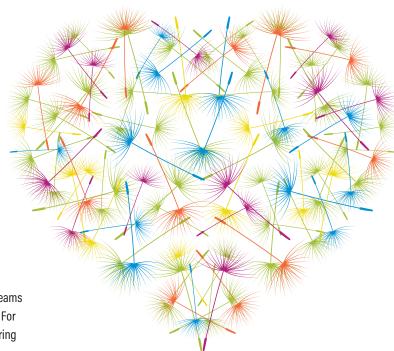
Main Street Community Foundation is built on the dreams and desires of people who live and work in this area. For some people, the desire to create a legacy comes during their life as a current gift. For others, these legacies are shaped by the donor as future bequests or planned gifts. And still at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

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, while also ensuring 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 causes you care about in a will or trust, through a retirement plan designation, life insurance beneficiary 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 bequest to the Foundation in their will, estate plan or other deferred gift.



CORNERSTONE SOCIETY MEMBERS

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Anonymous 9
Anonymous 10
Anonymous 11
Robert J. Alim
Tom & Melanie Barnes
Sidney M. Bernard\* & E

Anonymous 1

Sidney M. Bernard\* & Edward J. Miller Whit & Jarre Betts

Robert C. Boudreau Ken Burns

Robert & Rebecca Caiaze Father Salvatore Cavagnuolo

Dr. Ann Clark

Peter & Eileen\* Engels Karen Elaine Finder

Terry\* & Marguerite Fletcher Mark & Michelle Gibson

David Greenleaf Bill & Anita Hamzy

Gayle Kall Hal Kilby Joan Lincoln Susan Mazer

Laura Schlesinger Minor

Janis Neri

Robert & Ella Mae Packard

Richard E. & Margaret W. Palarczyk

Lynne M. Peters David & Kathy Preleski

Kevin Prior
Jeanne Radcliff
Daniel\* & Patricia Saccu
Susan & Bonald Sadecki

Susan & Ronald Sadecki Noreen Schumann John E. Smith Bill & Kim Tracy Karen Ann Varasconi Dr. Joan T. Wallace

Leon & Susan W. Woiciechowski

\*deceased

#### **BEQUESTS FULFILLED**

Carlyle & Elizabeth Barnes Irene Brzezinski

Raymond & Lorraine Corsini Roland & Shirley Dumont

Mark M. Keating David Kushlan Richard Lass

Elizabeth I. Matt

Robert & Carmen Merriman Al & Joan Monico Eva M. Pierce Don & Betty Radcliff David Reidy Peter S. Saman Glo Sessions

Elizabeth M. Tyrrell

If you have included Main Street Community Foundation in your estate plan and would like to be included in the Main Street Cornerstone Society, please contact the Foundation office at 860.583.6363.

#### **EFFECTIVE GRANTMAKING**

Since Main Street Community Foundation's establishment in 1995, the Foundation's grant programs have greatly improved the quality of life in the Connecticut communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington, and Wolcott. In response to community needs, and in partnership with local organizations, grants from MSCF are made for basic needs, access to opportunities and programs that build vibrant communities.

On April 22, 2023, Burlington community members came together to celebrate Earth Day with a Community Clean Up day at four sites. MSCF awarded a grant from the James R. Parker Trust to support this new community initiative.



## 2023 GRANTS AWARDED

From January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 Main Street Community Foundation distributed \$2,443,208 in grants and scholarships to support many worthy causes and organizations in your community.

#### Money in Motion Grants - \$15,500

**Brian's Angels Homeless Outreach - \$500**Bus passes for transportation needs of homeless clients

**Bristol Adult Education Center - \$2,000**Supplies to establish a snack pantry for food-insecure students

**Bristol Police Memorial Fund - \$1,000** In support of the construction of a new Bristol Police Memorial

Bristol Historical Society - \$500 2023 commemorative ornaments in honor and recognition of the history of the Bristol Police and Fire Departments

City and Town Social Services - \$600
Gift cards provided to local social/community
service directors to address the basic needs of
low-income and unsheltered residents

**Productions for Change - \$5,000**"Homeless in Connecticut" Docuseries

St. Vincent De Paul Mission of Bristol, Inc. - \$1,500 Support for the cold weather overflow shelter

**The Agape House - \$900**Food and related costs for extended hours to

serve clients during the holidays

NECBL Blues Baseball Club - \$3,000 Support 2023 Bristol Blues Season

United Way of West Central Connecticut - \$500 Support for activities at BECA's (Bristol Early Childhood Alliance) Family Fun Day summer event

Grants to Support Community Initiatives - \$109,371

Bristol Police Union - \$25,000

Community support for Bristol law enforcement officers, families, and co-workers affected by the death of Bristol law enforcement officers in the line of duty

**Burlington Land Trust - \$1,000**Supplies for Burlington Community

Cleanup event

James R. Parker Trust

City of Bristol - \$80,000

City of Bristol Community E-Signs Project

Main Street Community Foundation - \$1,000 Community support grant for leadership initiatives/sponsorships in six-town service area Bristol Savings Bank Fund

**Southington Pride, Inc. - \$391** General support *Southington Pride Fund* 

United Way of West Central CT - \$1,980
Walsh Summer Work Experience Program
for 2024
Wally Barnes Fund for Community
Leadership Initiatives

# IT'S PERSONAL. IT WAS JUST THAT WITH ME PERSONAL AFFECTED A GREAT MANY OTHERS. Ann Leckie

#### **GENERAL CYCLE GRANTS - \$141,730**

#### American Red Cross - \$4,100

Disaster relief services in the Foundation's service area Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$3,100 KAWFY Memorial Fund - \$1,000

# Army's Legacy Animal Rescue and Sanctuary - \$1,000

Spay-neuter program for homeless canines and felines in the Foundation's service area Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut - \$3,500

Community-Based Mentoring program for at- risk youth in the Foundation's service area Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund

#### Bristol Eastern High School- \$2,000

Collaborative Masterworks Concert with Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,400 Margaret Haberman Memorial Fund for Music - \$600

#### **Bristol Family Resource Centers - \$4,500**

W.O.R.K.S. (Working Parents: Options, Resources and Key Supports) program to help parents build collaborative relationships with their children's schools

Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education

#### Bristol Health - \$3,500

Marketing materials to educate the public and revitalize the City of Bristol Recovery Alliance (COBRA) program

Pat and Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for the Community

#### Bristol Health Ingraham Manor - \$3,500

Wheelchair accessible gardening beds for elderly residents to increase recreation and improve well-being

Dumont Family Charitable Fund - \$1,770 Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,730

#### Bristol Little League - \$5,500

Phase two field improvements at Peck Park to include a new scoreboard

Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

#### **Bristol Senior Center - \$4,000**

Provision of personal care kits for low to moderate income seniors Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$3,600 Becker Family Charitable Fund - \$400

#### Bristol Youth Lacrosse, Inc. - \$2,500

Uniforms and equipment provided to players with financial barriers

Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund - \$1,220

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$970 JoAnn and David Mills Family Fund - \$310

# Burlington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. - \$2,000

Specialized "Mercury Quick Attack LE" nozzle for large fires

James R. Parker Trust

#### Chrysalis Center, Inc. - \$3,000

Case management services for community supportive housing in the Foundation's service area

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

#### City of Bristol - Police Department - \$7,580

Emergency preparedness upgrades to purchase two mass casualty kits and two AEDs Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$5,590 Angela and Al Caruso Family Charitable Fund - \$1,500

Formagioni-Lodovico Family Fund - \$490

#### Connecticut Foodshare - \$3,720

Mobile Food Pantry supplying fresh food to underserved neighborhoods in Bristol, Burlington, and Southington Ciccarelli-Vitale Community Advancement Fund - \$3,030 Turkus Family Fund - \$690

#### Connecticut Humane Society - \$2,000

Veterinary care for at-risk pets in the Foundation's service area Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund

#### Covenant to Care for Children, Inc. - \$1,000

Basic essential goods for youth primarily in DCF care in Bristol and surrounding towns

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

# Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut, Inc. - \$2,000

New Raptor Aviary at Indian Rock Nature Preserve Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,610 Pat and Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for the Community - \$390

#### Friends of the Terryville Public Library - \$2,220

New seating area and chairs for the children's reading center

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,360

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,36 Pyrzenski/Audette Family Fund - \$860

#### Friends of Wolcott Dog Pound, Inc. - \$4,000

Outreach and veterinary care for pets from low and moderate-income homes Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund

#### Gloria Dei Lutheran Church - \$3,600

Food and Diaper Distribution program for residents of greater Bristol *Bristol Brass General Grant Fund* 

#### Grace Baptist Church - Grace Pantry - \$3,800

Fresh food items for the Grace Pantry program for residents of greater Bristol

Jim and Eleanor Frawley Community Fund - \$2,980

Ronald F. & Emilie Duhaime Family Fund - \$420

#### Human Resources Agency (HRA) of New Britain, Inc. - \$3,000

Expansion of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program to assist low-income residents in the Foundation's service area Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

#### Kelly's Kids, Inc. - \$5,000

Therapeutic After-School and Summer Camp program for youth in the Foundation's service area

Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund

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#### Kelly's Kids, Inc./Wolcott Youth Service Bureau - \$2,000

Expansion of programming at the Wolcott Youth Service Bureau

Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund - \$1,700

Nana Jane's Fund - \$300

Lewis S. Mills Crew Booster Club, Inc. - \$1,530 Boat covers to protect the newly refurbished boat "Typhoon"

James R. Parker Trust

#### Literacy Volunteers of Central CT - \$5,000

**Greater Bristol Literacy Project** Bristol Savings Bank Fund - \$2,500 Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education - \$2,500

#### Memorial Military Museum, Inc. - \$2,500

Restoration of two Bristol veterans' World War II leather flight jackets Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,930 Karen and Kim Murphy Family Charitable Fund - \$570

#### New Britain Museum of American Art - \$2,470

Access to the Arts program for students in the Wolcott Public Schools Sid Bernard and Ed Miller Children's Fund for the Visual Arts

#### New England Carousel Museum - \$4,700

Thursday night program series promoting diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$2,570 Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education - \$1,420 Jay and Elizabeth Tyrrell Fund for the Arts - \$710

#### Palace Theater Group - \$2,000

Educational enrichment program for high school students from Bristol, Burlington, Plymouth, Southington, and Wolcott to attend a performance of "To Kill a Mockingbird" Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education - \$1,330 Southington Arts Council Legacy Fund - \$670

#### Plymouth Community Food Pantry - \$5,450 Healthy Options Program Plus to provide fresh

foods for pantry clients Edward W. and Audrey K. Mink Memorial Fund - \$3,110 Paige Wartonick Laferriere Memorial Fund - \$1,340

Betts Family Fund - \$1,000

#### Productions for Change - \$4,000

Helping the Homeless promotional video project for Agape House of Bristol Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$2,960 Jaspersohn Family Memorial Fund - \$1,040

#### Rebuilding Together Litchfield County, Inc. - \$6,000

Roof repairs for elderly homeowners in Plymouth Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable fund - \$4,530 Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,470

#### Shepard Meadows Equestrian Center - \$3,000

Creation of a training video and handbook for the volunteer program

Bristol Brass General Grant Fund - \$1,840 Bristol Savings Bank Fund - \$1,160

#### Southington Northern Little League - \$3,000

Construction of a dedicated field for T-Ball players in Southington KAWFY Memorial Fund

#### Southington Public Library - \$1,460

Support for the BELONG program: Building Equitable Library Opportunities for Neurodiverse Groups, which features special artistic, cultural. and technology related programming KAWFY Memorial Fund

#### Tabernacle Christian Church - Giving Back Food Pantry - \$4,000

Giving Back Food Pantry program to provide groceries and fresh food to food-insecure residents of Southington and surrounding towns KAWFY Memorial Fund

#### The Children's Law Center, Inc. - \$3,000

Legal representation of children in family court from the Foundation's service area Bristol Savings Bank Fund

#### The Diaper Bank of Connecticut - \$2,000

Diapers for low-income families through an existing diaper distribution network in the Foundation's service area Bristol Savings Bank Fund

#### Thy Eagle's Nest - \$2,500

Vehicle for collection and distribution of furniture and goods benefitting low-income residents in the Foundation's service area Bristol Savings Bank Fund

#### United Way of Southington, Inc. - \$3,350

Technology upgrade project KAWFY Memorial Fund

#### Wheeler Health - \$5,000

Support for a Peer Specialist in the Walk With Me program, a wrap-around treatment program for LGBTQ+ adolescents residing in the Foundation's

Bristol Savings Bank Fund - \$4,340 Calvanese Foundation Green & White Fund for Behavioral Health - \$660

#### **Wolcott Citizens Against Substance Abuse** (CASA) - \$1,220

CASA's movie night program to promote family togetherness and connection Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

#### Zion Lutheran Church - Meals for Neighbors - \$3,000

Meals for Neighbors program to purchase food for the pantry and soup kitchen Smith Family Charitable Fund

Grants from the Bristol Brass General Grant Fund and the Karen and Kim Murphy Family Charitable Fund were awarded to the Memorial Military Museum to support the restoration of two WWII leather flight jackets that belonged to Bristol residents Warren Beach and Raymond Rich.







Outside Perspectives was awarded a grant from the Men & Boys' Fund to support the Youth Excellence Project (YEP), which engages at-risk, adversity-exposed adolescent boys in youth mentorship via monthly trips that culminate in an extended-day expedition.

#### BRADLEY HENRY BARNES AND LEILA UPSON BARNES MEMORIAL TRUST GRANTS - \$908,636

#### Bread for Life - \$55,000

Food program including packaging and delivery costs

#### Early Childhood Collaborative of Southington - \$27,000

Supporting Southington's young children via health, safety and well-being initiatives

#### Friends of Southington Community Services - \$5,000

Emergency food purchases, energy assistance and other basic needs for Southington residents

# The LEAF (Lewis Educational Agricultural Farm) - \$60,000

Operating support for school and community programs focusing on agricultural education and providing a healthy and sustainable food supply in Southington

#### LiveWell - \$150,000

Partially support the cost of furniture, fixtures and equipment for the wellness clinic located in the new Resilient Living Center in Southington, which provides services to people with dementia, their caregivers and the community

# **Prudence Crandall Center, Inc. - \$85,000**Domestic Violence Intervention & Prevention

Services available to Southington residents

# Southington-Cheshire Community YMCAs Inc.- \$4,983

Additional support for the Splash and Spray Park at YMCA Camp Sloper

# Southington Community Cultural Arts, Inc. - \$50,000

All Access program for neuro-diverse adults

#### Southington Education Foundation - \$42,802

Reading with Our Minds and Hearts – creating diversified classroom libraries in grades K-3

#### Southington Rotary Trust - \$38,885

Purchase of two Lucas Mechanical Compression Devices for the Southington Fire Department

#### United Way of Southington, Inc. - \$89,770

Continuation of *Senior Transportation Services* program providing free transportation to Southington residents ages 55 and over or disabled, to help maintain independence at home

# University of Connecticut Foundation Inc. - \$175,000

Child and Family Development Program to support parent workshops

#### UR Community Cares, Inc. - \$5,000

Continuation of *Southington Community Cares* home-based assistance program for the elderly and disabled, utilizing local volunteers

#### Wheeler Health - \$106,446

Southington Community Health Outreach project to enhance access to mental health and substance use services

#### Wheeler Health - \$10,000

Capital support for One Hope Street Family Health and Wellness Center Behavioral Health in Bristol which serves Southington residents

Community Leadership Sponsorships - \$3,750

# BURLINGTON COMMUNITY FUND GRANTS - \$4,590

# Burlington Connecticut Lions Club - \$1,340

Interior renovation and security upgrades of the Burlington Lions Club barn

#### Burlington Historical Society - \$1,500

Support for senior citizen transportation at Tavern Day community event

#### Imagine Nation, A Museum Early Learning Center - \$1,750

"Imagine Nation Loves Burlington" program providing educational workshops and family activities

#### MEN & BOYS' FUND GRANTS - \$15,415

### Boys & Girls Club of Bristol - \$2,000

Passport to Manhood program

#### Bristol Family Resource Centers - \$3,000

Expansion of *WatchDOGS* Program for Dads and male guardians

#### Bristol Public Schools - \$1,500

Wolf's Den program for boys at West Bristol School

# Community Counseling Centers of Central CT - \$2,190

Artful Self-Discovery program nurturing selfesteem, awareness, and emotional bonds for boys through artistic exploration

#### Men & Boys' Immediate Response Fund - \$1,960

Provide for emergency needs for men and boys residing in the Foundation's service area

#### Outside Perspectives - \$3,000

Youth Excellence Project (YEP)

#### The Carousel Museum - \$1,515

Spring Afternoon STEAM program for boys

#### JAMES R. PARKER TRUST GRANTS - \$10,280

#### Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra- \$3,500

Educational Children's Concerts in collaboration with Region 10 schools

#### Burlington Connecticut Lions Club - \$1,660

Interior renovation and security upgrades of the Burlington Lions Club barn

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#### Burlington Parks and Recreation Department - \$1,000

Recreational outdoor equipment for seniors

#### Town of Burlington Social Services - \$4,120

Food, fuel and other assistance for low-income residents in Burlington

# PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY FUND GRANTS - \$11,086

#### Imagine Nation, A Museum Early Learning Center - \$2,000

"Imagine Nation Loves Plainville" program providing community-based STEAM workshops and activities at the library and on-site at Imagine Nation, A Museum Early Learning Center

#### Plainville Community Food Pantry - \$5,000

Support for the Intervention, Outreach, and Referral program for food and basic needs

#### Plainville Senior Center - \$1,586

The Caregiver's Toolbox: A Dinner Education Series for Caregivers of Elders

#### The Congregational Church of Plainville - \$2,500

The Music is Sacred concert series open to the community

#### **WOMEN & GIRLS FUND GRANTS - \$50,500**

#### Boys & Girls Club of Bristol - \$7,500

SMART Girls: Giving Girls Confidence program Women & Girls Fund Barbara Hackman Franklin Fund for Women

#### **Bristol Family Resource Centers - \$5,500**

Expansion of Girl Up! -Leadership development initiative for girls ages 6-12 in three Bristol schools

#### **Bristol WORKS! - \$3,500**

Women's Workforce Empowerment Series program Women & Girls Fund John & Gloria DiFrancesco Fund for Women

#### EdAdvance - \$1,500

Plymouth Family Resource Center- *Girls Lunch Bunch: Social Emotional Support Group* program

#### Girl Scouts of CT - \$5,000

Girl Scout Starter Troop program

#### PARC, Inc. - \$6,000

Golden Gang Senior Women's program for senior women with developmental disabilities in Plainville

#### Plymouth Parks and Recreation - \$3,000

Financial and Health Lunch and Learn program for senior women

## **Shepard Meadows Equestrian Center,**

Inc. - \$5,500

Equine Gestalt Coaching Series- on-going women's group

## St. Vincent De Paul Mission of Bristol - \$5,000

Unrestricted support for women and girls served by the shelter

#### The Carousel Museum - \$3,000

Sunday Afternoon STEAM program for women and girls

#### The Children's Law Center - \$5,000

Legal Representation program for girls

#### FIELD OF INTEREST FUND GRANTS - \$24,470

#### Bristol Soccer Club - \$3,610

Painting machine for fields

Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

#### **Bristol Youth Football and Cheer - \$500**

Water heater repairs

Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

#### Connecticut Cancer Foundation Inc. - \$1,000

Financial assistance for cancer patients from the greater Bristol area Bristol Talks Teal Fund

#### **Environmental Learning Centers of CT,**

Inc. - \$1,000

"All Access" trail
Merriman Family Fund

#### Joseph A. DePaolo Middle School - \$900

"Kids Koop" Animal care program Lynda M. Mazur and Michael F. Colomonico Jr. Hands-On Fund

#### Rental assistance for low- income residents of Plainville - \$2.800

Plainville Housing Assistance Fund

#### Region 10 Make A Mark, Inc. - \$2,220

Mini grant enrichment program for Region 10 schools Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund

#### Southington Public Library - \$4,065

Reading the Room: a comedic performing arts experience for neurodiverse adults KAWFY Memorial Fund

#### Southington Manna Fund, Inc. - \$5,715

Emergency housing and related needs for temporarily displaced persons in Southington KAWFY Memorial Fund

#### Summer Music Lessons for Bristol Public School Students with Financial Need - \$1,200

Dan Cistulli Memorial Music Fund

#### Terryville High School - \$500

School to career program- Sikorsky field trip and Greenhouse Transition program Plymouth Century Club Fund

#### Town of Plainville - Animal Control - \$710

Free rabies clinic

Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund

#### Turn the Towns Teal- \$250

Ovarian cancer awareness Bristol Talks Teal Fund

OTHERS TO DREAM MORE, LEARN MORE, DO MORE AND BECOME MORE, THEN, YOU ARE AN EXCELLENT LEADER.

**Dolly Parton** 





A PARC was awarded a grant from the Women & Girls Fund to support the Golden Gang Senior Women program.

# DESIGNATED FUNDS AND AGENCY ENDOWMENT GRANTS - \$392,841

American Clock & Watch Museum - \$9,450

American Clock & Watch Museum Fund

# Boys & Girls Club of Bristol (Cambridge Park Clubhouse) - \$300

Ercole and Pamela Labadia Fund for the Boys & Girls Club

#### Boys & Girls Club of Bristol - \$5,650

Sky Bight Foundation Fund for the Bristol Boys & Girls Club

## Boys & Girls Club of Bristol - \$1,320

Edward Ingraham Fund

# Boys & Girls Club of Bristol (Youth of the Year Award) - \$1,360

Charles Kushlan Memorial Fund

## Bristol Adult Resource Center - \$4,180

Bristol Adult Resource Center Fund

#### **Bristol Adult Resource Center - \$5,950**

Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for Bristol Adult Resource Center

# Bristol Family Resource Center at South Side School - \$560

Mama Sandy Caggiano Fund

#### **Bristol Hospital Foundation - \$9,310**

Bristol Hospital Development Foundation Fund

#### **Bristol Hospital Foundation - \$53,000**

Frederick Manross Trust

# Bristol Hospital Foundation (Families are First Birthing Center) - \$1,000

Kai Alejandro Yagual Betts Memorial Fund

## **Burlington Historical Society - \$500**

Burlington Historical Society Fund

## Burlington Land Trust, Inc. - \$1,220

Burlington Land Trust, Inc. Fund

## Burlington Library Association, Inc. - \$960

Burlington Library Association, Inc. Fund

## **Business Education Foundation - \$780**

Bob and Carol Messier Family Fund

#### Bristol Public Library and F.N. Manross Memorial Library- \$4,632

Bristol Libraries Fund

#### Bristol Public Library- \$31,060

Samuel Goodsell Library Fund

#### Bristol Parks and Recreation - \$27,020

Samuel Goodsell Park & Playground Fund

#### Bristol Youth and Community Services/Parent and Child Center - \$7,100

Bristol Health Fund for the Parent & Child Center

## City of Bristol Cemetery Commission - \$850

Sarah Norton Pardee Fund

#### Connecticut Historical Society - \$420

Connecticut Quilt Registry Legacy Fund

#### **Environmental Learning Centers of CT,**

Inc. - \$9,680

Environmental Learning Centers of CT, Inc. Fund

#### **Environmental Learning Centers of CT,**

Inc. - \$630

Estela Wilderness Education Fund

#### F. N. Manross Memorial Library- \$53,000

Frederick Manross Trust

#### F.N. Manross Memorial Library- \$53,196

Manross Memorial Library Fund

#### **Grand'Anse Health & Development**

Association - \$5,000

Haiti Medical Fund

## Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

Association - \$910

Tyler James Gingery Memorial Fund

#### Immanuel Lutheran School - \$4,050

Immanuel Lutheran Alumni Tuition Assistance Fund

#### Opportunity House - \$5,800

Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for Opportunity House

#### Plymouth Historical Society - \$950

Plymouth Library Association, Inc. Fund

#### South Side School - \$500

Jill Lynne Shackett Leadership & Learning Award Fund

#### St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church - \$1,850

St. Andrew Mission Endowment Fund

#### St. Vincent De Paul Mission of Bristol, Inc. - \$390

Eva M. Pierce Memorial Charitable Fund

# Southington-Cheshire Community YMCAs - \$5,900

Bradley Henry Barnes Fund for the Southington Community YMCA

#### Southington Police Department to benefit the Emotional Support Dog program - \$1,000

Jacob Perkins Memorial Fund

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#### The Compassionate Friends Central Connecticut Chapter - \$1,000

Kai Alejandro Yagual Betts Memorial Fund

#### The Museum of Fire History - \$9,705

Hap Barnes Fund for Fire Safety and Prevention

#### Town of Plainville - \$1,560

Plainville Affordable Housing Corporation Fund

#### Tunxis Community College Foundation - \$33,560

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

## United Way of West Central Connecticut - \$9,310

United Way of West Central Connecticut Fund

#### **West Cemetery Association - Barnes Memorial** Chapel - \$18,670

Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel Trust

Tunxis Community College II Fund

#### Wheeler Health - \$9,560

Wheeler Clinic/Dennis Keenan Fund

#### **DONOR ADVISED FUND GRANTS** SUPPORTED THE FOLLOWING **ORGANIZATIONS AND CHARITABLE INTERESTS - \$371,605**

American Clock & Watch Museum American Legion Post 2 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut Boys & Girls Club of Bristol **Bristol Historical Society Bristol Hospital Foundation Bristol Parks and Recreation** Bristol Police Memorial Fund at Main Street **Community Foundation** Bristol Sports Hall of Fame **Bristol Technical Education Center** Bristol Works, Inc.

Bristol Youth Football and Cheer

**Business Education Foundation** Connecticut Children's Medical Center Foundation Connecticut Foodshare Connecticut Forum, Inc. Connecticut Museum of Culture and History Connecticut Science Center Dean College Deerfield Academy EdAdvance/Plymouth Family Resource Center **Educated Canines Assisting with Disabilities** Edward W. and Audrey K. Mink Memorial Fund at Main Street Community Foundation **Environmental Learning Centers of CT** Evan J. Chyun Memorial Scholarship Fund at Main Street Community Foundation Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation Inc. Friends of Southington Animal Control, Inc. First Congregational Church of Bristol Grace Pantry Hartford Stage Company

Hartford Symphony Orchestra Hill-Stead Museum

Imagine Nation, A Museum Early Learning Center John and Peggy Walsh Memorial Scholarship Fund at Main Street Community Foundation Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund Inc. Junior Achievement of Southwest New England, Inc.

Kai Alejandro Yagual Betts Memorial Fund at Main Street Community Foundation Lt. Dustin DeMonte and Sgt. Alex Hamzy Public

Safety Scholarship Fund at Main Street **Community Foundation** Main Street Community Foundation

Men & Boys' Fund at Main Street Community Foundation

National Conference for Community and Justice Our Companions Domestic Animal Sanctuary Out Youth Austin

Plymouth Community Food Pantry Plymouth Volunteer Ambulance Corps Productions for Change

Prudence Crandall Center, Inc.

Salvation Army

Sergeant Alex Hamzy Memorial Fund at Main Street Community Foundation Shepard Meadows Equestrian Center, Inc. Southington-Cheshire Community YMCAs Inc. Stone Ridge Foundation

St. Paul Catholic High School

Suchopar Family Charitable Fund at Main Street Community Foundation St. Vincent De Paul Mission of Bristol, Inc. The Agape House The Broad View Fund at Main Street Community

Foundation

The Carousel Museum

**TheaterWorks** 

Town of Plainville Recreation Department Town of Plymouth Department of Human Services Tricia Louise O'Connor Charitable Fund at Main Street Community Foundation

United Way of West Central Connecticut University of Hartford

Wally Barnes Fund for Community Leadership

Initiatives at Main Street Community Foundation Williston Northampton School

World Affairs Council of CT Women & Girls Fund at Main Street Community Foundation

#### **IMMEDIATE RESPONSE FUND GRANTS - \$18,540**

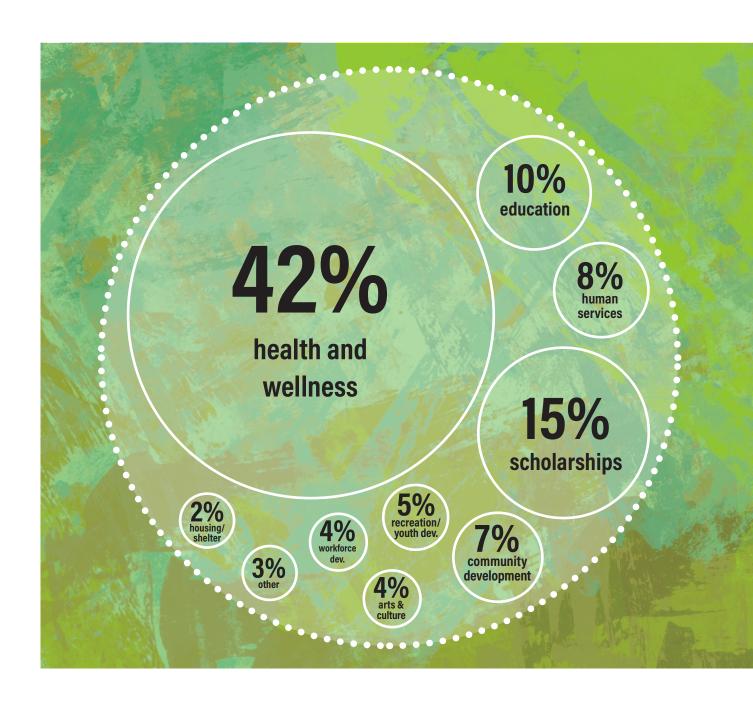
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#### SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS - \$329,114

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ENDOWMENT FUND GRANTS - \$39,530**

Main Street Community Foundation Barnes Group 150th Anniversary Fund Dave & Edith Scarritt Fund Main Street Community Foundation Endowment Fund Yarde Metals Community Support Fund

IF YOU THINK YOU ARE TOO SMALL TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE, TRY SLEEPING WITH A MOSQUITO. Dalai Lama XIV

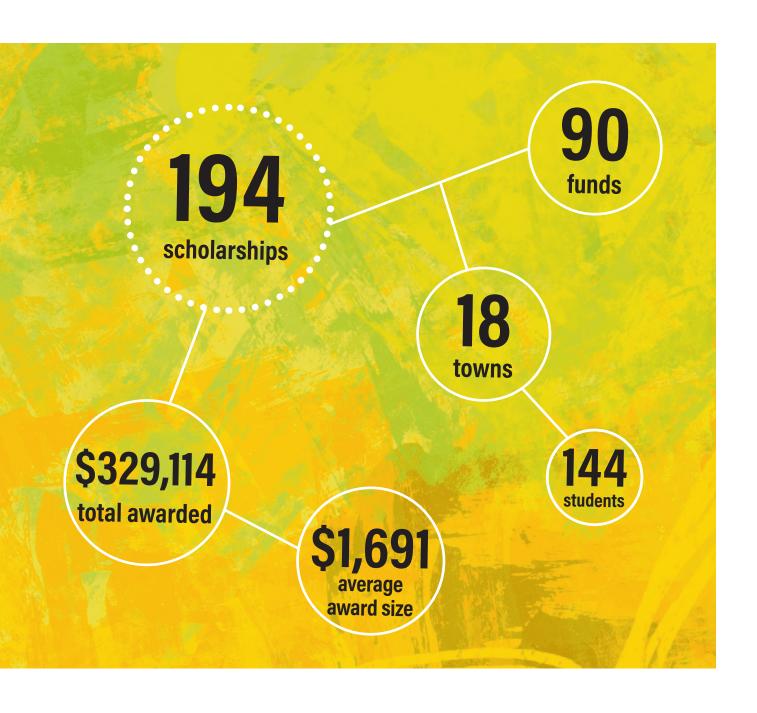


# GRANTS AT A GLANCE

For the 2023 year, Main Street Community Foundation awarded grants totaling \$2,443,208

NO ONE IS USELESS IN THIS WORLD WHO LIGHTENS THE BURDENS OF ANOTHER.

Charles Dickens



SCHOLARSHIPS BY THE NUMBERS

WE CANNOT LIVE ONLY FOR OURSELVES.
A THOUSAND FIBERS CONNECT US...

Henry Melvill



# 2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**4 Burns Scholarship/ St. Joseph/St. Paul Fund**Quinn Burns
Alejandro Ojeda

Academic Achievement Award Jillian Kovitch

Madeleine Lamontagne Ashley Totten

Christian Arndt Scholarship Fund Zachary Oemcke

E. Bartlett Barnes Award of Journalism Fund

Colin Cavallari Zoe Krueger Alexis Osowiecki JiaLiAn Stolfi

Stanley P. Bitel Memorial Fund Julianne Rasten

Sylvia Bodak Memorial Scholarship Fund Sakinah Abdulsalam

Peter and Marjorie Bossi Educational Fund Leigha Powell

**Bowerman Scholarship Fund** Hilton Chanthakhyly

Bristol Boys and Girls Club Schulman Fund Angelina Fasci Gabriel Philippon Deana Prowell Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani Memorial Scholarship Fund Suzonna Shackford

Bristol Lions Club/James J. Keating Scholarship Fund Jeremey Evanoski

Bristol Police Scholarship Fund Jacob Woznicki

Bristol Yale Club Scholarship Fund

Matthew Badorek Sammi Bray Christopher Bray Amber Champagne Adrianna Dellaera Savannah Jones Esther Minery Emily Nelson Sophia Nocera

Bristol Yale/Miles Peck Jennings Memorial Scholarship Fund Kyle Durand

Burlington Lions Charities Scholarship Fund

Hollyn Howard Alexis Osowiecki Nicole Sanfilippo

Ron Burns Community Leadership Scholarship Fund Angelina Fasci

Alicia M. Butler Memorial Scholarship Fund Lauren Aparo Evan J. Chyun Memorial Scholarship Fund Sophia Nocera

Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship Fund Paige Lavoie

Rit Croce Academic and Vocational Scholarship Fund Téa Autunno

Richard A. DellaVecchia Scholarship Fund Mackenzie Henry

Lt. Dustin DeMonte and Sgt. Alex Hamzy Public Safety Scholarship Fund Trent Dubois Emma Tedesco

Katherine Dobroczynski Memorial Scholarship Fund William Reeves

Jeffrey Downes Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Trades Cody Greger

Karen Finder Scholarship Fund Jaysen Stolarz

Carolyn Fisher Scholarship Fund Kendall Garrity

Olivia Fusco Memorial Art Scholarship Fund Christopher Bray

Joann Galati Scholarship Fund for Education Jedric Sutula **GE's Industrial Solutions Scholarship Fund** Elena Argibay

Paige Letourneau Rachel Viets

Andrew and Murielle Giacomini Scholarship Fund Lorelei Stancavage

Jake Gilbert Memorial Culinary Arts Scholarship Fund Jacob Hall

Azilda Hebert Music Scholarship Fund Aidan Doyle

**Dorothy Micloskey Ives Award** Ashley Totten

Grace and Norma Joy Scholarship Fund Suzonna Shackford

**John Kalinoski Scholarship Fund** Alice Benson

Kalt Moreau Family Scholarship Fund for Education Selena Garcia-Cyr

KAWFY Memorial Scholarship Fund Jillian Blaszko Christopher Bray Sammi Bray

Keating-Monaghan Memorial Scholarship Fund Marley Accetura Nico Accetura Autumn Cabiya Madison Cabiya Ashley Caruso Elle Connoy Jazmine Cordero Quinn Goulet Sophia Gutierrez-Franco Nicholas Haddon Gabriel Lehy Isabel Mejia Isaac Morehouse Silas Morehouse Bennett Paradis Gabriela Rodriguez Fatima Rodriguez Mikayla Scanlon Sadie Sherman Olivia Tavenor Addilyn Vail Cole Wiegert Greyson Wiegert Emilia Wilson Isabella Wood Kaitlyn Wood

Lena M. & Peter L. Korotie Scholarship Fund Daphne Poetek

Vincent T. Kozyrski Scholarship Fund Marcus Concepcion

Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship Fund Gary Kozikowski

Julie Larese Bristol Tramps Scholarship Fund Emma Stavens

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Ray Machine Corp./Ray and Darlene Lassy Family Fund Gary Kozikowski

John J. and Doris Lazorik Memorial Scholarship Fund

Olivia Chapdelaine Emily Nelson Payton Pelletier

Leger Initiative for Education Fund Sakinah Abdulsalam

Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship Fund Colin Cavallari

Thérèse MacCallum "Great Kid" Scholarship Fund

Joshua Frappier Lauren Krar

Nicholas P. Maglio ACE (A Chance for Education) Fund Jedric Sutula

Malerbo Memorial Scholarship Fund

Elliott Anderson
Patrick Badzioch
Alex Clough
Julia Clough
Luke Crowley
Zachary Cudjoe
Zola Cudjoe
Joseph Dess Jr.
Lindsey Donahue
Ainsley Fabrizio
Juel Savoy
Ella Sieller
Renee Singleton
Jordan Sirois

Brianna Wood

Maskery Family Scholarship Fund Alexander Butler

Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Medical Scholarship Fund Aiden Cincotta

Aiden Cincotta Lilli Doran Lexi Michaud

Robert E. and Angeline P. McCormack Scholarship Fund Sophia LeBlanc

McMaster-Moulthrop Scholarship Fund

Alexa Aldi
Ava Bouchard
Jillian Kovitch
Madeleine Lamontagne
Tyler LeVasseur
Luke Losacano
Jenna Lukasiewicz
Ryan Ring
Sophia Torreso
Ashley Totten
Katelynn Wasta

Ken E. Micloskey Award Nicholas Tietjen

Dave Mongillo Memorial/ Golf Scholarship Fund

Carter Larson Sophia Swain

Al and Joan Monico Scholarship Fund

Nathalia Kitmanyen Lexi Michaud Suzonna Shackford

**NESMA Scholarship Fund** Julianne Rasten Emily Seeds AJR Nocera Memorial Fund Hilton Chanthakhyly

Anthony Norton Scholarship Fund Kendall Garrity

Lexi Michaud

Scott W. Organ Student-Athletic Scholarship Fund Suzonna Shackford

Ralph Papazian Memorial Scholarship Fund Colin Cavallari

Estelle Delano Peterson Scholarship Fund Kendra Thammathino

Dorothy Dewey Picard Music Scholarship Fund Jaylen Thigpen

Plymouth Community Club Scholarship Fund Nicholas Tietjen

Alice C. Pulsifer Memorial Scholarship Fund Ashley Totten

Max and Ruth Rabin Scholarship Fund Kaidyn Sigmund

Heddi Wells

Radcliff Family Education Fund Kerly Delgado Haley Kuehn Lexi Michaud Radcliff Plainville High School Fund

Kyle Badorek Matthew Badorek Patrick Kapusta Andrew Michalek

**Louis J. Rascoe Scholarship Fund** Kendall Garrity

Julie A. Roche Nursing Scholarship Fund Lexi Michaud

Douglas Roland Aid for the Trades Scholarship Fund Cody Greger Michael Rinaldi

Clement J. Roy Scholarship Fund Emily Nelson

Saint Matthew School Scholarship Fund Caylee Hughes

Lawrence (Larry) Scelza Memorial Scholarship Fund Natalia Kusmirek

Dora Schubert Scholarship Fund Alice Benson

**Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education** Pushpita Hossain

Kiana Ouellette

Jill Lynne Shackett Educational Scholarship Fund Ava LeBlanc Nicola Campisano Southington Observer/ StepSaver Scholarship Fund Sammi Bray

Swicklas Family Scholarship Fund Emily Seeds

Jay and Elizabeth Tyrrell Scholarship Fund Pushpita Hossain Zoe Krueger

Louise (Humphrey) Van Gorder Music Camp Scholarship Fund Brianna Wood

Dr. Joan T. Wallace Prize for Highest Achievement in English at Southington High School Sophia LeBlanc

John & Peggy Walsh Memorial Scholarship Fund

Hilton Chanthakhyly Olivia Chapdelaine Angelina Fasci Chance Hagey Haley Kuehn Leigha Powell Jedric Sutula

Kristen Warner Scholarship Fund Lilli Doran

John Whitcomb Scholarship Fund Jedric Sutula

Reverend Dr. Eddie C. Whitehead of Bristol CT -Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund Pushpita Hossain Rachel Stumpf

Eva Brodowicz Wickwire Volunteer Scholarship Fund Aiden Cincotta

Pat and Bob Wollenberg Scholarship Fund for Special Education Nicole Hammer

The Craig Yarde Scholarship Fund Madison Sirois

Samuel Shepard

Yarde Metals Memorial Scholarship Fund Aidan Dow Eve Null Jonathan Paige Rachel Ross

Meredith Valley

#### **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

The Foundation seeks to change conditions for all members of the community not just through grantmaking but by activating and convening community resources and participating in existing initiatives.

The Foundation's community leadership efforts, also known as "Money in Motion," address a broad range of goals. We identify opportunities within the community to support meaningful dialogue on issues affecting the towns we serve. We convene community members, assess changing needs, and propose action on critical concerns. In this way, we are able to develop collaborative solutions to meet emerging needs and provide support to what matters most to the people who live and work in the cities and towns of this region.

## HELPING THOSE WHO HELP OUR NEIGHBORS

The social and community service departments in towns and cities are tasked with supporting the basic needs of all of their residents. This includes assisting those individuals and families that are experiencing financial, physical and psychosocial hardships. It is a difficult job that can be isolating at times, yet it is critical that social service directors are apprised of and have access to all possible resources for their residents.

The social service directors in the Foundation's service area identified that they wanted and needed a peer group in early 2023 to gather and learn from each other.

Main Street Community Foundation helped to organize and host it. The peer group, which

now meets quarterly, shares resources and discusses the emerging needs in all communities, facilitating collaboration and ensuring that each town and city's residents' needs are being met. Each meeting not only consists of open discussion, but educational opportunities. Speakers and experts on various topics, such as fraud and scams, have presented on topics of interest and importance.

Outside of the meetings, the group has continued to share resources to keep abreast of changes, new services available to residents. This effort also provided an opportunity for the Foundation to further connect other nonprofit organizations and funders to identified needs.



## COLLABORATE WITH AND CONVENE LOCAL FUNDERS

Main Street Community Foundation is only one of many local funders, and we recognize that working together makes our communities stronger. The impact of shared thought and shared dollars is great, and for that reason MSCF regularly collaborates with and convenes local funders.

The Stocker Foundation, located in Elyria, Ohio, is one such funder. The Stocker



Foundation serves Hartford County and hundreds of thousands of dollars have been invested in the greater Bristol community especially in the areas of early childhood literacy and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math). MSCF has partnered with The Stocker Foundation on grant opportunities, but in 2023, MSCF assembled all of The Stocker Foundation's local grantees together. Twenty organizations were represented to engage in robust conversation not only about the work they are doing, but about the needs they are seeing.

Listening to grantee organizations can better inform funding decisions and priorities. The Stocker Foundation, as well as other local funders who attended the gathering, collected this essential information that will make a difference in local communities.

# BUILDING A STRONGER FUTURE FOR NONPROFITS THROUGH PLANNED GIVING EDUCATION

Planned giving has a reputation for being complicated, involving gifts that need a background in law or the tax code to understand. Yet planned gifts can be critical to a nonprofit organization's financial health and longterm success. Recognizing that importance, MSCF partnered with the Charitable Gift Planners of Connecticut to present "Finding a Path to Planned Gifts" to local nonprofits.

Twenty individuals representing over a dozen organizations attended the workshop. They heard from Jennifer Keyo of Westminster School and Alex Devivo of the University of Hartford who demystified the basics of planned giving and outlined multiple ways any nonprofit can get into the business of planned gifts. Organizations left with sample bequest language, sample planned giving notification response letters and strategic questions to begin planned giving conversations.

MSCF continually works to encourage and provide education and training on topics that will help sustain local nonprofits so that they can continue the good work they do. Planned giving is certainly one of those.



# FIGHTING FOOD INSECURITY AMONG ADULT STUDENTS

Food insecurity is one of the largest issues in our local communities, and it is especially an issue among students. That includes adult students who are enrolled in High School Completion and ESL programs and may be providing for other family members. Bristol Adult Education Center (BAEC), which serves Bristol, Southington and surrounding towns, noticed that many of their students come to class without having eaten breakfast or dinner, either because they're busy getting their family situated for the day, coming to class directly from work, or are experiencing food insecurity. Marie Patrick, the School Counselor at BAEC, stated that when they did have food available for the students, teachers and staff have commented that students were more engaged and focused;

a sentiment echoed by other adult education organizations at the annual BAEC meeting.

MSCF responded to this need and funded a snack pantry for students at BAEC. The food is ready-to-eat, healthy, and easily eaten during class. This pilot program was funded with a Strategic Response grant from the Money in Motion Fund, an unrestricted fund that addresses a broad range of community goals and issues through proactive grantmaking. Since the snack pantry opened in June 2023, not only have teachers at BAEC noticed increased attendance and attention, but there has been more socialization between the students resulting in building stronger relationships with one another.



## A WINDOW INTO "NO WAY TO LIVE"

The issue of homelessness is a growing problem nationally as well as in our local communities. Individuals and families are struggling more and more with finding, and then keeping housing, in addition to the variety of other problems that come with being unsheltered. Unsheltered people in our communities can often be overlooked, which is why projects like "No Way to Live" are so important.

"No Way to Live" is a documentary series created by Productions for Change (PFC), an organization that primarily provides full-service video production to other nonprofits in order to create professional promotional videos. A \$5,000 grant was awarded to PFC from the Foundation's Money in Motion Fund to support the creation of this docuseries. These videos show the personal lives of some of the thousands of people in Connecticut who are unsheltered, putting a face and voice to their stories, as well as the lives of the volunteers that work to support them.

The series aims to raise awareness and educate the public on the subject of homelessness in Connecticut as well as the efforts being made by local organizations to alleviate some of the burdens that unsheltered people face. The creation of this docuseries will hopefully inspire those who watch it to invest in these organizations and join in the effort to put an end to homelessness.

Episodes of the docuseries were released throughout 2023, and a premiere of the full documentary "No Way To Live" was held in early 2024 at the Rockwell Theater at the Bristol Arts and Innovation Magnet School to share these moving stories with the community and inspire others to commit to driving positive change. To view the series, visit www.productionsforchange.org/no-way-to-live.





# GRANTEE FOCUS GROUP IDENTIFIES FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR WOMEN & GIRLS FUND



Meeting the specific needs of the community is an important aspect of MSCF's work, and sometimes the best way to find out those needs is to simply ask and listen. During the summer of 2023, MSCF brought together over twenty grantee organizations and community partners that specifically serve women and girls and asked them what they see as the most pressing needs. The discussion

was led by MSCF President & CEO Susan Sadecki, as well as the Women & Girls Fund Advisory Board Chair Jessica Pieri Holdsworth, and gave organizations the opportunity to connect with each other and potentially collaborate on the identified needs.

Three issue areas rose to the top for nearly every organization: Services for senior

women, confidence building and leadership, and mental health and well-being. The Women & Girls Fund Advisory Board together with MSCF staff decided to prioritize these areas during the Fund's fall grant cycle. The result was \$50,500 in grants awarded. The grants awarded can be found on page 11.



MSCF helps turn Bristol teal! In honor of Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, which is September, a group of Bristol residents participate in Turn the Towns Teal to raise awareness of ovarian cancer and its symptoms.

MSCF is a Home Run Sponsor of the Bristol Blues. The Blues, a summer collegiate baseball team, plays at Muzzy Field and provides family-friendly entertainment while being an integral part of the Bristol community. MSCF staff and Board members often go out to the ballpark to support the Blues.



#### STEWARDSHIP OF ASSETS

The role of Main Street Community Foundation as a steward of permanent assets provides a unique service to the community. Each of the funds listed in this report was established by an individual, family, business or organization with a very specific purpose in mind, and safeguarding the assets in perpetuity to honor donor intent is a responsibility the Foundation upholds every day. Administered prudently and thoughtfully, endowments will continue to provide a stable source of funding to projects, programs, and organizations in the Foundation's service area – forever.

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



## DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

These funds allow donors to participate actively in grantmaking by making grant recommendations to the Foundation's Board of Directors. Foundation staff assists donors by researching grant requests and connecting them with potential grant recipients.

Tom & Melanie Barnes Family Fund (2004) Betts Family Fund (2017) Myra Boccardi Desroches Advancing Young Minds Fund (2022) Jay Bonetta Memorial Fund (2021) The Broad View Fund (2016) Bill & Janet Brownstein Charitable Fund (2015) John Brozinski and Anne Povilaitis Pulmonary Rehabilitation Fund (2003) Caiaze Family Charitable Fund (2013) George & Maureen Carpenter Family Charitable Fund (2013) Clement Family Fund (2010) Paul and Joanne D'Aprile Family Fund (2022) Denorfia Family Charitable Fund (2003) Cheryl Dumont-Smith Community Fund (2007) Pattie & Bill Dunn Family Charitable Fund (2011) Fiondella Fund (2001) Terry and Marguerite Fletcher Family Fund (2007) Furey Family Charitable Fund (2005)

Greater Bristol Chamber of Commerce Fund (2000)

David Greenleaf Community Support Fund (2020)

Hamzy Family Charitable Fund (2010)

Sergeant Alex Hamzy Memorial Fund (2022) Rafi Hamzy Memorial Fund (2021) Ladies Power Lunch Fund (2020) Pat & Morrie Laviero Family Charitable Fund (2015) John & Sandra Leone Family Charitable Fund (2008) Lorenson Fund (2020) Manning/Sisson Memorial Fund (2021) Muncy/Smith Family Fund (2007) Nana Jane's Fund (2017) Tricia Louise O'Connor Charitable Fund (2023) Geoffrey M. Pierce Memorial Fund (2017) Pyrzenski/Audette Family Fund (2020) Sadecki/Ciechoski Family Charitable Fund (2022) Stephen and Katherine Saman Memorial Fund (2015) Smith Family Charitable Fund (2004) Suchopar Family Charitable Fund (2021) Technical Education Fund (2005) Tim and Mary Walsh Charitable Fund (2011) Pat & Bob Wollenberg Charitable Fund (2017) Zomick Family Fund (2006)

## AGENCY ENDOWMENTS

Established by nonprofit organizations, these funds provide organizations a full range of endowment management services, ensuring an annual source of support for their programs and operations.



Wolcott Youth Service Bureau was awarded a grant from the Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund and Nana Jane's Fund for the expansion of youth programming.

American Clock & Watch Museum, Inc. Fund (1999)

Bread for Life Fund (2020)

Bristol Adult Resource Center Fund (2016)

Bristol Hospital Development Foundation Fund (1999)

Bristol Boys and Girls Club Fund (2004)

Burlington Historical Society Fund (2008)

Burlington Land Trust, Inc. Fund (2007)

Burlington Library Association Inc. Fund (1999)

Environmental Learning Centers of CT, Inc. Fund (1999)

St. Andrew Mission Endowment Fund (2009)

The Bristol Career Center of Tunxis Community College Endowment Fund (2001)

The Bristol Career Center of Tunxis Community College Endowment Fund II (2004)

Tunxis Community College Fund (2000)

Tunxis Community College II Fund (2004)

United Way of West Central Connecticut, Inc. Fund (1999)

Wheeler Clinic/Dennis Keenan Fund (1999)

# DESIGNATED AND PROJECT FUNDS

These funds provide donors the opportunity to designate support for a specific charitable organization or charitable project.

#### **Bradley Henry Barnes Fund for the Southington Community YMCA**

(transferred in 2011)

Southington Community YMCA

#### Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel Fund (transferred in 2007)

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

#### Hap Barnes Fund for Fire Safety and Prevention (2002)

Museum of Fire History in Bristol

#### Hap Barnes Fire Safety Trailer Fund (2012)

To purchase and maintain a fire safety trailer to instruct children about fire safety

#### Kai Alejandro Yagual Betts Memorial Fund (2020)

To support families through grants to nonprofit organizations providing services to family members who suffer from the effects of an unexpected or untimely death of an infant under the age of 2

#### **Bristol Health Fund for the Parent & Child Center (2021)**

Parent & Child Center, a division of the City of Bristol Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services of Bristol, CT

#### Bristol Libraries Fund (transferred in 2014)

For operating or capital expenditures to support the Bristol Public Library in Bristol and the F.N. Manross Memorial Library in Forestville

#### **Bristol Route 6 Flag Fund (2022)**

For the purchase and maintenance of American flags flown in Bristol annually from Memorial Day through Veteran's Day

#### **Bristol Police Memorial Fund** (2023)

A collection mechanism for donations and grant funds that will be used to build a new police memorial monument in Bristol

#### **Bristol Sports Hall of Fame Fund (BSH0F)** (2005)

For the general purposes of BSH0F and scholarships for Bristol High School student athletes

#### **Bristol Yale Book Award Fund (2021)**

To provide an annual Yale Book Award to a high school junior at each high school located in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville and Plymouth

#### Julius D. Bristol Trust Fund (transferred in 2007)

Originally established in 1888, for the back-to-school needs of financially disadvantaged children, administered by Southington Community Services Department

#### Mama Sandy Caggiano Fund (2015)

Family Resource Center at South Side School in Bristol

#### Connecticut Quilt Registry Legacy Fund (2002)

Connecticut Quilt Project of the Connecticut Historical Society





Friends of the Terryville Public Library received a grant from the Bristol Brass General Grant Fund and the Pyrzenski/Audette Family Fund to update the 30-year-old furniture in the children's reading room.



#### Corliss Fund for the Bristol Family Resource Centers (2017)

**Bristol Family Resource Centers** 

#### Early Learning - A PET Project Fund (2018)

Bristol Preschool Child Care Center, Inc. and Imagine Nation, A Museum Early Learning Center for general operating and program support

#### Estela Wilderness Education Fund (2012)

Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut (ELCCT) for camperships, program development, and trail maintenance

#### Friends of Bristol Parks and Recreation Fund (2013)

Bristol Parks and Recreation Department for park enhancement projects

#### Tyler James Gingery Memorial Fund (2009)

Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Association

#### Samuel Goodsell Library Fund (transferred in 2014)

The acquisition and purchase of books, preferably nonfiction, for the Bristol Public Library

#### Samuel Goodsell Park and Playground Fund (2013)

For the care, maintenance, improvement, acquisition, and extension of the parks and playgrounds in Bristol

#### Ann Gudegast Fund for the Bristol Boys & Girls Club (2023)

Boys & Girls Club of Bristol, to support of programs and services that will assist young women and girls in developing healthy lifestyles

#### Haiti Medical Fund (2017)

Support for humanitarian efforts in Haiti to improve access to essential medical and surgical services and education to medical providers

#### Immanuel Lutheran Alumni Tuition Assistance Fund (2015)

Immanuel Lutheran School in Bristol

#### **Edward Ingraham Fund (2011)**

Boys & Girls Club of Bristol, to provide summer camp experiences for Bristol youth

#### Inside Rebecca's Backpack Fund (2006)

Southington Community Services, for school supplies, summer school, or other educational opportunities

#### **Charlotte Kall Fund for Bristol Adult Resource Center (2022)**

Bristol Adult Resource Center, to support BARC's residential services with preference for social and recreational programs including music enrichment activities

#### Kristen's Kause Fund (2015)

Southington-Cheshire Community YMCAs, for a community-wide fire safety education program which includes information specific to the dangers of fireworks

#### Kristen's Wishes Fund (2007)

Southington Community Services, "Wishes" for Youth

#### Charles Kushlan Memorial Fund (transferred in 2006)

Boys & Girls Club of Bristol Youth of the Year Award

#### Ercole and Pamela Labadia Fund for the Boys & Girls Club (2017)

Boys & Girls Club of Bristol, to support the Cambridge Park Clubhouse

#### Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund (2009)

Region 10 Make A Mark, Inc., to advance special and creative initiatives to benefit the students who attend Regional School District 10

#### Manross Memorial Library Fund (transferred in 2014)

For operating or capital expenditures to support the F.N. Manross Memorial Library in Forestville

#### Frederick T. Manross Trust (transferred in 2020)

Bristol Hospital and the F.N. Manross Memorial Library in Forestville

#### **Bob and Carol Messier Family Fund** (2008)

Bristol Business Education Foundation mini-grant program

#### Sarah Norton Pardee Fund (2021)

City of Bristol Cemetery Commission for the maintenance, repair and restoration of monuments, headstones, and grave markers of historical or architectural significance to the community of Bristol, CT

#### **Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra Educational Activities Fund (2018)**

Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra, to support educational programs and musical activities

#### Jacob Perkins Memorial Fund (2020)

Southington Police Department, to benefit the Southington Police K-9 Unit

#### Plainville Affordable Housing Corporation Fund (2000)

Town of Plainville, to assist with housing for low and moderate income people within the town of Plainville

#### **Plymouth Library Association Inc. Fund (1999)**

Plymouth Historical Society, to maintain the Plymouth Library Room, which houses many collections and preserves historical documents that were located at the Plymouth Library

#### Eva M. Pierce Memorial Charitable Fund (2008)

Meals for the Needy, Meals on Wheels, St. Vincent DePaul Society of Bristol, the Prudence Crandall Center and The Cancer Center at Bristol Hospital

#### Jill Lynne Shackett Leadership & Learning Award Fund (2022)

South Side School, to provide awards to fifth graders moving up to middle school to assist with the transition

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

Endowment for the Boys & Girls Club of Bristol facility, which opened in October 2014

#### Southington PRIDE Fund (2021; retired 2023)

Southington PRIDE, to advocate for awareness and education on behalf of the LGBTQIA+ community and their allies

#### Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for Bristol Adult Resource Center (2018)

Bristol Adult Resource Center, to support capital projects and repairs

#### Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for Opportunity House (2018)

Opportunity House, Inc. of Hamden, CT to support the employee appreciation program

# 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 and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust

(transferred in 2004)

To support the health and well-being of Southington residents

#### Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education (1998)

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

#### **Becker Family Fund** (1996)

For healthcare, education and social action

#### Sid Bernard & Ed Miller Children's Fund for the Visual Arts (2013)

To support programs and projects teaching innovative or traditional art education skills to students

#### **Donna Borysewicz Fund for Women (2015)**

To advance initiatives identified by the Women & Girls Immediate Response Fund of the Foundation

#### **Bristol Board of Education Immediate Response Fund** (2005)

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

#### **Bristol Talks Teal Fund** (2013)

To raise awareness of ovarian cancer and its symptoms, and to assist individuals who suffer from ovarian cancer and may qualify for medical assistance they cannot provide for themselves

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COURAGE CAN BE CONTAGIOUS AND HOPE CAN TAKE
ON A LIFE OF ITS OWN. Michelle Obama

#### **Burlington Community Fund (2011)**

For charitable projects and programs that will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Burlington

#### Calvanese Foundation Green & White Fund for Behavioral Health (2013)

To provide support to adults and children residing in Southington who are in need of mental health and/or substance abuse treatment services by providing mental health screening, access to care, and education

#### Ciccarelli-Vitale Community Advancement Fund (2001)

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

#### Dan Cistulli Memorial Music Fund (2004)

Funding for lessons and/or instruments to young people in Bristol who may need financial assistance

#### John & Gloria DiFrancesco Fund for Women and Girls (2011)

To advance initiatives identified by the Women & Girls Fund of the Foundation

#### Karen DuCotey Fund for Kids (2011)

For students in Region School District #10 in need of immediate assistance due to a particular life situation or unexpected financial hardship

#### **Dumont Family Charitable Fund (2000)**

To support programs that give opportunities to disadvantaged youth as well as other charitable projects

#### **Barbara Hackman Franklin Fund for Women (2011)**

To support initiatives identified by the Women & Girls Fund of the Foundation

#### Margaret Haberman Memorial Fund for Music (2010)

For the promotion and appreciation of music in the communities served by the Foundation

#### Jaspersohn Family Memorial Fund (2001)

To support programs and organizations which provide humanitarian efforts to the greater Bristol area



▲ Joseph A. DePaolo Middle School was awarded a grant from the Lynda M. Mazur and Michael F. Colomonico Jr. Hands-On Fund. The "Kids Koop" project brings together students in the Animal Helpers Club and the Garden Club to maintain and care for 4-5 chickens, learn the daily responsibilities associated with caring for livestock, and manage egg sales.

#### **KAWFY Memorial Fund** (2019)

To support programs and projects that will benefit the community of Southington

#### Hal Kilby Athletics Fund (2016)

To support community athletic needs in Bristol

#### 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)**

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

#### Malerbo Childrens Field Maintenance Fund (2005)

To provide grants for field maintenance, field improvement, facility improvements or related equipment to nonprofit organizations in Burlington and Bristol that provide organized youth sports activities

#### Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund (2006)

To provide for the care and support of animals in need in the State of CT

#### Lynda M. Mazur and Michael F. Colomonico Jr. Hands-On Fund (2018)

To support non-sport, noncompetitive programs and activities for children attending elementary and middle schools in Southington

#### Men & Boys' Fund (2016)

To make it possible for men and boys to improve the quality of their lives, increase self-sufficiency and make a positive difference in their community.

#### Men & Boys' Immediate Response Fund (2017)

To provide immediate assistance for basic needs and opportunities for men and boys of all ages



#### **Merriman Family Fund (2000)**

To promote environmental and ecological preservation, conservation, education, research and advocacy

#### **Laura Schlesinger Minor Fund** (2017)

To support initiatives identified by the Women & Girls Fund of the Foundation

#### James R. Parker Trust (transferred in 2002)

To meet the needs of residents of the town of Burlington

#### Plainville Community Fund (2006)

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

#### Plainville Housing Assistance Fund (2019)

To support income-eligible Plainville residents in need of assistance to secure affordable housing

#### Plymouth Century Club Fund (2006)

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 (1998)**

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

#### Jean Sorey Fund for Single Parent Families (2015)

To provide support to single parents for immediate needs to better their families

#### Southington Arts Council Legacy Fund (2018)

To provide grants for the promotion and appreciation of artistic and cultural opportunities to benefit Southington residents

#### Jay and Elizabeth Tyrrell Fund for the Arts (2011)

To advance artistic and cultural opportunities in the greater Bristol area

#### Werner Family Fund (2000)

To provide immediate assistance for basic needs and opportunities for inclusion to families with children facing financial hardship

#### Women & Girls Fund (2001)

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

#### Women & Girls Immediate Response Fund (2002)

To provide immediate assistance for basic needs and opportunities for women and girls of all ages

# A love of art inspires giving during and after a lifetime



In January of 2023, Louise Lauretano DeMars, a well-known figure in the Bristol community, passed away at the age of 78. She had a personality that was larger than life, and she had passion and talent for the arts. Louise was always promoting the arts in any way she could, and she was a mentor to many. Upon her

passing, Louise left a bequest in her will to continue her legacy through a fund at Main Street Community Foundation. The Louise Lauretano DeMars Love of Art Fund will continue her passion while inspiring future artists by granting them stipends, giving them the opportunity to pursue their artistic creativity more freely while honing and refining their skills. In order to fully determine how to utilize this unique fund to its full potential, MSCF staff has met with local artists to determine how to best fulfill Louise's intent. These conversations are ongoing, but will no doubt lead to exciting opportunities for local artists in the coming years.

Louise's contributions and commitment to building the arts and culture community as well as the museum industry were seen throughout her life and career. Most notably in the greater Bristol community, her 28-year tenure as the Executive Director of the New England Carousel Museum established the museum as a national tourist destination. She was also a valued member of many organizations and associations over the course of her career, including the American Alliance of Museums, the Bristol Downtown Revitalization Committee, the Mayor's Committee on Art and Culture, and the Connecticut Commission on the Arts.

While Louise always supported the Foundation and the local community, it was through relationships that she built throughout her life that led her to leave a generous bequest to assist local artists. This new and distinctive fund will continue her legacy and inspire others to follow their passion in the arts just as Louise did.

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

These funds enable a donor to establish a named fund for any level of education. Donors may designate a particular school, field of study and select eligibility criteria.

4 Burns Scholarship/St. Joseph/St. Paul Fund (2000)

Academic Achievement Award (2015) Christian Arndt Scholarship Fund (2006)

E. Bartlett Barnes Award of Journalism Fund (1999)

Stanley P. Bitel Memorial Fund (2015)

Sylvia Bodak Memorial Scholarship Fund (2001) Peter and Marjorie Bossi Educational Fund (2003)

Bowerman Scholarship Fund (2008)

Bristol Boys & Girls Club Schulman Fund (2000)

Bristol Lions Club/James J. Keating Scholarship Fund (2022)

Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani Memorial Scholarship Fund (2008)

Bristol Police Scholarship Fund (1999) Bristol Yale Club Scholarship Fund (1999)

Bristol Yale/Miles Peck Jennings Memorial Scholarship Fund (2021)

Burlington Lions Charities Scholarship Fund (2000)

Ron Burns Community Leadership Scholarship Fund (2020)

Alicia M. Butler Memorial Scholarship Fund (2021) Evan J. Chyun Memorial Scholarship Fund (2022) Conn Acoustics Scholarship Fund (2006)

Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship Fund (2000)

Rit Croce Academic and Vocational Scholarship Fund (2014)
Richard A. DellaVecchia Scholarship Fund (transferred in 2002)

Lt. Dustin DeMonte and Sqt. Alex Hamzy Public Safety Scholarship Fund (2023)

Katherine Dobroczynski Memorial Scholarship Fund (2014)

Jeffrey Downes Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Trades (2015)

Karen Finder Scholarship Fund (2003)

Carolyn Fisher Scholarship Fund (transferred in 2004)
Olivia Fusco Memorial Art Scholarship Fund (2016)
Joann Galati Scholarship Fund for Education (2019)
GE's Industrial Solutions Scholarship Fund (2015)
Andrew and Murielle Giacomini Scholarship Fund (2003)
Jake Gilbert Memorial Culinary Arts Scholarship Fund (2022)

Azilda Hebert Music Scholarship Fund (2000) Grace & Norma Joy Scholarship Fund (2008)

John Kalinoski Scholarship Fund (transferred in 2004) Kalt Moreau Family Scholarship Fund for Education (2018)

KAWFY Memorial Scholarship Fund (2019)

Keating-Monaghan Memorial Scholarship Fund (2008) Lena M. and Peter L. Korotie Scholarship Fund (1997)

Vincent T. Kozyrski Scholarship Fund (2010)

Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship Fund (2008)

Julie Larese Bristol Tramps Scholarship Fund (2022)

Ray Machine Corp./Ray & Darlene Lassy Family Fund (2017)

Louise Lauretano DeMars Love of Art Fund (2023)

John J. and Doris Lazorik Memorial Scholarship Fund (1997)

Leger Initiative for Education Fund (L.I.F.E.) (2005)

Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship Fund (2003)

Thérèse MacCallum "Great Kid" Scholarship Fund (2005)

Nicholas P. Maglio ACE Fund (2011)

Main Street Community Foundation Scholarship Fund (1997)

Malerbo Memorial Scholarship Fund (2005)

Maskery Family Scholarship Fund (2018)

Elizabeth I. & Louis J. Matt Medical Scholarship Fund (2007)
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McMaster-Moulthrop Scholarship Fund (1999)

Ken E. Micloskey/Dorothy Micloskey Ives Award Fund (2002)

Dave Mongillo Memorial/Golf Scholarship Fund (2018)

Al and Joan Monico Scholarship Fund (2013)

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Anthony Norton Scholarship Fund (2015)

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Dorothy Dewey Picard Music Scholarship Fund (1999)

Plymouth Community Club Scholarship Fund (transferred in 2003)

Plymouth Human Services Scholarship Fund for Healthcare Students (transferred in 2023)

Alice C. Pulsifer Memorial Scholarship Fund (transferred in 1997)

Max and Ruth Rabin Scholarship Fund (2006) Radcliff Family Education Fund (2002) Radcliff Plainville High School Fund (2006) Louis J. Rascoe Scholarship Fund (2005) Julie A. Roche Nursing Scholarship Fund (2014)

Douglas Roland Aid for the Trades Scholarship Fund (2009)

Clement J. Roy Scholarship Fund (2012)

Saint Matthew School Scholarship Fund (2000)

Lawrence (Larry) Scelza Memorial Scholarship Fund (2010) Dora Schubert Scholarship Fund (transferred in 2017)

Glo Sessions Fund for Art Education (2012)

Jill Lynne Shackett Educational Scholarship Fund (2013)
The Southington Observer/Step Saver Scholarship Fund (2005)

Swicklas Family Scholarship Fund (2022)

Jay W. & Elizabeth M. Tyrrell Scholarship Fund (2011)

Louise (Humphrey) Van Gorder Music Camp Scholarship Fund (2014)

Dr. Joan T. Wallace Prize for Highest Achievement in English

at Southington High School (2014)

John & Peggy Walsh Memorial Scholarship Fund (2011)

Kristen Warner Scholarship Fund (2004) John Whitcomb Scholarship Fund (2001) Reverend Dr. Eddie C. Whitehead of Bristol, CT –

Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund (2021)
Eva Brodowicz Wickwire Volunteer Scholarship Fund (2015)
Pat & Bob Wollenberg Scholarship Fund for Special Education (2018)

Yarde Metals Memorial Scholarship Fund (2005)

The Craig Yarde Scholarship Fund (2022)

## UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY FUNDS

These funds are flexible and responsive to emerging and changing community needs. No restrictions are placed on the gifts, and decisions about charitable use of the funds are at the discretion of the Foundation.

Wally Barnes Fund for Community Leadership Initiatives (2013) Bristol Brass General Grant Fund (1998) Bristol Savings Bank Fund (1996) Angela and Al Caruso Family Charitable Fund (2006) Ronald F. and Emilie P. Duhaime Family Fund (2003) Formagioni-Lodovico Family Fund (2009) Jim & Eleanor Frawley Community Fund (2010) Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable Fund (2000) Main Street Community Foundation Memorial Fund (2008)
JoAnn & David Mills Family Fund (2013)
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Money in Motion Fund (2015)
Karen and Kim Murphy Family Charitable Fund (2016)
Tedesco-Gallant Charitable Fund (2005)
Turkus Family Fund (2000)
Pat & Bob Wollenberg Family Fund for the Community (2018)



A grant to Thy Eagle's Nest, located in Wolcott, was awarded from the Bristol Savings Bank Fund to support the purchase of a large vehicle to pick up and distribute items to their clients.



## SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS

Sustainability Funds support the ongoing work of the Foundation. They strengthen the Foundation's role as a funder, community leader, convener and advocate.

Barnes Group Inc. 150th Anniversary Fund (2007)
Main Street Community Foundation Endowment Fund (2000)
Dave and Edith Scarritt Fund (2004)
Yarde Metals Community Support Fund (2005)

The Ciccarelli-Vitale Community Advancement Fund and the Turkus Family Fund awarded grants to Connecticut Foodshare to supply fresh food to underserved neighborhoods in Bristol, Burlington and Southington through the Mobile Food Pantry program.

# BRADLEY HENRY BARNES & LEILA UPSON BARNES MEMORIAL TRUST

**▼** Southington- Cheshire Community YMCAs' Splash and Spray Park at Camp Sloper.

In 2004, the Bradley Henry Barnes and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust was transferred to Main Street Community Foundation after it had been established and maintained at the Southington Bank & Trust Company since 1973. The Trust had been created upon the death of Bradley Barnes, a well-known and active member of the Southington community, to continue his and his wife Leila's legacy of supporting Southington and its residents. Grants from this Trust are awarded to nonprofit organizations that serve the Southington community with capital projects, programs, and initiatives that improve the health and wellbeing of Southington residents.

In 2023, 15 grants were awarded to a variety of organizations that work to make Southington a healthier place, a mission that can be addressed from many different community sectors. For example, two grants supported organizations that meet the basic needs of Southington residents: Friends of Southington Community Services was awarded a \$5,000 grant in order to cover emergency food purchases as well as contribute towards energy assistance for residents who need it; and Bread for Life was awarded a \$55,000 grant to assist in their meal delivery programs, covering the purchase of the food itself as well as packaging and delivery costs. Programs like these work to meet the immediate and basic needs of Southington residents, but that is not all it takes to ensure a community's wellbeing.



A \$50,000 grant was awarded to Southington Community Cultural Arts, Inc. (SoCCA) to support the All Access program for neuro-diverse adults. This multifaceted program reaches over 50 participants every week with its interactive art classes taught by professional artists. The art lessons teach neuro-diverse adults with learning differences and disabilities an assortment of artistic skills that help them to connect more to not only themselves but to their community. From weaving, painting, and sculpting, SoCCA provides a program that targets the physical, spiritual, and even financial needs of their participants.

Another grant that was awarded was to the Southington Education Foundation for \$42,802 for their *Reading with Our Minds and Hearts* program which provides a diverse collection of books to local K through 2nd grade classroom libraries. This

program was created in order to create a library that more accurately reflects the diversity of backgrounds, families, abilities, cultures and perspectives of the students in the district. This not only allows children to connect to these books because they are able to see themselves, but it also allows children to learn while seeing people who are not like them. These stories promote emotional well-being in the students as well as an appreciation for diversity and reading.

Grants awarded from the Barnes Memorial Trust invest in not only meeting the immediate and basic needs of Southington residents, but the creative and cultural needs of residents as well. To see all grants awarded from the Trust, go to page 10. All approaches make a positive impact on residents and the community at large, ensuring that the health and well-being of Southington continues to be well cared for.

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## FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION

We gratefully acknowledge the *Friends of Main Street* listed on these two pages who generously supported our 2023 Friends Appeal. This annual campaign, overseen by past board member and founder Tom Barnes, provides necessary administrative financial support to advance the charitable activities of the Foundation to better serve your communities.

We want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the many campaign donors and volunteers. Without your gifts in 2023, we would not have been able to respond to your communities' most pressing needs and help create vibrant communities — communities where people have equitable and inclusive opportunities to prosper, participate and be inspired to give.

In appreciation, the Friends Reception is held annually to honor and thank the Foundation's donors and volunteers. The 2023 event was held at The Barnes Museum in Southington, the former home of Bradley Henry Barnes, the man who established the Bradley Henry Barnes and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust that the Foundation administers. Over 100 Friends attended the reception, enjoying the food, the company and experiencing the world of three generations of the Barnes family through the artifacts, art and history that defined their lives.

Special appreciation to Worldwide Wine & Spirits, our beverage sponsor; Brett Simms for providing the beautiful music; Dawn Nielsen and Garrett Printing & Graphics for the design and printing of the invitations. Sincere gratitude to our hosts at The Barnes Museum for their hospitality.

Your support greatly benefits your community and all those that live, work and enjoy this region. Thank you for your partnership in helping to fulfill the Foundation's mission.



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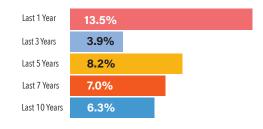
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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Cash and Equivalents	\$1,193,118	\$764,766
Investments	55,626,850	50,516,581
Furniture and Equipment, net of depreciation	20,790	17,509
Total Assets	\$56,840,758	\$51,298,856
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Grants Payable	70,530	74,265
Accrued Expenses	11,990	12,116
Agency Endowments & Other Component Funds	7,762,955	7,174,603
Total Liabilities	\$7,845,475	\$7,260,984
Net Assets	\$48,995,283	\$44,037,872
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$56,840,758	\$51,298,856

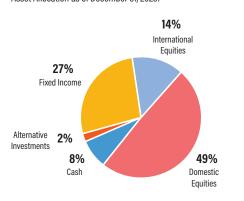
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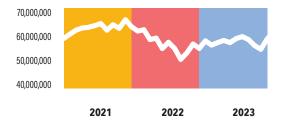


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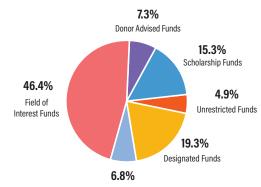
SUPPORT AND REVENUES	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Fund Contributions	\$2,089,048	\$1,360,439
Less: Contributions to Agency/Component Funds	(4,000)	(16,100)
Interest and Dividend Income*	1,387,499	1,254,347
Other Income*	158,844	91,162
Investment Gains/(Losses)*	4,399,456	(8,007,301)
Total Support and Revenues	\$8,030,847	\$(5,317,453)
GRANTS AND EXPENSES		
Grants*	\$1,817,238	\$1,781,350
Scholarships	329,114	281,600
Operating Expenses	927,084	877,251
Total Grants and Expenses	\$3,073,436	\$2,940,201
Change in Net Assets	\$4,957,411	\$(8,257,654)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$44,037,872	\$52,295,526
Total Net Assets at End of Year	\$48,995,283	\$44,037,872

<sup>\*</sup>Net of Agency & Component Fund Activity

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