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Main Street Foundation celebrates record grant-making, new board members

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New Main Street Community Foundation Board Members Brent Davenport, Virginia Fitzgerald and Suzanne M. Passini.

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BRISTOL - The Main Street Community Foundation (MSCF) celebrated awarding a record \$2.3 million in grants in 2022 and the election of three new board members.

Board members and past leadership celebrated another successful year of grant-making, scholarship awards and building charitable endowments March 10 at their annual meeting. At the event, which serves as a year-end review, it was announced that a record \$2.3 billion had been distributed to residents of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth and Wolcott through programs and community initiatives. A total of \$26 million has been awarded since the Foundation was founded in 1995.

This past year, the Foundation received \$1.5 million in contributions. In addition, 13 new funds were established by local individuals, families and organizations to support causes they care about and help better their communities,

"The Annual Meeting was also a moment to celebrate a few grantees from the past year," said Samantha Rajotte, scholarship and program officer with the Main Street Community Foundation. "Representatives from both Veterans Strong Community Center, a resource and information center for Veterans in the Greater Bristol area, and St. Vincent De Paul Mission of Bristol, an emergency shelter for men, women, and children in Bristol, were present."

Rajotte said that representatives from both organizations spoke to the Board about the impact that the Main Street Community Foundation has made on the work they do.

Read the full story in tomorrow's edition of The Bristol Press.

