

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
of WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

OUR FIRST NAME IS COMMUNITY

1978 to 2008

30 YEARS OF HOMEGROWN PHILANTHROPY

2008 ANNUAL REPORT



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What We Do

The Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization, created in 1978, that provides:

Personalized service to make your giving easy, flexible and effective. We accept a variety of gifts, offer custom fund options to suit your needs, and all gifts receive maximum tax advantages. We do all this with operating costs of less than one percent of our assets.

Local expertise with a professional staff that understands the issues and opportunities shaping our region. We monitor all areas of community need and can help you learn about the most effective organizations and programs serving your areas of interest.

Strong leadership that invests in the most promising endeavors for our mountain communities and responsibly manages \$164.4 million in charitable assets. We ensure your giving will effectively benefit generations to come.

Our Mission

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina promotes and expands regional philanthropy and develops local funds that address changing needs and opportunities in the 18 counties of Western North Carolina.

WNC Counties

Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey

On The Cover:

Farm and Fence Lines in the Snow, 1991
Lake Junaluska,
Haywood County, NC

Pictured Right:

B. W. Payne and Family, Taking Break, 1981
Little Pine Creek,
Madison County, NC

THREE DECADES AGO The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina began planting the seeds of philanthropy that enhance and preserve our mountain way of life. This year, we awarded our **one hundred millionth charitable grant dollar**. These dollars have addressed many of the pressing issues facing our region's communities in the eighteen counties of Western North Carolina we call home. By connecting our donors' passion with purpose, The Community Foundation has become a leading voice and catalyst for solutions to the region's most challenging problems and promising opportunities. Thanks to these visionary donors, future generations will reap a bountiful harvest from homegrown philanthropy that supports and sustains our way of life. **After all, our first name is *community*.**





Family Putting
Up Hay, 1986
Shelton Laurel,
Madison County, NC

From the Board Chairman & President

It is with great pride that we celebrate 30 years of serving the 18 counties of Western North Carolina, and reflect on the growth and change of our region and The Community Foundation along with it.

Founded in 1978, the Foundation awarded its first grants of \$7,575 in 1980. By comparison, grantmaking totaled more than \$11 million in 2008 to hundreds of nonprofits, many of which did not exist 30 years ago. Thanks to a strong partnership with our donors, **The Community Foundation has distributed more than \$100 million in grants and scholarships over the past 30 years.** This \$100 million investment, primarily in the nonprofits across our mountains, has helped us face the compelling issues of our time: assisting the needy when the economy struggles; developing the talent of young citizens so our future will be strong; cleaning up the environment so we can enjoy healthier lives and protect our region's natural beauty; and addressing local needs when government support falls short and services are cut.

As our mountain communities are facing unprecedented growth and change, The Community Foundation has stepped up to bring together local citizens to develop local solutions. Backed by two years of planning and research, the Mountain Landscapes Initiative unfolded during the past year. We hope you will read, on page 24, about this important long-term effort to help citizens and communities in our 18 counties plan for development and economic growth that doesn't sacrifice community character or threaten the natural assets that attract new people and new investment to our mountains.

The importance of building private resources that will provide a strong helping hand from one generation to the next has never been greater. The wonderful news is that our never-ending help will continue to grow as The Community Foundation grows, demonstrated over the past 10 years by growth in assets from \$50 million in 1998 to a wonderful pool of homegrown philanthropy that topped \$170 million in 2008. We thank more than 800 people, who have each established their own unique charitable fund, for this precious community treasure and powerful impact. Countless others have made gifts to these funds and the many important issues the Foundation strives to address.

Today, The Community Foundation is a strong, vibrant agent of change in Western North Carolina. In the coming year, we will begin a new era of executive leadership as Pat's 25 years of extraordinary service to the Foundation comes to a close. There is exciting and important work to be done and a tremendous legacy to carry forward. Please join us as we look to the future and continue to build philanthropy for this wonderful mountain region that we all love.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bubba Crutchfield".

Paul (Bubba) Crutchfield
Chairman of the
Board of Directors

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Pat Smith".

Pat Smith
President

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Laura A. Webb



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Former Directors of the Board

Since 1978, 132 men and women have served as Directors of The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina, ensuring the Foundation is governed with community input. Their oversight guides all aspects of the Foundation's operations, from grantmaking to investments, fundraising to special initiatives.

Former Board Chairs

Maurice H. Winger	1978-1985
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Mimi Cecil	1990-1995
Philip G. Carson	1995-2000
James B. Powell, II	2000-2004
Eleanor M. Owen	2004-2007

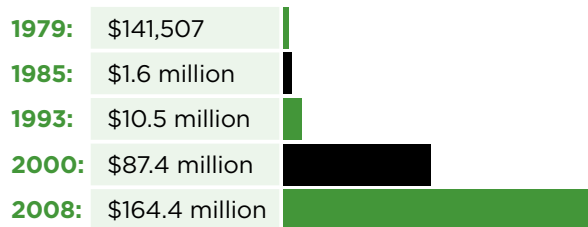
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Celebrating 30 Years of Homegrown Philanthropy

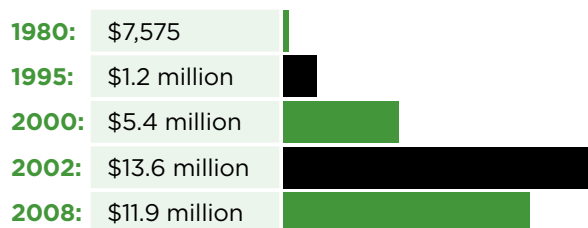
MORE THAN \$100 MILLION IN GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Thirty years ago, retired businessman Ray Hust and a group of local visionaries decided to create a permanent and lasting resource that would enhance and improve our quality of life. The Community Foundation exists today thanks to their foresight and through the generosity of thousands of people since who have chosen to partner with the Foundation to support important causes, nonprofit organizations and communities large and small throughout Western North Carolina. Thanks to this “homegrown philanthropy,” the Foundation has grown to \$164.4 million in charitable assets while distributing more than \$100 million in grants and scholarships across our 18-county mountain region and beyond.

ASSET GROWTH 1978 - 2008



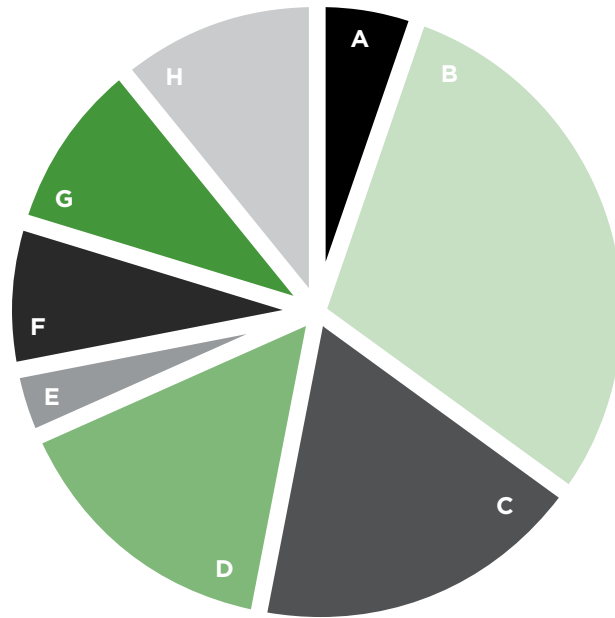
GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS 1978 - 2008



Founded	1978
Assets	\$164.4 million
Operating Costs	less than 1% of assets
Contributions Received	\$16.5 million year ended 6/30/08
Funds	97 new funds established during the year 28 new planned gifts created this year 828 total funds created by individuals and families since 1978
Grants	\$11.9 million awarded this year » \$9 million in donor-advised distributions » \$2.5 million in competitive grants » \$415,604 in scholarships
Types of Support	Broad-based grantmaking in the areas of: Advancing the Arts Assisting People in Need Building Community and Economic Vitality Improving Educational Opportunities Enhancing the Environment Promoting Quality Health
Area Served	18 western counties of North Carolina

More than \$100 Million Distributed Since 1978

THIS YEAR'S GRANTS AND GIVING: \$11.9 MILLION



A Advancing the Arts

\$634,835

Expanding cultural and heritage offerings, assisting museums and cultural institutions

B Assisting People in Need

\$3,579,467

Meeting basic needs, reaching the disadvantaged through early intervention and helping people facing challenges become more self-sufficient

C Building Community and Economic Vitality

\$2,159,687

Providing economic opportunities, improving affordable housing, and encouraging civic engagement and community improvements

D Improving Educational Opportunities

\$1,853,043

Supporting creative approaches to improve education in the public schools and the community

E Scholarships

\$415,604

Helping WNC students pursue higher education

F Enhancing the Environment

\$924,792

Addressing challenges through education and initiatives to preserve and protect our natural resources

G Promoting Quality Health

\$1,104,691

Extending access and supporting health services, encouraging health and wellness programs

H Religion

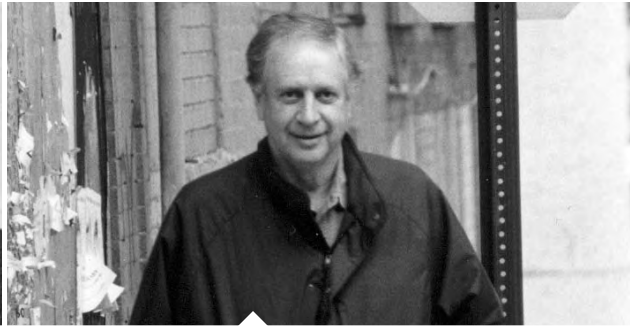
\$1,260,113

Donor-advised gifts to churches and religious institutions

Major Milestones in Our History



1978
December 20, 1978
The Community Foundation begins as "The Community Foundation of Greater Asheville" thanks to founder Ray Hust and support from United Way and the Junior League. Operations are run by dedicated volunteers in donated office space.



1985
Foundation assets triple to reach more than \$1.6 million. Charitable distributions top \$450,000 and competitive grants for the year - ranging in size from \$1,000 - \$2,500 - total \$10,275 to eight nonprofits.

1991
Philanthropist Julian Price creates the multi-million dollar Dogwood Fund, the Foundation's largest endowment at the time. As a result, competitive grantmaking expands significantly.

1993
In the 15th anniversary year, the Foundation has three staff members. Assets top \$10 million.



1995
Assets jump to \$25 million and grants total \$1.2 million. Two new grant programs begin: Summertime Kids, providing summer activities to disadvantaged children; and the Pigeon River Fund, established by CP&L and the State of North Carolina to improve water quality in Haywood, Buncombe and Madison counties.



1999
The Melvin R. Lane Fund is established and provides significant multi-year capacity-building grants for nonprofits. The Foundation has a staff of 10 and distributes \$4.2 million in grants.

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1982
The Board expands the scope of service of the Foundation to the 18-county mountain region, and the organization becomes "The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina." Assets reach \$310,000 and the first competitive grants, totaling \$10,600, are awarded.

1990
Pat Smith is hired as the Foundation's first full-time executive director. The Community Foundation surpasses \$5 million in assets. The Forster-Stevens Scholarship program is established, providing scholarships to more than 40 WNC students each year.

1992
The first affiliate fund of the Foundation, the Cashiers Community Fund, is established. Eight affiliates follow in later years in the communities of Highlands and Black Mountain and counties of Haywood, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, Transylvania and Yancey.

1994
Frances Farthing establishes a fund to support hands-on learning in rural mountain classrooms and the Learning Links grant program is born.

1998
The Community Foundation celebrates its 20th anniversary with more than 400 charitable funds and \$50 million in assets.

2000
The Foundation makes its eighth move to offices in the BB&T Building in downtown Asheville.





2001
Two new grant programs are launched: Medication Assistance, to distribute prescription medicines to people in need, and Organizational Development, to strengthen the capacity of nonprofits. The Asheville Merchants Fund is created to continue this once private foundation's work to support economic development and improve the quality of life in Buncombe County.

2003
The Foundation celebrates 25 years of service to Western North Carolina and manages more than 650 charitable funds with \$98 million in assets.

2005
The Foundation creates its women's initiatives: a giving circle of women philanthropists, *Women for Women*, and The Women's Fund. With the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Mission Healthcare Foundation, United Way of Asheville and Buncombe County, and University of North Carolina at Asheville, The Community Foundation develops and launches WNC Nonprofit Pathways to build the capacity of the nonprofit sector. The Foundation's Nonprofit Economic Impact Study is released showing that nonprofits pump more than \$1.8 billion into the WNC economy each year and that one in every 11 workers in the region is employed by a nonprofit.

2007
The Board approves the Mountain Landscapes Initiative, a regional effort to address the impact of unprecedented growth of our landscapes and communities. The Foundation partners with the Southwestern Commission to launch a pilot project in our region's seven far western counties and invests more than \$100,000.

2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008

2002
CFWNC joins 18 North Carolina funders to form the North Carolina Funders' Collaborative for Strong Latino Communities with the purpose of strengthening the capacity and infrastructure of the Latino nonprofit sector.

2004
WNC is ravaged by two hurricanes, taking lives and causing widespread flooding and damage. CFWNC and United Way create the Flood Relief Fund to collect and quickly distribute almost \$500,000 in emergency funds. The Foundation's assets exceed \$100 million.

2006
CFWNC meets the first National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations. The Community Foundation conducts an assessment of needs in our 18-county region. Growth management and preservation of natural resources emerge as areas of primary concern and interest.

2008: Celebrating 30 Years Of Homegrown Philanthropy
More than 1,000 local residents in the far western NC counties participate in the Mountain Landscapes Initiative that culminates in an eight-day planning charrette at Western Carolina University. A "toolbox" of best practices, guidelines, and examples for mountain development is released, along with a "Next Steps Fund" to aid counties and municipalities with implementation.

Foundation assets total \$164.4 million in 828 funds, while charitable distributions during CFWNC's first 30 years top \$100 million. More than \$1 million has been raised for the Foundation's women's initiatives and grants to help local women in need exceed \$780,000.

A staff of 20 professionals supports Foundation operations. CFWNC is the third largest community foundation in the state and 58th in the nation.



GRANTS



CFWNC Competitive Grant Programs

Asheville Merchants Fund (AMF)

Up to \$50,000 over two years to support economic growth and improve quality of life in Buncombe County
Deadline: Spring 2009

Biltmore Lake Charitable Fund Grants (BL)

\$500 or more to support charitable projects in the Enka-Candler area
Deadlines: April 1 & October 1

Learning Links Grants (LL)

Up to \$800 for public schools in Avery, Graham, Jackson, Madison, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford and Swain counties to offer hands-on learning activities in the classroom
Deadline: Last Friday in September

Melvin R. Lane Fund Grants (MRL)

Up to \$150,000 over three years to support organizational development and collaborative approaches for human service nonprofits
Deadline: 2011

Joseph F. Mongovis Charitable Fund (JFM)

Up to \$5,500 to assist people in need through designated charitable organizations

Opportunity Grants (OG)

Up to \$7,000 to nonprofits in the 18-county region to support the arts, environment, education, health care, people in need and building stronger communities
Deadlines: February 1 & August 1

Organizational Development Grants (OD)

Up to \$7,500 to nonprofits in the 18-county region to hire a consultant or receive training to build their capacity to serve the community
Deadlines: January 15; March 15; May 15; July 15; September 15; November 15

Ramble Charitable Fund Grants (RAM)

\$2,500 or more to support charitable projects in southern Buncombe communities
Deadlines: April 1 & October 1

Strategy Grants (SG)

Up to \$25,000 for outstanding projects in the 18-county region that promise significant impact and address critical community needs
Deadline: Letter of Intent by November 14

Summertime Kids Grants (STK)

Up to \$2,000 to nonprofits in the 18-county region that provide disadvantaged children with enriching summer activities
Deadline: March 1

Pigeon River Fund Grants (PRF)

Up to \$25,000 to improve water quality in Haywood, Madison and Buncombe counties
Deadlines: March 15 & September 15

Rutherford County Foundation GIFT Awards (RCF)

Grants up to \$1,000 to support charitable projects in Rutherford County
Deadline: December 1

Women for Women Grants (WFW)

Grants up to \$100,000 to improve the lives of less fortunate women and girls in the 18-county region
Deadline: January 23

Other Resources

Nonprofit Resource Center

CFWNC maintains a resource center at Pack Memorial Library in downtown Asheville with information about nonprofit funding and management. It is a Cooperating Collection of the Foundation Center.

We also offer a free quarterly session about the Nonprofit Resource Center and how to search for grants through the Foundation Center. Contact Virginia Dollar (dollar@cfwnc.org) to register.

Before submitting a grant request, nonprofit 501(c)(3) or public agency representatives should review current guidelines on the CFWNC website: www.cfwnc.org. For additional information about the Foundation's grant programs contact Virginia Dollar (dollar@cfwnc.org) or (828) 254-4960.

Pictured Left
Rolling Hills and
Truck, 1988
Paint Fork,
Yancey County, NC

Assisting People in Our Mountains

MANNA FOODBANK

As gas prices and the cost of food skyrocketed this year, more and more people turned to MANNA FoodBank for help.

Executive Director Kitty Schaller estimates a 20 percent increase in demand as people across the mountains, who never thought they would need to turn to a charitable organization for help, are now looking for ways to feed themselves and their families.

MANNA works with 325 agencies across Western North Carolina, supplying 13,000 meals a day, every day, for people in need. Over the years, The Community Foundation has provided grants to support this important organization at critical junctures. The Foundation provided the second grant in MANNA's history — \$1,500 in 1984 — to help get operations started, and has continued to provide support as the organization grew and evolved with grants to: purchase refrigeration systems for fresh food, expand distribution, begin new programs, assist with long-range planning, and participate in a national study on hunger.

Schaller says that results from that study have influenced how the organization is now moving forward to end hunger in the mountains. "For example," she said, "we discovered that 63 percent of people coming to area food pantries are not receiving food stamps and that many have never even applied." She says that whether due to mountain pride or lack of awareness, people who can benefit from government assistance aren't taking advantage of it. For the past two years, the Foundation has supported MANNA's work to explain this program to those in need and help them apply for benefits.

In addition to distributing more than six million pounds of food annually, MANNA has also begun to advocate for ways to change U.S. food-related policy. "No matter what we do, power rests across the whole society and what we all do together — and that's public policy," said Schaller.

A SAMPLING OF GRANTS OVER THE YEARS

Over the past 30 years, CFWNC grants have helped combat hunger in the mountains.

1995 - \$2,500 to Loving Food Resources for seed money to start this organization and provide meals for terminally ill people with HIV/AIDS.

1998 - \$5,000 to Hinton Rural Life Center to teach low-income clients in Clay and Cherokee counties organic gardening as a step toward better nutrition and independence.

2000 - \$14,906 to Meals on Wheels of Asheville and Buncombe County to conduct a needs assessment with their

elderly, homebound clients, and also to implement a weekend meal delivery program.

2002 - \$11,000 to Beacon of Hope to expand meal services for the disadvantaged of Madison County.

2005 - \$7,000 to Bread of Life to purchase equipment for this Transylvania County soup kitchen.

2006 - 2008 \$150,000 Melvin R. Lane Fund Grant to build the capacity of the Outreach Center, a food distribution organization in Burke County.

2007 - \$7,000 to Community Table for a take-home, weekend food program serving disadvantaged children in Jackson County.



Youth from the Beverly Hills Baptist Church volunteer on a regular basis at MANNA FoodBank. On this day they sorted and packed food that will be distributed to less fortunate school children. Through "backpack" programs, children can confidentially receive food and carry it home on weekends when they otherwise might go hungry.

**Assisting People
in Our Mountains:
\$3,579,467**

**Donor Advised and
Designated Contributions:**
\$2,813,208
Competitive Grants:
\$766,259

**American Red Cross of
Rutherford County**
\$1,000 (RCF)

Asheville Middle School
\$2,000 (STK)

**Baptist Children's
Homes of NC** - \$4,800 to
teach independent-living
skills to older youth who
are preparing to leave
the Haywood County
facility. (OG)

Basilica of St. Lawrence
\$5,500 to provide meals to
the hungry. (JFM)

**Big Brothers Big Sisters
of WNC** - \$4,525 to increase
the capacity to provide
children in Haywood County
with mentors. (OG)

Bountiful Cities Project
\$2,000 (STK)

**Boys and Girls Club of
Henderson County** \$50,000
to expand programs for
disadvantaged youth by
recruiting more volunteers
and increasing contributions
from individuals to the
organization and its
endowment. (MRL)

**Boys and Girls Club of
Transylvania County**
\$25,000 to implement a
science-based program
designed to help young
people become more active
and healthy. (SG)

**Catholic Church Extension
Society** - \$5,500 to
subsidize staff serving
Madison County. (JFM)

**Catholic Social Services
Diocese of Charlotte**
\$5,500 to provide
immigration services
at satellite offices
around WNC. (JFM)

Cherokee County Schools
\$2,000 (STK)

**Children & Family Resource
Center of Henderson
County** - \$25,000 to
continue a community effort
that identifies critical needs
of children and addresses

them through governmental
and private agency
partnerships. (SG)

**Children First of
Buncombe County**
\$95,000 to advocate for
social changes, including a
living wage and equitable
child care subsidy, that will
improve the lives of low-
income women. (WFW)

**Children First of
Buncombe County** - \$7,500
for community-wide
diversity training. (OD)

**Children First of
Buncombe County**
\$2,000 (STK)

**Clay County Health
Department** - \$2,000 (STK)

**Cleveland County Family
YMCA** - \$2,000 (STK)

**The Council On Aging
of Buncombe County**
\$7,000 to help create a
new client database and
reporting system that will
accommodate increased
growth in services for
older adults and their
families. (OG)

**The Council On Aging
of Buncombe County**
\$2,500 (OD)

**Family Resources of
Rutherford County**
\$1,000 (RCF)

F.I.R.S.T. - \$2,000 (STK)

First Stage Youth Theatre
\$2,000 (STK)

**Foothills Equestrian Nature
Center** - \$7,000 (OD)

**Foothills Equestrian Nature
Center** - \$2,000 (STK)

**Friends Across North
Carolina** - \$2,000 (STK)

**Girl Scouts of the Pioneer
Council** - \$2,000 (STK)

Girls on the Run of WNC
\$6,600 (OD)

Graham County Schools
\$2,000 (STK)

Health Adventure
\$1,993 (STK)

Helpmate - \$7,500 (OD)

Helpmate - \$7,000 to
implement web-based
donor and volunteer
management software to
help support services for
victims of domestic violence
in Buncombe County. (OG)

**Henderson County Council
on Aging** - \$50,000 to
expand a partnership with
the Department of Social
Services and serve more
at-risk seniors, enabling
clients to live independently
in their own homes. (MRL)

Homeward Bound - \$20,000
to expand the hours of the
A-HOPE Center and services
offered to those who are
homeless. (SG)

**Hope for Abuse Victims
through Education and
Nurturing** - \$7,000 to
purchase equipment and
child-friendly furniture for
a new Cherokee County
facility that serves victims of
child abuse. (OG)

Irene Wortham Center
\$7,000 to install a
closed-circuit television
security system for the
Early Learning Center in
Buncombe County. (OG)

**Isaac Dickson Elementary
School** - \$2,000 (STK)

**Jewish Community Center
of Asheville** - \$25,000 to
offer culturally sensitive
social services to families in
Buncombe, Henderson and
Transylvania counties. (SG)

**Judicial District 29A/Drug
Treatment Court** - \$6,720
for educational materials
and equipment to support a
drug treatment program in
Rutherford County. (OG)



Latino Advocacy Coalition of Henderson County - \$42,436 to strengthen marketing and fundraising as well as complete a strategic plan for programs and services that assist the growing Latino population in Henderson County. (MRL)

Magical Moments Therapeutic Riding Center - \$4,000 to purchase equipment and provide therapeutic riding lessons to individuals with mild to moderate disabilities. (OG)

MANNA FoodBank - \$25,000 to decrease hunger by increasing the number of individuals and families receiving food stamps in Buncombe, Henderson, Avery, Cherokee and Macon counties. (SG)

MANNA FoodBank - \$7,500 (OD)

McDowell County Senior Center - \$25,000 to purchase food-preparation equipment for the A.C. Bud Hogan Community Building, a new center that will serve as a nutrition site for seniors in Old Fort. (SG)

Meals On Wheels of Buncombe County - \$1,260 (BLCF)

Mountain Area Child and Family Center - \$25,000 for an early childhood nutrition program that will increase the consumption of high-quality food and serve as a replicable model for other childcare centers in the region. (SG)

Mountain Area Residential Facilities - \$7,000 to promote independent living skills to people with developmental disabilities through group and individual counseling sessions. (OG)

Mountain Housing Opportunities - \$7,000 toward purchase of an agency truck for emergency home repairs in Asheville and Buncombe County. (OG)

North Carolina Cooperative Extension - Avery County - \$2,000 (STK)

Optimist Santa Pal Club of Asheville - \$5,500 to purchase holiday presents for children living in financial difficulty. (JFM)

The Outreach Center - \$50,000 to increase staff capacity, raise resources and build a sustainable funding base that will enhance crisis-assistance programs for disadvantaged citizens of Burke and surrounding counties. (MRL)

Pigeon Community Development Center - \$7,000 to involve Haywood County's Latino community in multi-cultural after-school and summer programming. (OG)

Pigeon Community Development Center - \$2,000 (STK)

Pisgah Legal Services - \$25,000 to continue regional work to remove barriers that prevent victims of domestic violence from becoming self-sufficient. (SG)

Pisgah Legal Services - \$7,000 to purchase an agency car to facilitate economical staff travel serving clients across Western North Carolina. (OG)

Power Partners - \$2,000 (STK)

Presbyterian Home For Children - \$2,000 (STK)

Rutherford Hospital Foundation - \$2,000 (STK)



Rutherford County Air Rescue Squad - \$1,000 (RCF)

Rutherford County Judicial District 29A - \$625 (RCF)

Rutherford County Rescue Crew - \$1,000 (RCF)

Rutherford Life Services - \$25,000 to expand adult day care services for families in Rutherford and Polk counties. (SG)

The Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club of Buncombe County - \$25,000 to prepare teenagers in Black Mountain and Swannanoa for the future by teaching career exploration and financial-management skills. (SG)

The Salvation Army of Buncombe County - \$5,500 to assist people in financial crisis with rent or utility assistance. (JFM)

Shiloh-Danieltown-Oakland Volunteer Fire Department - \$625 (RCF)

South Mountain Christian Youth Camp - \$750 (RCF)

Stecoah Valley Arts, Crafts and Educational Center - \$2,000 (STK)

Task Force on Family Violence/REACH - \$3,500 to purchase new furniture for a domestic violence shelter in Cherokee County. (OG)

Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry - \$7,000 to help provide nutritious food on the weekends to low-income children attending Polk County Schools. (OG)

Transylvania Christian Ministry - \$7,000 to expand technology that supports integrated case management, record keeping, outreach, and program evaluation. (OG)

Volunteer North Carolina - \$300 (STK)

W.A.M.Y. Community Action - \$7,000 to recruit minority youth to participate in the Avery Youth Opportunities after-school program. (OG)

W.A.M.Y. Community Action - \$2,000 (STK)

Western Carolina Rescue Ministries - \$5,500 to develop an innovative learning program. (JFM)

Yancey County Schools - \$2,000 (STK)

Yokefellow Service Center - \$625 (RCF)

YWCA of Asheville - \$7,500 (OD)

YWCA of Asheville - \$2,000 (STK)

Advancing the Arts

THE KNIGHT AND JENETTE HOUGHTON MEMORIAL FUND

Music therapist Lauren Patrick DiMaio knows the powerful effect music can have on the body and spirit. She's seen how it helps the clients she serves through CarePartners Hospice cope with the pain, stress and depression that come with a terminal illness. And she's seen the comfort it brings to the loved ones they leave behind.

Kenneth Gibbs knows, too, that music is good medicine. The Asheville man saw how playing the piano was one of the few things that lifted the mood of his companion, Knight Houghton, during his declining health.

"Music really made a difference in his life," Ken said. "He was working with a piano teacher doing jazz improv. He practiced for a couple of hours every day, a new song a week. He practiced up to the day before he died."

In fact, music had such a positive effect that Knight and Ken discussed the idea of establishing a fund that would provide music lessons for other people who are homebound and terminally ill. After Knight passed away in 2006, Ken contacted staff at The Community Foundation who worked with CarePartners Hospice to create a new music program as part of their end-of-life and bereavement services. The donor advised fund Ken established to honor Knight has since provided 67 music lessons, guitars, keyboards, a laptop computer and special music software.

The arts were always important parts of Knight and Ken's lives. While living in Chicago, they had season tickets to the opera, symphony and the city's theaters. They traveled extensively, soaking up the culture of many faraway places. And from a very early age Knight studied and played piano, only to find it again late in his life.

Ken is pleased the Foundation was able to help him create a fund that so perfectly honors Knight and something that mattered so much.

"If you have something very specific you want to do, I think The Community Foundation is your best bet. Because they work with so many organizations, they can piece everything together for you. I called them up and they're doing exactly what I wanted done," said Ken.

A SAMPLING OF GRANTS OVER THE YEARS

Over the past 30 years, CFWNC grants have enhanced life through the arts.

1983 - \$2,000 to support Asheville Art Museum's "Learning to Look" program for youth.

1993 - \$5,000 for the N.C. Center for Creative Retirement to initiate an intergenerational arts program.

2001 - \$10,000 to help start Stecoah Valley Arts, Crafts and Educational Center's program that teaches middle school students to play traditional Appalachian musical instruments.

2002 - \$4,020 to use creative writing in high school classes to address emotional distress from a fire at the Mitchell County Jail that impacted many people in the community.

2004 - \$7,000 for the Toe River Arts Council to develop a program for Mitchell County and Eastern Band of

Cherokee Indians high school students to explore their cultural connections.

2007 - \$20,000 to help Arts for Life expand a program that allows local artists to teach visual arts and music as therapy to young patients at Mission Hospitals.



Knight Houghton passed away in 2006, but his love of music endures through the Knight and Jenette Houghton Memorial Fund of The Community Foundation of WNC.



Above: Music therapist Lauren Patrick DiMaio and her intern Shontae Alston work with their client, Charles Parton, during a guitar lesson at his assisted living facility in Asheville. Parton is participating in a music therapy program that provides music lessons to homebound or

terminally ill clients of CarePartners Hospice. The program is made possible by the Knight and Jenette Houghton Memorial Fund of The Community Foundation of WNC. Knight Houghton is pictured far right.



Advancing the Arts: \$634,835

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions:
\$493,968
Competitive Grants:
\$140,867

Asheville Art Museum Association - \$7,500 (OD)

Asheville Choral Society - \$7,000 to improve fundraising and marketing activities. (OG)

The Bascom - \$7,000 to equip a new ceramic studio that will serve students and adults in the Highlands community. (OG)

Black Mountain Swannanoa Arts Center - \$3,000 to purchase equipment for new dance and music programs. (OG)

Brevard Chamber Orchestra Association \$4,500 to expand music programs for elementary and middle school students in Transylvania County. (OG)

Davidson's Fort Historic Park - \$7,000 toward development of a fort, museum and park as part of Old Fort's plans for heritage education and economic revitalization. (OG)

Health Adventure \$7,500 (OD)

North Carolina Stage Company - \$25,000 to create a marketing and branding campaign for Asheville's nonprofit performing arts community. (AMF)

North Carolina Stage Company - \$4,367 for marketing and other efforts to increase the visibility of the organization's physical location in Asheville and upgrade the facility's lobby. (OG)

Pack Place Performing Arts - \$7,500 (OD)

Penland School of Crafts \$12,500 toward the second year of a program that provides Mitchell County students with outstanding art instruction and exposure to the field of crafts. (SG)

Toe River Arts Council \$12,500 to increase and expand art education programs in Mitchell and Yancey counties. (SG)

Town of Dillsboro - \$7,000 toward a master plan for the Monteith Farmstead that includes creation of the Appalachian Women's Museum at the historic farmstead. (OG)

Valleytown Cultural Arts & Historical Society \$25,000 to upgrade facilities at an historic building used for community and arts performances in Andrews. (SG)

Yancey County Cultural Resources Commission \$3,500 to purchase professional video recording equipment to capture and preserve examples of mountain heritage. (OG)

Improving Educational Opportunities

ADVERTISING LEGEND AND PHILANTHROPIST CHARLES C. "CHICK" MCKINNEY



Charles C. "Chick" McKinney

In 1988, a full-page ad in The Wall Street Journal featured Charles C. "Chick" McKinney, co-founder and creative director of McKinney & Silver in Raleigh, the first advertising agency in the Southeast to top \$100 million in billings.

In it, McKinney said, "Talent alone doesn't really count for much. Success comes from focusing singlemindedly, with the intensity of a laser, on your craft, on your goal. It's not complicated; just decide what you want to do, where you want to go, what you want to achieve, and then don't let anything or anyone distract you."

Chick McKinney spent a lifetime following his own good advice. It led him from humble beginnings growing up in Western North Carolina to become a legendary figure in the world of advertising.

He was born in 1931 in Newdale, where he spent his early years on a small farm near the South Toe River. At age 12, he moved to nearby Spruce Pine to live with his sister and her husband who encouraged his desire for an education. His first experience with advertising came at a small newspaper where his brother-in-law taught him to lay type for the classifieds.

McKinney began his advertising career in 1957 at the Howard Merrell agency in Raleigh after working his way through school and graduating with a bachelor's degree in business from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He co-founded McKinney & Silver in 1968.

At a time when most great advertising was thought to be generated only in New York, McKinney & Silver's reputation for creative excellence won numerous awards and coveted accounts, including MasterCard, Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines and Piedmont Airlines.

Chick McKinney's passion for advertising and attention to detail was legendary. At McKinney & Silver, he inspired and critiqued the work of many while producing a prolific amount of his own extraordinary ads; print ads were his particular passion, and he especially loved typography.

Mabon Childs, a former colleague, fondly remembers how McKinney would champion the work of his employees. "Chick always stood up for the creative people at the agency," said Childs. "He wouldn't let 'the suits' kill an ad he believed in."

Chick's Pick.

Charles C. "Chick" McKinney, an advertising executive, manages the Renaissance Southern in the Piedmont and creative director of McKinney & Silver, the first advertising agency in the Southeast to top \$100 million in billings. Above, from a recent conversation, are the views of the inimitable Chick McKinney.

On getting started:
As a child in the North Carolina mountains, I lived in a small town. I went to work for the local newspaper, then for the state, covering the state and eventually working as a reporter—my first job in Raleigh. After the Army and two college summers at Knoxville, and the United States Coast Guard at Chapel Hill—Mabon Childs offered me a job in their management training program. He is still my boss. So I moved into a small agency in Raleigh and became their art director. What I learned there—how to deal with clients and how to bring everything together—helped me launch McKinney & Silver in 1968.

On winning:
I believe great work is work—more creative than genius. So we design the best good work, or targeted other people do great work. It's been followed by a successful and exciting career on the job at hand. When I was a "working art director," I worked on with agencies from 100 to 200 jobs for a couple of years. I was the one who did all the creative with the design of the ad, with the photography, the typography—every element. The great ad being a line service, and then we ran 500 ads, looking for the right time for a photograph. After ten or twelve ads, "Soal is in the ad." "No, you won't get the details right without work."

On the nature of the page:
I grew up with print. It's my favorite medium. The challenge of a blank page—if it should make a creative person make a mistake? When I was in my last year of college, I looked at the page as a single story on a single page. What is the message? What is your goal, on that page. It's not complicated, just decide what you want to do, where you want to go, what you want to achieve, and then don't let anything or anyone distract you.

On the world as seen from Raleigh:
Raleigh is one of the best places to live in the U.S. But it is not really a significant advertising market. So we're looking for work. That we could be a national advertising agency, knowing the time to go to get it to clients in St. Louis, Minneapolis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, South Falls, Kansas. We'll get somewhere for good business.

On the need to focus:
Most things don't really count for much. Success comes from focusing, singlemindedly with the intensity of a laser.

On your craft, on your goal, it's not complicated, just decide what you want to do, where you want to go, what you want to achieve, and then don't let anything or anyone distract you.

On advertising in the '90s and beyond:
The future isn't New York. It's much more local, and when you're not advertising people with the sales and the drive and the focus do some really superior work. For a variety of reasons, there seems to be more and more of these people outside New York City. Maybe it's climate or the price or the ability to do great work and for a comfortable life. No matter—the point is that it's happening.

On The Wall Street Journal:
I remember it as if it were yesterday. I've been reading The Wall Street Journal for more than 30 years. But I think you'll agree that's a long time. It's not exactly an average art director. Not with a great deal of interest in finance and management. Not when I thought the first ad I saw in 1957, I remember it as if it were yesterday. The Journal, published in the same each morning, along with the local paper—I can get a good impression of how you—and succeeded in making your business grow—you read The Journal. And as an advertising executive, well, I can get a good impression of how you—and succeeded in making your business grow—you read The Journal. And as an advertising executive, well, I can get a good impression of how you—and succeeded in making your business grow—you read The Journal. And as an advertising executive, well, I can get a good impression of how you—and succeeded in making your business grow—you read The Journal.

The Wall Street Journal. It works.



These print ads are examples of the work of the prestigious McKinney & Silver advertising agency. This particular campaign helped promote tourism in North Carolina.

McKinney also understood the balance that was required between the two to be successful. In 1989, when he was inducted into the Advertising Hall of Fame at UNC's School of Journalism, the late Watts Hill, Jr. said McKinney was the only person he had ever known who was uniquely creative and also a great businessman.

When Chick retired in 1990, he and his wife, Suzanne, turned their attention to restoring an historic property in Surry County, aptly named "Devotion." The estate had fallen into disrepair but with the same passion for precision and attention to detail, they lovingly and painstakingly restored Devotion to greatness over the next 18 years.

McKinney understood the value and power of education, and he never forgot his childhood home. When he and Suzanne established a foundation to provide scholarships to students at Mitchell County High School, McKinney said he wanted to help those who were "reaching for the stars" and could not otherwise afford a college education. Suzanne said that education had profoundly transformed Chick's life, and that he wanted others to have the same opportunity.

Courtney Mauzy, a friend of the McKinneys who now lives in Little Switzerland, served on the scholarship selection committee with the family for several years. "It was an uplifting experience," he said. "The scholarship basically offered a 'full ride' to deserving students, but the McKinneys didn't stop there. If a scholarship recipient attended college anywhere near Raleigh, the McKinneys would have him or her over for dinner at their home. They took a real interest in those students."

Shortly before Chick McKinney died on September 12, 2007, he and Suzanne decided to bring their foundation under the auspices of The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina. They created the Charles C. and Suzanne R. McKinney Scholarship Fund to ensure that young people growing up in the mountains of Mitchell County would continue to dream big dreams and focus singlemindedly on achieving their goals, as Chick McKinney did.

Suzanne Reeves McKinney



About CFWNC Scholarships

- » The Community Foundation manages 54 scholarship funds worth in excess of \$10 million.
- » More than \$400,000 is distributed from these funds each year to help students across the WNC region pursue their higher education goals.

» Over the Foundation's history, \$3.7 million has been awarded in scholarships.

More Support for Education

» Each year, the Foundation awards \$250,000 or more in competitive grants to support education in the mountains.

» In 1996, Frances Farthing established The Ben W. and Dixie Glenn Farthing Charitable Endowment Fund in memory of her parents to provide hands-on learning grants to public schools in our region's most rural counties.

Over the years, 259 "Learning Links" grants totaling \$165,611 have been awarded to help impart to students a love of learning and desire to stay in school.

Improving Educational Opportunities: **\$2,268,647**

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: **\$1,598,684**

Competitive Grants: **\$254,359**

Scholarships: **\$415,604**

Asheville Catholic School \$5,500 to provide nutritious food to disadvantaged children. (JFM)

Asheville City Schools Foundation - \$7,000 to fund a listening project that will explore how schools, nonprofits and other community agencies can best serve middle-school youth and their families. (OG)

Avery Middle School two grants totaling \$1,400 (LL)

Avery-Mitchell-Yancey Regional Library - \$3,500 to provide nonprofit organizations and individuals with services and grant resource information. (OG)

Bountiful Cities Project \$3,832 (RAM)

Brush Creek Elementary three grants totaling \$1,996 (LL)

Buladean Elementary School - three grants totaling \$2,024 (LL)

Candler Elementary \$23,316 to equip a new computer lab. (BLCF)

Cherokee Middle School - \$700 (LL)

City of Asheville - \$25,000 to place students in meaningful public-sector internships, exposing them to career opportunities and helping them earn money for college. (SG)

Communities In Schools of Rutherford County \$25,000 to expand a county-wide, in-school mentoring program. (SG)

Cranberry Middle School - \$700 (LL)

Crossnore Elementary School - two grants totaling \$1,400 (LL)

Cullowhee Valley Elementary School - two grants totaling \$1,369 (LL)

Dayton Elementary School - two grants totaling \$1,227 (LL)

East Rutherford High School - \$625 (RCF)

Enka Middle School \$12,500 to improve the performing arts program with an amplification system. (BLCF)

Fairview Elementary School - \$678 (LL)

Freedom Trail Elementary School - \$640 (LL)

Greenlee Primary School - three grants totaling \$1,976 (LL)

Harris Middle School - three grants totaling \$1,995 (LL)

Haywood Community College Foundation \$7,000 to provide resources for small business entrepreneurs. (OG)

Hot Springs Elementary two grants totaling \$1,400 (LL)

Junior Achievement of Western North Carolina - \$4,200 (OG)

KidSenses Children's InterACTIVE Museum \$25,000 for continued support to bring a traveling planetarium and science programs to elementary school students in six WNC counties. (SG)

Laurel Elementary School - three grants totaling \$1,582 (LL)

The Literacy Council of Highlands - \$7,000 to expand the computer lab for children and adults to learn basic skills. (OG)

Madison County Schools \$25,000 toward the home-building skill development program at Madison High School. (SG)

Madison High School - \$700 (LL)

Madison Middle School - \$700 (LL)

Mars Hill Elementary \$687 (LL)

Newland Elementary School - two grants totaling \$1,400 (LL)

North Asheville Baptist Church - \$5,500 to provide scholarships. (JFM)

Oakley Elementary School \$5,000 for a phonic-based learning program. (RAM)

Robbinsville Elementary School - \$700 (LL)

Robbinsville Middle School - \$535 (LL)

Rutherford County Schools Parents as Teachers - \$625 (RCF)

Sand Hill - Venable Elementary - \$7,500 to help finance an outdoor walking trail. (BLCF)

Smoky Mountain High School - \$599 (LL)

Summit Charter School - \$700 (LL)

Summit Charter School Foundation - \$7,000 for library and classroom equipment at a new campus and instruments for a music program in Cashiers. (OG)

Swain County East Elementary School - two grants totaling \$1,378 (LL)

Swain County High School - \$700 (LL)

Swain County Middle School - \$675 (LL)

Swain County West Elementary School - two grants totaling \$1,400 (LL)

YMCA of Western North Carolina - \$25,000 to provide at-risk youth with an intensive after-school program designed to meet specific education needs and behavior management issues. (SG)

Scholarship Recipients:

Richard M. Arnold Scholarship Fund

2007 recipients: Keilah Clayton, Rick Riley

Asheville Young Woman Leadership Award Fund

2008 recipient: Colleen Daly

William Bradley Ayers Memorial Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Chris Lindsay

Alan Bruckner Young Life Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Lauren Hill

J. Jerry Cabe Dental Scholarship Fund

2007 recipient: Melissa Snyder

John Francis Amherst Cecil Foundation Fund

2008 recipients: Emily Barnhardt, Julie Carter, Casey Conard, John Halvorsen, Joanna Johnson, Bridget Sluder

Chattooga Club Employee Scholarship Endowment Fund

2007 recipients: Robin Bishop, Jake Spitler

Harry W. Clarke Scholarship Endowment Fund

2008 recipients: John Bourscheid, Jessie Whitby

Nelle Crowell Fletcher & G.L. Crowell Fund

2008 recipients: Levi English, Justin Parker, Kristina Rathburn

Mike Davis Team Spirit Award Fund

2008 recipient: Andrea Mull

Jim Duyck Memorial Scholarship Fund for Mountain Youth Baseball, Inc.

2008 recipient: Zach Hall

Johneen Roth Epstein Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Whitney Gruber

Newton Academy-William Forster, Jr. & Nancy Forster Stevens Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Jenny Boone, Rachel Brown, Keri Buchanan, Lauren Cook, Jade Davis, Kendall Edwards, Sarah Gibbs, Ana Hadas, Vanessa Higdon, Michaela Jones, Erin Keefe, Jaylyn Kempton, Mary Krekelberg, Kyle Lassiter, Megan Lester, Caleb Levi, Brittanye Little, Drew McLaughlin, Nick Miles, Lynn Nakazawa, Justin Pannell, Jordan Parker, Andrew Pless, Phillip Pressley, Emily Raper, Robert Rash, Sabrina Singleton, Maggie Smith, Hannah Tew, Cory Walkingstick, Jasmine Whitener, Mary Withers, Meredith Wood

Londell J. Foster-Thomas Scholarship Fund

2007 recipients: D'Jenne Henry, DeShawn McGahee

Captain John G. Gardner, USMC, Viet Nam Veterans Memorial Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Jackson Clemens, Austin Mack, Meredith Whatley

R. Walker Geitner III Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Michael Crosa

Margie McCluney Hamrick Nursing Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Kaitlin Ledford

Wellington Hamrick Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Andi Gronzo

Chuck D. Hargrove Memorial Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Mary Krekelberg

Heffington Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Megan Lewicki, Kayla McCall, Marlene Morales, Ryan Smith, Taylor Stinson

Highlands Falls Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund

2007 recipient: Iyali Ruiz

Yates L. and Louise D. Holland Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Matthew Dawkins

Walter "Pop" Jarvis Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Isaiah Aldridge, Dalton Buchanan, Damaris Bustos, Miles Farthing

Lucius Lanier Memorial Fund

2008 recipient: Dalton Buchanan

McDowell Medical Associates, P.A., Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Sonum Patel

Charles C. and Suzanne R. McKinney Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Sydney Schultz

Gene and Lee Meyer Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Daniel Ferguson, Alyssa Lane, Ben Pacey, Ashford Smith

Brandon F. Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Kimberly Weinkle

Roger W. Morrison Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Charity Rayburn

NC Alpha Epsilon Memorial Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Dresden Lackey

Cal and Carol Peddy Memorial Fund

2008 recipients: Lilly Hughes, Steven Proffitt

Elda C. Penny-Graham Co. Woman's Club Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Shandy Collins, Gena Huffman

Irving Jacob Reuter Award Fund

2008 recipients: top awardee, Allie Lundblad; also receiving awards: Brooks Frederick, Chris Lindsay, Tia Simpson, Sarah Varner

S. Hayes Robinson Memorial Dance Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Courtney Andrews, Meredith Whatley

Rotary Club of Asheville Harry R. Morrill Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Tracey Barrett, John Halvorsen, Cameron Huntley, Nathan Otterness, Bre Przestrzelski, Sarah Varner, Dakota Williams

Charlie R. & Charles J. Silver Family Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Hannah Roberts

Lynn Brown Slater Memorial Scholarship Fund

2008 recipient: Keaton Mash

Murice C. Talley Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund

2008 recipients: Sara Alexander, Megan Lester, Jordan Parker

Transylvania County New Century Scholars Fund

2007 recipients: Patrick Cable, Lindsey Chappell, Matthew Kelly, Cole Snipes, Kristin Weikle

Transylvania Excellence in Education/Chamber of Commerce Award Fund

2007 recipient: Brevard Middle School

Transylvania Excellence in Education/Excellence Award Fund

2008 recipient: Marshall Harrison

Transylvania Excellence in Education/Holbrook-Nichols Achievement Award Fund

2008 recipient: Marshall Harrison

Wildcat Cliffs Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund

2007 recipient: Tyler Shook

Clyde and Mildred Wright Endowment Fund

2008 recipients: Mark Clarke, Marshall Harrison, Elizabeth Littauer, Charity Rayburn, Miah Williams, Colleen Young

Building Community & Economic Vitality

THE MOUNTAIN LANDSCAPES INITIATIVE

After more than two years of research and planning, this year The Community Foundation's Mountain Landscapes Initiative took off.

This ambitious regional initiative helps citizens and community leaders address the impact of unprecedented growth on Western North Carolina through community-determined standards for responsible planning and development that balance economic prosperity with protecting the environment and natural beauty that is our hallmark.

This spring, the Foundation launched a pilot project in the region's seven far western counties through a partnership with the Southwestern Commission that serves Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties.

More than 1,000 residents of these counties and the Qualla Boundary participated in interviews and community forums that generated a list of questions and concerns (see page 26) examined in an eight-day planning charrette held at Western Carolina University in May.

The charrette was led by the Charlotte-based Lawrence Group. They worked with a team of experts in planning, engineering, environmental science and other specialties to create a "Toolbox" of best practices, guidelines, and examples for mountain development. This 250-page document is now available. It includes state-of-the-art planning resources for elected officials, local government staff, citizen boards, builders and developers.

"We are proud of the way so many people in our region got involved in this process," said Vicki Greene, assistant director of the Southwestern Commission. "It's a made-in-the-mountains guide for how we want to grow into the future."

The Community Foundation has invested more than \$110,000 in the pilot and has launched a "Next Steps Fund" to assist communities and nonprofit organizations with implementing the ideas and recommendations outlined in the Toolbox. Other funders include: The Cherokee Preservation Foundation, The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, the North Carolina Rural Economic Development Center, the Appalachian Regional Commission, six of the seven counties that make up Region A and numerous businesses in the far western region.

A downloadable copy of the Toolbox and more detailed information about the Mountain Landscapes Initiative can be found at www.mountainlandscapesnc.org.

Development can be a blessing and a burden — creating jobs where they are scarce and taxing natural resources that will forever change our mountain region. The Mountain Landscapes Initiative seeks balance in Western North Carolina.

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Based on analysis and input gathered through interviews and community forums, ten common issues were identified. The agenda of the May charrette, held at Western Carolina University, and the contents of the Toolbox were driven by the following most frequently-cited issues:

1. How can mountainside and ridgetop development be done responsibly, safely and in a visually sensitive way?
2. How can new development respect the character of local landscapes?
3. How can water quality be protected?
4. How can the region's natural beauty and open space be protected?
5. How can quality jobs be created and sustained?
6. How can quality, affordable housing be created?
7. How can the region's infrastructure keep up with the rate of growth?
8. How can farmland and local markets for food be protected and enhanced?
9. How can natural resources be protected?
10. How can growing communities remain respectful of local cultural heritage?

Below Left:
The Community Foundation's investment in the Mountain Landscapes Initiative was made possible thanks to Francine Bowman who established a fund at the Foundation to address issues she found compelling, including the changing landscapes of Western North Carolina.

Below Right:
Jill Gottesman leads a group discussion at a community meeting held in Haywood County. Nine other forums were held in Region A to help inform the week-long May charrette.



A SAMPLING OF GRANTS OVER THE YEARS

Over the past 30 years, CFWNC grants have helped build communities.

1987 - \$1,000 to Asheville-Buncombe Discovery for "Design Asheville: Discovering and Enhancing the Authentic Image" to help the community decide how Asheville's unique identity should affect planning policy and urban design decisions.

1997 - \$8,050 to the Town of Spruce Pine for a conservation development plan for sub-dividing rural land, in a way that retains the area's natural character.

1999 - \$5,000 to the Nature Conservancy to develop a management plan for preservation of the Hickory Nut Gorge.

2001 - \$15,000 to the Pack Square Conservancy for workshops that engage the public to help redesign and revitalize Asheville's Pack Square and City/County Plaza.

2004 - \$6,825 to WNC Alliance to develop "Macon Voices" a project that incorporated local perspectives on issues of community change and land use policies.

2007 and 2008 \$57,000 to Land-of-Sky Regional Council to use green infrastructure concepts to help guide future growth in Madison, Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania counties.

Building Community and Economic Vitality **\$2,159,687**

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions:
\$1,657,647
Competitive Grants:
\$502,040

ABCCM - \$25,000 to enhance an employment and training program for veterans by developing a vegetable oil recycling program with area restaurants and businesses. (AMF)

Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project
\$7,000 to boost marketing efforts for 10 farmers' markets in Buncombe and surrounding counties. (OG)

Center for Dialogue
\$7,000 to increase awareness and local support for mediation services in Transylvania County. (OG)

Center for Participatory Change - \$7,000 for a grassroots program that encourages people in low-wealth areas to support each other as they collectively move themselves, their families and their communities out of poverty. (OG)

Center for Participatory Change - \$3,000 (OD)

Community Empowerment Project - \$49,920 to hire the organization's first paid executive director and strengthen internal operations to better provide social and economic development programs for low-income people in Rutherford County. (MRL)

Community Progress Association of Union Mills
\$7,000 to complete renovations of the school auditorium for community use by citizens of northern Rutherford County. (OG)

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Carolina Foothills
\$1,000 (RCF)

Graham Children's Health Services of Toe River
\$7,000 toward renovation of the community gym at the old Burnsville School. (OG)

Graham Revitalization Economic Action Team
\$25,000 for staff to coordinate volunteers and address economic development opportunities in Graham County. (SG)

HandMade in America Foundation - \$25,000 to open new markets for local craftspeople by developing a sourcebook of home furnishings, accessories, and architectural products that will be distributed to area architects, designers and developers. (AMF)

Housing Authority of the City of Asheville - \$7,000 to help create a community garden program at Pisgah View Apartments. (OG)

Land-of-Sky Regional Council - \$25,000 for continued development of a regional green infrastructure plan to guide future growth for Madison, Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania counties. (SG)

Mountain BizWorks
\$25,000 to provide planning services through a one-on-one business consulting program. (AMF)

Mountain Mediation Services - \$7,000 to expand mediation and conflict-resolution services to Latino populations in Macon and Jackson counties. (OG)

Realize Rutherford - \$5,520 to develop and implement a capacity-building center for nonprofit organizations in Rutherford County. (OG)

Rural Southern Voice for Peace - \$25,000 to continue working with local churches and engage citizens in discussions about caring for mountain resources in Yancey and Madison counties. (SG)

Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity
\$1,000 (RCF)

Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity
\$48,100 to strengthen the organizational and financial sustainability of Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity and the Rutherford Housing Partnership, thereby encouraging access to safe and affordable housing for people in need. (MRL)

Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity - \$7,000 toward interior building improvements at the Habitat ReStore. (OG)

Rutherford Housing Partnership - \$1,000 (RCF)

Service Center for Latinos - \$7,000 to expand a program of learning, service and support for Spanish-speaking people in Mitchell County. (OG)

Southwestern Commission
\$110,000 for a pilot program of the Mountain Landscapes Initiative, a special project of The Community Foundation to help citizens and community leaders begin to address the impact of unprecedented growth on Western North Carolina.

Western Carolina Community Action
\$25,000 to address emerging affordable and workforce housing opportunities in Transylvania County. (SG)

Western North Carolina Green Building Council
\$7,000 to support a community build project of two "green" bus shelters to serve City of Asheville transit riders. (OG)

Western North Carolina Regional Economic Development - \$25,000 to provide technical assistance, marketing and food manufacturing support for small businesses using the Blue Ridge Food Ventures facility, a shared-use food processing center located on the A-B Tech Enka Campus. (AMF)

WNC Slavic Ministries
\$7,000 to hire a part-time administrative staff to better serve the growing Slavic population in Buncombe County. (OG)

YMCA of Western North Carolina - \$5,500 to provide after-school care. (JFM)

Promoting Quality Health

THERMAL BELT OUTREACH MINISTRY

Eight tiny teeth have emerged in one-year-old Sharen's mouth, teeth that Dr. Randy Levine at the Collins Dental Center in Columbus can't wait to examine.

In a 2003 Polk County needs assessment survey, dental care for local children surfaced as a major concern. With untreated dental problems found in 38 percent of kindergarteners, and few providers accepting uninsured or Medicaid patients, Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry formed a task force of local dentists and community leaders and decided to build a dental care center. The nonprofit, run by six paid staff members and more than 130 volunteers, assists people in crisis situations and helps them move toward self-sufficiency.

The Community Foundation awarded a grant in 2005 for a coordinator to oversee the project: to work with the builder and dental suppliers, manage incoming grant funds, hire a dentist and continue local fundraising. The grant came at a critical juncture, says Becky Collins, a lead volunteer for whom the dental center is named. "Having a dedicated staff person was key," she said. "The funding allowed the center to move from a dream to a reality."

Thanks to many committed volunteers and more than \$800,000 in contributions from individuals, corporations and foundations, the center did become a reality and today serves almost 3,000 active patients, mostly children, from Polk and Rutherford counties.

Over the past 30 years, The Community Foundation has made numerous grants to help start, staff and equip clinics across the mountains that serve people who cannot afford or access quality dental or health care services. You can read about more of them below.

A SAMPLING OF GRANTS OVER THE YEARS

Over the past 30 years, CFWNC grants have helped improve access to health care in WNC.

1994 - \$5,000 for WNC Community Health Services to help start a center in Buncombe County to serve adults with HIV or AIDS. Another \$12,000 was awarded to the program in 1999 to expand dental services.

1998 - \$5,000 to Haywood Christian Ministries to equip a free medical clinic that serves low-income and elderly people.

2001 - \$6,000 for the rural Celo Clinic in Yancey County to purchase equipment for trauma victims who would otherwise have to travel to a more populated area to receive care.

2003 - \$5,000 to help start a free medical clinic in Brevard, now known as Transylvania County Volunteers in Medicine.

2006 - \$25,000 for start-up costs of the Community Care Clinic of Highlands-Cashiers, which serves people who cannot afford health services.

Other Support

2001 - The Community Foundation helped secure funds from the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust to create a grant program that distributed \$600,000 over three years in prescription medication assistance to help people in WNC.



Promoting Quality Health: \$1,104,691

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: \$706,820
Competitive Grants: \$397,871

Addiction Recovery Institute - \$25,000 to support a community-wide response to addressing mental health and substance abuse disorders for people in Polk County. (SG)

Asheville Buncombe Institute on Parity Achievement - \$25,000 to provide education, support and screenings that will reduce cardiovascular disease among African-American women in Buncombe County. (SG)

Black Mountain Pastoral Care and Counseling Center - \$24,900 for a new center that will provide mental health services. (SG)

Blue Ridge Mountains Health Project - \$5,000 to purchase equipment that sterilizes dental instruments at the free dental clinic in Cashiers. (OG)

Buncombe County Medical Society - \$7,500 (OD)

CarePartners Foundation \$5,500 to provide low-income patients with medication or equipment. (JFM)

CarePartners Hospice Foundation \$5,500 to provide bereavement counseling to any child grieving the death of a loved one. (JFM)

Community Clinic of Rutherford County \$24,300 to serve diabetic patients who are of low-income, uninsured and medically indigent. (SG)

Heartbeats Pregnancy Center - \$250 (RCF)

Hospice of Avery County - \$7,500 (OD)

The McDowell Hospital \$3,400 to purchase two new microscopes, tools that will assist in making accurate diagnoses and determining appropriate treatment options for patients. (OG)

Mission Healthcare Foundation - \$5,500 to purchase hospital grade breast pumps for use by low-income mothers. (JFM)

Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC) \$25,000 to integrate mental health and substance abuse services into primary medical practices and clinics for uninsured adults and children in Haywood County. (OG)

Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC) \$7,000 to help purchase an ultrasound probe. (OG)

Planned Parenthood Health Systems - \$96,781 for an education program that teaches older, at-risk teen girls how to educate their peers about topics that include: hygiene, abstinence, teen pregnancy, self-esteem and preventing sexually transmitted infections. (WFW)

Planned Parenthood Health Systems - \$7,500 (OD)

Sisters of Mercy Urgent Care/ARP Phoenix - \$7,000 to provide transportation for people staying at the Mary Benson House, a residential treatment center for mothers with substance abuse or mental health disorders and their children. (SG)

T.H.E. Center for Disordered Eating - \$7,000 to purchase resources on eating disorders for a library located in the Women's Resource Center of Mission Hospitals and to support related educational events. (OG)

Transylvania County Volunteers in Medicine \$5,700 to support patient education and counseling for medically indigent patients with diabetes. (OG)

WNC AIDS Project \$88,540 to use peer-to-peer education methods among African-American women who are living in poverty so that they may inform and educate each other about the spread of HIV and AIDS. (WFW)

WNC AIDS Project - \$7,000 to expand and enhance the organization's website and print materials and improve communication with constituents. (OG)

WNC AIDS Project \$5,000 (OD)

Enhancing the Environment

SOUTHWESTERN NC RC&D AND THE BETHEL RURAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

In the shadow of Cold Mountain, made famous by Charles Frazier’s novel, lies the pastoral community of Bethel. Families have farmed the land for generations, land that has been made rich by periodic flooding of the Pigeon River.

As more and more people are drawn to this gem of Haywood County, so is development. The people of Bethel, like many other rural communities in Western North Carolina, are struggling to balance growth with preservation of land and natural resources.

In partnership with the Bethel Rural Community Organization, the Southwestern NC Resource Conservation and Development Council is using a Pigeon River Fund grant to secure long-term protection of these rural lands. By maintaining the farming and floodplain areas, they hope to maintain high water quality and the land’s capacity to moderate heavy rains and floodwaters.

Many still vividly remember 2004, when floodwaters ravaged much of Western North Carolina, including Haywood County. George Ivey, who is coordinating the project, says the damage could have been much worse, had residents not “respected” the upper headwaters of the river and the floodplains of Bethel. By keeping the land in a rural state, landowners maintain the capacity to help absorb heavy rains and floodwater.

Ivey is working with landowners to voluntarily conserve more than 500 acres in this year alone. “By protecting Bethel’s rural heritage, we’re also protecting Clyde and Canton from more dangerous flooding in the future,” he says. “At the same time, we are protecting the drinking water source for towns and safeguarding habitat for rare aquatic species.”

A SAMPLING OF GRANTS OVER THE YEARS

Over the past 30 years, CFWNC grants have preserved and protected our natural resources.

1983 - \$500 to the University Botanical Gardens at Asheville as one of the Foundation’s first discretionary grants.

1992 - \$17,000 to the Clean Water Fund to support citizen involvement in water

quality standards to protect the Upper French Broad River.

1995 - \$4,000 to the Conservation Trust for NC to develop a regional land conservation plan for five WNC counties.

1998 - \$5,250 to Mountain Valley Resource Conservation & Development Council for a project to address the loss of farmland in WNC.

2000 - \$15,000 to the Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy to create a conservation plan for Buncombe County using non-regulatory tools as incentives to preserve green space in rapidly developing communities.

2003 - \$15,000 to Foothills Conservancy of NC to support voluntary conservation along the Broad River Basin in Rutherford County.

2006 - \$25,000 for the Blue Ridge Forever Land Trust Partnership to increase financial support of land conservation in the region.

Other Support
Since 1996, the Pigeon River Fund has distributed more than \$2.9 million to improve water quality in Haywood, Buncombe and Madison counties.



Enhancing the Environment: \$924,792

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions:
\$503,645
Competitive Grants:
\$421,147

American Farmland Trust - \$24,000 to assist the Buncombe County Agricultural Advisory Board and local partners with implementation of the Agricultural Development and Farmland Protection Plan. (AMF)

Animal Friends for Life \$7,000 toward expansion of the dog care facility at the Forever Farm Sanctuary in Lake Toxaway. (OG)

Animal Protection Alliance of Rutherford County - \$625 (RCF)

Clean Air Community Trust - \$6,920 to launch a service-oriented training program designed to inspire youth to pursue "green collar" jobs. (OG)

Clean Water for N.C. \$6,000 to support a volunteer-based stream monitoring program. (PRF)

Conservation Trust for North Carolina - \$25,000 toward a conservation acquisition that will help protect a 78-acre property containing headwaters of the Cove Field Branch, a tributary of Allen Creek in Haywood County. (PRF)

Environmental & Conservation Organization \$7,000 toward a program designed to draw attention to water quality issues in Henderson County watersheds. (OG)

Environmental & Conservation Organization \$5,500 (OD)

Haywood County Schools Foundation \$18,650 to integrate environmental topics in Haywood County Schools' science classes. (PRF)

Haywood Waterways Association - \$39,500 to educate the public and support projects under the Haywood Watershed Action Plan. (PRF)

Highlands Biological Foundation - \$4,425 to underwrite speaker costs and to market the Zahner Conservation Lecture Series, an annual public forum for regional environmental organizations and residents. (OG)

Little Tennessee Watershed Association \$7,000 to expand citizen-based, bio-monitoring of streams in Macon, Swain and Jackson counties. (OG)

Madison County Soil & Water Conservation District - \$25,000 for an educational outdoor classroom at Brush Creek Elementary and a trail project that will teach students and the public about storm water runoff. (PRF)

Mountain Valleys RC&D Council - \$28,000 for the Town of Mars Hill Governmental Center Storm Water Management Project. (PRF)

Mountain Valleys RC&D Council - \$20,604 for demonstrating water conservation and protection issues at the Madison County Cooperative Extension Office. (PRF)

Nature Center Society \$14,878 for demonstrating water conservation and protection issues at the Nature Center and in Buncombe County Schools. (PRF)

North Carolina Arboretum - \$15,000 to provide environmental education programming and demonstration sites about storm water runoff, stream enhancements and reduction of sedimentation. (PRF)

North Carolina Rural Communities Assistance Project - \$17,500 to support statewide volunteer installation of septic systems/repairs in Madison and Buncombe counties. (PRF)

RiverLink - \$24,750 for a statewide initiative that trains volunteers to identify and report non-compliance with sedimentation and erosion regulations, especially related to construction projects in Buncombe and Madison counties. (PRF)

Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy \$25,000 to support planned giving programs for local land trusts members of the Blue Ridge Forever collaborative. (SG)

Southwestern NC Resource Conservation and Development Council \$25,000 to support continued outreach efforts toward conservation protection of streamside and floodplain farmland in the Bethel community of Haywood County. (PRF)

Southwestern NC Resource Conservation and Development Council - \$8,500 for a stream bank stabilization project in Cruso. (PRF)

Southwestern NC Resource Conservation and Development Council \$6,500 to purchase a weed-removal machine and reduce the need for pesticides. (PRF)

Southwestern NC Resource Conservation and Development Council - \$15,795 to support youth environmental stewardship camps. (PRF)

Southwestern NC Resource Conservation and Development Council - \$6,500 for a fishing pier at Canton Recreational Park. (PRF)

SouthWings - \$4,500 (OD)

The Village Conservancy \$7,000 to start construction of two restrooms and a small gift shop in an existing unfinished building. (OG)

Western Carolina Pacesetters - \$25,000 for an environmental education center to serve youth from Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Swain, and Graham counties. (SG)



According to the United States Department of Agriculture, North Carolina leads the nation in the rate of lost farmland. Since 2002, the state has lost more than 6,000 farms and 300,000 acres of farmland. In Haywood County alone, farmland has diminished by 18.9 percent.



WOMEN'S PHILANTHROPY



Initiatives Raise More than \$1 Million for Women and Girls

This year the Foundation reached an important milestone in its funding for women by women. Since the launch of our women's initiatives in 2005, The Community Foundation has now raised more than \$1 million to improve the lives of women and girls in Western North Carolina. Through *Women for Women*, The Women's Fund, and Women's Conversations, women have been inspired to give, and give generously, reaching out to improve the lives of less fortunate women and girls in Western North Carolina.

Women for Women

More than 300 women have joined our giving circle, *Women for Women*. Members pool their money to make high-impact grants to improve the lives of less fortunate women and girls in our region. By harnessing the power of collective giving, women in our community have awarded more than \$780,000 in grants over the last three years.

This year's grants of \$280,321 funded health education for teens, HIV-prevention programs for African-American women, and social change advocacy to benefit low-income women.

Members make a tax-deductible gift of \$1,100 each year for three years. Because women have many demands on their time, each member chooses her level of involvement in volunteer activities.

If you or someone you know would like to receive more information about *Women for Women*, please call (828) 254-4960.

The Women's Fund

The Women's Fund is a permanent endowment established to help less fortunate women and girls in Western North Carolina. The Women's Fund receives tax-deductible gifts of any amount from individuals, as well as the proceeds from our annual celebration of women's philanthropy, the Power of the Purse Luncheon and auction. The Women's Fund's assets now exceed \$250,000, and each year it supports competitive grants serving disadvantaged women and girls.

Women's Conversations

These informal gatherings are designed to create a space where women can talk freely about money, philanthropy, and the legacies they want to create. Women's Conversations are open to all interested women, and are a wonderful way for women to align their charitable interests with their values and passions. Group sessions are held periodically; members of the CFWNC staff are always available for private one-on-one conversations. Contact us to learn more.

Left: Pearl Gosnell with Quilts, Spring Cleaning, 1985, Paw Paw, Madison County, NC

Women for Women

BALFOUR EDUCATION CENTER

Graduating as valedictorian of your class is no small feat, but imagine achieving the distinction as a teen mother raising a two-year-old daughter.

This year, Sandy Lozano graduated at the top of her class from Balfour Education Center, an alternative school in Henderson County. In addition to the classes students need to graduate, this unique school offers parenting classes, a four-star childcare facility and special transportation that includes car seats for children of teen mothers. Without this transportation, the chance to interact with her child during the day, and a supportive educational environment, Lozano says she would have been forced to abandon her dreams of education and drop out of school. Without a high school education, she and other teen mothers attending the school would likely not be able to obtain a living wage job, creating a downward spiral for mother and child.

As the first person in her family ever to finish high school, Lozano now plans to attend college and earn an associate's degree in surgical technology. And she hopes to be the best mom she can be for her daughter, Jassell.

Women for Women awarded a two-year grant to this program for 2007 and 2008. For other examples of programs funded by the Foundation over the years that have helped women and girls, see below.

A SAMPLING OF GRANTS OVER THE YEARS

Over the past 30 years, CFWNC grants have helped to improve the lives of women and girls.

1994 - \$7,500 to Western Carolinians for Criminal Justice to support prison alternatives for women convicted of crimes.

1995 - \$3,000 for REACH of Jackson County to help establish a resale shop and generate income to serve domestic violence victims. Today the store provides a steady stream of income, contributing 15-18 percent of the organization's total annual budget.

2002 - \$10,000 to ABCCM to help cover first-year costs of a women and children's shelter for the homeless in Asheville.

2007 - \$25,000 to Pisgah Legal Services to remove barriers that prevent victims of domestic violence from becoming self-sufficient.

The Community Foundation has provided more than \$1 million in funding to combat domestic violence, helping start shelters and provide ongoing support for organizations in 14 WNC counties.

2008 Women for Women Grants

Three grants totaling \$280,321 were awarded to the following organizations:

Children First - \$95,000 to advocate for social changes, including a living wage and equitable child care subsidy, that will improve the lives of low-income women.

Planned Parenthood \$96,781 for an education program that teaches older, at-risk teen girls how to educate their peers about topics that include: hygiene, abstinence, teen pregnancy, self-esteem and preventing sexually transmitted infections.

WNC AIDS Project \$88,540 to use peer-to-peer education methods among African-American women who are living in poverty so that they may inform and educate each other about the spread of HIV and AIDS.



Mothers and daughters at Balfour Education Center
Above: Ariel Stoll and Madison
Below: Sandy Lozano and Jassell



Members of Women for Women

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Marla Adams*	Jeanne Cummings*	Eva Greene*	Heather Lee*	Sallie Parker*	Cissie Stevens*
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		Susan Kosma*	Eleanor Owen*		
		Suzy Landau	Claudia Oxner-Simmons		
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		Phyllis Lang*			
		Sara Lavelle*			

* founding member

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2008 POWER OF THE PURSE LUNCHEON

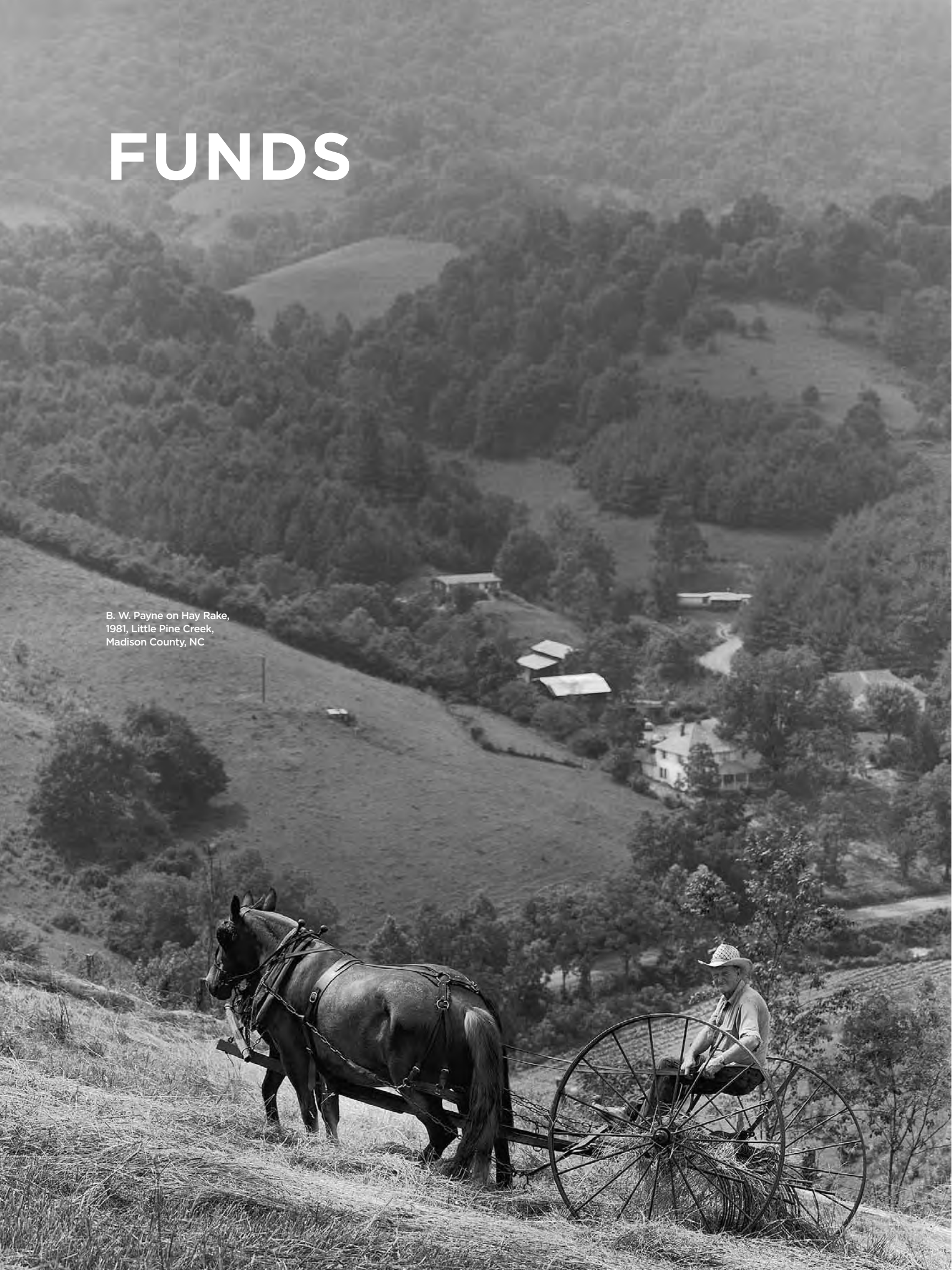


Top: Nontombi Naomi Tutu, daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, spoke eloquently to more than 650 women who gathered for this year's Power of the Purse Luncheon on June 9 at The Grove Park Inn Resort & Spa. Guests celebrated more than \$1 million that has been raised to help less fortunate women and girls since the Foundation's women's initiatives began in 2005. The luncheon and auction raised \$64,000 for The Women's Fund.



FUNDS

B. W. Payne on Hay Rake,
1981, Little Pine Creek,
Madison County, NC



Unrestricted Endowment Funds

These funds offer broad flexibility for addressing the region's changing needs.

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Field of Interest Funds

These funds support broadly defined areas of charitable interest.

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Mountain Landscapes Fund

Addresses growth and land use issues in Western North Carolina

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 The Fund for Strong Communities
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 Transylvania Directors' Fund
 Women for Women Fund
 The Women's Fund
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These permanent funds facilitate philanthropy with a high level of donor involvement and support a variety of charitable purposes specified by the donor.

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 Brame Family Foundation
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Broadwell Evergreen Charitable Endowment
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 Hamill Family Endowment Fund
The Hart Fund
 Haywood Rotary Club Community Service Fund
 Fund for the Hearing Impaired
 Herrmann Memorial Learning Fund
 Hertwig Fund
 Hickory Nut Gorge Foundation Fund
 Highlands School Booster Club Athletic Endowment
 Edward C. Hildreth, Jr. Endowment
 Fund for Haywood County
 Holden Family Foundation Fund
 Mary and Bill Hollins Charitable Fund
 Lyn K. Holloway Memorial Fund
 Lawrence S. Holt, Jr. Fund
 Bill and Marilyn Hubbard Charitable Endowment
 The Douglas & Sallie Craig Huber Fund
 Huggins Family Fund
 Suzanne and Ed Inman Charitable Fund
 Luevinia Holloway Johnson Charitable Fund
 Barbara Cassat Keleher and
 Michael Francis Keleher Endowment Fund
 Patti Kerns Fund
 Kimmel Charitable Fund
 King Family Charitable Fund
 Ladyslipper Fund
 Larsen Family Fund
 Al and Polly LeFavre Endowment Fund
 Lenoci Family Fund
 Levine Family Charitable Fund
 Liden Family Endowment Fund
 Virginia Liles Charitable Endowment Fund
 Little Acorn Endowment Fund
 Louis and Marilyn Fund
Dan Lucas Memorial Fund
 Leon C. and Grace E. Luther Foundation Fund
 Main Street Charitable Fund
 Matthews Family Endowment Fund
 The May Family Fund
 The McClay Family Fund
Debra McClinton Foundation
 Susan and Raymond McClinton Charitable Fund
 James G. K. McClure Educational & Development Fund
 McCullough Endowment Fund
 Anne and William McKee Fund
 Will and Becky McKee Fund
 Melvin R. Lane Fund
 Midland Fund
 Jenifer Morgan Charitable Fund
Mountain Air Residents' Community Fund
 The Mark and Teresa Muir Charitable Fund
Namas Fund
Helen S. and Jerry M. Newbold, Jr. Endowment Fund
 John and Virginia Noland Charitable Fund
 North Buncombe Kiwanis Club Scholarship Fund
 Oak Tree Fund
 Eleanor and Charles D. Owen, III Family Endowment Fund

Penny Fund
 Peterson Endowment Fund
 Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity (Gamma Alpha
 Chapter) Educational Fund
 Pot of Gold Endowment Fund
The Benjamin & Jeanne Powell Fund
 The Ramble Charitable Fund
Maloy and Josephine Rash Endowment Fund
 Read Cunningham Family Fund
 Helen Tarasov Reed Memorial Fund
 The Reynolds Family Fund
 Drs. Winston and Merrell Riddle Fund
 Katherine C. and Brainard B. Rorison Fund
Rotary Club of Asheville Community Grants
Harry Morrill Founding Donor Fund
Rotary Club of Madison County Charitable Fund
 Salisbury Scholarship Fund
 Sherrod and Margaret Salisbury Foundation Fund
 Sue Gowen Samson Endowment Fund
 Alexander and Laurinda Schenck Fund
 Searles Family Endowment Fund
 Shainberg Lawson Fund
 Ivy and Bob Sharbaugh Fund
 Lori C. Shook Charitable Fund
 Shorkey - Warden Charitable Fund
 Kenneth and Christine Siegfried Endowment Fund
 Phil and Pat Smith Charitable Fund
 Spruce Pine Rotary Club Endowment Fund
 Dana and Jana Stonestreet Fund
 Summersong Charitable Endowment Fund
 Taylor Family Fund
 Taylor Harris Charitable Fund
 Buzz Tennent Scholarship Fund
 Trillium Endowment Fund
 Don and Karen Walker Charitable Fund
 Robertson and Jane Wall Family Fund
 Walnut Fund
 Wasson - Stowe Charitable Fund
 Watson Family Charitable Fund
 Webb/Hoskins Fund
 Lucretia T. Weiler Endowment Fund for Caring for Children
 Debra Wilfong-Hughes Fund
 Jay "Skip" Wilson, Carol P. Wilson and
 Jay M. Wilson, II Family Charitable Fund
Winkler Family Fund
 Diana Wortham Endowment Fund
 J. J. and Lynne Wortman Fund
 Yanik Family Charitable Fund
 9 Anonymous Funds

Donor Advised Non-Endowed Funds

These funds facilitate current philanthropy with a high level of donor involvement and support a variety of charitable purposes specified by the donor.

Marla and Joel Adams Fund
 Aero Care Fund
 AGAPE FUND
 Katharine and Blan Aldridge Fund
 America's Heroes Fund
 Thomas C. and Genevieve H. Arnold Fund
 Asalone-O'Connor Charitable Fund
 Ann McKee Austin Charitable Fund
 B and J Charitable Fund
 Carter and Beverly Bagley Fund
 Baird Family Fund
 Mason and Jim Barrett Charitable Fund
 Leland and Mary Bartholomew Fund
 Gretchen Batra Fund

Bayer Family Charitable Fund
 John A. Bell and Judy Whisnant Fund
 Bette's Bread Fund
 George W. Beverly, Jr. and Sandra
 M. Beverly Charitable Fund
 Billbrey Family Charitable Fund
 Biltmore Benefit Fund
 Louis and Sara Bisette Charitable Fund
 Dr. and Mrs. B. Keith Black Fund
 Ed and Anne Bleyrat Charitable Fund
 Blue Ridge Bone and Joint Fund
 Bohan Family Charitable Fund
 Erma and James Bond Fund
 David and Laura Bourne Charitable Fund
 Kyle and Martha Boyd Donor Advised Fund
 Bart and Elaine Boyer Fund
 Mr. and Mrs. G. Waring Boys, Jr. Charitable Fund
 Bradley Yurko Fund
 Mr. and Mrs. Kemper W. Brown Fund
 Kirk and Shelley Brown Charitable Fund
 Erwin Burhoe Charitable Fund
Bury Family Fund
Carlisle Family Charitable Fund
 Ruth B. and Philip G. Carson Charitable Fund
 Mimi Cecil Charitable Fund
 John F. A. V. Cecil Family Fund
 Christianson Fund
 Clear Light Fund
Cliffs at Walnut Cove Men's Association Fund
 Cody Charitable Fund
 Coffee Ridge Fund
 Jerry L. Cole Charitable Fund
 Gay and Stewart Coleman Charitable Fund
 Community Angels Fund
 Delia and Marshall Courtney Donor Advised Fund
 Julia Courtney Charitable Fund
 Katherine L. Courtney Charitable Fund
 Joseph and Linda Cowart Charitable Fund
 Nancy S. Crosby Charitable Fund
 Samuel J. Crow and Rosemary L. Crow Fund
 Jeanne and Charles Cummings Fund
 CWO Charities Fund
 Wayne and Betty Davis Charitable Fund
 Gerald R. and Cornelia C. De Land Fund
 Dealy-Wells Fund
 Dean Family Charitable Fund
 Arthur S. and Mignon R. DeBerry Fund
 Mario and Lee Di Cesare Charitable Fund
 Dodd-McDuffie Charitable Fund
 Dugger Charitable Fund
 Gerton Earnhardt's Family Fund
 Rick and Bridget Eckerd Charitable Fund
 Edwards Deutsch Family Fund
 Electric Supply Company Fund
 Miles and Millicent B. Elmore Charitable Fund
 Enigma Pass-Through Fund
 Douglas Ewen Charitable Fund
 J. and N. Feingold Fund
 Nancy and Robert Fletcher Fund
 Dorothy Z. Fligel Fund
 Friends of Children Fund
 John and Janet Garrett Charitable Fund
 Snyder and Gail Garrison Fund
Glickman Charitable Fund
 Goosmann Donor Advised Fund
Spike Gram Fund
 GRATITUTON FUND
 Clementine W. Gregory Fund
 Bill and Rhoda Groce Fund
 Richard and Denise Guthy Charitable Fund
 Jim and Margie Haaga Fund
 Dorothy Hamill Charitable Fund
 John and Ruth Henderson Charitable Fund
 Hibbard Family Fund
 John and Marjorie Hickman Charitable Fund
 Brock and Cathy Himan Charitable Fund
 Historic Preservation PT Fund of the CFWNC
 Knight and Jenette Houghton Memorial Fund
 Ken and Donna Hughes Charitable Fund
 Madaline and Stell Huie Charitable Fund
 William and Lois Hunley Donor Advised Fund
 Larry and Elizabeth Hutton Charitable Fund
 David P. Ivey Charitable Fund
 George and Betsy Ivey Charitable Fund
 Bill and Kennon Jamieson Charitable Fund
 Suzanne Jamieson Family Fund
 Kirk Johnson Fund
 Randy and Mary Johnson Fund
 Robert H. and Julie M. Johnson Fund
 Mr. and Mrs. Victor L. Johnson Fund
 Rolf and Libby Kaufman Fund
 Keever Family Charitable Fund
 Gerald and Caroline Keller Fund
 Rebecca and Barry Kempson Fund
 Sally Kennedy Charitable Fund
 Avery Nicole King Memorial Fund
C. Wayne and Cindy Kinser Fund
 Larry and Dianne Kroll Charitable Fund
 Les and Sandy Langberg Family Fund
 Brian F. D. Lavelle Charitable Fund
 Lavender Fund
 Leadership Asheville Forum Education Fund
 Leave a Legacy Council of WNC
 Robert and Valerie Lennon Highlands Foundation Fund
 William and Barbara Lewin Charitable Fund
John D. and Ruth A. Link Charitable Fund
Elizabeth Brady Lurie Fund for Arts and Literature
 Luvmykids Charitable Fund
 MAC Mountain Fund
 Mackey Family Charitable Fund
 Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Maitland, III Fund
 Thomas and Roger Maren Fund
 Bill and Nell Martin Fund
 Marty Charitable Fund
 Tyrus Maynard Charitable Fund
 Robert C. and Lou Ann McAfoos Fund
 J. Nathan McCarley Charitable Fund
 Hugh and Carol McCollum Charitable Fund
 Edward McCulley Charitable Fund
 McCullough Family Fund
 Roger and Patricia McGuire Charitable Fund
 Tina and John McGuire Charitable Fund
 McKenna - Landis Fund
 Caroline McKenzie Memorial Fund
 Chris McMillan Fund
 McPhail Charitable Fund
 Rob and Lee Merrill Charitable Fund
 Milkweed Fund
 Minton Fund
 Miriam and Chester Misiewicz Charitable Fund
 Renee Molko Charitable Fund
 Bob Moog Memorial Fund for Electronic Music
 George and Judy Morosani Charitable Fund
 Mountain Terrace Fund
 Keith and Patricia Olbrantz Charitable Fund
 Bobby Orr Memorial Fund for Transylvania
 County Sheriff's Department
 Ladd and Donna Painter Fund
 Esther and Leonard Pardue Fund
 Philip S. Patrick Fund
Phyllis Patton Charitable Fund
 P.B.D. Fund
 Pearlman Family Fund
Lloyd and Laura Penley Charitable Giving Fund

Ann Phillips Charitable Fund
Power On Community Fund
 Presque Isle Farm Fund
 Ranbeth Fund
 Rankin - Lowrimore Family Fund
 Maloy R. & Josephine K. Rash, Jr. Charitable Fund
 Judy and Jeff Reece Charitable Fund
 Resnick Fund
 Sally Rhoades Charitable Fund
Jean Roberts Fund
 Robinson Fund
 Joan Z. and William Rocamora Fund
 Rock Creek Fund
 Gail F. and Kent Rogers Fund
 Rotary Club of Asheville Charitable Fund
 Susie and John Ruhl Fund
Jim Samsel and Kim McGuire Charitable Fund
Sue Gowen Samson Charitable Fund
 Santanner Fund
 Roland Sargent Charitable Fund
 John Q. Schell Charitable Fund
 Robert and Lucy Schell Fund
 Dr. and Mrs. Lary A. Schulhof Fund
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Schwarzkopf Fund
 Dick and Nancy Senneff Charitable Fund
 William L. and Susan S. Sewell Charitable Fund
 Nancy A. Shaffer Charitable Fund
 James A. and Anna S. Shivers Charitable Fund
 Clarkie Davis Skelton Fund
Fred and Ellen Slosman Charitable Fund
 SLP Charitable Fund
 Canie B. Smith Fund
 John J. and Yvonne M. Smith Fund
 Source Fund
 Kathy Spencer Fund
 Tom and Bonnie Spradling Fund
 Hal and Alberta Starnes Fund
 Louise M. Stelling Charitable Fund
 Andrea Stolz Charitable Fund
 Sylvia and Karl H. Straus Fund
 Andrew and Holly Strauss Charitable Fund
 David C. and Nancy C. Swann Fund
 Sycamore Fund
 Charlie and Dottie Sykes Charitable Fund
 James T. Tanner and Ellyn P. Tanner Charitable Fund
 Dr. and Mrs. Robert B. Taylor Fund
 Tempelaar-Lietz Charitable Fund
 Rita G. and Luther B. Thigpen Fund
 Betty E. Thum Fund
 Trillium Fund
 Randall and Patricia Vanderbeek Fund
 Vanderkwaak Family Fund
 Jon and Patricia Vannice Fund
Pat and Angie Vest Charitable Fund
 Virgil and Margaret Wagner Charitable Fund
 Elaine and Bob Walker Fund
 Jane B. Weis Fund
 Widman Family Fund
 G. Wallace Wilcox, Jr. Fund
 Glenn W. Wilcox Sr. Fund
 Karen Wilde Memorial Fund for Brevard Police Department
 Dick and Martha Wilkins Charitable Fund
 Vance and Willis Willey Charitable Fund
 David M. and Betsy C. Willis Fund
 Doris G. Wilson Charitable Fund
 Maurice H. and Virginia Winger Charitable Fund
 Anne Winner Charitable Fund
 Harriette Winner Charitable Fund
 Larry Winner Charitable Fund
 Richard A. Wood, Jr. Charitable Fund
 Stephen and Mary Bruce Woody Fund
Murph and Marty Young Charitable Fund
 15 Anonymous Funds

Organization and Designated Endowment Funds

These funds benefit one or more named charities for a designated period or in perpetuity.

Asheville Buncombe Community
 Christian Ministry (ABCCM):
 Urgent Needs Fund
 Building Maintenance Fund
 Christian Ministry Endowment Fund
 Friends of the Albert Carlton-Cashiers
 Community Library Endowment Fund
 Ralph Neely Fund for Albert Carlton-Cashiers
 Community Library Periodicals
All Souls Counseling Center Endowment Fund
 Arc of Buncombe County Endowment Fund
 Arthur Morgan School Endowment Fund
Arts For Life:
Endowment Fund
Dickson Art Fellowship Fund
Funds an art or music fellowship position at the WNC chapter of Arts For Life
 Asheville Area Center for the Performing Arts:
 Legacy Fund
 Margarete W. Moon Charitable Fund
 Asheville Art Museum Endowment Fund
 Asheville Bravo Concerts:
 Endowment Fund
 Payne Fund
 Asheville-Buncombe Library System Trust Fund
 Asheville Chamber Music Endowment Fund
 Christy Sloan Memorial Award at Asheville Christian Academy
 Asheville Civitan:
 Foundation Special Fund
 Scholarship and Education Endowment Fund
 Asheville Community Theatre Endowment Fund
 Asheville Symphony:
 Companion Endowment Fund
 Endowment Fund
 Payne Fund
 Lucia Ward Memorial Fund
Bayer Family Designated Fund
George W. Beverly, Jr. and Sandra M. Beverly Designated Fund
 Big Brothers-Big Sisters of WNC Endowment Fund
 Black Mountain Center for the Arts Endowment Fund
 Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation:
 Elspeth and James McClure Clarke Fund
 Imerys K-T Endowment Fund
 Houck and K.B. Medford Fund
 Museum of North Carolina Minerals Endowment Fund
 ZAP Fitness Endowment for Moses H. Cone Memorial Park
 Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County Endowment Fund
 Brevard Chamber Orchestra Endowment Fund
 Brevard Little Theatre Building Fund
 Beth and Baxter Butler Memorial Fund
 Jean Bates Dunagan Cagle Fund
 Camp High Rocks Campership Fund
 CarePartners Hospice Foundation Fund
 Caring for Children Endowment Fund
 Carolina High Country Section 1103 of the American Society for Quality Education Endowment Fund
Center for Dialogue Endowment Fund
CFWNC Sustainability Fund
Supports CFWNC operations
 Cherokee County Schools Foundation Endowment Fund
 Children First - Anderson/Longstreet Fund
 Colburn Earth Science Museum Endowment Fund
 Communities In Schools of Rutherford County Endowment Fund

Community and Economic Development Alliance Fund
 Congregation Beth Israel:
 General Endowment Fund
 Slosman Endowment Fund
 Sollod Endowment Fund
 Conservation Trust for North Carolina:
 Blue Ridge Parkway Land Protection Fund
 North Carolina Land Trust Endowment Fund
 CooperRiis Endowment Fund
 Nancy Crosby Endowment for Literacy
 Richard (Yogi) Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund
 Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community Residency Fund
WCCJ and Neighbors-in-Ministry Dugger Fund
 Eblen Foundation Endowment Fund
 Eliada Foundation Endowment Fund
 First Baptist Church Endowment Fund
 First Baptist Church of Waynesville Housing Trust Fund
 Organ Maintenance Fund (for First
 Presbyterian Church of Highlands)
 First Presbyterian Church of Swannanoa Cemetery Fund
 Four Seasons Hospice Chaplaincy Endowment Fund
 French Broad River Foundation Fund
 French Broad River/Steen Fund
 Arthur J. Fryar Charitable Fund
 Dorothy Brown Gowen Scholarship Fund
 Wilford Hayes Gowen Scholarship Fund
 Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church:
 Building Endowment Fund
 Mitchell Carlisle Memorial Fund
 Hungry Children's Fund
 Lecture Series Endowment Fund
 Scholarship Endowment Fund
 Unrestricted Endowment Fund
 Friends of Great Smoky Mountains
 National Park Endowment
 Green River Preserve Endowment Fund
 Clementine Gregory Designated Fund
 Jane Guy Endowment Fund
 Gwynn Valley Campership Foundation
 John D. Crosby, Jr. Fund for Habitat for Humanity
 Evan James Moseley Endowment
 Fund (for Hampton School)
 HandMade in America Endowment Fund
 Haywood Animal Welfare Association Endowment Fund
 Haywood County Arts Endowment Fund
 Haywood County Public Library Trust Fund Endowment
 Haywood Waterways Association Endowment Fund
John and Margaret Hazlehurst Fund
 The Health Adventure Endowment Fund
 Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival Endowment
 William R. Phillips Endowment for the
 Hinton Rural Life Center
 Hopkins Chapel AME Zion Church Endowment
 Hospice House Foundation of WNC Endowment Fund
 Industrial Opportunities Endowment Fund
 Rex Mosley and Irene Wortham Center Endowment Fund
 Bill and Sue Ives Scholarship Fund
 Jewish Community Center Endowment
 Joanna Cornerstone Ministries:
 Mike Godfrey Memorial Scholarship
Madelyn Lea Memorial Music Scholarship
 Leroy Ripper Scholarship Fund
Robert and Julie Johnson Designated Fund
 Junior Achievement of Western North
 Carolina Endowment Fund
 Junior League of Asheville Endowment Fund
 Kiwanis Club of Black Mountain - Swannanoa Foundation:
 Ernest S. DeWick Memorial General Charities Fund
 Ernest S. DeWick Memorial Scholarship Fund
 Lake Logan Episcopal Center Endowment Fund
 Lake Toxaway Charities Legacy Endowment Fund
 Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church Endowment
 Lewis Rathbun Wellness Center Endowment Fund
 Little Mountaineer Scholarship Fund
 Lou Pollock Memorial Park Fund
LTLT Stewardship Fund
*Supports mission and charitable purposes of
 the Land Trust for the Little Tennessee, Inc.*
 MANNA FoodBank:
 W. Earl Mitchelle Endowment
 Endowment in Memory of Don Schaller
 Mayland Community College Foundation Endowment
Walter and Nancy McConnell Designated Fund
Charles T. and Shirley Anne McCullough Designated Fund
 McDowell Arts & Crafts Association Endowment Fund
 Public Schools of McDowell County:
 Virginia Staples Blanton Scholarship
 Baldon Family Scholarship
 Endowment Fund
 Nebo Elementary School Fund
 New Century Scholars Scholarship Fund
Chris McMillan Designated Fund
 Meals On Wheels of Buncombe County Endowment Fund
 MemoryCare:
 Endowment Fund
 Noel Family Fund
 Mental Health Association in
 Yancey County Endowment Fund
 Mills Memorial Fund
 Mitchell County Schools Endowment Fund
 Montford Park Players Endowment Fund
 Hollie and Sherman Morris Endowment Fund
 Mount Zion Community Development Inc. Endowment Fund
 Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church
 of Asheville Endowment Fund
 Mountain Area Child and Family Center:
 Kristina and Savannah Keels Scholarship Fund
 Martha Lauderbaugh Robbins Endowment Fund
 Danny Verner Scholarship Fund
 Diana Wortham Endowment Fund
 Mountain BizWorks Endowment
 Mountain Housing Opportunities Endowment
Mountain View Baptist Church Cemetery Fund
*Supports upkeep and maintenance of cemetery at
 Mountain View Baptist Church, Black Mountain, NC*
 Elizabeth Chambers Endowment Fund
 for Mountain Youth Resources
 J. L. Murray Endowment Fund
 Cherie Roth Nate Scholarship Fund
 Fay Coker Walker Endowment Fund
 (for Neighbors in Ministry)
 Mary Louise and Richard E. Nelson, Jr. Endowment Fund
 Newland Presbyterian Church Endowment Fund
 Newton Academy Cemetery Fund
 Zeffie and Arch Nichols Fund
 Mebane Memorial Endowment Fund (for
 Norris Public Library Foundation)
 On Stage Fund
 Optimist Santa Pal Club of Asheville/Florence
 Jarrett Memorial Endowment Fund
 Pack Place Education, Arts and Science Center:
 Capital Endowment Fund
 Roger J. McGuire Memorial Endowment
 Permanent Endowment Fund
 Repair Reserve Fund
Partnership for Pastoral Counseling Endowment Fund
 Lewis Rathbun Legacy Fund (for
 Pathways - Life After Cancer)
 Pisgah Legal Services Endowment Fund
 Preservation North Carolina:
 Endowment Fund
 Publication Endowment
 Preservation Society of Asheville & Buncombe County Fund
 R & R Endowment Fund
 Rainbow Mountain Foundation Fund
 Gertrude W. Ramsey Fund for Children

Ratcliffe Cove Cemetery Endowment Fund
Rotary Club of Asheville Charitable Needs Endowment
Susan H. Rozelle Fund

Sue Gowen Samson Designated Fund

Robert and Lucy Schell Designated Fund

Mary Helen Schwarzkopf Designated Fund

Ralph Schwarzkopf Designated Fund

Sharing House Endowment Fund

Smith-McDowell House Endowment Fund

Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy:

Endowment Fund

Highlands Fund

Land and Conservation Easement Acquisition Fund

Land and Conservation Easement

Stewardship Endowment

Southern Dharma Retreat Center Endowment Fund

Edna Hampton Endowment for St.

Francis Episcopal Church

St. Matthias Scholarship Fund

Jenkins Episcopal Church Cemetery Endowment

Fund (for St. Phillip's Episcopal Church, Brevard)

Summit Charter School Foundation Endowment Fund

Swannanoa Valley Medical Center, Inc.:

Capital/Major Maintenance Fund

Ernie DeWick Fund

Toe River Arts Council:

Endowment Fund

Scholarship for the Arts

Towery Scholarship Fund

Transylvania 4-H Foundation, Inc. Fund

Transylvania Community Arts Council Endowment Fund

John Whitworth Fund for Transylvania County

(for Transylvania Community Hospital)

Transylvania County Historical Society Endowment Fund

Trinity Episcopal Church of Asheville:

Endowment Fund

McLeod and Nancy Patton Endowment Fund

Ann Cannon Smith Endowment Fund

Trinity Episcopal Church Endowment Fund, Spruce Pine

United Way of Asheville and Buncombe County Fund

United Way of Transylvania County Endowment Fund

University Botanical Gardens at Asheville:

Endowment Fund

John and Elizabeth Andrews Izard Horticulture Fund

Watauga Library Endowment Fund

Jane B. Weis Designated Fund

Rebekah Parker Memorial Scholarship Fund

(for West Asheville Assembly of God)

Ruth Hensley Camblos Fund for the Western

North Carolina Historical Association, Inc.

Glenn Wilcox Fund for First Baptist Church

Glenn W. Wilcox, Sr. Designated Fund

Wildlife Rehabilitation Endowment Fund (for

Wildlife Care Center of the Blue Ridge)

WNC Aids Project Endowment

WNC Communities:

Endowment Fund

Dairy Commission Endowment Fund

Journey Endowment Funds

David H. Levitch Memorial Endowment

for W.N.C. Housing, Inc.

WNC Medical Peer Review Foundation

Physicians' Endowment Fund

WNC Partners for Nonprofit Success Fund

WNC Public Radio:

McGuire Program Fund

Unrestricted Fund

**Jessica Hamilton Foundation for Africa's Children
(for Woodland Hills Baptist Church)**

*Honors the life of Jessica Marie Hamilton by
awarding support for young people wishing
to carry on Christian missions in Africa*

Laurie Robeson Wright Charitable Fund

Greta K. Yager Charitable Fund

YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly Endowment Fund

YMCA of Western North Carolina:

Endowment Fund

John Abbott Scholarship Fund

Charlotte Carlisle Scholarship Fund for Teens

Joe Mongovis Scholarship Fund

Phil Sales Scholarship Fund

Vest Family Fund

YWCA Endowment Fund

Scholarship Funds

These funds provide assistance to students pursuing their higher education.

Richard M. Arnold Scholarship Fund

Asheville Wilbert Vault Service Scholarship Fund

Asheville Young Woman Leadership Award Fund

William Bradley Ayers Memorial Scholarship Fund

Alan Bruckner Young Life Scholarship Fund

J. Jerry Cabe Dental Scholarship Fund

John Francis Amherst Cecil Foundation Fund

Chattooga Club Employee Scholarship Endowment Fund

Harry W. Clarke Scholarship Endowment Fund

Phyllis Crain Scholarship Fund for Avery County

Nelle Crowell Fletcher & G.L. Crowell Fund

Emily Davidson Memorial Music Scholarship Fund

Mike Davis Team Spirit Award Fund

Jim Duyck Memorial Scholarship Fund

for Mountain Youth Baseball, Inc.

Johneen Roth Epstein Scholarship Fund

Newton Academy-William Forster, Jr. & Nancy

Forster Stevens Scholarship Fund

Londell J. Foster-Thomas Scholarship Fund

Captain John G. Gardner, USMC, Viet Nam

Veterans Memorial Scholarship Fund

R. Walker Geitner III Scholarship Fund

Martha Guy Educational Fund

Margie McCluney Hamrick Nursing Scholarship Fund

Wellington Hamrick Scholarship Fund

Chuck D. Hargrove Memorial Scholarship Fund

Heffington Scholarship Fund

A. Joe Hemphill, Jr. Scholarship Fund

Mary R. Hemphill Scholarship Fund

Highlands Falls Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund

Yates L. and Louise D. Holland Scholarship Fund

Walter "Pop" Jarvis Scholarship Fund

Lucius Lanier Memorial Fund

Marilyn Lester and William Lester Scholarship Fund

Established to assist an Asheville High School graduating

senior each year through four years of higher education.

McDowell Medical Associates, P.A., Scholarship Fund

Charles C. and Suzanne R. McKinney Scholarship Fund

Established to assist a Mitchell High School graduating

senior each year through four years of higher education.

Gene and Lee Meyer Scholarship Fund

Brandon F. Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund

Roger W. Morrison Scholarship Fund

NC Alpha Epsilon Memorial Scholarship Fund

NC Association of Electrical Contractors Fund

Ruth Paddison Scholarship Fund

Established to enable graduating high school

seniors whose primary residence is in Madison

County obtain a higher education.

Cal and Carol Peddy Memorial Fund

Elda C. Penny-Graham Co. Woman's Club Scholarship Fund

Irving Jacob Reuter Award Fund

S. Hayes Robinson Memorial Dance Scholarship Fund

Rotary Club of Asheville Harry R. Morrill Scholarship Fund
 Rotary Club of Asheville/West Scholarship Fund
 Salisbury Scholarship Fund
 Charlie R. & Charles J. Silver Family Scholarship Fund
 Lynn Brown Slater Memorial Scholarship Fund
 Murice C. Talley Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund
 Transylvania County New Century Scholars Fund
 Transylvania Excellence in Education/
 Chamber of Commerce Award Fund
 Transylvania Excellence in Education/Excellence Award Fund
 Transylvania Excellence in Education/Holbrook-
 Nichols Achievement Award Fund
 Wildcat Cliffs Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund
 Clyde and Mildred Wright Endowment Fund

Affiliate Funds

Nine affiliates across our region are building endowments for their communities. The Community Foundation supports and encourages the growth of these funds by providing investment, accounting, grantmaking, board development, fundraising and administrative support. Volunteer boards, made up of local community members, lead each affiliate in building resources that allow these groups to make grants that meet important community needs now and in the future.

Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund

During 2008, the Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund concluded its three-year pledge campaign with 100% fulfillment, a testament to the commitment made by the community. In 2009, the fund will celebrate its 10th anniversary.

Board members: Anthony S. Amatangelo and Julia A. Capps, Co-Chairs; Judith D. Mayer, Secretary; Wm. Michael Begley, Treasurer; Gladys Brooks, Joan Brown, Katharine "Scottie" Cannon, Scott Counce, Lynn Deese, Emily Ferguson, Elizabeth Harper, Robert N. Headley, Jerone C. Herring, William G. Hollins, Jim Lenhart, Gretchen Naff and Charles E. Reiley

Established in 1999

\$402,668 in assets

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Black Mountain Pastoral Care and Counseling Center
- » Black Mountain Swannanoa Arts Center
- » The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club of Buncombe County

Total Grants: \$52,900*

The BMCEF Board is also the advisor to the Buckner Family Endowment Fund and the Helen S. and Jerry M. Newbold, Jr. Endowment Fund, which also contribute to grants for Black Mountain, Montreat, and the Swannanoa Valley.

Cashiers Community Fund

The Cashiers Community Fund continued its proactive approach to addressing community needs this year. As a result of a recent needs assessment, in which community planning emerged as a major concern, the board helped fund a "mini-charrette" in Cashiers this past May as part of The Community Foundation's Mountain Landscapes Initiative. (See page 24) Other concerns the board plans to address in the future include education, affordable housing and human service needs.

Board members: Peggy Warner, Chair; Louis Freeman, Vice-Chair; Jessica J. Connor, Secretary; Pat Alders, Sandra Bash, Joan Berryhill, Sanford P. Bishop, Patrick Carlton, Kimberly Coward, Robert L. Dews, David S. Dimling, Wendy Dowden, William F. Law Jr., Becky McKee, Edward G. Michaels III, Cynthia Turoff, R. Preston Wailes, Eleanor Welling and Sharon Wiggins

Established in 1992

\$1,072,607 in assets (does not include pledges)

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Animal Friends for Life
- » Blue Ridge Mountains Health Project
- » Mountain Landscapes Initiative
- » Summit Charter School
- » The Village Conservancy

Total Grants: \$38,000*

The Fund For Haywood County

The Fund for Haywood County will celebrate its 15th anniversary during 2009. The group continues to be a substantial contributor to nonprofits in the community. To further spread the word about the unique opportunities offered by the endowment, the board has enacted an awareness-building campaign as this year's focus.

Board members: Louise W. Baker and Kenneth F. Wilson, Co-Chairs; Peggy C. Melville, Secretary; William C. Allsbrook Jr., Karla S. Escaravage, Rolf Kaufman, Bruce Kingshill, Ron Leatherwood, Linda W. Manes, William Owen, Jim Phillips, Phyllis Prevost and Asa "Buck" Williams

Established in 1994

\$162,071 in assets

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Baptist Children's Homes of NC
- » Big Brothers Big Sisters of Western North Carolina
- » Haywood Community College Foundation
- » Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC)
- » Pigeon Community Development Center

Total Grants: \$48,325*

The Fund for Haywood County Board is also the advisor to the J. Aaron and Adora H. Prevost Endowment Fund, which contributes to grants in Haywood County.

Highlands Community Foundation

Combining generous gifts, bequests and pledges, the Highlands Community Foundation exceeds \$1 million in assets. This fund makes much-needed grants to local nonprofit organizations from both its endowment and gift fund. The board is continually taking steps to learn more about community needs and how their resources can help address local issues.

Board members: T. Wood Lovell, Chair; W. Jack Brinson, Treasurer; Judy Michaud, Secretary; Laney Capron, Richard Demetriou, Robert W. Fisher, Richard W. Freeman, Cris Hayes, Suzanne Inman, Judy Kight, Nancy Parker, Emily "Mimi" W. Tynes and Willis H. Willey

Established in 1996

\$803,038 in assets (does not include bequests and pledges)

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » The Bascom
- » Highlands Biological Foundation
- » Highlands Community Child Development Center
- » Highlands Emergency Council
- » International Friendship Center
- » The Literacy Council of Highlands
- » Performing Arts Center

Total Grants: \$38,425*

The Highlands Community Foundation Board is also the advisor to the Mildred Miller Fort Fund and the Hertwig Fund, which contribute to grantmaking in Highlands.

The McDowell Foundation

The McDowell Foundation hosted a donor appreciation reception this year to thank donors for their loyal support over the past 13 years. The occasion was a wonderful opportunity to highlight the grants to local nonprofits that the board has been honored to support. This year, The McDowell Foundation supported programs and projects for senior citizens, school children, children with disabilities, and patients at The McDowell Hospital.

Board members: Sharon L. Parker, Chair; W. Hill Evans, Vice-Chair; Laura Dover Doran, Secretary; Ellen “Bunnie” S. Burgin, G. Simeon Butler, Rebecca B. Cross, Simeon R. Cross, Barbara W. Dark, Amy England, James S. Gibson, Albert C. “Bud” Hogan and Joy Shuford

Established in 1995
\$312,560 in assets

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Davidson’s Fort Historic Park
- » KidSenses Children’s InterACTIVE Museum
- » Magical Moments Therapeutic Riding Center
- » McDowell County Senior Center
- » The McDowell Hospital

Totals Grants: \$64,400*

The McDowell Foundation Board is also the advisor to the Margaret Westmoreland Gibson Memorial Fund and the A.C. Hogan Family Fund, which also contribute to grantmaking in McDowell County.

Foundation For Mitchell County

This year, the Foundation for Mitchell County substantially invested in projects serving their increasingly diverse community. This year the board chose to support programs for the arts, education, and small business entrepreneurs among others. The board continues to build awareness about the Foundation’s opportunities for nonprofits and donors.

Board members: Bill Weeks, Chair; Leland Riddle, Vice-Chair; Cynthia G. Nash, Secretary; Harry Anderson, A. Christopher Day, Patty Elkins, Kenneth Fox, Phillip Frye, Rhonda Gunter, Susan Larson, Cindy Lindsey, Ronald B. McKinney, Sallie McKinney, Jean McLaughlin, Anne Rhine and Doug Sudduth

Established in 1999
\$142,911 in assets

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Avery-Mitchell-Yancey Regional Library
- » Mitchell County Development Foundation
- » Penland School of Crafts
- » Service Center for Latinos
- » Toe River Arts Council

Total Grants: \$85,500*

Rutherford County Foundation

The Rutherford County Foundation was honored to add the assets of the Centura First Savings Foundation to its resources in the past year. As part of the merger, a GIFT program was launched, creating additional opportunities for nonprofits to access the Foundation’s support for programs and projects.

Board members: Michael E. Gavin, Chair; Sally Leshner, Vice-Chair; Peggy Jaski, Secretary; Dean Backstrom, Philip Byers, Lucille Dalton, Phil de Montmollin, Dee B. Griffith, Vernon Hoyle, Joan King, Al Lovelace, William Morris, Juanita Newton, Fred Noble, Gordon Scott, Michael Tanner, Nancy Tanner, Claudia Wilkins, Dick Wilkins, Faye Wilson and Midge Yelton

Established in 1996
\$1,535,612 in assets

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » American Red Cross of Rutherford County
- » Animal Protection Alliance of Rutherford County
- » Communities in Schools of Rutherford County

- » Community Clinic of Rutherford County
 - » Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Carolina Foothills
 - » East Rutherford High School
 - » Family Resources of Rutherford County Inc.
 - » Heartbeats Pregnancy Center, Inc.
 - » Judicial District 29A Drug Treatment Court
 - » KidSenses Children’s InterACTIVE Museum
 - » Realize Rutherford, Inc.
 - » Rutherford County Air Rescue Squad
 - » Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity
 - » Rutherford County Judicial District 29A
 - » Rutherford County Rescue Crew
 - » Rutherford County Schools Parents as Teachers
 - » Rutherford Housing Partnership
 - » Rutherford LIFEServices
 - » Shiloh-Danieltown-Oakland Volunteer Fire Department
 - » South Mountain Christian Youth Camp
 - » Union Mills Learning Center
 - » Yokefellow Service Center
- Total Grants: \$137,290***

Transylvania Endowment

The Transylvania Endowment celebrated its 10th anniversary at the Brevard Music Center with a tribute event to Isabel Nichols, who was instrumental in establishing the fund. This year the board chose to support grants to programs including affordable housing, mediation services, and healthcare.

Board members: Augustine W. “Gus” Tucker, Chair; William Thomas Penn, Vice-Chair; Dennis Folken, Treasurer; Gail McCarty, Secretary; Sara Champion, Elizabeth R. Craig, Rebecca Desmond, Arthur Fisher, Robert T. Gash, Randolph Harry, Troy H. Hutchinson, Betsy Jordan, Richard C. Larson, Scott Latell, Alvin W. LeFaivre, James Lipham, Rhoda McKean, Peter McKinney, Linda Neumann, Kenneth G. Racht, Louisa Reed, John Rowe and Jerry Stone

Established in 1998
\$507,421 in assets**

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Boys & Girls Club of Transylvania County
- » Brevard Orchestra Association
- » Center for Dialogue
- » Transylvania Christian Ministry
- » Transylvania County Volunteers in Medicine
- » Western Carolina Community Action

Total Grants: \$72,400*

** The Transylvania Endowment is comprised of the Transylvania Endowment Fund, the Transylvania Director’s Fund, the Lake Toxaway Charities Endowment Fund and the Burlingame Fund.

Yancey Foundation

The Yancey Foundation strives to build awareness of the fund and its unique value to the community. The board supported a variety of projects this year, including an after-school arts program, a cultural heritage project, an environmental stewardship project and the Old Burnsville Gym’s renovation in support of the Healthy Yancey campaign.

Board members: William O. Cullom, Chair; Joann Collins, Secretary; Neal Culver, Treasurer; Patricia Bennett, Peter Bobbe, George Gowen, Howell Hammond, Robert Howell, Lynda Kinnane, Jim McQueen, Wanda Proffitt, Sherry Robinson, Peter Stephens, Martin Webster, Carol Wilson and Carol Woodard

Established in 1998
\$255,327 in assets

2007-2008 Grant Recipients:

- » Graham Children’s Health Services of Toe River
- » Rural Southern Voice for Peace
- » Toe River Arts Council
- » Yancey County Cultural Resources Commission

Total Grants: \$48,000*

*Total grants this year in partnership with CFWNC.

The Cashiers Community Fund



The Cashiers Community Fund, the first affiliate of The Community Foundation, began in 1992 out of a desire community leaders had to address unmet needs in Cashiers.

Vanna Montgomery Cameron said, “At the time, we had just built a daycare center and library. We realized that, as time goes by, we would need to sustain these programs long after we’re gone. We also wanted to identify and support other important needs in our community.”

Since then, the Cashiers Community Fund has become an important resource for charitable programs, funding a wide variety of organizations that range from the Village Conservancy to the Blue Ridge Mountain Health Project and Cashiers Humane Society. More than \$174,000 has been awarded to area programs over the past 16 years thanks to the Cashiers Community Fund and support from The Community Foundation.

This year was an especially busy one as Cashiers became one of the four case studies in The Community Foundation’s Mountain Landscapes Initiative. Board member Dave Dimling said, “The genesis of the Cashiers charrette was the Cashiers Needs Study that was completed in 2007, which identified intelligent growth as the most important concern in our community.”

Approximately 200 people — developers, real estate professionals, residents and professional community planners — met in May to examine how this mountain community is growing and changing. New ideas to enhance life in the village surfaced, such as creating roundabouts and building walking paths. “Keep Cashiers, Cashiers!” became the catchphrase, a commonly expressed desire not to lose its special sense of place.

On 8/8/08, the “From Beijing to Cashiers” fundraising celebration was held in conjunction with the Olympic opening ceremony, netting \$20,000 in donations from generous donors.

Thanks to a successful fundraising campaign, the Cashiers Community Fund has grown to \$1.9 million in gifts and pledges and will continue to provide support to enhance life in this lovely village and “keep Cashiers, Cashiers.”

The Hust Society

The Hust Society, named for our founder Ray Hust, recognizes and honors those who have established permanent endowment funds at The Community Foundation. Their commitment of charitable resources benefits our region now and will endure for generations to come.



Annie Clarke Ager
 John Curtis Ager
 Brent Aikman
 Sheryl Aikman
 Richard C. Allen
 Tony and Allison Amatangelo
 The Arnold Family
 Fred and Marcia Ayers
 Luther and Ruth Barnhardt
 John Bernhardt
 John W. Bicknell
 Mary D. Bicknell
 Donna A. Broadwell
 Ed Broadwell
 Christopher Brookhouse
 David G. Brown
 Ida Brown
 Kenneth Brown
 Lin Brown
 Frank and Susan Bruckner
 Donna D. Buckner
 James A. Buckner
 David and Ann Burchfield
 Margaret L. Butler
 Dr.* and Mrs. Nicholas C. Chubb
 Don and Lisbeth Cooper
 Kay and Denny Crews
 E. Brown Crosby
 Nancy Crosby
 George and Pat Davis
 Madeline and Roy Davis
 Cornelia C. De Land
 Gerald R. De Land
 Carol and Bob Deutsch
 Mildred Matthews Dillard
 Laura Dover Doran
 Tom and Wendy Dowden
 James and Susan Dunn
 Sally Duyck
 Dr. Louis K. Dwarshuis
 Iris and Durward Everett

Amelia B. Fisher
 Arthur G. Fisher
 Lloyd and Mary Kathryn Fisher
 Lyn Fozzard
 Martha L. Gentry
 Paul O. Germann, Jr.
 James S. Gibson
 Thomas F. Gibson
 Thomas P. Gibson
 Melanie Dover Goodson
 Fred and Cindy Groce
 Mr. Kim Gruelle
 Martha Guy
 Judith and Corwith Hamill
 Susan T. Harris
 Arthur Joe Hemphill, Jr.
 Mary R. Hemphill
 Lucy Heyerman
 Elizabeth W. Holden
 Mary and Bill Hollins
 Katherine (Kitty) H. Hoyle
 Bill and Marilyn Hubbard
 William and Dorothy Hussey
 Suzanne and Ed Inman
 Barbara C. Keleher
 Patricia Kerns
 Dr. Marilyn Kolton-Dwarshuis
 Joe and Wendy Kotowski
 Al and Polly LeFavre
 June and Bill Lenoci
 Mardi Dover Letson
 Grace E. Luther
 The McClinton Family
 Shirley Anne and Charlie McCullough
 Anne and William McKee
 Will and Becky McKee
 Suzanne McKinney
 Houck and K.B. Medford
 Gene Meyer
 Lee Meyer
 Margaret G. Montgomery
 Jenifer Morgan
 Jerry Newbold, Jr.
 Eleanor and Charlie Owen
 Ken and Emily Partin
 Robert Peterson
 Anne Ponder
 Jeannie G. Porter
 Micah Pulleyn
 Rob Pulleyn
 Maloy and Josephine Rash

The children of Hal and Helen Reed - Claudette, Ron and Andy
 Bob and Kathy Riddle
 John LeRoy Robinson
 Raymond Eley Robinson
 Katherine C. Rorison
 Sherrod and Margaret Salsbury
 Sue Gowen Samson
 Alexander L. Schenck
 Laurinda C. Schenck
 Michael Weldon Schenck
 H. Robert Sharbaugh
 Lori C. Shook
 Carolyn A. Shorkey
 Randy Siegel
 Christine Siegfried
 Kenneth Siegfried
 Phil and Pat Smith
 Wm. Taylor Sword
 William C. Sword
 Mrs. Murice C. Talley
 Robin R. Visceglia
 Milton J. Warden
 Kate and Mitchell Watson
 John R. Hoskins IV and Laura A. Webb
 Robert K. Weiler
 Gregory Olson and Rosalind Willis
 Carol P. Wilson
 Deborah Robinson Wilson
 Jay "Skip" Wilson
 Jay M. Wilson, II
 William M. and Pamela H. Winkler
 Diana G. Wortham
 Leigh W. Young

*deceased

If you have a different preference for your listing on these pages, or if you have made a provision for the Foundation in your will or estate plan and would like to be recognized as a member of the Legacy Society, please contact us (828) 254-4960.

The Legacy Society honors a special group of individuals who have arranged for a future gift to The Community Foundation by bequest, charitable remainder trust, charitable gift annuity, retirement assets, life insurance, life estate or other deferred contribution. We celebrate these charitable legacies, which will carry on donors' generous spirit.

The Legacy Society

Sheryl Aikman
Nancy M. Anthony
Marcia and Fred Ayers
Luther and Ruth Barnhardt
Mason Barrett
Charlotte Lunsford Berry
George and Sandra Beverly
C. Beau Bobbitt
Howard and Betty Boyd
Mr. and Mrs. G.
Waring Boys
Joe C. Brumit II and
Janice W. Brumit
Robert E. Burns
Richard L. Bury and
Ann R. Bury
Mrs. Charles M. Butler
Ms. Nancy Sales Cash
Ed and Barbara Cathey
Mrs. Gran P. Childress
Betty Lou Chubb
Nicholas C. Chubb, M.D.*
Ray A. Clarke
Mr. Charles F. Cole
Dr.* and Mrs. John Coli
Donald R. Cooper
Lisbeth Riis Cooper
Elizabeth R. Craig
William R. and
Jane S. Craig
Nancy S. Crosby
Jerome Dave
David D. and Phoebe H.
Duncan
Denise Stevens Dvoretz
Bruce and Judy Elliston
Peter and Beth Ely
Bob and Iris Eskew
Benn Edney Fass
Benn Edney Fass, Jr.
Carol P. Feichter
Mark E. Feichter
Mr. and Mrs.
Lester E. Forbes
William Goacher
Sloppy Girl Farm
Fund - Spike Gram
Fred Jerry Grant and Jane
Barber Grant
Mr.* and Mrs.
Robert W. Gray
Bruce E. Greene
Mr. Kim Gruelle
Martha Guy
Dorothy B. Hamill

Gary and Susan Hammer
William and Marcia Harper
Dr. and Mrs. John
Hazlehurst
Willie and Bob Headley
Sara Hill
Brock and Cathy Himan
Jean B. Hoefner
Laura A. Webb and John R.
Hoskins
Bill and Marilyn Hubbard
Mrs. Frances C. Jennings
Mr. Richard G. Jennings, Jr.
Richard Joel
Barbara C. Keleher
Alice A. Krutulis
Walter and Marietta Lacyk
Wayne and Phyllis Lang
Rebecca Lawton
Trevor Lawton
Bill Lee
Mr. and Mrs. John D. Link
Tom and Betsy Little
Dr. Frank Hicks Logan
Mrs. Leon C. Luther
Peter Mallett
Raymond and Susan
McClinton
Camilla W. McConnell
Walter and Nancy
McConnell
Kathryn G. McGuire
Suzanne McKinney
Ann and Ernest Merklein
Bill and Mary Metts
Gene and Lee Meyer
Catherine Morton
Karen Elizabeth Moss
Mr. Richard P. Mueller
William A. and
Lee T. Mynatt
Joe and Karen Narsavage
Paula O'Hara
James and Patricia Paal
Mary Linda Parker
Mrs. Robert S. Peckham
SharonAnn and Bob Philip
Anne Barwick
Comfort Phillips
Gina A. Phillips
Mrs. Joe Popplewell
Gail Ensinger-Porter and
Richard Porter
Bitsy and Jim Powell
Helen A. Powers
Rob Pulleyn

Will Ruggles and
Douglass Rankin
Annette Richards
Michelle Rippon
Betty Ann Roberson
Ernest J. Rosenau
Kay E. Rouse
Sue Gowen Samson
Carla Dimmitt Schell
Jill Hartmann and Bonnie
Schwartz
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H.
Schwarzkopf
Barbara and Robert Seiler
Dick and Nancy Senneff
Mr. and Mrs. Robert T.
Shields
Bretney and Coleman
Smith
Phil and Pat Smith
Perry J. Stamatiades
O. E. and Lida M. Starnes
David W. Stewart
Susan L. Stone*
David and Nancy Swann
Wanda Van Goor
Dr. Hugh D. and *Margaret
O. (Danny) Verner
Jean D. Walker
Robert Wallace, Jr.
Carolyn Shorkey and Milton
Warden
Anne G. Watrous
Donald L. Watrous
Alice Elizabeth White
Mary Williamson
Robert Williamson
Jay "Skip" Wilson, Carol P.
Wilson, Jay M. Wilson II
Tom and Linda Wilson
William M. Winkler and
Pamela Winkler
Richard A. Wood, Jr.
Mrs. K. Lee Scott Wright

Legacies Designated to a Foundation Affiliate

Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund

James A. and
Donna D. Buckner
Thomas R. and Katharine W.
(Scottie) Cannon
Henry and Barbara Griffin

Cashiers Community Fund

Ann McKee Austin
Vesta and Albert Balestiere
Ann and Mitchell Betty
Vanna Montgomery
Cameron
Dr. Barbara Carlton
Kate and Mitchell Watson

The Fund for Haywood County

Paul O. Germann, Jr.
Rolf Kaufman
Melissa Van Noppen
Billie and Bob Venner

The McDowell Foundation

Larry and Pat Brown
John M. Cross
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cross
and Family
R. Marshall Dark, Jr. and
Barbara W. Dark
Nancy C. Greenlee
Mr. and Mrs. Albert C.
Hogan and Vickie
Dr. and Mrs. Michael A.
McCall

Rutherford County Foundation

Katherine Philbeck
Mr. and Mrs.
James T. Tanner
Lynne and Mike Tanner
Dick and Martha Wilkins

Transylvania Endowment

Mary Elizabeth Bailey
Ann and David Burchfield
William R. and
Sherry G. Minnich
John and Isabel Nichols
David W. and Sara B.
Sowersby
Aleen Steinberg

Yancey Foundation

Susan and Bubba
(Paul) Crutchfield
Peg and George Emerson

*deceased

Giving at The Community Foundation

How We Can Help

For 30 years, The Community Foundation has been helping people like you make charitable gifts here in the mountain region and beyond. Let us help you maximize your giving to benefit the causes you care about.

Become a Philanthropist.

You may be interested in the arts or the environment, a specific community in our region, or building financial support for your favorite organization. When you make a gift of any amount to one of the hundreds of endowments at the Foundation, it becomes part of a permanent pool of assets. Over time, as the endowment grows, it generates more charitable dollars that go back into the community. Your gift today keeps giving forever!

Establish Your Own Named Charitable Fund.

With an initial gift of \$10,000 or more, you can create a donor advised fund. It's a great way to simplify your giving, involve your family, and access the Foundation's expertise when you need it. Your gifts are immediately tax-deductible and can be invested, with the potential to grow. From your fund, you can recommend grants to qualified charities at any time, in your name or anonymously.

Connect with Powerful Funding Opportunities.

We understand community needs across Western North Carolina. Become a "Partner-in-Giving" and we'll provide a portfolio of grant opportunities, chosen

just for you. By adding your resources to those of others, we increase the dollars available to invest in a particular cause. This is the power of collective, community philanthropy.

Create a Legacy.

Did you know there are ways to give that provide income to you and your loved ones now and a charitable gift later? We can show you how to achieve your goals for your family and give back to the community. You can also make a gift by naming us in your will or as a beneficiary of a retirement plan or life insurance policy. The Community Foundation provides you with maximum tax deductibility and has the expertise to handle complex assets.

Take Your Giving to a New Level.

Through personal, one-on-one conversations, or by working with your professional adviser, we can help create giving solutions that reflect your personal values, motivations and goals. Whether you want to make a gift now or later, give cash, appreciated securities or some other asset, we'll work hard to help you find the best fit for you.

Please contact us at (828) 254-4960 to learn more.

Thinking About Your Giving

- » What has been your most satisfying charitable gift? Why?
- » Which volunteer experiences have been most rewarding?
- » When you think about the challenges facing our community and our world, what are your major concerns? Are any of these, or should any of these, be the focus of your giving?
- » What have you learned from your giving?
- » What role would you like giving to play for your children and grandchildren?
- » What would you like to accomplish through giving?
- » What do you think is possible?

Giving Now

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina accepts most types of assets. Because we are a public charity, you receive the maximum tax benefit for your contributions. Although most donors contribute cash or publicly traded stock, you may want to talk with us about a gift of:

- » Real estate
- » Closely-held stock
- » Assets from your IRA or qualified retirement plan
- » Life insurance
- » Personal property, such as jewelry or art
- » Assets of your private foundation or other trusts
- » Stock options or founder's stock
- » Limited liability partnership units

Giving in the Future

Bequest

Specify a gift in your will or revocable trust, then tell us how you'd like your gift to be used for causes you care about. The Foundation carries out your charitable wishes after your lifetime.

Charitable Gift Annuity

In exchange for a charitable gift of \$10,000 or more, you or your loved one receives a guaranteed stream of income for life. Part of your annuity payments may even be tax free. Whatever remains after your lifetime benefits your chosen charitable causes.

Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT)

Create a CRT with \$50,000 or more and receive an immediate tax deduction. You or your loved ones receive income for life or for a specified number of years. When the trust's term is complete, the remaining assets create or add to your charitable fund.

Financial Information

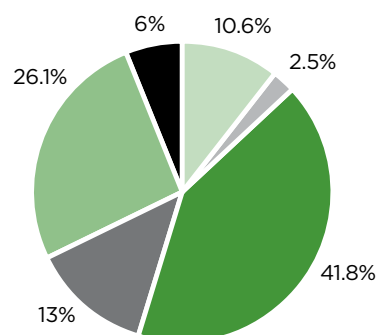
Annual Investment Returns Through 6/30/08

	CFWNC	BENCHMARK*
One Year	-5.2%	-5.2%
Three Years	5.7%	4.4%
Five Years	7.5%	6.1%

*The benchmark used is 60% S&P 500, 40% Lehman Brothers Government/Corporate Index.

Investment returns are reported net of investment expenses.

Asset Allocation as of 6/30/08



Domestic Equity	41.8%
International Equity	13%
Fixed Income	26.1%
Alternative Investments	10.6%
Real Estate	6%
Cash	2.5%
Total	100%

Stewardship of Community Assets

The thoughtful stewardship of The Community Foundation's assets is a critical responsibility of the Board of Directors. The Foundation's investment program utilizes multiple levels of oversight in managing assets for the benefit of Western North Carolina.

The Foundation's Investment Committee, comprised of local professionals with investment and financial expertise, has responsibility for all aspects of investment activities, including investment policy, asset allocation, and performance review. An investment consulting firm strengthens and informs the work of the Investment Committee through analytical studies, manager searches, and the compilation of performance data. Multiple investment managers provide value to the Foundation's investment process through the application of their knowledge and experience in portfolio management.

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina has a sustained record of managing prudent investment strategies. The Foundation offers donors and nonprofit organizations access to institutional investment strategies and management normally available only to large investors. Donors and nonprofit organizations can capitalize on the benefits

of this multi-manager, diversified approach by working with The Community Foundation.

The Community Foundation allows fundholders to recommend an investment option from among multiple portfolios under the oversight of the Investment Committee. Donors may request to have the investment management of their charitable fund provided by the following firms:

- Altamont Capital Management
- Altavista Wealth Management
- Bank of America
- Boys Arnold & Co.
- Colton Groome & Co.
- Merrill Lynch
- Parsec Financial Management
- Raymond James & Co.
- UBS Wealth Management

For funds not otherwise recommended by donors, the Foundation invests in a broadly diversified portfolio that provides strategic allocations to equity investments, fixed income investments, and alternative investments.

Statement of Financial Position

	2008	2007
Assets		
Cash & cash equivalents	\$ 2,133,908	\$ 2,544,182
Prepaid expenses	16,045	17,949
Accounts receivable	23,787	23,699
Promises to give, net	1,258,652	304,941
Investments	84,063,734	94,827,187
Property and equipment, net	72,551	61,215
Real Estate	544,186	641,000
Investments, restricted for endowment	76,340,040	72,175,195
Total Assets	\$164,452,903	\$170,595,368
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Grants and scholarships payable	\$ 820,455	\$ 405,182
Accounts payable	51,703	31,242
Liabilities under split-interest agreements	9,577,204	10,537,930
Funds held as agency endowments	32,079,574	32,240,918
Total Liabilities	42,528,936	43,215,272
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	6,652,426	15,504,899
Temporarily restricted	38,931,499	39,700,002
Permanently restricted	76,340,042	72,175,195
Total Net Assets	121,923,967	127,380,096
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$164,452,903	\$170,595,368

In response to the Pension Protection Act of 2006, which provided definition to classifications of funds commonly held by community foundations, management determined that certain funds were more appropriately classified as endowments or agency endowments. The prior period adjustment for the year ended June 30, 2007 recognizes this reclassification accordingly.

Note: Standards of financial accounting for nonprofit organizations affect the reporting of charitable remainder trusts and certain endowment funds managed by The Community Foundation for other nonprofit organizations. On the Statement of Activities, among the categories of revenue and expense impacted by these reporting requirements are Contributions and Program Services, which includes grant distributions. References to Contributions and Grants in other parts of this annual report reflect total contributions received and total grants disbursed.

The audited financial statements of The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina are available for inspection at the Foundation office, Suite 1600, the BB&T Building, One West Pack Square, Asheville, NC 28801.

Statement of Activities

	2008	2007
Revenues and Other Support		
Contributions	\$ 14,677,426	\$ 13,597,716
Investment Income	2,683,742	2,889,558
Realized and unrealized gains - net	(8,444,642)	12,069,388
Change in value of split-interest agreements	(1,606,815)	491,048
Management fee income	363,425	335,762
Grant income	52,309	68,823
Other income	148,221	101,858
Total Revenues and Other Support	7,873,666	29,554,153
Expenses		
Program services	12,252,676	9,904,536
Supporting services	1,067,119	882,128
Unallocated payment to affiliated organization	10,000	-
Total Expenses	13,329,795	10,786,664
Change in net assets	(5,456,129)	18,767,489
Net assets, beginning of year, as previously reported	127,380,096	111,066,814
Prior period adjustment	-	(2,454,207)
Net assets, beginning of year, as restated	127,380,096	108,612,607
Net Assets, End of Year	\$121,923,967	\$127,380,096

Foundation Staff



Front row (L-R): Virginia Dollar, Program Administrator; Tara Scholtz, Affiliate & Development Officer; Maria Juarez, Scholarship Officer; Janet Sharp, Staff Accountant; Sally Weldon, Director of Information Technology.

Middle row: Pat Smith, President; Sheryl Aikman, VP, Development; Bob Wagner, VP, Programs; Evie Sandlin White, Communications Director; Naomi Davis, Accounting Associate; Graham Keever, VP, Finance and Administration.

Back row: Lisa Forehand, Program Officer; Tim Richards, Senior Program Officer; Susan Russo, Donor Relations Director; Beth Maczka, Program Officer; Spencer Butler, Donor Services Associate; Diane Crisp, Office Manager; Beth Semadeni, Receptionist; Becky Davis, Development Officer.

Not Pictured: Marianne McKernan, Staff Accountant.

Photography

Tim Barnwell is a commercial and fine art photographer based in Asheville, NC. He has spent a lifetime exploring the southern Appalachian region, combining beautiful landscapes with tender portraits. Barnwell's remarkable black-and-white images provide a moving record of a vanishing way of life on the remote mountain farms of rural Appalachia. These photographs chosen for this report document Western North Carolina during the last 30 years.

Concept and Design

This annual report was conceived and designed by Design One, an Asheville-based graphic design and marketing communications firm.

Special thanks to the following for their contributions to this publication:

- » Tim Barnwell for use of his incredible images of Western North Carolina that are used throughout this report
- » Lydia Carrington for writing the Knight and Jenette Houghton Memorial Fund story
- » Blake Madden for photos of the staff, Pat Smith and Bubba Crutchfield, the Power of the Purse event and images accompanying the Knight and Jenette Houghton Memorial Fund story

» The McKinney Family for sharing photos and remembrances of Chick McKinney's life

» Gabe Cumming for the Mountain Landscapes photo on page 25

» Don McGowan for images of the Bethel community

Other photographs were taken by CFWNC Communications Director Evie Sandlin White who also wrote the profiles.



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