



leading together



35
YEARS

SERVING OUR
COMMUNITY

1983 - 2018

ESTABLISHED ▶

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OUR VISION FOR OUR REGION ▶

A healthy, thriving, sustainable Eastern Connecticut

OUR MISSION ▶

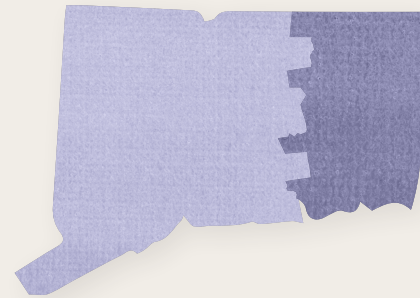
To put philanthropy into action to address the needs, rights and interests of our community in Eastern Connecticut while fulfilling the passions of our donors.

OUR VALUES ▶

- Integrity
- Inclusivity
- Respect
- Courage
- Collaboration
- Transparency
- Accountability

SERVING 42 TOWNS ▶

Ashford	Griswold	North	Stafford
Bozrah	Groton	Stonington	Sterling
Brooklyn	Hampton	Norwich	Stonington
Canterbury	Killingly	Old Lyme	Thompson
Chaplin	Lebanon	Plainfield	Union
Colchester	Ledyard	Pomfret	Voluntown
Columbia	Lisbon	Preston	Waterford
Coventry	Lyme	Putnam	Willington
Eastford	Mansfield	Salem	Windham
East Lyme	Montville	Scotland	Woodstock
Franklin	New London	Sprague	



OUR WORK ▶

- Convene and serve as a thought partner with like-minded donors, nonprofits and other leaders to ensure collective impact, especially around four priority focus areas:
 - Empower youth
 - Promote basic needs and rights
 - Preserve the environment
 - Advance animal welfare
- Bring resources and knowledge to nonprofit organizations in Eastern Connecticut so that they may effectively and strategically carry out their missions to meet the needs of our community.
- Advise and support our donors to fulfill their philanthropic interests.

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Dear Friends:

This year, we proudly celebrate 35 years of partnering with generous donors and nonprofit organizations to have a lasting, positive impact on people and places in the eastern Connecticut region that we all hold dear to our hearts. So, during this 35th year of serving our community, we look to the past to celebrate, honor, and reflect. We look to the present to listen, learn, and understand. And we look to the future to lead together to deliver on our vision of a healthy, thriving, sustainable eastern Connecticut.

LEADERSHIP This commemorative report celebrates our history of growth and progress, but also marks the launch of a new era of providing community leadership for collective impact. We are committed to providing bold and strategic leadership to address the needs in our region. We believe that creating collaborative and inclusive spaces for civic engagement and advocacy related to topics that matter to our region is the key to deeper and more meaningful progress.

INVESTMENT Our grants to empower youth, address basic needs and rights, preserve the environment and advance animal welfare focus on providing opportunities where they would not otherwise exist and strengthen the hands of those who can best meet community needs. Our scholarship awards help hundreds of students achieve their educational goals and dreams.

CAPACITY Our nonprofit partners are the heroes on the front line. They deliver programs and services through dedicated staff and committed volunteers, often operating on restrained and diminishing budgets. We believe that strengthening community nonprofits helps essential organizations fulfill their missions and deliver needed programs and services. Thus, we are working with partners to leverage resources and technical skills to bolster our nonprofits.

We continue to be inspired by the simple premise of “together, we do better.” And with great humility and unwavering commitment, we are determined to lead together to do better every year.

Maryam Elahi

President & Chief Executive Officer

Stephen Larcen

Chair, Board of Trustees

Highlights of 35 Years of Serving



◀ The Shirley Bradway Serafin Scholarship Fund

Peter T. Serafin, a Putnam resident and engaged citizen who died on January 8, 2014, left the bulk of his estate to the Community Foundation to establish the Shirley Bradway Serafin Scholarship Fund. This permanently endowed scholarship honors Serafin's wife, Shirley, who worked as a registered nurse at Day Kimball Hospital and Matulaitis Nursing Home. The \$2.2 million fund provides need-based scholarships for residents of the Towns of Brooklyn, Eastford, Killingly, Plainfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Thompson, and Woodstock, who enroll in registered nursing and nursing-related programs at an accredited educational institution in Connecticut, Massachusetts or Rhode Island, helping to address the nursing shortage in Connecticut and beyond.

Love Our Libraries Fund

To celebrate our 25th anniversary in 2008, the Community Foundation made a strategic and significant gift to the community. A grant of \$1.5 million from Edmund O'Brien's bequest to area libraries allowed them to "dream big" and build on projects with lasting value like creating a dedicated teen space, starting a nonprofit resource center, developing a technology learning center and seeding several library endowments. The gift also expanded opportunities for collaboration among the 13 libraries involved and created a permanent endowment to benefit them.

"I chose nursing as a career as a result of my love for science, medicine, and education,

The Marjory B. and Laurence P. “Jim” Smith Unrestricted and Scholarship Funds

As an early Trustee of the Community Foundation, Jim Smith established one of the first permanently endowed unrestricted grant making funds and one of the first scholarship funds in 1983. After a lifetime of giving and before he passed away in 2009 at the age of 94, Jim carefully devised a plan for turning over to the Lawrence + Memorial Hospital and the Community Foundation the remainder of his investment nest eggs. Upon the death of his beloved wife, Marjory, in 2014, charitable trust distributions brought the Smith endowments to nearly \$7 million which perpetuates the Smiths’ generosity forever.

The Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins Fund

Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins shared a life-long love of ornithology and nature that eventually turned into a tremendous legacy. Upon Mary’s passing on September 29, 2016, her trust set into motion the establishment of the Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins Fund for Birds, Other Animals and Nature, an \$8.6 million legacy gift to the Community Foundation that will advance animal welfare and bird and wildlife habitat preservation efforts throughout eastern Connecticut.



The Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment

North Stonington resident Peter Grayson Letz passed away in September 2013, leaving his residuary estate to the Community Foundation for the purposes of promoting animal welfare and protecting the environment and wildlife in New London County. The \$10 million gift to establish the Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment is the largest gift in the Community Foundation’s 35-year history. It will benefit both domestic pets and wildlife, preserve environmentally significant land and provide environmental education programs for generations to come.

along with serving others. I want to make a difference in people’s lives.”

— Sarah Uwazany, 2017 Recipient of the Shirley Bradway Serafin Scholarship

Our Community Leadership in Action



Eastern Connecticut Mentoring Collaborative

The Eastern Connecticut Mentoring Collaborative (ECMC) is a key vehicle for the Community Foundation to promote mentoring as a means of empowering young people. Schools, colleges and universities, youth service bureaus, nonprofits, faith communities and grassroots efforts are working to support youth. The ECMC was launched to increase the connections, capacity, and quality of these youth-serving organizations towards an aspiration where every young person in eastern Connecticut who needs a mentor has one. Since our kick-off with nationally-known mentoring expert Dr. Susan Weinberger, quarterly “Lunch & Learn” events have brought mentors and organizations together from throughout eastern Connecticut.

New London Partnership for Student Success

The Community Foundation has launched a collaborative to work with the New London Public Schools (NLPS) and community leaders to provide support for students from “cradle to career.” Together, we are crafting a long-term plan to improve educational outcomes for NLPS students. Multiple partners, donors and community leaders meet regularly to develop this strategic vision designed to equip and empower all students to achieve a bright and positive future.

Nonprofit Capacity-building

“It’s more than just the money” is a refrain we hear often from our nonprofit partners. While the Community Foundation awards millions of dollars to agencies and students annually, we also bolster nonprofits through a variety of technical capacity-building efforts to support internal systems and develop best practices that position them to better meet our community’s needs.

“It is our responsibility to dedicate our time and demonstrate genuine care to young people to support Mentoring is a mutual blessing; often times I learn more from my mentees than they learn from me.”



▲ Thriving Community Conversations

In an effort to hear the voices of our residents, the Community Foundation initiated a series of community conversations on topics related to our strategic grant-making pillars. Our listening tour encompassed each part of our region from Pomfret and Willimantic to Norwich and New London. At Norwich's Kelly Middle School, we heard directly from students on issues of importance to teens and their learning environment. In Pomfret, environmental leaders from around the region came together to share ideas for collaboration to increase conservation. Additional conversations on the value of the arts and women's equity brought many new constituents together with long-time Community Foundation supporters to think creatively about community solutions and the role they and the Community Foundation can play.

them in growing up to become positive, productive members of their community.

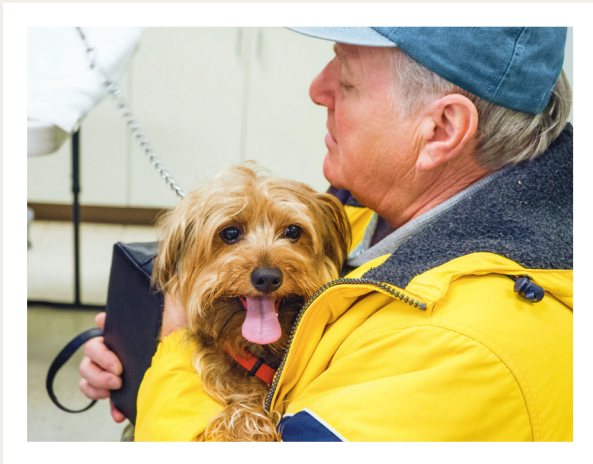
— Kevin L. Booker, Jr., Mentor, Educator, Founder of Booker Empowerment, LLC and Community Activist



Leading for Advancement of Animal Welfare
and Environmental Preservation

◀ Connecticut Humane Society

The Connecticut Humane Society (CHS) has long been a leader in providing programs to benefit the health and well-being of companion animals across the state. The Community Foundation's partnership with CHS has enabled them to increase access to medical care for pets of financially challenged families by holding local vet clinics, distributing pet food and supplies, and referring families to their sliding-scale fee services when necessary. Additionally, the CHS grant supports Animal Welfare University which provides education programs to animal control officers and rescue organizations.



Animal Rescue

Our animal welfare grants have supported services needed to increase the number of adoptable and healthy pets in the region. The Groton Animal Foundation, Animal Welfare League of New London County, Ledyard CHAIN and others have used these funds for spay and neuter, veterinary care and other costs associated with preparing pets for forever homes and keeping them healthy in existing homes.



Connecticut Land Conservation Council

The Connecticut Land Conservation Council (CLCC) provides support and advocacy to organizations working to preserve land. The current three-year grant commitment to CLCC enables one-on-one support services and group training focused on building stewardship capacity, regional mapping, record keeping, advocacy and awareness.

“CFECT’s partnership and support has been a game-changer for the region. In addition to receiving important and much-needed technical services, the land trusts are planning and working together more collaboratively. We can’t thank you enough.” — Amy Patterson, Executive Director, CLCC

New England Science & Sailing Foundation (NESS) ▶

Through this grant award, NESS was able to offer students from Norwich and New London the opportunity to participate in hands-on, ocean adventure science-based education programs that not only make direct connections between the classroom and the real world, but also help to develop valuable life skills such as confidence, leadership, perseverance, communication, and teamwork among the youth participants.



Sankofa Education and Leadership

“Resolved: Should cell phones be allowed in the classroom?” Our grant to Sankofa Education and Leadership, Inc. helped to support the Dr. Grace Sawyer Jones Debate program, an opportunity for 30 Norwich high schoolers to debate the use of cell phones in classrooms and other challenging social issues. In preparing for and participating in debates against teams from Colchester, New London and Plainfield, the Norwich students honed their leadership, public speaking, critical thinking and cooperative skills – all essential skills for engaged citizenship in a diverse, multi-cultural civil society.

Leading for Youth Empowerment



“It is amazing to see how our students acquire skills like qualities of leadership in our classroom without walls.” — Spike Lobdell, Founder, President & CEO, NESS



Leading for Basic Needs and Rights

◀ High Hopes Therapeutic Riding

This grant supports a multi-faceted equine-assisted learning program for school-aged Norwich and New London youth. The program helps participants develop empathy, compassion, communication and leadership skills.



Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA)

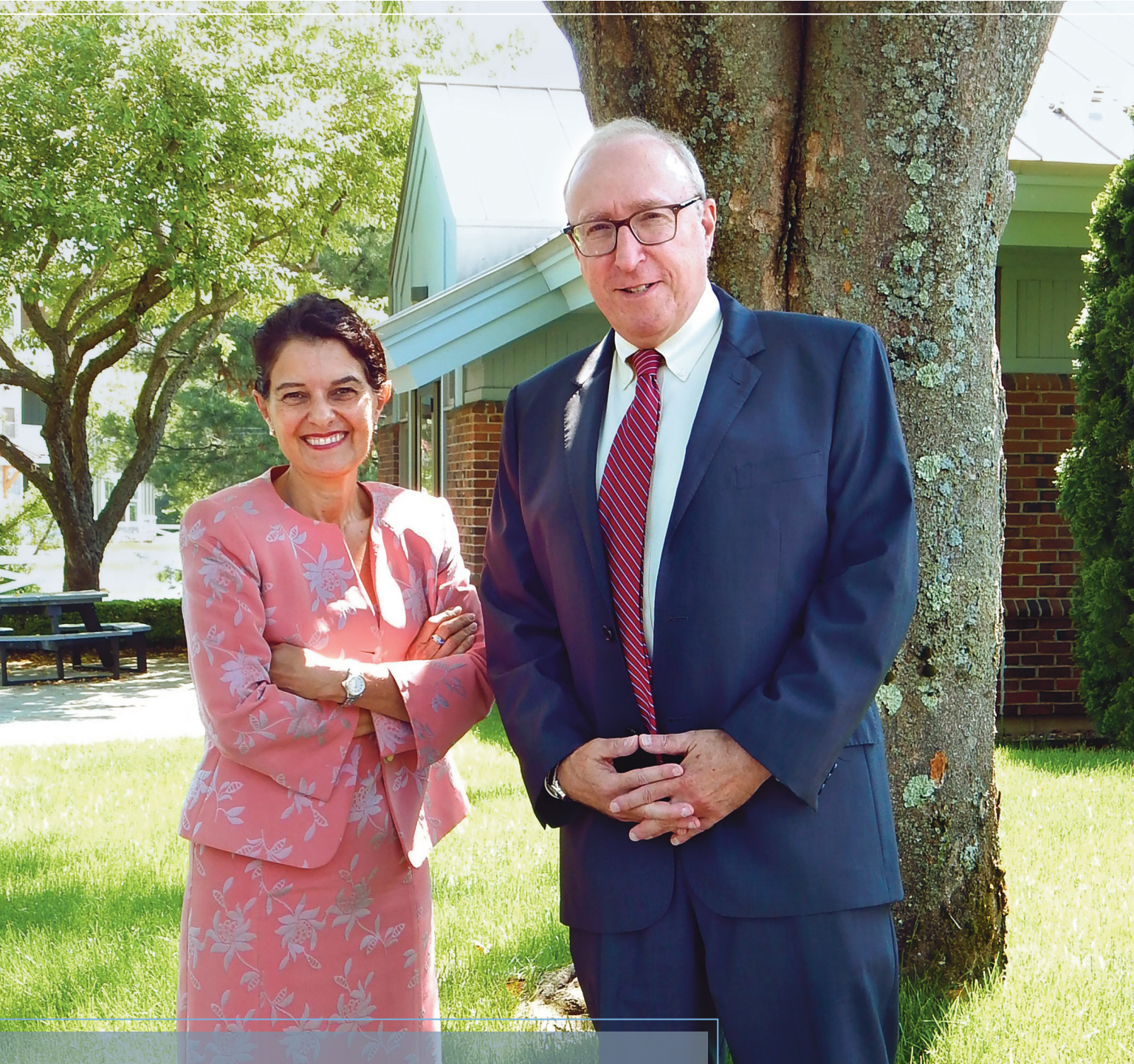
Thames Valley Council for Community Action provides supportive, individualized case management so that low-income families at-risk of being evicted are kept safely in their homes or in temporary housing and helps devise a plan for more permanent housing.

Grow Windham: Youth CORE Community Enterprise Program

This grant supports positive youth development, workforce and career readiness, and local food security programming and resources. Over 20 high school-age participants developed and led “community enterprise” healthy food access projects through a 6-week summer program, fall apprenticeships, and weekly meetings during the school year. Youth participants worked with a wide range of partners to learn about agriculture and food systems while developing leadership, advocacy and community-building skills.



“Character development is a key ingredient to successful learning. High Hopes provides a nurturing environment where the horse-human relationship supports the growth of self-esteem and self-confidence. These traits in turn promote leadership skills.” — Kitty Stalsburg, Executive Director, High Hopes



Professional Advising Leadership

Professional Advisors: Key Partners in Community Leadership

Philanthropically minded people, professional advisors and the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut working together can make a powerful difference in our community. More than half of the \$101.9 million in gifts received by the Community Foundation since its inception have come as the result of bequests or planned gifts from generous people who were guided by the expertise of their professional advisors.

We sat down with one such advisor to talk about his perspective on how people who want to make a difference through a charitable legacy, benefit from partnering with the Community Foundation.

With 35 years of legal trust and estate experience, David Zuckerbraun, Esq., is Vice President and Trust Officer at Essex Trust where he manages estates and trusts, and oversees estate settlements. He has also served as Community Foundation Trustee and on several Board committees including Governance, Investment, Audit, Development and Finance.

Says David, “Most of the clients we serve are predisposed to giving and want to make a difference in their communities. The Community Foundation helps them to define what their legacy will be, and they can be confident that their intent will be carried out in perpetuity by an established, trusted organization that knows the region and regularly assesses its most pressing needs.” He adds that whether people are giving later through a legacy gift or giving now while living, partnering with the Community Foundation has numerous benefits including:

- The opportunity to learn and give together with others to have greater impact
- Access to a wide community knowledge base, resources and advocacy networks
- Tax advantageous giving vehicles
- Permanently endowed funds that can be shaped around interest areas and can flex with evolving community needs now and in perpetuity
- Donor advised funds that allow fundholders to involve future generations

David was a key professional advisor in both of the Community Foundation’s largest legacy gifts in its history: the Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment established in 2013 and the Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins Fund for Birds, Other Animals and Nature established in 2016. Working closely with the donors’ attorneys, he played a significant role in bringing to fruition the vision that these donors had to ensure that domestic pets and wildlife thrive and that habitats, land and waterways would be protected for generations to come.

“Although I did not know Peter Letz personally, I know that he loved animals and cared deeply about the environment. I believe he would be very proud of the many investments his generous legacy gift makes possible in perpetuity.” — David Zuckerbraun

“ My brothers and I set up a fund to honor our parents’ 50th anniversary. They shared a love of classical music and always enjoyed attending the Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra’s ‘Young Artists Competition.’ Now, their legacy will be supporting the Young Artists Competition in perpetuity. They were so pleased with the gift that gives back to the community and ensures support for the performing arts for generations to come. ”

– David Zuckerbraun

Professional advisors often recognize when the Community Foundation is the right match for their clients' charitable intentions. We thank the following advisors for their advice and community service.

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At the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, we are committed to stewarding the funds entrusted to us by our donors to get as many dollars as possible out to the causes, nonprofits and communities they care about.

Our Investment Committee consists of board members and volunteers with extensive institutional investment experience and varied perspectives. With oversight by our Board, they are responsible for developing and implementing our investment policy, recommending investment managers and monitoring our investment performance. The committee works with our investment managers at Brown Brothers Harriman (bbh.com) and Walden Asset Management (waldenassetmgmt.com) to preserve and grow our endowment through prudent investment strategies. Our three-pronged asset-allocation approach centers on growth, risk reduction and inflation protection.

- All of our donors' funds are pooled together and invested in a well-diversified portfolio, which includes large, midsize and small-cap U.S. equities, international equities, real estate, alternatives and fixed-income securities (bonds).
- In 2017 the investment committee recommended to increase our look back period from 3 years to 4 years in determining our spending calculations for grant making. This is intended to level out income fluctuations from market activity and is referred to as income smoothing. This strategic change will help provide more consistent grant dollars year over year.
- Our Walden portfolio continues to apply environmental and animal welfare socially responsible screens, and both portfolios are designed to reduce exposure to tobacco-related products (less than .1%) and fossil fuels (less than .2%). Our portfolios have no direct exposure to gun manufacturers or distributors, and the overall exposure to weapons & defense is approximately 0.03%.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

(net of fees):

2017	15.5%
2016	5.3%
2015	-2.3%
2014	6.2%
2013	16.2%

5-yr Annualized Return 8.0%

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- John Pritchard, Chair
- Sam Childs
- Harry Ferguson
- Nicholas Fortson
- Martha Gibson

The Community Foundation's audit is conducted by Blum Shapiro. The complete financial statements with accompanying footnotes and Form 990 are available on our website and for inspection at our offices. cfect.org/About/Publications

Statement of Financial Position | December 31, 2017 & December 31, 2016

	2017	2016
ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	\$ 78,141,440	\$ 65,470,472
Split-interest agreements	4,674,347	4,091,407
Property and equipment, net	453,240	479,654
Other Assets	45,825	41,454
Total Assets	\$ 83,314,852	\$ 70,082,987
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Grants and Other Payables	\$ 1,258,518	\$ 835,581
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	77,577,607	65,281,245
Temporarily Restricted	381,852	332,905
Permanently Restricted	4,096,875	3,633,256
Total Net Assets	82,056,334	69,247,406
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 83,314,852	\$ 70,082,987

Statement of Activities | December 31, 2017 & December 31, 2016

	2017	2016
REVENUE		
Contributions	\$ 10,865,745	\$ 9,421,565
Investment Gain & Income	9,644,395	3,139,160
Change in value of trusts & split interest agreements	521,892	39,661
Total Revenue	\$ 21,032,032	\$ 12,600,386
EXPENSES		
Grants and Scholarships	\$ 6,695,968	\$ 4,382,127
Other Grant Expenses	511,052	468,400
General & Administrative	720,802	765,042
Investment Fees	283,163	217,627
Total Expenses	\$ 8,210,985	\$ 5,833,196
Increase in Net Assets Before Other Losses	\$ 12,821,047	\$ 6,767,190
Loss on Disposal of Property	12,119	15,673
Increase in Net Assets	12,808,928	6,751,517
Net Assets Beginning of the Year	69,247,406	62,495,889
Net Assets End of the Year	\$ 82,056,334	\$ 69,247,406

People Who Care: In 2017, the generous gifts of more than 1,500 individuals and organizations surpassed \$10 million as a new record of supporting initiatives that matter to them and to the well-being of our region. We are deeply grateful to each and every one of them.

\$1,000,000 +

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Estate of Mary Janvrin

\$500,000 - \$999,999

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 Matthew Barrett
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WINDHAM AREA

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 CLiCK
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 Windham Area Interfaith Ministry
 Windham Regional Community Council

**Women & Girls Fund
 Windham Area—\$22,500**
 The Children’s Law Center of Connecticut
 Covenant Soup Kitchen
 Eastern Connecticut State University
 Girl Scouts of Connecticut
 Horizons
 Perception Programs
 Planned Parenthood of Southern New England
 Stone Acres Therapeutic Riding Center
 Windham Area Interfaith Ministry
 Windham County 4-H Foundation
 Windham Region No Freeze Project

NORWICH AREA

Unrestricted/Sears & Frisbie-Chapman Funds—\$156,817
 Children’s Museum of Southeastern Connecticut
 City of Norwich - Recreation Department
 Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center
 Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra
 High Hopes Therapeutic Riding
 Madonna Place
 New England Science & Sailing (NESS)
 Norwich Public Schools - Extended Learning Summer Program
 Norwich Youth and Family Services
 Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters
 Ocean Community YMCA
 Project Oceanology
 Safe Futures
 Salt Marsh Opera Company
 Sankofa Education and Leadership
 Sea Research Foundation
 Thames River Community Service
 Writer’s Block Ink

Women & Girls Fund
 Norwich Area—\$8,476
 Safe Futures
 St. Vincent de Paul Place

SOUTHEAST AREA

Unrestricted/Let’s Read Fund & Love Our Libraries Fund—\$995,646
 Alliance For Living
 Always Home
 American Red Cross-Connecticut & RI Region
 The Arc of New London County
 Avery-Copp House Museum
 Boys and Girls Club of Southeastern Connecticut
 Catholic Charities
 Center for Hospice Care
 Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut
 Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut
 Community Health Center
 Community Partners in Action (CPA)
 Connecticut Association for Human Services
 Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness

Connecticut Early Childhood Alliance	Natchaug Hospital	United Cerebral Palsy of Eastern Connecticut
Connecticut Humanities Council	New London Adult and Continuing Education	United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Hartford
Connecticut Legal Services	New London Area Food Coalition	United Community & Family Services
Connecticut Science Center	New London Community Meal Center	United Way of Southeastern Connecticut
Connecticut Voices for Children	New London Community Orchestra	Visiting Nurse Association of SECT
The Cove Center for Grieving Children	New London Homeless Hospitality	W.A.R.M. Shelter
Covenant Shelter of New London	New London Maritime Society	Waterford Country School
East Lyme Public Library	New London Youth Affairs	We Work 2
Eastern Connecticut Ballet	Noank Community Support Services	Writer's Block Ink
Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra	Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters	Women & Girls Fund
Eastern Connecticut Workforce Investment Board	OIC of New London	Southeast Area—\$100,800
Eugene O'Neill Theater Center	Operation Fuel	Always Home
Expressions Cultural Center	Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center	The Arc of New London County
Furniture Bank of Southeastern Connecticut	Planned Parenthood of Southern New England	Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School
Garde Arts Center	Pro Bono Partnership	Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich
Governor's Prevention Partnership	Riverfront Children's Center	Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut
Hearing Youth Voices	Safe Futures	City of New London Senior Citizens Center
Higher Edge	Salt Marsh Opera Company	Covenant Shelter of New London
Hygienic Art	Sea Research Foundation	Habitat for Humanity of Eastern CT
Immigration Advocacy & Support Center	The Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries	Martin House
Judy Dworin Performance Project	Sound Community Services	New London Adult and Continuing Education
Lawrence + Memorial Hospital	Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition	New London Youth Affairs
LEARN/Community Coalition for Children	Southeastern Regional Action Council (SERAC)	Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center
LifeFAQs.org	St. Vincent de Paul Place	Planned Parenthood of Southern New England
The Light House Vocational Education Center	STEPS	Safe Futures
Lyman Allyn Art Museum	Thames River Community Service	STEPS
Madonna Place	Thames Valley Council for Community Action	Thames River Community Service
Martin House	Three Rivers Community College	
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Mystic Museum of Art		

Thames Valley Council for
Community Action
Visiting Nurse Association of
Southeastern Connecticut
We Work 2
Writer’s Block Ink

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Animals & the Environment/
People for Animals & Wildlife
(P.A.W.) Fund/Josephine & Gabriel
Sacco Fund for Animals/Jacqueline
& Marc Chadourne Fund**

Environment—\$524,844

Avalonia Land Conservancy
Children’s Museum of
Southeastern Connecticut
Clean Up Sounds and
Harbors (CUSH)
Colchester Land Trust
Connecticut Audubon Society

Connecticut Forest &
Park Association
Connecticut Fund for
the Environment
CT Land Conservation Council
Denison Pequotsepos
Nature Center

FoodCorps
FRESH New London
Mitchell College
The Nature Conservancy
in Connecticut
New England Science &
Sailing (NESS)
Reforest the Tropics
Riverside Park Conservancy
Sea Research Foundation

Animal Welfare—\$50,000

Animal Welfare League of
New London County

Groton Animal Foundation
Horses Healing Humans
Ledyard Citizens Helping Animals
In Need (CHAIN)
Mitchell Farm Equine Retirement
Ocean State Animal Coalition

NORTHEAST AREA

**Women & Girls Fund
Northeast Area—\$10,015**

The Arc Quinebaug Valley
Girl Scouts of Connecticut
Windham County 4-H Foundation
Westcott-Wilcox Elderly
Residential Housing
Interfaith Human Services
of Putnam

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A.J. Muste Memorial Institute
Abilities Without Boundaries
Adirondack Foundation
Albano Ballet Company of America
All Souls Unitarian
Universalist Congregation
Alliance for Cancer Gene Therapy
Allied 100*
Always Home (formerly MASH)
American Civil Liberties Union
(ACLU) Foundation
American Jewish World Service
American Red Cross

Amos Lake Association
Annual Catholic Appeal
Apogee Arts/Alison
Chase-Performance
The Arc of New London County
Armenian General
Benevolent Union
Art for Justice Fund/Rockefeller
Philanthropy Advisors
Arts Cafe Mystic
The Arts Council of Greater
New Haven
Artspace
ArtTable
ArtW Global

Asian Task Force Against Domestic
Violence (ATASK)
Avalonia Land Conservancy
Avery-Copp House Museum
Bates College
Best Buddies International
Bethsaida Community
BLUU- c/o Unitarian
Universalist Association
Boy Scouts of America- CT
Rivers Council
Boys and Girls Club of
Southeastern Connecticut
Buffalo City Mission Society
Care Net Pregnancy
Resource Center

Catholic Charities	Cure Alzheimer's Fund	Girl Scouts of Connecticut, Inc
Center for Hospice Care/ Southeast Connecticut	Daily Bread, Interfaith Human Services of Putnam	Global Giving/Children's Center Programs
Center for Victims of Torture	Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center	Groton Open Space Association
The Center, A Drop-In Learning & Resource Center	Denison Society	The Gund Gallery
charity:water	Detroit Police Athletic League	Habitat for Humanity of Eastern CT
Charles H. Barrows STEM School	Doctors Without Borders USA	Haitian Health Foundation
Chestnut Street Playhouse	Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund	Haymarket People's Fund
Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut	Eastern Connecticut Ballet	Hearing Youth Voices
Children's Museum of Southeastern Connecticut	Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra	Hearts and Hands
City of New London - City Council Beautification Committee	ECSU Foundation	The Hewitt School
Clean Up Sounds and Harbors (CUSH)	Enders Island	High Hopes Therapeutic Riding
Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County	Environmental Defense Fund	Historically Black College Alumni
College of Wooster	Equal Justice Initiative	The Hole in the Wall Gang Fund
Common Cents EMS Supply*	Essex Historical Society	Holy Family Home and Shelter
Communitas	Eugene O'Neill Theater Center	Human Rights First
Communities in Schools	The Farm School	Human Rights Watch
Connecticut Audubon Society	Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation	Hygienic Art
Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness	First Congregational Church of Old Lyme	Immigration Advocacy & Support Center (IASC)
Connecticut Early Music Society	Flock Theatre	Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services (IRIS)
Connecticut Farmland Trust	Florence Griswold Museum	Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication (ISAAC)
Connecticut Forest & Park Association	Food Bank of Western NY	International Festival of Arts & Ideas
Connecticut Fund for the Environment	Foundation for the National Institute of Health	International Rescue Committee (IRC)
Connecticut Landmarks Society	Fractured Atlas/Eyeball It!	I-Park Foundation
Connecticut Public	FRESH New London/TSNE	Ivoryton Playhouse
The Conway School of Landscape Design	Friends of Fort Trumbull	Jewish Federation of Eastern CT
Covenant Shelter of New London	Friends of Harkness Memorial State Park	The Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center
Crosby Fund for Haitian Education	Friends of Music	Kenneth Joyce Foundation
CT Land Conservation Council	Friends of Puerto Rico	Kenyon College
	Garde Arts Center	Kenyon Review
	Gemma E. Moran United Way/ Labor Food Center	Khan Academy

La Grua Center	New Haven Symphony Orchestra	Pine Point School
Lawrence + Memorial Hospital	New London Community Meal Center	Planned Parenthood Federation of America
LEARN	New London County Historical Society	Planned Parenthood of Southern New England
Life Support Systems*	New London Education Foundation	Point Reyes National Seashore Association
Literacy Volunteers of Eastern Connecticut	New London Homeless Hospitality	The Population Council
Los Banos Liberation Memorial Scholarship Foundation	New London Main Street	Prep for Prep
Lyman Allyn Art Museum	New London Maritime Society/U.S. Custom House Museum	Preston City Congregational Church
Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts	New London Youth Affairs	Preston Historical Society
Lyme Ambulance Association	New Roxbury Land Trust	Project Youth Court
Lyme Art Association	Noank Baptist Church	Public Library of New London
Lyme Land Conservation Trust	North Windham School PTO	Re:public Ed
Lyme Public Library	Norwich Public Schools	Read to Grow
Lyme/Old Lyme Education Foundation	NYU Steinhardt	River Gallery School
Lymes' Youth Service Bureau	Ocean Community YMCA	Riverfront Children's Center
MacCurdy-Salisbury Education Foundation	Old Lyme Historical Society	Rumsey Hall School
The Madeira School	Old Lyme Land Trust	Safe Futures
MAP International	Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library	Salt Marsh Opera Company
Martin House	Old Lyme Rowing Association	Save Ocean Beach
The Masters School	Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association	Sexual Health Innovations
Mercy Corps	Opus You in Connecticut	The Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries
Millbrook School	Our Companions Domestic Animal Sanctuary	Sierra Club Foundation
Musical Masterworks	Oxfam America	Silver Hill Hospital
Mystic & Noank Library	P.A.W.S. (Pound Animals Are Worth Saving)	Simply Sharing
Mystic Seaport Museum	Partners in Health	South Killingly Fire Department*
Natchaug Elementary School PTO	Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center	Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition
Natchaug Hospital	Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development	Southern Poverty Law Center
National Jewish Health	PEN American Center	St. James Church
National PERT Consortium	Pfeiffer Center - Threefold Education Center	St. Joseph's Church
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The Nature Conservancy in Connecticut		St. Patrick Cathedral
The Nature Institute		St. Raphael Academy
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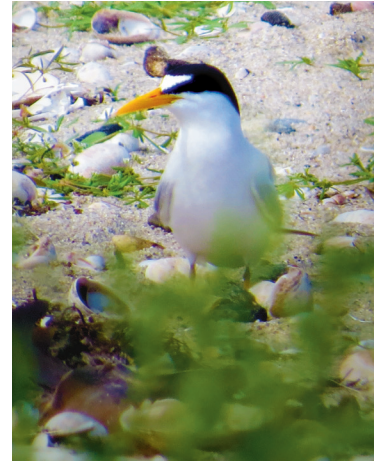
St. Vincent de Paul Place
Start Fresh New London
Stonington Community Center
Stonington Education Fund
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Stonington Historical Society
Stonington Land Trust
Stonington Village Improvement Association
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Sustainable Harvest International
Sweeney Elementary School PTO
Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation
Thames River Community Service
Thames River Heritage Park Foundation
Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group (T.E.E.G.)

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Windham Center School PTO
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