



Kenosha
Community
Foundation

*Bringing people and causes together ...
generation after generation.*

2014

Report to the Community

The Kenosha Community Foundation

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Our Mission:

*Helping people to enhance the present
and insure the future of the Kenosha
Community.*

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A Message from President of the Board and Executive Director

The Kenosha Community Foundation strives to maximize donor tax deductions and benefits and act as a responsible fiduciary in the management and distribution of the funds it receives. We have kept our eye on what's going on in our community and continually strive to connect people with causes in Kenosha to make our county a better place to live.

Since the end of the US Financial Crisis, the assets held by the Community Foundation have grown steadily from \$3.1 million in 2008 to over \$7.25 million in 2014.

In this report we are proud to share with the community **Who** we are, **What** we do, **Where** we give and **How** we operate.

Time changes things, and the needs in our community are no exception. The Foundation can adjust to these changes and ensure that, decades from now, the original spirit and intent of a fund will continue to be honored.

We welcome your feedback.



Robert Schneider
Executive Director



Kenneth Fellman
President, Board of Directors

About the Foundation

Established in 1926, the Kenosha Community Foundation is a community philanthropic organization structured to receive charitable gifts of any size and create endowment funds whose income is used to advance civic, cultural, educational, health, and welfare causes throughout Kenosha County.

As a community foundation, we are a tax-exempt public charity, that manages a group of permanent philanthropic endowment funds. Annually, from these endowment funds, the Kenosha Community Foundation awards grants to not-for-profit organizations for programs that are responsive to community's needs and scholarships to deserving local students.

The Family of Donors at the Kenosha Community Foundation

Named Endowment Funds

The income from these Named Endowment funds may be distributed to charitable organizations at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors.

- Howard Brown Endowment for the Benefit of the Kenosha Community Foundation
- Mary Frost Ashley Endowment
- Enroth Family Fund
- Jessie R. Hopf Endowment
- Ralph & Frances A. Jaeschke Fund
- A. Allan and Isabel M. Jankus Endowment
- Kenosha News Endowment
- Orvis Family Endowment
- The Kathleen Steumke Legacy Fund

Scholarship Funds

The Kenosha Community Foundation manages the endowment funds that award scholarships to deserving area students. Based on selection criteria, usually established by donors, in 2014 the Foundation awarded over thirty scholarships to local students and educational institutions.

- Irene Buri-Nelson Scholarship at St. James Church
- Jesse C. and Ward R. Cropley Scholarship Fund
- Herman and Virginia Gundlach Scholarships
- The Henry A. Link Scholarship Fund
- The Mary Louise Link Scholarship Fund
- A. Allan and Isabel M. Jankus Scholarship Fund
- Mary Lou and Arthur F. Mahone Fund
- Manny Mitka Fund

Field of Interest Funds

The Foundation manages several Field of Interest funds. With these funds, donors instruct the Foundation to contribute all proceeds to charities within a general area of interest, while the Foundation selects the grantees.



The Women's Fund Established by the Foundation in the late 1990s, the fund supports programs and organizations that create opportunities for women and children through direct grant and responsive giving. Since it was established in 1998, the

Women's Fund has distributed over \$50,000 in grants to Kenosha area non-profit groups such as the Kenosha Literacy Council.



OMC Legacy Fund. Established by the former Outboard Marine Corporation (OMC) Foundation.

Grants from this support programs and activities designed to improve the general welfare and enhance the quality of life for youth in the Kenosha community.



The LaFave Family Fund, established by the estate of Susann LaFave, supports programs that further education - particularly by promoting the humanities, the arts, tolerance and communication.



The Kubasiewicz Family Trust. Established in 2013, income from the Trust is distributed as grants to non-profits organizations selected by the Foundation's Women's Fund.

The Kenosha Arts Fund. Grants from this fund support projects that enhance the culture, economy and quality of life in Kenosha and have an impact on the arts and community at large.

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Donor Advised Funds

The Kenosha Community Foundation manages the numerous Donor Advised Funds established by Kenosha area residents. Each fund's donor -individuals and/or businesses - advises the Foundation on the grantee selection and recommends annual award recommendations.

- Balmes Family Fund
- Ben-Ami Chemerow Fund
- Marion Gratz Fund
- Robert Loss Fund
- M & I Corporate Fund
- M & I Officers & Directors Fund
- Gene F. Soens Fund
- Charles Vignieri Fund
- Elden and Ruth Weiss Fund

Organizational Endowment Funds

The Kenosha Community Foundation manages the following Endowments which were established by a donor or group of donors to benefit Kenosha area non-profit and charitable organizations:

- The Verne and Doris Gantzer Funds
- Brookside Care Center Endowment
- Green Ridge Cemetery
- Habitat for Humanity—Kenosha
- Hospice Alliance Foundation
- Kemper Center, Inc.
- Kemper Center Foundation
- Kenosha Area Family and Aging Services, Inc.
- Kenosha Community Youth as Resources
- Kenosha Public Museums
- Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum (KTEC)
- Kenosha Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.
- Library Square School
- Open Wings Learning Center
- Women and Children's Horizon

About the Foundation's Grants Committee

The Grants Committee reviews and recommends to the Board of Directors of the Foundation all grant and scholarship applications. The committee, made up of members of the professional, educational, business and non-profit interests in the community, ensures that the Foundation's grants align with the community's present needs.

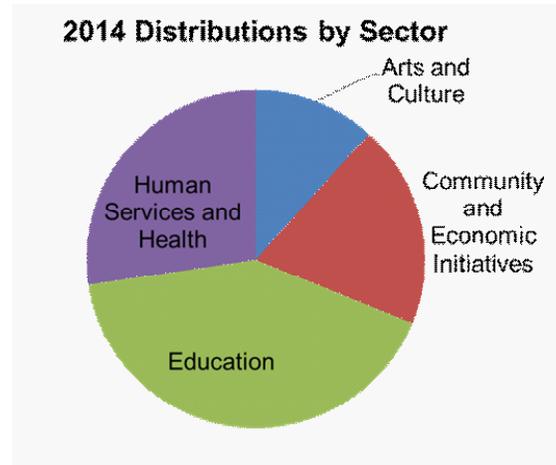
In 2014, the following members of the Kenosha community served on the Grants Committee:

Jane Harrington-Heide, Chair
 Marsha Caporaso
 David Geertsen
 Adelene Greene
 Kristin Guttormsen
 Gordon Hess
 Kris Kochman
 Gina Madrigrano-Friebus
 Timothy Mahone
 John Milisauskas
 Michael Thompson

NOTE: Upon receipt of Grant's Committee's recommendations, the Board of Directors of the Foundation then makes final selection of all grants and scholarships awarded.

Highlights of 2014 Distributions

On the pages that follow, find lists of the non-profit, cultural and educational organizations that received funds (through grant or sponsorship) from the Kenosha Community Foundation in 2014.



*Enhancing Quality of Life
 For Good, For Ever*

Health and Human Services

- AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc
- Aurora Foundation
- BloodCenter Research Center
- Boys and Girls Club of Kenosha
- Children's Service Society of Wisconsin
- Coalition for Dismantling Racism
- D. A. R. E.
- Easter Seals Society
- Kenosha Achievement Center
- Kenosha Area Family and Aging Services, Inc
- Kenosha Visiting Nurse Association
- LGBT Center of S. E. Wisconsin
- National Alliance on Mental Illness
- Quota International of Kenosha-Racine
- Racine Kenosha Community Action Agency
- Ruth Eckerd Hall Foundation
- Salvation Army - Clearwater, Fla
- Shalom Center
- St. Anthony's Church
- St. Monica's Church
- The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society
- The Sharing Center
- United Way of Kenosha County

The Sharing Center



In 2014, the Sharing Center received a grant from the Kenosha Community Foundation's unrestricted funds for its emergency food pantry operations.

"The Sharing Center has been assisting families in Kenosha County for more than 30 years and the Foundation's continuing support of the Center helps families stay healthy, and regain financial independence," says Executive Director Sharon Pomaville. "

One way this is accomplished is through its free food pantry, which distributed nearly 240,000 pounds of nutritious food to those in need living in western Kenosha County in 2014, via an effective and efficient food reclamation program funded by the Foundation."



Community and Economic Development

- Down to Earth Community Gardens - Kenosha Common Markets
- Downtown Kenosha, Inc.
- ELCA Urban Outreach Center
- Goodfellows - Kenosha Christmas Charities
- Kenosha Area Chamber of Commerce
- Kenosha Community Youth as Resources
- Kenosha County Scout Leaders Rescue Squad
- Kenosha Literacy Council
- Kenosha YMCA
- St. Mary's Catholic Church
- Sylvan Abbey Methodist Church
- United Way of Kenosha County – Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
- UW-Parkside - Center for Community Partnerships
- Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation

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Kenosha Literacy Council

In 2014, Kenosha Literacy Council received a grant from the Foundation's Women's Fund for a series of Women in Focus Workshops that provide important health, safety and community information to female students and volunteer tutors of the Kenosha Literacy Council.

"The Women in Focus programs give our students more confidence when dealing with situations in the community. They become more comfortable and confident in working with doctors, teachers, mechanics, banking and other professionals. They find their place in our community" says Dorothy Jansen, a tutor at the Literacy Council. A recent workshop, titled "Safety First" helped participants learn how to keep themselves and their families safe.



Education

- 21st Century Preparatory School
- Alabama State University*
- Art Institute of Wisconsin*
- Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha
- Brass Elementary School PTO
- Cardinal Strich University*
- Carroll University*
- Carthage College*
- Fox Valley Technical College*
- Gateway Technical College*
- Gateway Technical College Foundation
- Girl Scouts of Wisconsin Southeast
- Illinois Institute of Art*
- Kenosha County Association for Home and Community Education
- Lincoln Middle School
- Marantha Baptist University*
- Marian College*
- Marquette University*
- Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences University*
- Minot State University*
- Open Wings Learning Community
- Southern Illinois University*
- St Joseph Catholic Academy*
- Three Harbors Council Scouting
- Tremper High School Band
- UW-LaCrosse*
- UW-Madison*
- UW-Milwaukee*
- UW-Oshkosh*
- UW-Parkside*
- UW Parkside Foundation
- UW-Whitewater*
- Wartburg College*
- Winona State University*

*Includes scholarships to Kenosha area students



In 2014, the Foundation awarded scholarships to over thirty Kenosha area students. Here is an update on two of the recipients.

Seth Kopcynski - a 2014 recipient of the recipient of a Herman and Virginia Gundlach Scholarship

- Name: Seth Kopcynski
- Hometown: Bristol, WI
- 2014 Graduate of Westosha Central High School
- Now attending the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (UWW)
- Majoring in Finance with minor in Economics.

"I plan to be a financial advisor encouraging people to live within their means...I want to help others handle their money wisely whatever amount that may be."



Savannah Campbell – a 2014 recipient of the Mary Lou and Arthur F. Mahone Fund's CEO Scholarship

- Name: Savannah Campbell
- Hometown: Kenosha, WI
- 2014 Graduate of Indian Trail Academy
- Now attending: Southern Illinois University (SIU)
- Major: Nursing

"After my studies, I plan to work in the field of pediatric nursing."

Lemon Street Gallery and ArtSpace



In 2014, the Kenosha Community Foundation's Arts Fund awarded a grant to Lemon Street Gallery to provide Kenosha children lessons in 'en plein air' painting. According to Lemon Street's Executive Director, Beth Dary, "Plein Air", French for 'in the open air' painting offers children the experience of painting the beauty they see in our local park.

Throughout the program they learn color blending, values and composition. When their selected pieces are framed and exhibited in our art gallery, families, friends and the artists themselves take great pride in their accomplishments."



Arts and Culture

- Anderson Arts Center
- Carthage College Theater Program
- Choral Arts Society
- "fresh inc". music festival at UW-Parkside presented by 5th House Ensemble
- Fine Arts at First
- Get Behind the Arts Studio Tour
- Kemper Center, Inc.
- Kenosha Art Association
- Kenosha Community Media
- Kenosha Symphony Association
- Lemon Street Gallery and ArtSpace
- Mayor's Commission on the Arts -Creative Conference
- MGH Harmonia
- UW-Parkside Jazz Week
- WGTD Public Radio



About the Sculpture Walk HarborPark Exhibition

The Kenosha Community Foundation's Arts Fund is excited to present the Sculpture Walk-HarborPark the largest outdoor public art project in Kenosha's history. Intended to be an ever-changing, biennial exhibition, new works in the 2015-2017 Sculpture Walk-HarborPark Exhibition will be installed by September 2015.

Sculpture Walk-HarborPark is funded through donations. The 2013-2015 Exhibition received funding from ABATRON Inc., the Kenosha Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Kloss Charitable Trust, Dr. Clifton and Gladys Peterson, Patricia Petretti, Snap-on Inc., Mary Tunkiecz, Kenosha Community Foundation, ULINE and Arts Fund & Friends.

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Financial Status

2014 Financial Information

The assets held by the Kenosha Community Foundation are actively and prudently managed and invested for optimum return in accordance with a policy formally established by the Board of Directors. The Community Foundation's Finance Committee works with professional investment managers to monitor the performance of these investments against appropriate market indices.

2014 Financial Statements

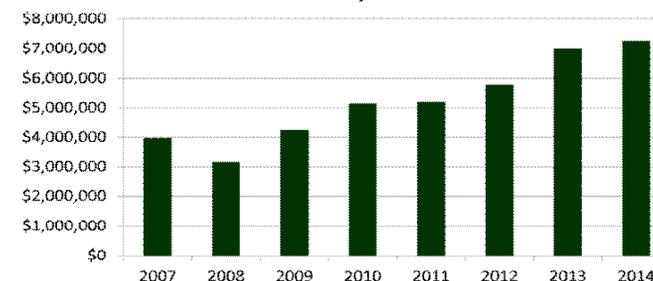
Statements of Financial Position as of December 31, 2013 and 2014

	2013	2014
ASSETS		
Total Current Assets	\$7,000,592	\$7,238,567
Property and Equipment	\$ 2,844	\$ 3,609
TOTAL ASSETS	\$7,003,436	\$7,242,176
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities (includes funds held for other organizations)	\$1,518,243	\$1,545,624
Net Assets (unrestricted, temporarily and permanently restricted)	\$5,485,193	\$5,696,552
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$7,003,436	\$7,242,176

Summary of 2014 Activities

Total Contributions Received in 2014:	\$ 363,605
Total Distributions (Grants, Sponsorships and Scholarships):	\$ 296,514

Total Assets Held by the Foundation



Auditors: Tirabassi, Felland & Clark LLC

Note: This is a summarized financial statement. The complete audited financial statements and copies of the Community Foundation's 990 are available upon request by contacting email@kenoshafoundation.org.



The Kenosha Community Foundation operates in compliance with the National Standards for Community Foundations as set forth by the Council of Foundations.

Why consider the Kenosha Community Foundation as Your Resource for Charitable Giving

The Foundation enables concerned citizens to become a part of the continuing history of philanthropy in the Kenosha community through their gifts. Behind each gift is a story of families, individuals and organizations who have all been enriched by Kenosha and have chosen to make a lasting contribution back to the community. The Foundation helps make this happen through grants to organizations that serve and enrich the community and scholarships to aid local students.

Ways to Give

As a 501(c)(3) public charity, the Foundation offers maximum deductibility for income and estate tax purposes. We accept a wide variety of gifts offering donors maximum tax advantages designed to accommodate the special concerns of donors. Ways you can give include:

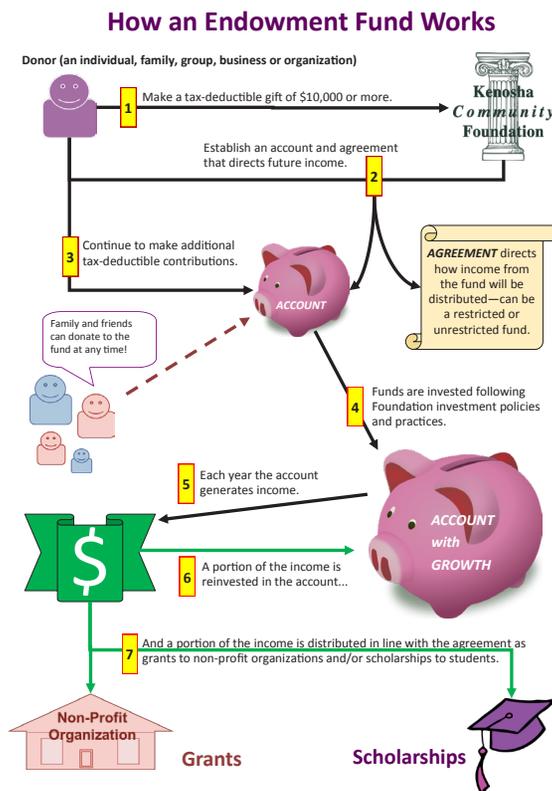
- Create your own fund. When you create a fund, you not only give it a name – you have the opportunity to decide its purpose.
- Contribute to an existing fund. Your gift can either be placed in our unrestricted funds or you may designate your gift to one of the Foundation's existing funds.
- Make a bequest in your will. Perpetuate your charitable work in a living memorial (which may create a reduction in estate taxes).
- Retain income for a charitable gift. Give assets to the Foundation and receive income for life or a specific period of time (which may yield a tax deduction).
- Transfer an existing family foundation. Transferring a family foundation's assets allows the foundation's identity to be retained and allows its members to serve as advisors.

Fund Types

The Kenosha Community Foundation offers individuals, families and organizations looking to establish an endowment fund that continues charitable giving in perpetuity, several endowment fund options:

RESTRICTED NAMED ENDOWMENTS - donors can establish a fund that provides on-going gifts that benefit particular charitable organizations or to promote a certain cause.

UNRESTRICTED NAMED ENDOWMENTS - donors allow the Community Foundation to select who will receive benefits, with the understanding that the Foundation continually examines community needs and addresses those needs with grant awards.



SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS - with this type of endowment, a donor establishes an endowment that provides scholarships for individuals who have met certain academic and/or geographic standards; the fund can also provide scholarship funds to be administered by a specific school.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS - Donor Advised Funds are convenient, flexible tools that donors - individuals, families, businesses and organizations - can use to become personally involved in suggesting grant and scholarship awards made possible from their gifts.

If you have a range of interests and causes, the Funds are an ideal vehicle for fulfilling charitable wishes. You can establish a Fund at the Kenosha Community Foundation and make grant recommendations that you want the Community Foundation to follow now and in the future. The Community Foundation distributes the your gift to the charities and causes you care about.

Donor Advised Funds are typically less costly and easier to administer than other forms of philanthropic giving such as family or corporate foundations. Donors and their friends can add to the Fund at any time receiving a tax deduction with each new donation.

The Fund can be converted into an endowment – all future earnings from the fund can then become a permanent source of capital to be invested in the community in the donor's name forever.

- All funds at the Foundation are exempt from income taxes under IRS section 501(c)(3) and the donor receives a tax benefit the year the fund is established.
- The Foundation handles all administrative work for the Named Endowment Funds, including: preparing/filing required reports to the IRS (example Form 990), monitoring investment performance, and arranging an annual independent audit.

“We strive to provide philanthropic leadership to address the needs of the greater Kenosha area and to enhance its quality of life”.

– Ken Fellman, President of Kenosha Community Foundation Board of Directors



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(for information about Sculpture Walk-HarborPark)

