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No matter if a city in Shawano County is home, you have a lot invested here. You can support your lasting legacy of giving through your fund grows through investment and additional gifts.

The nonprofit projects and organizations your fund receive grants following your tax-deductible gift of cash, securities, real estate or other property. Nonprofit organizations recommend as the fund's beneficiaries.

The “Shawano Area Early Childhood Partnership” is a collaboration between the Shawano Area Community Foundation, Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin, and ThedaCare, with the mission to provide ongoing support to first-time parents with challenging circumstances who may be at risk. The “Parents as Teachers” program provides in-home visits and identifies families who need support in various areas.

Grants totaling $222,000 were awarded during the last year, with one of the most significant grants being a grant to Parent Connection in the amount of $15,000. Other notable grants included a cash grant to the UW-Stout office of Community Engagement totaling $125,000 and Nueske’s Applewood Smoked Meats, SACF was able to fulfill our “Order of the Month” program.

During the last year the funds within the Shawano Area Community Foundation made a significant impact in the local community.

This year we held our 3rd annual Harvest Moon Soirée at Camp Tekakwitha. We are very grateful for the generous sponsors and attendees who come to enjoy the festivities to raise significant dollars for SACF in order to support people and organizations throughout the Community Foundation.

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Chairperson's Message

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Legacy means many different things to different people. The one continuous thread is passion. Most people want to be remembered in a way that aligns with their own passions. As the chairman of the Shawano Area Community Foundation (SACF), it has been my privilege to bear witness to financial gifts many make to others, even when the “other” is someone they haven’t met, or, who hasn’t even been born yet.

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During the last year the funds within the Shawano Area Community Foundation made grants totaling $222,000. One of my favorite grants in the last year involved the opportunity to directly affect young families and children at risk in Shawano County. The "Shawano Area Early Childhood Partnership" is a collaboration between Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin and ThedaCare, with the mission to identify first-time parents with challenging circumstances who may be at risk. The "Parents as Teachers!" program provides in-home visits on an ongoing basis as needed until the situation is stable and the parents can provide a nurturing environment for their child. Because of the generosity of Soirée attendees and our major sponsors, Charlie’s County Market and Nueske’s Applewood Smoked Meats, SACF was able to fulfill a grant to Parent Connection in the amount of $15,000!

Legacy is something you can build on. It may start with a small thought or passion, it may or may not be monetary, but it will always result in an outcome far exceeding your original plan. We would like to help you define and build your legacy. The Shawano Area Community Fund is here to help when you are ready! What’s your passion?

Jon Meyers
Chair

Fiscal Year 2019 at a Glance

Year ending June 30, 2019

Grants Awarded: $308,764
Contributions Received: $183,591
Charitable Funds Under Administration: 86
Assets: $8,588,692
Giving through the Community Foundation STARTS WITH YOU.

Himebaugh Legacy Circle Members
No matter if a city in Shawano County is your hometown, or the place you now call home, you have a lot invested here. You can help ensure the viability of the Shawano area for future generations by including your community in your legacy. Become a member of the Himebaugh Legacy Circle by naming the Shawano Area Community Foundation as the beneficiary of any estate planning tool, including your:
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Contact us at 715-280-1110 to discuss how you can create a legacy.

Why give through YOUR Community Foundation?

LOCAL EXPERTISE
- Knowledge of nonprofits and community needs
- Board members engaged in the community
- Helpful professional staff

PERSONAL SERVICE
- Plan effective giving
- Manage investments prudently
- Simplified grantmaking
- Connect with nonprofit needs

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
- Invest in the community
- Promote giving
- Strengthen nonprofits
Scholarships make a difference in students’ lives

In Shawano County, many high school students have the qualifications - and a genuine desire - to attend college or a technical education program but may not have the means. Shawano Area Community Foundation and our generous donors are changing this. Hundreds of local students have attended and graduated college and technical programs thanks to the deep generosity of our donors. Assisting as many students as possible to achieve their dream of earning a degree is fundamental to the vision for helping make a difference in the lives of others.

In fiscal year 2019, SACF awarded $200,725 in scholarships from 24 funds benefiting 58 students. Scholarships are available based on a variety of factors: community engagement; academic achievement; financial need; athletic participation; field of study; and many more. Several are memorials, which celebrate the life and passions of individuals. Establishing a scholarship to support the students in your community is an easy process.

Scholarships are available annually to students from Shawano County high schools, and applications are due March 1. Go to cffoxvalley.org/scholarships to learn more.

Bridge the Gap for Autism

For families who have loved ones with autism, an autism spectrum disorder or other exceptional needs, it may seem overwhelming to know where to turn to for financial support and education. Bridge the Gap for Autism, a nonprofit organization located in Shawano, offers an array of programs and services to help.

The Shawano Area Fund provided a $4,000 grant to support one such program, the Teen and Young Adult Mentoring Program, which serves individuals ages 13–25 on the autism spectrum. This mentoring program included community outreach experiences to build confidence, self-esteem and self-sufficiency on their journey to adulthood.

The impact of the program is evident with 100% of the mentees (or the mentees’ family) indicating that the participants’ self-esteem increased through their involvement.

One young teen’s story demonstrates how she thrived thanks to this program. This teen came to Bridge the Gap very shy and dependent on her parents for many of her social tasks. After participating in the social mentoring outings in Shawano’s community, this young lady flourished. She is now able to build and maintain friendships, order for herself at restaurants, actively engage in social settings and she even danced with friends at the end-of-year party at Bridge the Gap. Her parents shared that without this program, these things would not have been possible for their daughter a year ago.
These funds, created by individuals, families, businesses and organizations, generate grants to nonprofit organizations that are making a difference in people’s lives.

- Gal and Jan Bartz Family Fund
- Baumann Memorial Automotive Scholarship
- Jacob Bergbaken Humanitarian Scholarship
- Bonduel Area Community Fund
- Bonduel Community and Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Dr. Frederick A. & Margaret A. Brei Shawano Fund
- Gal and June Brockman Family Fund
- Robert A. Brunner Hospice Fund
- Pat and Ruth Crawford Family Fund
- Sam and Wendy Crawford Fund
- The Katie Culhane Memorial Fund
- Kenneth C. and Lorraine M. Dittman Gillett Scholarship Fund
- Kenneth C. and Lorraine M. Dittman Suring Scholarship Fund
- Albert & Alyce Druckrey Memorial Fund
- Dale Druckrey Fund
- Marie Fiehl Dussling & B. P. Dussling Scholarship Fund
- Feivor Family Fund
- Friends of Hospice Fund
- Bradley David Gage Fund
- David W. Gage Family Fund
- Shana Jane Gage Fund
- John and Peg Gallagher Family Fund
- Dr. Robert W. Gansen Fund
- Joseph Gellings Charitable Fund
- Goodwill NCW Shawano Endowment Fund
- Gresham Scholarship Fund
- Dr. William W. Grover Bonduel Emergency Medical Services Fund
- Grover-Stuff Bonduel Scholarship Fund
- Curtis Grunewald Rotary Scholarship Fund
- Doris and Ivan Hanson Memorial Fund for Wittenberg
- Anita Hartman and Lois Kruse Fund
- Anita M. Hartman Charitable Fund
- The Dan and Diane Hartwig Future Fund
- Drew A. Hegner Memorial Staff Scholarship Fund
- Elizabeth and Walter Hein Scholarship Fund
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- Curt & Martha Knode Shawano Fund
- Douglas Knode Memorial Fund
- Matty’s Fund
- M.J. and Marilyn McBride Fund
- McCormick Murphy Domestic Abuse Fund
- Sherry Gage McNally Fund
- Donald L. Moede Memorial Scholarship Fund
- John A. Moede Scholarship Fund
- Navarino Nature Center Endowment Fund
- Richard Newcomb & Janice Schreiber-Newcomb Charitable Fund
- Richard Newcomb & Janice Schreiber-Newcomb Education Fund
- Donald & Marion Nemetz Fund
- Northbranch Methodist Scholarship Fund
- Carmen Maria Owens Fund
- Tony and Betty Piantek Family Fund
- Fred Ponschok Family Educational Endowment Fund
- James L. Popp Scholarship Fund
- Dean D. Proper Scholarship Fund
- Todd and Mary Raether Fund
- Larry and Debbie Rose Advised Fund
- Herb Ryrcraft Volunteer Award Fund
- Safe Haven Endowment Fund
- Linda M. Savides Memorial Fund
- Robert & Barbara Schmidt Family Fund
- Ruben and Clara Schmidt Memorial Fund
- Ralph and Helene Schroeder Scholarship Fund
- Ralph and Helene Schroeder Tigerton Community Fund
- Shawano Area Fund
- Shawano County Historical Society Fund
- Shawano School District Grants for Excellence Fund
- Megan Short Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Sikora Family Memorial Fund
- Pearl Smith Future Teachers Scholarship Fund
- Pearl Smith St. Martin Catholic Church Fund
- Augie and Lil Spitzberger Fund
- Strayer Family Fund
- Strayer Family Scholarship Fund
- Lon and Ellen Swedenburg Family Charitable Fund
- Lon and Ellen Swedenberg Landmark Conservancy Fund
- Lon and Ellen Swedenberg Northeast Wisconsin Land Trust Fund
- Thomas W. Thatcher Fund
- Robert & Mary Thimke Humane Society Fund
- Allan Waechtl Scholarship Fund
- Weber-Tingley-Klein Scholarship Fund
- Bobbie Wendt-Machek Memorial Scholarship Fund
- WOW Fund
- Zachow Historic Fund
- Zernicke-Wegner Post 217 American Legion Scholarship Fund

Are you interested in starting a fund to benefit your favorite nonprofit organizations or charitable cause for generations to come? Contact our partner, the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region at 715-280-1110 or shawano@ccfoxvalley.org.

**Donors**

Thank you to those who made generous contributions to Shawano Area Community Foundation Family of Funds totaling $183,591 in fiscal year 2019.

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- Allen and Diane Volkens
- David and Sallie Waller
- Wisconsin Public Service Foundation
Grants totaling $38,700 were awarded from the Shawano Area Fund to 12 charitable organizations serving people in Shawano County. The Shawano Area Fund is an endowment fund that accepts donations of any amount to be used to provide annual grants. The Shawano Area Community Foundation’s volunteer grants committee selects grant recipients through a competitive application process each fall. The grant dollars come from the endowment fund and proceeds from annual Shawano Area Community Foundation events.

**Boys & Girls Club of Shawano** – $2,500 to provide working parents a low-cost, safe and constructive after-school care option concurrent with the Shawano School District’s 5-week summer school program.

**Bridge the Gap, Inc.** – $4,000 to support a summer mentoring program for individuals ages 13–25 on the Autism spectrum, including community outreach experiences, to build confidence, self-esteem and self-sufficiency on their journey to adulthood.

**Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin** – $15,000 to bring together Shawano area stakeholders to collaborate on Early Childhood initiatives and to hire staff to deliver home visitation and education services to the most at-risk, vulnerable families.

**First Presbyterian Church** – $1,900 to provide financial assistance to families who find it difficult to pay the full cost of the Kids Klub daycare program fees.

**Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes, Inc.** – $2,500 to enhance the Girl Scout Leadership Experience Outdoor and STEM program offerings, and provide financial assistance to serve over 250 girls in the Shawano area.

**Junior Achievement of Wisconsin – Wolf River Region District** – $2,500 to support ongoing Junior Achievement programming for K-12 students in participating Shawano and Menominee County schools for the 2018-19 school year.

**Lutheran Counseling & Family Services of Wisconsin** – $3,000 to support mental health and/or addiction counseling sessions for Shawano clients who are unable to pay their full costs.

**Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Wisconsin** – $2,000 to sponsor a guest room for two months for Shawano County families at the Ronald McDonald House while they receive treatment at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

**Shawano Area Matthew 25** – $3,000 to provide a new computer, monitor, Microsoft license, copier and copier supplies so that shelter residents can continue their employment, housing and resource searches.

**Tigerton School District** – $2,300 to provide supplies and equipment to help establish the Tigerton Coop, a chicken coop on the grounds of the Tigerton School District that will offer hands-on learning to children of all ages and produce fresh eggs to be used in the cafeteria.

### Grant Recipients

In fiscal year 2019, grants awarded from the Shawano Area Community Foundation’s charitable funds totaled $308,764. The following non-profit organizations located locally and beyond received grants.

- Arctic Barnabas Ministries
- Autism Society of the Fox Valley, Inc.
- Bellin College, Inc.
- Bethlehem College and Seminary
- Bethel Area Emergency Medical Services, Inc.
- Bonduel Community Archives
- Bridge the Gap, Inc.
- Butler University
- Children’s Cancer Family Foundation of Northeast Wisconsin
- Christian Alliance for Indian Child Welfare
- Citizens Equal Rights Foundation
- College of Saint Rose
- Columbia University
- Concordia University Wisconsin
- Covenant Life Presbyterian Church
- Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch
- Desiring God Ministries
- Edgewood College
- Ethnos360
- Families of Children with Cancer, Inc.
- FC Environmental Learning Campus/Bubolz Nature Preserve
- Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin – Fox Valley
- Fox Cities Performing Arts Center
- Fox Valley Technical College
- Fox Valley Technical College Foundation, Inc.
- Friends of Shawano County Libraries, Inc.
- Friends of Wisconsin Public Television, Inc.
- Gold in September
- Gordon Bubolz Nature Preserve
- Greater Fox Cities Area Habitat for Humanity
- Green Bay Area Public School District
- Gresham Advancement Association
- Gresham Scholarship Fund, Inc.
- Hamline University
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- Junior Achievement of Wisconsin – Wolf River Region District
- Leadership Shawano County
- LEAVENT, Inc.
- Lutheran Counseling & Family Services of Wisconsin
- Marquette University
- Milwaukee Area Technical College
- Milwaukee School of Engineering
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- Navarino Nature Center
- Northeast Wisconsin Land Trust
- Northeast Wisconsin Technical College
- Red River Riders Therapeutic Horseriding for Disabled
- Ripon College
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Wisconsin
- Rotary Foundation of Rotary International
- Sacred Heart Catholic Church
- Safe Haven Domestic Abuse Support Center
- Shawano Area Food Pantry and Resource Center
- Shawano Area Matthew 25
- Shawano Chamber Foundation
- Shawano City-County Library
- Shawano Community High School
- Shawano County Arts Council
- Shawano County Historical Society
- Shawano County Humane Society
- Shawano Pathways Organization for Kids, Environment & Safety
- Shawano School District
- Shawano Ski Sharks, Inc.
- Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
- Solbon International, Inc.
- St. James Lutheran Church of Shawano
- St. James Lutheran School
- St. Martin of Tours Parish
- St. Norbert College
- The Helping Foundation
- ThedaCare Family of Foundations, Inc.
- Tigerton Main Street
- Tigerton School District
- University of Arkansas
- University of Minnesota – Twin Cities
- University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
- University of Wisconsin – Green Bay
- University of Wisconsin – Madison
- University of Wisconsin – Marathon County
- University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
- University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh
- University of Wisconsin – Platteville
- University of Wisconsin – River Falls
- University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point
- University of Wisconsin – Superior
- University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
- UW School of Medicine and Public Health
- Village of Bonduel
- Village of Tigerton
- Vilas County University
- Walls of Wittenberg, Inc.
- Winona State University
- Wisconsin Lions Foundation
- Wisconsin Public Radio Association, Inc.
- Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association Incorporated
- Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District
- Wolf River Habitat for Humanity
- YMCA of the Fox Cities
- Young Life Arrowhead
- Youth With A Mission
- Zion Lutheran Church
Chicken coop teaches about animals, healthy food choices, sustainability

Tigerton school district hatched a unique idea to give their students an interactive, hands-on learning opportunity. They created the Tigerton Coop, a chicken coop project to involve students and the community. The Shawano Area Fund and the Ralph and Helene Schroeder Tigerton Community Fund provided grants totaling $2,500 to support the project.

Library assistant and Tigerton Coop founder, Kerri Giese shared, “Being a smaller school district with high needs, we feel this project will expand our students’ and community members’ knowledge about animals, where their food comes from, healthy food choices and sustainability. We want to give them all the knowledge we can provide with fun ways to teach it.”

The Tigerton Coop has been incorporated into many curriculums throughout the Tigerton School District. Students are involved from the beginning with classroom egg incubators to hatch chicks to designing and building the chicken coop and caring for them. The eggs are even used in the cafeteria for farm-to-school menu options!

This project also connects to the community. A special dedicated chicken book section is in the works at both the school and public library. In the summer, the Tigerton Branch Library launched the “Read to a Chicken” program that allows kids to build their confidence and reading skills by reading to some of the chickens.

Sustainability is also a big part of the Tigerton Coop. Scrap food from school meals are used to feed the chickens, and the chicken compost will be used for the school’s garden. Future plans are in place for an extension to the run, a rain barrel and steps to the coop.

Shawano County vulnerable families receive support

Shawano County’s most vulnerable families are receiving in-home visits, mentoring support and access to services, thanks to grants from the Shawano Area Community Foundation and other funds within the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region. Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin’s Shawano Area Early Childhood Partnership project received $238,523 in grants for young families in Shawano County. Reaching children with adversities at a young age is important and early intervention will lead to a better childhood and better outcome in life.

Collaborators include ThedaCare, Family and Childcare Resources of Northeast Wisconsin, and Shawano County Department of Human Services. In addition to the lead grant from SACF, grant contributors include Mielke Family Foundation, the Bright Idea Fund, and Basic Needs Giving Partnership, supported by the U.S. Venture Fund for Basic Needs, the J.J. Keller Foundation, Inc., and other community partners.