The Lehigh Valley Community Foundation is the Lehigh Valley’s philanthropy hub – we know and navigate the landscape of community needs to connect people who care to causes that matter.
Annual Letter
A message from the President & CEO of the Foundation and the Chair of the Board of Governors.

L. Charles & Ruth H. Marcon Fund
Hear from our donors and the causes that matter to them.

Da Vinci Science Center
Learn about their STEM Mentoring program.
A Community Foundation’s primary philanthropic mission is to “connect people who care with causes that matter,” and the Board and staff of the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation work tirelessly to make these critical connections. By connecting generous and caring individuals to important community organizations, our efforts have a deep and lasting impact on the quality of life in the community.

Helping to bring these connections into focus has had an important impact on our grantmaking. With the emergence of three primary grantmaking platforms, we have strengthened connections with our Philanthropic Partners, expanded the number and size of One-Time Community Grants, and introduced our new Multi-Year Impact Grants.

Our primary grantmaking platform, our Philanthropic Partner Grants, is comprised of partnerships with individuals, corporations, families, and others who have established charitable funds at the Community Foundation. Major strides have been taken to keep these partners informed and engaged. Grantmaking from these partner funds has eclipsed $2 million.

One-Time Community Grants were made to support an extremely diverse range of community initiatives. Grantmaking from this area extended to over 60 organizations across the Lehigh Valley and beyond.

Multi-Year Impact Grants have made a tremendous difference in our ability to support and encourage collaborative efforts and to fill in any perceived community gaps. During our second year of Multi-Year Impact grantmaking, we approved a $100,000 grant to support an important S.T.E.M. mentoring program under the leadership of the Da Vinci Science Center and a $50,000 grant to support the amazing FREDDY Awards of the State Theatre Center for the Arts.

We would like to thank you for your continued support of philanthropy in our community, and we invite you to help us connect those who care with the causes that matter most!
Types of Funds

Area-of-Interest Funds: Choosing a Cause
An area-of-interest fund supports programs & initiatives that tackle issues of your choosing, such as the environment, camperships, or no-kill animal shelters.

A **donor-defined** area-of-interest fund distributes grants based on the recommendations of a community committee that oversees a specific initiative.

A **discretionary** area-of-interest fund distributes grants based on LVCF’s own community research to identify worthy charitable programs in the specified area-of-interest.

Community Partnership Funds: Meeting the Region’s Changing Needs
Community Partnership Funds make sure the needs of tomorrow’s Lehigh Valley are met. Donors rely on the deep community knowledge & experience of the Community Foundation to support the effective work of nonprofits throughout the region, forever.

Designated Funds: Defining Your Giving
Name specific nonprofits to receive grants, and we will make those grants over time. Should circumstances significantly change, our board can put the money to use for other similar charitable work. Giving parameters are set at the time the fund is established, so your giving is on auto-pilot. It is the most common way to preserve your charitable legacy.

Donor-Advised Funds: Remaining Deeply Involved in Your Giving
You recommend a grant, we do the paperwork and due diligence. We offer personalized service and deep community knowledge – a true partner in philanthropy.

Grow-A-Funds: Working Towards the Future
The purpose of a Grow-A-Fund is exactly that – to provide an option to “grow” a fund over time until it meets the minimum fund value required to establish a permanent fund at the Community Foundation.

Organizational Funds: Focusing on the Nonprofit Mission
Establishing an organizational fund allows a nonprofit to focus on its mission while benefitting from the operational efficiencies, oversight and visibility that LVCF offers.

Scholarship & Award Funds: Furthering Education
These funds allow donors to invest in the future by helping deserving students pursue higher education.

Unrestricted Funds: Supporting Your Community Endowment
The flexibility of unrestricted giving enables the Community Foundation to respond to the community’s most pressing needs, including its own operations, today and tomorrow.
CHARITABLE FUNDS

The Community Foundation is home to 192 charitable funds.

**Area of Interest Funds**

**Donor-Defined Area of Interest**

City of Bethlehem Celebration Fund
Downtown Allentown Community Development Initiative Fund
Every 15 Minutes Fund

**Community Area of Interest**

Frances L. Barnard Fund for Children
Richard E. Gasser Fund
Lehigh River Fund
Lehigh Valley Leader in Me Fund
Erwin J. & Gertrude K. Neusch Fund
Outdoor Recreation Fund for Youth

Lehigh County Medical Society Education Fund
Lehigh Valley Synergy Fund
Saucon Sanctuary Fund
Robert D. & Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril Campership Fund
Margaret Haas Rotunno Memorial Fund for Local No Kill Shelters
William C. Rybak Fund for People with Disabilities
Leonard A. Wenzel Memorial Fund for South Bethlehem
Gene & Joan Witiak Fund
Community Partnership Funds for Discretionary Grantmaking

- 250th Book Fund
- E. Spencer & Nellie C. Addison Fund
- Margaret Ann Bachert Fund
- Randy H. & Ramona A. Bruch Fund
- Community Fund for Arts, Culture & Heritage
- Community Fund for Education
- Community Fund for Environment & Science
- Community Fund for Health Care
- Community Fund for Human Services
- Community Partnership Fund
- Daniel Holben Fund
- Lucille F. Driver Fund
- Donald & Alice Farquharson Fund
- Ben Franklin Trust Fund
- Fund for Community Development
- Eugene G. Grace, Jr. Fund
- Greene Family Fund
- Deborah S. Haight Fund
- Betsy & Jack Jordan Fund
- Martina M. Malone Fund
- Pine Fund In Memory of Mildred Beck Pine
- Anthony J. Ruggiero Fund
- Michael C. Schrader Fund

Donor-Advised Funds

- Alan & Marsha Abraham Fund
- Arbor Insurance Group Community Fund
- Arbor Insurance Group Foundation Fund
- Barnette Fund
- Walter & Alma Bastian Fund
- Bethlehem Rotary Club Fund
- Eric B. & Denise M. Blew Fund
- Borda Family Fund
- Geoff & Wenda Boyer Fund
- Building Fund
- Burdette Family Fund
- Michael J. & Sandra R. Caruso Fund
- Mike Caruso Fund
- Client 1st Foundation Fund
- Barbara & Maxwell Davison Fund
- Douglass Bressner Fund
- Grace Kathryn & Jeffrey P. Feather Fund
- W. Beall & Marlene O. Fowler Fund

Seven new funds established in 2014-2015 were Donor-Advised Funds, one of the most popular vehicles for charitable giving.
Donor-Advised Funds continued

Jean & Paul Franz Fund
Dolly Haltzman Foundation for the Arts Fund
Herr Fund
Ray & Donna Holton Charitable Fund
Kressler, Wolff & Miller Fund
Sylvia Fenstermacher Lawler Foundation for the Arts Fund
Lehigh County Lawyers' Charitable Fund
Lehigh Valley Coalition for Kids Fund
Lehigh Valley Helping Hand Fund
Robert H. & Jean C. Littner Fund
Lötter Family Fund
MAK Fund
John F. & Jane H. Malloy Fund
L. Charles & Ruth H. Marcon Fund
Dr. Richard D. Martin Memorial Fund
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Ronald R. Perin Fund
Angela René Pessina Foundation Fund
Matthew & Erika Petrozelli Fund
Pharo Family Fund
Louise Moore Pine & Roswell Dean Pine Fund
Prometheus Fund
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Albert M. Reed Fund
J.B. & Kathleen Reilly Fund
St. Luke's Hospital Medical Staff Fund
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Star Foundation Fund
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Glenn M. Taggart Memorial Fund
Jack & Ann Follett-Terres Fund For Compassionate Care
Donald H. & Mary R. Trautlein Fund
Two Tunics Fund
Wombat Fund
Ilene & Robert Wood Striving To Make A Difference Fund
Betty & Scotty Wood Memorial Fund
Stella C. Yee Memorial Fund
James & Naomi Yergey Fund
Ryan J. Zawada Memorial Fund
Ten new charitable funds were established in the month of December 2014.

Donor Designated Funds

William B. & Elizabeth Behr Agocs Geophysical Research Fund
American Red Cross-Lehigh Valley Chapter Fund
Clayton W. & Helen H. Bernhardt/V.J. Pazzetti, Jr. Fund
Benjamin C. Boylston-Kemerer Museum Fund
Benjamin C. & Eleanor A. Boylston Fund for the Lehigh Valley Chapter, American Red Cross
H. Bridges & Lucile P. Boylston Fund
Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem Restricted Endowment #1 Fund
Camp Compass Fund
Patrick J. & Christine Connell Fund
Marjorie S. & Joseph E. Correll Fund
Daniel-Holben Designated Fund
Leonard R. Dimmick Fund for Burnside Plantation
Equi-librium Therapeutic Horsemanship Fund
Fowler Family Fund
Joseph R. Gagnier Memorial Fund
Marion Brown Grace Memorial Fund
Luther J. Hottle Fund
Nancy S. & Charles E. Keenan Endowment Fund
Kenneth & Elizabeth Kressler Fund
Deborah A. Libricz Memorial Fund
Magee Family Fund
Charles & Ruth Marcon United Way Fund
Mary & Jack McNairy Fund
Dr. Russell E. Morgan, Sr. Fund
Raymond-Cryder Designated Fund
Safe Start Fund
Salesian Center Fund
Arthur E. Schaeffer Trust Fund
Shoemaker-Bond Home Association, Inc. Fund
Theatre Organ Arts Fund
Thun Fund
George T. Walker Charitable Fund
Yergey Fund for Muhlenberg College
Warren W. York Fund To Benefit the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley
### Grow-A-Funds

- Dr. Charles L. Best Fund
- Calabrese-Collina Wedding Celebration Fund
- Andrew Rabbat Memorial Music Scholarship Fund
- Anthony Severo Memorial Grow-A-Fund
- WDIY Grow-A-Fund

### Organizational Funds

- Bach Choir of Bethlehem Funds:
  - General Endowment
  - Charles & Louise Hoffman Fund for the Bach Choir of Bethlehem
- Bethlehem AAUW Fund
- Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem Fund
- Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem Restricted Endowment #2 Fund
- Burnside Plantation Fund
- Junior League of the Lehigh Valley Agency Endowment Fund
- Latino Leadership Alliance Scholarship Fund
- Lehigh Valley Child Care Endowment Fund
- Hunter Meckes Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Endowment Fund of Meals On Wheels of Lehigh County, Inc.
- New Bethany Ministries Endowment Funds:
  - General Endowment
  - Robinson Fund
  - New Bethany Ministries Organizational Fund
  - David Rabaut United Way Fund for Neighborhoods
  - ShareCare Fund
- United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley Funds:
  - General Endowment
  - Thun Fund

### Scholarship/Awards Funds

- Elizabeth Behr Agocs Scholarship Fund
- Ann C. Bernard Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Bethlehem Educational Scholastic Trust (B.E.S.T.) Fund
- Bethlehem & Morning Star Rotary Clubs Scholarship Fund in Remembrance of Stephen P. Godbolt
- Debra "Frau" Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Reverend Douglas Caldwell Fund for Nursing Excellence
- Truman L. Frey, Jr. Scholarship Fund
- Stephanie Olexa & Seth Weber Scholarship Fund
- Miss Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund
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The Lehigh Valley Synergy Fund is a partnership between LVCF and the United Way with the goal of supporting nonprofit collaboration.
Welcome

NEW FUNDS OF 2014 - 2015

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Douglass Bressner Fund
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James & Naomi Yergey Fund
Yergey Fund for Muhlenberg College

15 New Funds!
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Esperanza for Bethlehem

The grant supported Esperanza’s music classes and homework club in the south side of Bethlehem. The homework club tutors over twenty children daily and provides a healthy evening meal.

Levitt Pavilion at SteelStacks

Along with a donation from the Community Foundation, the Fund co-sponsored a free outdoor concert by the Brooklyn Bridge.

Delaware Valley University

At the request of the current donor advisor, Bernie Story, LVCF CEO, went on-site to learn first-hand about the University’s “Acre of Hope” program. The program donates the land’s harvest to two local food banks to help feed the area’s hungry. Bernie reported his findings back to the donor advisor, which helped determine whether a grant should be made and for how much.

2014-2015 GRANTS FROM THE FUND

**DONOR: THE PHARO FAMILY**

The Lehigh Valley Community Foundation can provide a permanent home for family foundations when family members no longer wish to be occupied with the costs or administration of their foundations.

**A FAMILY TRADITION OF GIVING:**

In the mid-twentieth century, J. Donald Pharo and his wife Margaret, began to make charitable gifts that reflected their core commitments to family, church, and community. The Pharos’ sons – Donald, John, Richard, and Bob – embodied and extended their parents’ belief in service to others and giving and sharing their good fortune. In 1974, the Pharo brothers established a charitable family foundation with the proceeds of the sale of 40 acres of Pharo-owned land to Hanover Township for the Township’s park and municipal building.

**CONVERTING THE FOUNDATION:**

“My brother John had passed on,” recalls Donald Pharo, pictured above, “my brother Richard was not in the area, and my brother Bob was not in good health. It simply made sense to convert the Pharo family foundation into a permanent fund at the Community Foundation so that the family name could live on and our charitable intentions could be met long after we were all gone.”

**PROFILE IN PHILANTHROPY: Pharo Family Fund**

**TYPE OF FUND:** Donor-Advised
The Community Foundation received almost $2.9 million in gifts!

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Two-thirds of the total gifts were made into donor-advised funds.

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PROFILE IN PHILANTHROPY: L. Charles & Ruth H. Marcon Fund

TYPE OF FUND: Donor-Advised

DONORS: RUTH & CHARLES MARCON
As an LVCF board member, Charlie has had the opportunity to learn about needs in the community and how to meet those needs. “The Foundation has an important mission. If you want to give to the community, the Foundation gives you a great way to do it.”

ON COMMUNITY:
“The Lehigh Valley is home,” says Charlie. “Ruth and I grew up here.” Ruth grew up in Allentown and is a graduate of Dieruff High School and Penn State University. Charlie grew up in Bethlehem and is a graduate Liberty High School and Davidson College. “Our roots are here,” agrees Ruth, “and our roots go deep. The Lehigh valley has been a wonderful place to raise a family. There are many opportunities for enjoying life here and here is where we will stay.”

ON LEGACY:
“The legacy that we’ll leave behind,” says Ruth, “will be children and grandchildren, not a well-known name. We’re not important enough to be remembered in that way,” she laughs, “and that’s fine with us.”

“We’re not interested in leaving a name behind,” agrees Charlie. “That’s not important to us. I’ve lived long enough to know that people who are famous leave us and life goes on. What is important to me are goals and aspirations - setting goals and defining a vision and then accomplishing those things. It is the vision-not our names -that matters. And the vision, for us, is to have the Lehigh Valley be an increasingly better place in which to live and to work.”

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<td>Supporting the operations of the Community Foundation. “One of my goals,” adds Charlie, “is to have a lasting influence for good, to help the community to grow and become better in many ways....The Foundation will continue to grow and have an increasing influence for good. That’s gratifying.”</td>
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All gifts to the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation have an important impact on the Lehigh Valley community. The generosity of individuals and organizations enables the Foundation to continue with its mission to improve the quality of life within the Lehigh Valley. Support is critical to the mission of the Foundation and the health of the Lehigh Valley community.

The Rolland L. Adams Society is the Foundation’s leadership giving society established to recognize and honor the generosity of our donors.

Rolland Adams is one of the founders of the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation.

Born in rural Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, Rolland Adams attended Dickinson College before becoming a bank examiner. He purchased the Bethlehem Globe Times in 1929 at the worst of the Great Depression and turned it around. In addition to being named Publisher and Owner of the Bethlehem Globe Times, he was the President of the Bethlehem City News Company and the A.B.E. Broadcasting Company. Adams also purchased the Atlantic City Press. In 1963, he purchased 90% holding of both the Pittsburgh and Bethlehem Coca-Cola bottling factories.

Adams was well-known in the community and was instrumental in the construction of the Bethlehem Public Library. After his death, Adams became the first million-dollar donor in the Foundation’s history with his $1,000,000 unrestricted bequest which, at the time, represented a five-fold increase in the assets of the Foundation.

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PROFILE IN PHILANTHROPY: Justin Sheftel Memorial Fund and Justin Sheftel Scholarship Fund

TYPES OF FUNDS: Donor-Advised & Scholarship

DONORS: MEMORIAL GIFTS FROM THE COMMUNITY
The funds were established in loving memory of Linda & Elliot Sheftel’s son, Justin, upon his tragic death at 18 years old.

ON THE MEMORIAL FUND:
The Sheftels knew that they wanted and needed to memorialize their son. They also knew that they had to do something with the many gifts that had been given in memory of Justin. “When something like that happens,” says Linda, “you’re not thinking clearly. But you know instinctively that you have to keep going, you have to keep busy. When grief comes over you like that, you’ll do anything to keep from going into a dark place.” They turned to the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation to establish a charitable fund that could receive gifts, and whose philanthropic purpose they could define more specifically at a later time.

ON BASEBALL:
Justin Sheftel loved baseball and was a devoted Boston Red Sox fan. To honor his memory, the Sheftels organized a softball tournament, which is now in its 11th year. It is an event whose energy surprises even Linda. “We’ve had wonderful support,” she says, “and there are teams waiting to get in. We give away all the money that we raise. Seniors at Parkland get scholarships, and teams in the tournament choose favorite charities.”

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<td>Founded in 2006, the organization is dedicated to providing children with special needs and other developmental disabilities an opportunity to play baseball.</td>
<td>This grant supported baseball programs and equipment at Allentown middle schools.</td>
<td>The Scholarship Fund awarded $7,500 each to two Parkland High School seniors who will be pursuing a college degree. The scholarship committee strives to recognize students who portray characteristics that were recognized in Justin by his peers: passion, hard work, and a love for learning.</td>
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The Community Foundation made over 350 individual grants to over 200 organizations for a total of $2.7 million of support to the community!

Sources of Grants

**Philanthropic Partner Grants**
Grants from charitable funds established by individuals and corporations to support a wide range of community needs.

**One-Time Community Grants**
Discretionary grants to meet specific one-time project needs in Bucks, Lehigh, Monroe & Northampton counties.

**Multi-Year Impact Grants**
Discretionary five-year grants to support collaborative projects in Lehigh & Northampton counties.

### Philanthropic Partner Grants

- Allentown Art Museum
- Allentown Band, Inc.
- Allentown Public Library
- Allentown Rescue Mission
- Allentown School District Foundation

### One-Time Community Grants

- Allentown Symphony Association
- ALS Association
- American Cancer Society
- American Center for Law and Justice
- American Red Cross of the Greater Lehigh Valley

### Multi-Year Impact Grants

- American Red Cross of the Poconos
- Angel 34
- ArtsQuest Foundation
- Bach Choir of Bethlehem
- The Barn
Through multi-year support from the Community Foundation, the Da Vinci Science Center expanded its out-of-school project-based mentoring STEM learning experiences. In its first year, of an intended five-year grant, the program purchased equipment and supplies to hold two programs at schools and community sites. Elementary students participated in a Toymaker program that included repurposing an electro-mechanical toy. Middle school students participated in a Do-It-Yourself Maker music program which included instrument making, recording and editing. Both programs are supported by science educators and mentors.
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Bethlehem Soccer Club
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Valley Youth House does more than just provide a home for Pennsylvania’s vulnerable, abused and homeless youth. They partner with thousands of individuals each year to build a solid foundation for young people and their families. With dedicated housing, counseling, skills training, health, prevention, and intervention services, Valley Youth House empowers resilient young people in establishing promising futures.
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- Allentown YMCA & YWCA
- Allentown Youth Soccer Club
- The ARC of Lehigh & Northampton Counties
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lehigh Valley
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- Boy Scouts of America-Minsi Trails Council
- Third Street Alliance for Women & Children
- Touchstone Theatre
- Trinity United Methodist Church
- Turning Point of Lehigh Valley, Inc.
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LVCF made two new multi-year impact grants: (1) Da Vinci Science Center for STEM mentoring, and (2) Easton's State Theatre for the FREDDY Awards.
In December 2014, the Community Foundation office moved from the former location on Postal Road in Allentown to Hamilton Street in downtown Allentown. The Foundation hosted an Open House in March. Attendees toured the new offices and saw the expanded space. Members of the community, our donors, current and former board members and former staff members made the trip to our new downtown location to join us.

Since the move, the Foundation has hosted many of our community partners in our new space.

We encourage anyone who has not yet seen our new office to stop by!
Wildlands Conservancy
Adventure Camp
Funded by the Outdoor Recreation Fund for Youth

Wildlands Conservancy, along with community partners and the City of Bethlehem, provided an outdoor, educational, hands-on experience to 15 inner-city youth, ages 13-15. The week-long camp included paddling down the Lehigh River, hiking on the Appalachian Trail, rock climbing, whitewater rafting, fishing and fly-casting. While emphasizing healthy, outdoor opportunities close to home, the program sparks a passion for environmental stewardship.
**Awards**

**William B. & Elizabeth Behr Agocs Geophysical Research Fund**

*Eötvös Loránd Scientific University*

Zs. V. Koma  
V. Nemeth  
G. K. Szots

**B.E.S.T. Awards**

*Bethlehem Area School District Teachers*

Sarah M. Hriniak, Nitschmann Middle School  
Sara E. Pogue, Liberty High School  
Kyle T. Rogers, Asa Packer Elementary School

**Elizabeth Behr Agocs Scholarship**

*St. Luke’s School of Nursing*

Andrew Berner  
Jessica Corvino  
Julie Cross  
Courtney Goodyear  
Kelsey Hallingstad  
Jennifer Kulp  
Sara O'Dell

**Ann C. Bernard Memorial Scholarship**

*Northern Lehigh High School*

Jacob Bachman  
Kutztown University

**Debra "Frau" Brown Memorial Scholarship**

*Liberty & Freedom High Schools*

William Masemore  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Peter Young  
West Chester University

**Truman L. Frey, Jr. Scholarship**

*Liberty High School*

Brittany Magaro  
Northampton Community College

**Stephanie Olexa & Seth Weber Scholarship for Criminal Justice**

*Lehigh, Northampton & Bucks Counties’ High Schools*

Mason Moran  
Northampton Community College

**Shoemaker-Bond VFW Post #7071 Home Association, Inc. Awards**

*Brandywine Heights Area High School*

Senior Class Awardees:

Noah Coco, Valedictorian  
R. David Mayrhofer, Salutatorian

Citizenship Essay Awardees:

Madelyne Grim, Winner  
Tyler Delong, 1st Runner-up  
Noah Coco, 2nd Runner-up
Scholarships continued

Stephanie Olexa & Seth Weber Scholarship for Life Sciences
*Lehigh, Northampton & Bucks Counties’ High Schools*

  Catherine A. Stapf
  University of Scranton

Dr. Joseph A. Perna & Hilda Ramos Perna Memorial Scholarship
*Case Western Reserve University*

  Camila Padilla

Arthur E. & Myrl G. Schaeffer Scholarship
*Fleetwood Area High School*

  Rachel Keirstead
  Colgate University

Anthony Severo Memorial Scholarship
*Parkland High School*

  Omar Haddad
  Hofstra University

Justin Sheftel Memorial Scholarship
*Parkland High School*

  Caitlin A. Carlson
  James Madison University

  Jesus Juancarlos Alverado Salinas
  Temple University

William & Jamie Soukup Reid Memorial Scholarship
*Phillipsburg High School*

  Michelle A. Bai
  Carnegie Mellon

Katie Stauffer Memorial Scholarship
*Quakertown Community High School*

  Nicholar T. Bluder
  West Chester University

Catherine Hilarie Thompson Nursing Scholarship
*Bethlehem Catholic High School*

  Marya Lieb
  University of Pennsylvania

Woman’s Club of Bethlehem Scholarship
*Bethlehem Area Schools*

  Helen Hsu
  Cornell University

WHS 2006 Football Champions Scholarship
*Wilson Area High School*

  Mackenzie Hartrum
  Temple University

  Dave Shukla
  Lehigh University

Betty Williams Memorial Scholarship
*Bethlehem Area School District*

  Tanisha Ortiz
  LaSalle University

The Community Foundation’s first Valley-wide scholarships were awarded from the Stephanie Olexa and Seth Weber Scholarship Fund to two students.
The Community Foundation held a donor recognition reception at the ArtsQuest Center at SteelStacks on November 12, 2014.

Bernie Story, President & CEO, kicked off the evening’s program, which presented examples of using the Community Foundation as a way to give. Bernie introduced Beall Fowler, a member of the Board of Governors. Beall and his late wife, Linny, established two funds at the Community Foundation. Beall shared anecdotes about each fund to explain the reason for and purpose of them. A donor designated fund was established to support a particular nonprofit organization while benefitting from the Community Foundation’s fund management expertise. A donor-advised fund provides grants to many nonprofit organizations and programs. The Community Foundation staff is available to support Beall, as fund representative, by providing knowledge of pressing community needs and organizations.

One of the programs supported by the W. Beall and Marlene O. Fowler Fund is El Sistema Lehigh Valley, a program of the Allentown Symphony Association. El Sistema has also received community partnership grants from the Community Foundation. Sheila Evans, Executive Director of the Allentown Symphony Association, and Steven Liu, Director of El Sistema Lehigh Valley, spoke about this valuable program at the reception. El Sistema Lehigh Valley brings underserved and special needs youth within the Allentown School District a free opportunity to develop life skills learned by participating in high-quality daily music instruction, large ensemble experience and performances, and academic tutoring within a safe and nurturing environment. The children who participate were found to have higher test scores in mathematics and science and increased attendance at school. The program also helps to provide an identity and purpose for the students.

The reception concluded with a powerful message from Linda Sheftel, the 2014 Vision in Philanthropy Award recipient, about the power of community philanthropy. Next year marks the tenth anniversary of the passing of Linda’s son, Justin, whose life inspired the establishment of two funds at the Community Foundation. The Board of Governors felt very strongly that Linda Sheftel be given the 2014 Vision in Philanthropy Award as a way to recognize Linda for her deep and meaningful commitment to philanthropy in the Lehigh Valley and the strength she demonstrates in honoring the life of her son.
On January 22, 2015, LVCF was happy to host over 75 of the Lehigh Valley’s professional advisors at Saucon Valley Country Club for a seminar on *Charitable Client Conversations: Philanthropic Case Studies*. A panel of local experts presented examples on charitable giving.

The event would not have been such a success without the panelists’ commitment to the message of the Community Foundation. LVCF would like to thank the panelists for their time and dedication: Dolores Laputka of Norris McLaughlin & Marcus (Moderator); Susan Schupp of PNC Bank Wealth Management; Geoffrey Borda of Abraham, Borda, Corvino, Butz, LaValva & Co. PC; Ed Lentz of Fitzpatrick Lentz & Bubba; and, Judith Harris of Norris McLaughlin & Marcus.

Following the seminar, LVCF proudly presented the 2015 Service to Philanthropy Award to J. Marshall Wolff. The Service to Philanthropy Award recognizes a professional advisor that understands and appreciates the importance of philanthropy in the community, the diverse advantages of charitable giving for clients, and the value of philanthropy in financial, estate, retirement and wealth management planning.

LVCF recognized Marshall for his commitment to the Foundation’s growth. After nearly two decades of service, Marshall completed his final term as a member of LVCF’s Board of Governors in December 2014. He has dutifully participated in the work of the Community Foundation, and we sincerely thank him for being a reliable and unwavering voice for the wise investment and management of Community Foundation assets.

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# Financial Highlights

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**June 30, 2015 & 2014**

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