



# SCRANTON AREA Community FOUNDATION

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everywhere. This accreditation
is a significant accomplishment
that indicates the Scranton
Area Community Foundation
demonstrates a commitment
to transparency, quality,
integrity and accountability
as it carries out its mission.

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2020 Message from our President and CEO



Dear Friends,

While it was easy to feel discouraged during this past year, I take great comfort in the remarkable outpouring of generosity we have experienced.

You opened your hearts during the pandemic which allowed the Foundation to respond to heightened community needs by providing a record-setting \$4 million in grant funding. It is your trust in the Foundation over the past 67 years that has enabled us to serve as a successful grant maker, a charitable resource, a catalyst for change and growth, and a convener, and we do not take this trust for granted.

As we look for the light in dark times, I reflect upon the spirit of connection and collaboration so often seen in Northeastern Pennsylvania, and upon the

relationships we have formed and deepened during this challenging year. It is these partnerships with charitably-minded, generous individuals and organizations which make all the difference.

Your willingness to give allowed us to establish one of the first COVID-19 Response Funds in the nation, which provided critical, sustaining support to organizations on the front lines of the pandemic. Grants were quickly deployed to provide child care, virtual education, food and shelter, and other supportive services that were so desperately needed across our communities. In total, the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund alone awarded 183 grants to nonprofit organizations over a three month period, totaling over \$1 million.

Your generosity also helped to expand our partnership with the City of Scranton to combat the rising issue of food insecurity with the Mayor's Heart of Scranton Virtual Fundraiser, an important source of financial support and stability during the COVID-19 crisis, and to get food on the table of thousands of families.

You also entrusted the foundation with 23 new charitable funds this year, established for purposes ranging from pandemic response to assistance for families with children battling cancer.

We take great pride in maintaining our commitment to service and to effective stewardship, which is reflected in the accreditation we received this year from the Council on Foundations as having the highest standards for community foundations nationwide. This accreditation represents accountability, impact, and distinction, and ensures charitably-minded individuals that they are working with a credible partner which provides them with a sound place to entrust their charitable assets.

In late 2020, we worked with our Board of Governors, donors, partners, and other community leaders to develop an ambitious three-year strategic framework. As we embark on this new long-range plan and look to the future, we do so with hope and gratitude, and an unwavering commitment to our donors, and to the needs of our communities.

Laura Ducceschi

Laura Ducceschi, Scranton Area Community Foundation President and CEO

# 2020 Message from our Board Thair

Dear Friends.

2020 started like all other years with high hopes and aspirations of serving the Greater Scranton community. During the first quarter, we worked diligently on a variety of community programs including NEPA Moves, Women in Philanthropy and The Center for Community Leadership and Nonprofit Excellence.

In March, our plans for the rest of the year were interrupted by the global pandemic. On short notice, our staff adjusted to how they were working and what they were working on. Instead of hoping for a quick resolution, the staff and Board of Governors quickly mobilized resources to become one of the first Foundations in the country to create a COVID-19 Fund. Through the generous support of funds aligned with our Foundation, corporate funders and our donors, our community rallied to raise more than \$1.2M for over 130 non-profit organizations.



And shortly after creating the COVID Fund, we were called on to address food insecurity and the demand that was overwhelming our food pantries. We collaborated with the City of Scranton to raise more than \$192,000 in the Heart of Scranton Campaign to provide much needed resources for three of our local food banks. This theme of collaboration carried forward throughout the year as we also worked with three community foundations and one community partner in Northeastern Pennsylvania to launch the Inaugural NEPA Gives, an annual day of giving that raised \$523,000 in a single day in June.

As the year progressed, we all became comfortable using virtual meeting spaces to stay connected with friends, family, and fellow co-workers. The Scranton Area Community Foundation utilized a number of virtual tools to host the NEPA Learning Conference, present our annual events, and to create the Foundation's next three-year strategic plan that was formally approved in December.

We look forward to the hope and optimism that comes with a new year, and we welcome the opportunity to be good stewards of your philanthropic dollars as together we meet the needs of our community.

Thank you for your support.

With gratitude I remain sincerely,

Kenneth D. Okrephie

Kenneth G. Okrepkie, Scranton Area Community Foundation Board Chair

# Addressing COVID-19 in the community United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties •aetna h Family Service heastern Pennsylvania MUNITY FOUNDATION OPLE OF LACKAWANNA GOUNTY SINCE 1954

## About the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund

The NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund is a non-endowed, field-of-interest fund, created in March 2020 to provide immediate, responsive, and flexible resources to organizations in our local communities working with those impacted by COVID-19 and the related economic, social, and health-related consequences of the outbreak. The Fund was designed to expand local capacity to address all aspects of the outbreak as efficiently as possible, particularly those that might be unable to be effectively addressed otherwise.

To help address the immediate needs in the community, 183 grants from the Fund were made over a three month period to help these organizations in crisis.

### Our regional response to COVID-19

As soon as the coronavirus outbreak was declared a worldwide pandemic, the Scranton Area Community Foundation worked quickly to establish one of the very first COVID-19 Response Funds in the nation. The NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund rapidly deployed grants to other community-based nonprofits directly assisting people affected by the virus in 2020. Support from more than 400 donors, businesses, foundations and other charitable funds enabled the Foundation to disburse over \$1.2 million in emergency grants through the response fund, supporting over 130 community-based charitable organizations in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Providing Support during the pandemic...

In addition to establishing the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund, the Scranton Area Community Foundation also maintained a rolling critical needs grants pool and traditional grant funding pool and established a program of regular webinars to help nonprofits during particularly challenging times including training programs on crisis management, operations management, increasing fundraising revenue; and building sustainability. Over 550 local employees at charitable organizations attended these webinars.

Through the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund, in partnership with Aetna Better Health of Pennsylvania, the Scranton Area Community Foundation distributed personal protective equipment (PPE) including over 500 disposable face masks, over 1,000 hand sanitizers, and over 200 cloth bags to various nonprofit organizations serving the Lackawanna County region in May 2020.

"Aetna Better Health generously provided us with these in-demand items entrusting us to get them into the hands of those most in need who may not otherwise have access to this personal protection equipment," stated Laura Ducceschi, Scranton Area Community Foundation's President and CEO.

The Foundation connected with The Community Intervention Center, Keystone Mission, and United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA to distribute the items that were generously donated by Aetna Better Health.



#### Organizations who received grants from the Foundation's NEPA

A Moment of Magic

aieNEPA at Northeastern Educational

Intermediate Unit

Allied Services Foundation

ALS Association Greater Philadelphia

Chapter

American Red Cross

Animals America Inc.

Bhutanese Cultural Foundation Scranton

Black Scranton Project, Inc.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

Bread Basket of NEPA

Camp Koala

Candy's Place Cancer & Wellness Center

Carbondale Public Library Catherine McAuley Center

Catholic Social Services of the Diocese

of Scranton, Inc.

CEO Weinberg Food Bank

Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA

Children's Service Center

Commission on Economic Opportunity

Community Intervention Center

Community Options, Inc.

Community Solutions, Incorporated (CSI)

Country Heart Farm

Court Street United Methodist Church

Day Nursery Association

Deutsch Institute Applied Research Center

for the Handicapped

Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Pocono

Diocese of Scranton

Discovery MI Preschool

Dress for Success Lackawanna

Eastern Pennsylvania Coalition for

Abandoned Mine Reclamation

Erie Lackawanna Dining Car Preservation

Society

Everhart Museum Of Natural History

Science & Art

F.M. Kirby Center

Family Service Association of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

Fell Charter School

First Friday Scranton

Fractured Atlas (Scranton Fringe Festival)

Friends of the Poor

Girls on the Run Pocono

Goodwill Industries NEPA Inc.

Greater Carbondale YMCA

Greater Scranton YMCA

Green Trees Early Learning Center, inc.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Food Pantry

Hospice of the Sacred Heart

Humane Society of Lackawanna County

In Pursuit Of Grace

Indraloka Animal Sanctuary

Institute for Public Policy & Economic Development

It Takes A Village

Jack of Hearts PA

Jewish Community Center

Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania

Jewish Home of Eastern PA

Junior Achievement

Keystone College

Keystone Human Services

Keystone Mission

Lacawac Sanctuary

Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railway Historical

Society

Lackawanna Blind Association

Lackawanna County Area Agency on Aging

Lackawanna-Luzerne Medical Society

Leadership Lackawanna

Leadership Wilkes Barre

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Luzerne County COVID-19 Emergency Response

Fund at The Luzerne Foundation

Making Music Matter for Kids

Marley's Mission, Incorporated

Maternal & Family Health Services

Meals on Wheels NEPA

Meals on Wheels of Greater Pittston

Miller-Keystone Blood Center

Misericordia University

Muscular Dystrophy Association

Music Box Players

NativityMiguel School of Scranton

NeighborWorks Northeastern Pennsylvania

**NEPA** Inclusive

NEPA Youth Shelter

North Pocono Public Library

Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic

Northern Tier Industry & Education Consortium

Outreach-Center for Community Resources

PAWsitively for the Animals

Pennsylvania Harm Reduction Coalition

Pittston Memorial Library

Planned Parenthood Keystone

#### **COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND**

Pocono Environmental Education Center

Pocono Mountains United Way

Quigley's Shelter Pet's, Inc.

Ronald McDonald House of Scranton, Inc.

Salvation Army

Scranton Animal Shelter Association

Incorporation

Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple

Scranton District Dental Society

Scranton Lackawanna Human Development

Agency (SLHDA)

Scranton Public Library

Scranton Tomorrow

Serendipity Therapeutic Riding Center

Serving Seniors, Inc.

SightLife

St. Mary's Villa Skilled Nursing and Rehab

Center

Susquehanna County Interfaith

tecBRIDGE

Telespond Senior Services, Inc.

The Arc of NEPA

The Cooperage Project

The Greenhouse Project

The Humane Society of Wyoming County, Inc.

Theodore J. Wint VFW Post #25

ThinkBIG Pediatric Cancer Fund

Treatment Court Advocacy Center of

Lackawanna County

True Friends Animal Welfare Center

UCP of NEPA

United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

Valley Community Library

Valley In Motion

Victims' Intervention Program

VNA Hospice & Home Health of Lackawanna

County

Volunteers in Medicine

Wayne County Community Foundation

Wayne County YMCA

West Scranton Community Development, Inc.

Women's Resource Center

WVIA Public Media

Wyoming County Cultural Center, Inc.

Wyoming County United Way

Wyoming Valley Alcohol and Drug Services

Wyoming Valley Art League

#### THANKS TO OUR DONOR SUPPORT:

We distributed over \$1.2 million dollars in emergency grant funding in 2020, which helped to support mission-critical work during the COVID-19 crisis to over 130 community-based charitable organizations.

We provided funding to support community needs including:

- Emergency services staffing for 1,000 calls to a regional crisis center.
- Six weeks of child care for parents working on the front lines of the pandemic.
- Critical in-home self-monitoring health care supplies for 50 at-risk pregnant women.
- 150 laptops and Chromebooks for children from economically disadvantaged families to support safe and effective learning at home.
- 1,300 restaurant gift cards for struggling families in need of food.
- Pet food for over 150 families facing economic hardship to keep their companion animals.
- Funding for a Mobile Outreach Initiative to provide transportation, life coaching case management, and first aid equipment to help the homeless.
- Screening calls and providing support for hundreds of seniors with emergent needs.
- Training webinars for 550 employees at charitable organizations so they could safely learn from experts and continue to improve their skill sets during the pandemic.
- Personal protective equipment for local health care practitioners and COVID-19 Disaster Training of personnel on the front lines of the pandemic in NEPA.



# NEPA GIVES

#### NEPA GIVES RAISES OVER HALF A MILLION IN 24 HOURS

for local nonprofits

On Friday, June 5, 2020—in just 24 hours—167 local nonprofit organizations worked together to collectively raise a total of \$523,683 for the first-ever NEPA Gives.

NEPA Gives, the regional day of giving in NEPA, was hosted by the Scranton Area Community Foundation, in partnership with The Luzerne Foundation, Greater Pike Community Foundation, Wayne County Community Foundation, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Nonprofit & Community Assistance Center (NCAC), and other community sponsors. The goal of NEPA Gives is to raise awareness about the critical work nonprofit organizations carry out across the region and to help charitable organizations raise much-needed funds, especially during these challenging times.

"In this first year of NEPA Gives, our theme was 'Respond, Thrive, and Recover', which highlighted the important work that nonprofits are doing during the COVID-19 crisis, and the importance of supporting their critical work," stated Laura Ducceschi, President and CEO of the Scranton Area Community Foundation. "We believe that especially now during these challenging times, it was extremely important to provide an opportunity for nonprofits to raise much-needed funds to support their efforts, and we are grateful that the generous people in Northeastern Pennsylvania responded."

Photo: Nonprofit organization, the Ritz Foundation, gathers to celebrate their participation and success in NEPA Gives.

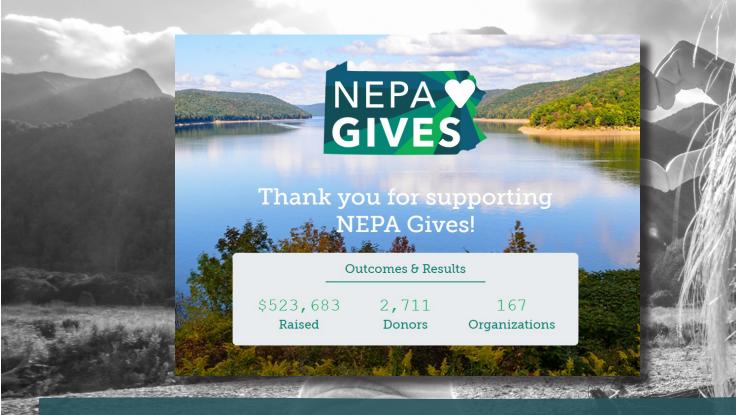
NEPA Gives, which accepted donations online at nepagives.org on Friday, June 5, made history as the single largest day of philanthropy in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Over 2,700 donors generously supported NEPA Gives. NEPA Gives was also generously supported by numerous sponsors including DiscoverNEPA, WVIA Public Media, Cumulus Media, Hawk Family Foundation, Schwartz Mack Foundation, Tighe Foundation, Women in Philanthropy, the NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative, the William G. McGowan Charitable Fund, and many others.

Adding to the momentum, over 125 prizes and matching incentives were awarded to participating nonprofits for notable achievements, all sponsored by generous businesses, foundations, and donors across the region.

167 nonprofit organizations from across NEPA participated in the 24-hour fundraising event.



The fact that NEPA Gives raised over half a million dollars in its first year is a testament to the generous community that we have in Northeastern Pennsylvania.



"The average first-year giving day for a region of our size typically raises between \$100,000 and \$150,000," stated Ducceschi. "The fact that NEPA Gives raised over half a million dollars in its first year is a testament to the generous community that we have in Northeastern Pennsylvania."

To accompany the giving day, in lieu of hosting an in-person event, the Scranton Area Community Foundation partnered with Electric City Television (ECTV) to produce "Respond, Thrive, Recover", a six-hour NEPA Gives video production showcasing the work that charitable organizations are doing during the COVID-19 crisis and the importance of supporting their critical work which aired during the day on Friday, June 5th. This video production included special messages of support and hope from community leaders including the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce and entertainers including the Doug Smith Orchestra and Broadway star Judy McLane. The show can now be accessed via the Foundation's YouTube channel.

This was the first year for NEPA Gives. In 2019, the Scranton Area Community Foundation hosted NEPA Match Day which raised over \$234,000 for 30 nonprofit organizations.

NEPA Gives 2021 is planned for Friday, June 4, 2021.

New Funds welcomed at the Foundation in 2020

#### Dr. George J. Hallesky Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by JoAnn Hallesky, in memory of her husband, to support an incoming sophomore at Johnson College.

### John R. and Maureen J. Pesavento Johnson College Scholarship Fund

Established to provide a scholarship for a Lackawanna County high school graduate who enrolls as a full-time undergraduate student at Johnson College.

#### John R. and Maureen J. Pesavento Penn State Scranton Scholarship Fund

Established to provide a scholarship for a Lackawanna County high school graduate who enrolls as a full-time undergraduate student at Penn State Scranton.

### Junior League of Scranton Dues Assistance Fund

Established by the Junior League of Scranton to support members who are in need of financial support with their dues.

#### **Knesseth Israel Cemetery of West Pittston Fund**

Established as a joint gift from Alan Goldstein and the Jewish Community Alliance of Northeastern Pennsylvania, to care for and maintain the condition of Knesseth Israel Congregation Cemetery located in West Pittston.

#### **Wackerbarth Land Preservation Fund**

Established by Lacawac Sanctuary to provide support for the mission of Lacawac Sanctuary for future acquisition of land and its preservation efforts.

#### **Waverly Women's Club Fund**

Established by the former Waverly Women's Club, to provide scholarships to support graduating seniors from Abington Heights High School.

#### **Anthracite Scholarship Fund**

Established by the former Anthracite Golf Association, to award multiple scholarships to graduating seniors or aspiring students entering into a post-secondary education who either work in or play golf.

### City of Scranton Small Business HUD Grants Fund

Established by the City of Scranton to support the Small Business CARES Act CDBG-CV Grant Program to provide vital economic support to aid lost revenues due to COVID-19.

#### City of Scranton Small Business Relief Program

Established by the City of Scranton to support an inclusive and diverse small business environment in the City of Scranton and to provide grants to qualified small businesses in the City during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### David J. Wenzel Peace Fund

Established to support the charitable causes important to the NEPA chapter of UNA-USA, specifically the support of the healing of communities in Vietnam affected by the Vietnam War.

#### **Heart of Scranton Virtual Fundraiser Fund**

Established by the Scranton Area Community Foundation in partnership with the Mayor of Scranton to facilitate a virtual fundraiser to support individuals facing food insecurity due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **Luca Loves Foundation Fund**

Established by Tori and Adam Donohue in honor of their son, Luca, to offer assistance and guidance to families of children battling cancer.

#### **NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund**

Established in partnership with many generous funders to rapidly deploy resources to community-based organizations at the frontlines of the coronavirus outbreak in the Northeastern Pennsylvania region.

#### **NEPA Gives Project Fund**

Established for the charitable purpose of supporting NEPA Gives.

#### Page to the Stage Fund

Established to support the mission of The Ritz Foundation (a.k.a. Page to the Stage) to bring arts and culture back to the historic Ritz Theater in Scranton. Donations to support one of the three sub-funds are processed through the main Page to the Stage Fund.

#### Page to the Stage Arts Program Sub-Fund

Established as a sub-fund of the Page to the Stage Fund, as a scholarship to support students enrolling in a program like CaPAA or other arts organizations which focus on theater, art, dance, and other performative outlets.

### Page to the Stage Collegiate Arts Scholarship Sub-Fund

Established as a sub-fund of the Page to the Stage Fund as an annual scholarship for a graduating high school senior pursuing arts education in their post-secondary education.

#### Page to the Stage Operations Sub-Fund

Established as a sub-fund of the Page to the Stage Fund to serve as the conduit to support the operations of the Ritz Foundation, including restoration to the theater to ensure active participation by the community.

#### Scotty Cummings Perry Special Ed Scholarship Fund

Established by Mary Peterson as a scholarship fund in memory of her mother, Scotty Cummings Perry. This scholarship supports a senior graduating from a high school in Lackawanna County who plans to study special education and who demonstrates compassion for others.

#### **Shaffer Family Fund**

Established to support the charitable causes, activities, and organizations important to the Shaffer Family.

#### Women in Philanthropy Business Relief Fund

Established as a non-endowed hardship fund to support women-owned small businesses in Lackawanna County through providing small grants to businesses operating in Lackawanna County and which are at least 51% women-owned.





# Learning CONFERENCE

# Over 200 Attended Scranton Area Community Foundation's Virtual NEPA Learning Conference

The Scranton Area Community Foundation, through its Center for Community Leadership and Nonprofit Excellence, hosted the 2020 NEPA Learning Conference completely virtually on Thursday, September 17, and Friday, September 18, 2020. The NEPA Learning Conference, offered in partnership with Moses Taylor Foundation and the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, offered over 200 professionals at nonprofit organizations throughout the region an opportunity to receive in-depth training from local and nationally-recognized presenters.

Keynote speakers included **Jessamyn Shams-Lau**, Executive Director of the Perry
Foundation and coauthor of *Unicorns Unite: How Nonprofits & Foundations Can Build EPIC Partnerships*; and **Wes Moore**,
bestselling author, Army combat veteran,
social entrepreneur, and Robin Hood's Chief
Executive Officer.

Plenary speakers included **Dr. Barbara Larson**, Executive Professor of Management at Northeastern University, whose research on remote working environments and virtual work has been published in *Harvard Business Review* and many other journals.

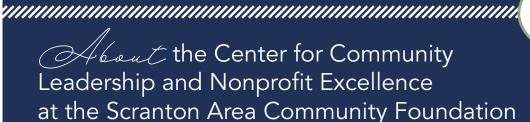
Attendees of this two-day learning conference had an opportunity to learn from local and national experts in a variety of fields, network and connect virtually with



peers, and discover how they can create a learning culture within their organization. "This conference was a great opportunity to hit the pause button on our daily operations and reflect on our current situation mid-COVID," stated Bill Kern, Executive Director of Countryside Conservancy in La Plume, Pennsylvania. "Hearing how other organizations are adapting to our new reality and planning for an unknown future has been both enlightening and encouraging."

"It is more important now than ever to prioritize learning so that nonprofit organizations can be better poised to manage change," said Laura Ducceschi, President and CEO of the Scranton Area Community Foundation. "Our goal at this conference is to provide high quality training opportunities so that nonprofits can be able to continue to effectively meet their important missions."

The **NEPA Learning Conference** is scheduled to return on August 18-20, 2021.



Community Leaders Nonprofit

Established in 2012, the Center for Community Leadership and Nonprofit Excellence, aims to maximize the ability of nonprofit organizations to meet their critical missions, providing access to programs, training, and related technical assistance. Through the generosity of our donors and support through our partnership with the Moses Taylor Foundation, the Center serves the capacity building needs of the nonprofit community through seminars and training programs facilitated by highly-skilled, nationally-recognized professionals.

The Scranton Area Community Foundation is committed to supporting the capacity of nonprofit organizations as they work to fulfill their critical missions.

In addition to the NEPA Learning Conference, the Center for Community Leadership and Nonprofit Excellence at the Scranton Area Community Foundation also hosted a series of seminars, webinars, and online trainings throughout the year, as nonprofit organizations grappled with the effects and uncertainties of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Topics for these trainings for nonprofit professionals included:

- Building Organizational Sustainability through Foundations, Endowment Funds, and Gift Planning Tools:
   A Seminar for Nonprofit Organizations
- Forging Forward: Grant Seeking in this Challenging Time
- How to Engage Donors and Raise Emergency Funds During the Covid-19 Crisis
- Planning Ahead in Uncertain Times
- Crisis Financial Management
- Self-Care in the Context of Community Grief
- Work/Life Balance Tips for Nonprofit Leaders During A Time of Social Distancing
- How Your Nonprofit Can Activate A Resilient Virtual Workplace Culture
- Suicide Awareness and Prevention in the Workplace
- The Psychology of Return to Work: An Apolitical Discussion on How Leadership Can Engender Good Will and Trust in Re-Introducing Their Employees to the Workplace in the Context of an International Pandemic
- Scranton (NEPA) Becoming a Community of Resilience
- Elevate Their Voices How to Help Your Community through Voter Registration



These webinars (and more!) can be found on the Scranton Area Community Foundation's YouTube channel.

<< Scan this QR code with your smartphone to access the Foundation's YouTube channel.

# Supporting women, girls, and their families in Northeastern Pennsylvania since 2014

SCRANTON AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S WOMEN IN PHILANTHROPY PROGRAM PROVIDED \$40,000 IN COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDING IN 2020



In the mission to help women, girls, and their families in Northeastern Pennsylvania, the Women in Philanthropy initiative of the Scranton Area Community Foundation allocated \$40,000 in funding to COVID-19 relief efforts this year.

Women's Resource Center, Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA, and Outreach - Center for Community Resources, each received \$5,000 to help serve the needs of low-to-moderate-income women, girls, and their families during the COVID-19 outbreak, funded by the generous support of Women in Philanthropy. These grants were reviewed and voted on by Women in Philanthropy supporters during a virtual Zoom meeting in April. Over 120 submissions were received.

In addition to providing grant funding to these three organizations, Women in Philanthropy awarded another \$10,000 in grant funding to support virtual learning in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) fields, particularly to provide support during this unique time when women and families are required to oversee education in the home.

These STEAM-focused grants went to support Arts in Education in Northeastern Pennsylvania at Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit, Boys & Girls Clubs of NEPA, and Keystone College.

Additionally, Women in Philanthropy established the Women in Philanthropy Business Relief Fund at the Scranton Area Community Foundation, a non-endowed hardship fund for women who own small businesses in Lackawanna County and who are facing challenges due to the COVID-19 outbreak. The Women in Philanthropy Business Relief Fund provided ten (10) \$1,000 mini-grants for personal use to help women deal with hardship situations that occurred during the COVID-19 crisis.

"Through generous contributions from Women in Philanthropy supporters, the Women in Philanthropy program at the Scranton Area Community Foundation is making a difference in the lives of women, girls, and their families during these challenging times," stated Laura Ducceschi, President and CEO of the Scranton Area Community Foundation.

To learn more about Women in Philanthropy initiative at the Scranton Area Community Foundation, and to join the 100+ Women in Philanthropy supporters making all of this possible, visit SupportNEPAWomen.org.

# Recognizing Excellence through Legacy Awards

The Scranton Area Community Foundation manages many charitable funds that provide awards to individuals that possess qualities that donors would like to recognize.

At the Women in Philanthropy Annual Event held virtually in October, we honored the recipients of the 2020 Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award and the 2020 Roseann Smith Alperin Award—two awards that are presented annually through charitable funds established at the Scranton Area Community Foundation. Both awards are provided from charitable funds that were established to memorialize a loved one and to honor qualities of excellence that exist in members of our community. The 2020 Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award recipient was Mary-Pat Ward. The 2020 Roseann Smith Alperin Award recipient was Linda Robeson.



Photo: Kathleen Graff and Ann MacGregor, Family of Margaretta Belin Chamberlin, present Mary-Pat Ward with the 2020 Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award.

The Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award has been presented since 1992 when a fund was established by the family of Margaretta Belin Chamberlin both to honor her memory and to recognize accomplishments of women in our community while encouraging their personal and/or professional development. The award is given annually to either a volunteer or professional woman who exemplifies the characteristics of Margaretta, including community-mindedness, tolerance, sensitivity, and Seadership. Nominations for the Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award may be made by any charitable organization or submitted by an individual. The award may be used by the recipient to enhance her role as a community leader interested in improving the quality of life in Lackawanna County.

The Roseann Smith Alperin Award was established by the Junior League of Scranton to recognize an outstanding female volunteer who exhibits the heart and spirit of Roseann Smith Alperin by demonstrating the capacity to lead, motivate, and inspire others and the community she serves. The Roseann Smith Alperin Award honors an area woman who has the capacity to encourage others to make more of themselves and

the community they serve. An award is granted to both the nominating organization and also to a nonprofit organization designated by the award recipient.



To watch the recording of the Women in Philanthropy Annual Event that was held virtually on October 22, 2020, visit: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">https://www.youtube.com/</a> watch?v=n0AZWzjYzqc&t=15s

You can also scan this QR code with your smartphone to access the full recording of the Women in Philanthropy Annual Event.



# Ocking Transportation Challenges

NEPA Moves was established by the Scranton Area Community Foundation in 2017 for the purpose of improving the quality of life for all people of Northeastern Pennsylvania through improved access to transportation. Today, NEPA Moves continues to learn about specific transportation challenges facing NEPA and focuses on increasing equitable access to transportation.



#### **HEALTHCARE**

In February 2020, in partnership with Geisinger and Wilkes-Barre Volunteers in Medicine, NEPA Moves hosted a Luzerne County-Focused Healthcare and Social Service Roundtable to gain a better picture of the challenges and opportunities facing health care and social service providers regarding transportation. The goal of the roundtable was to develop partnerships that could assist current health care, social service, and human service organizations to identify and accelerate change within Luzerne County.

#### **HOUSING**

NEPA Moves' work has helped regional partners understand that the two issues of housing/ transportation are fused together in many ways when it comes to equitable access to transportation.

In February 2020, through a partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, the Lackawanna County Housing Coalition, NeighborWorks of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and Geisinger, SAF hosted *Housing for Opportunity: A Roundtable Discussion*. Following this roundtable, a cohort from Lackawanna County. led by the Scranton Area Community Foundation, has become part of the Federal Reserve Bank's Reinventing our Communities (ROC) program, in partnership with The Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE), a national network working to achieve racial equity and advance opportunities. Through participation in the ROC program, the Lackawanna County cohort seeks to expand and convene a variety of stakeholders to focus on developing strategies iidentified through the completion of the ROC program.

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & WORKFORCE**

During the first quarterly meeting attended by over 70 stakeholders, NEPA Moves provided updates on the current work and its growing focus on the role of transportation in community development were discussed. NEPA Moves continued its focus on the impact of transportation on welfare issues throughout 2020.

In the early fall, through PA's Partnerships for Regional Economic Performance Engage (PREP) Initiative, NEPA Moves and The Scranton Chamber of Commerce facilitated partner support and supplemental funding needed to support COLTS decision to expand service to include Route 11 into regular service that includes service to the following Industrial Parks: the Mid Valley Industrial

Park, Valley View Business Park, Jessup Small Business. Center and Rock Creek Corporate Center.

To learn more about NEPA Moves, visit NEPAMoves.org.

Photo: Scranton Area Community Foundation's Vice President of Administration and Operations, Maggie Martinelli, represented NEPA Moves during a joint press conference between COLTS and the Scranton Chamber of Commerce with the support of NEPA Moves in August 2020.



Supporting Animal Welfare

THROUGH THE NEPA ANIMAL WELFARE COLLABORATIVE

The Scranton Area Community Foundation is committed to gaining a comprehensive picture of the challenges, barriers, and opportunities related to the welfare of animals across Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Established in 2019, the NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative is a collective of over 40 animal shelters, rescues, advocates, and sanctuaries in the



region that are interested in coming together to advance various causes in animal welfare and to increase the collective resources available to these agencies. One of the few regional animal welfare collaboratives in the state of Pennsylvania, the collaborative focuses on education, professional development, fundraising and other practices that move the goals of the collaborative forward. The Scranton Area Community Foundation serves as the convener of the NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative.



Notably this year, the NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative established its first strategic plan and also hosted three separate Pet Food Pantry distributions, serving over 560 pets. The Pet Food Pantry events helped to provide food for pets during the pandemic with the goal of keeping pets in loving homes.

The NEPA Pet Food Pantry distributions were sponsored by the Schwartz-Mack Foundation, the Scranton Area Community Foundation, and the Robert H. Spitz Foundation, in addition to various charitable donors.

To learn more about the Collaborative or to become involved, please visit **nepaawc.org** or follow the NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative on Facebook.





## Foundation Management Services

The Scranton Area Community Foundation provides management services to other charitable foundations including the Robert H. Spitz Foundation and the Northeastern Pennsylvania Health Care Foundation.

The Robert H. Spitz Foundation was instrumental in responding to the local challenges surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, awarding over \$100,000 to COVID-19 response and relief efforts, trhough the Scranton Area Community Foundation's NEPA COVID-19 Reponse Fund.

# Robert H. Spitz — Foundation —

Established in 2015, the Robert H. Spitz Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that supports initiatives and programs serving the residents of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Funding focuses on supporting programs that aim to break the cycle of poverty, removing economic barriers, and encourage independence in adults and children through access to safe, affordable housing, transportation, and education. Priority areas also include veterans' affairs and veteran-oriented programs; animal welfare; and support for Jewish culture, heritage and community. The Scranton Area Community Foundation has served as the administrator of the Robert H. Spitz Foundation since 2016.

The Robert H. Spitz Foundation distributed a total of \$776,000 in grants in 2020 to the following nonprofit organizations:

Adopt A Boxer Rescue

American Red Cross

Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

Bread Basket of Northeast Pennsylvania

Catherine McAuley Center

Catholic Social Services of the Diocese of

Scranton, Inc.

Chabad of the Abingtons

Dress for Success Lackawanna

Electric City Steel Drum Project

Family Service Association of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

Foundation for the Jewish Elderly of Eastern PA

Goodwill Industries of NEPA

Indraloka Animal Sanctuary

Jewish Community Center of Scranton

Jewish Family Service of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

Junior Achievement

Keystone Mission

Lacawac Sanctuary Environmental Education

Center

Lackawanna College

Marywood University

NativityMiguel School of Scranton

NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative Fund

NEPA Inclusive

NEPA Pet Fund and Rescue

North Shore Animal League

Outreach - Center for Community Resources

PAWsitively for the Animals

Quigley's Shelter Pet's, Inc.

Scranton Animal Shelter Association Incorporation

Scranton Civic Ballet Company

Scranton Lackawanna Human Development Agency

Serving Seniors, Inc.

SPCA of Luzerne County

St. Cats and Dogs of Scranton

Temple Israel of Scranton

The Arc of NEPA

The Wright Center Medical Group

United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern

Pennsylvania

University of Scranton

VNA Hospice and Home Health

Wilkes University

Women's Resource Center



Photo: NEPA Health Care Foundation board members at the launch of Careers in Care, from left to right: Robert Knowles, Board Vice-Chair; Jeremiah Eagen, M.D.; Donna Martucci; Michele McGowan; James Clemente, Board Chair; Honorable Terrence Nealon; and Laura Ducceschi, President & CEO of Scranton Area Community Foundation and Administrator of the NEPA Health Care Foundation.

### Northeastern Pennsylvania Health Care Foundation Launches New Initiative in Partnership with the Scranton Area Community Foundation: *Careers in Care*

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Health Care Foundation launched its Careers in Care initiative in March 2020, a new initiative focused on developing the regional pipeline of the healthcare workforce as well as support for growth and retention for the nursing profession in Lackawanna, Luzerne, and Wyoming Counties. The Foundation announced the commitment of \$1.5 million to Careers in Care over a three year period (2020-2023).



**Committed to Community Wellness** 

The initiative comes as the next step following a year-long strategic pause on the traditional grant-making process and the completion of avregional listening tour last year. "It was clear from discussions during our listening tour that there is a great demand for nurses at all levels and the necessity of strengthening the health care workforce pipeline," said Laura Ducceschi, President & CEO of the Scranton Area Community Foundation.

Careers in Care will partner with organizations and entities throughout Lackawanna, Luzerne, and Wyoming Counties to prioritize support for the nursing profession and healthcare workforce pipeline programs, including scholarship support.



Careers in Care is interested in supporting innovative career path programs to move nurses up through various credential levels; programs to help mitigate burnout and injuries in the workplace;

programs focusing on growth, success, resilience and retention of nurses; measures to address nursing student dropout rates; programs and initiatives that address the employee satisfaction levels for nurses and more.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Health Care Foundation is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of the people of the region and particularly those most vulnerable and most underserved of the population. The Scranton Area Community Foundation has served as the administrator of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Health Care Foundation since 2013.

In addition to its Careers in Care initiative during 2020, the **Northeastern Pennsylvania Health Care Foundation** provided \$320,000 in scholarships for future physicians at the Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine, as well as continued to fulfill multi-year critical needs.

## Grants from Restricted Funds

Community-minded individuals who wish to provide continuing support for a cause or charity establish charitable funds at the Scranton Area Community Foundation. These funds, many designed to last forever, will continue to benefit the community for generations to come. The following funds, administered by the Scranton Area Community Foundation, provided grants in 2020.

#GaryInspiredMe Scholarship Fund	\$5,480.00	Hope for Hunter Fund	\$458.00
Anastasia Fund	\$3,110.00	James F. Swift Scholarship Fund	\$282,000.00
Ann and Leo Moskovitz	ψο, 110.00	James Scanlon Fund for Lackawanna	Ψ202,000.00
Celebration of Life Fund	\$2,800.00	Pro Bono, Inc.	\$1,600.00
Ann Pacifico Memorial Fund	\$1,200.00	Janet Rothenberg Memorial Fund for	Ψ1,000.00
Anna E. Durkin Memorial Fund	\$5,840.00	Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.	\$1,700.00
Austin M. Bumbarger: Eyes in the Sky	Ψ5,040.00	Jeanne Anderson Bovard Fund	\$4,660.00
Memorial Fund	\$168.75	Jeanne Bovard Administrative	Ψ+,000.00
Ben Franklin Trust Fund	\$3,800.00	Endowment Fund	\$44,020.00
Bender Family Foundation Fund	\$26,500	John F. Finetti Memorial Fund John's	\$44,020.00
Capacity Building Fund	\$58,129.09	Camping Fund	\$2,340.00
Carlene R. Gallo, Esq., Robert T.	\$30,127.07	John R. & Maureen J. Pesavento	Ψ2,540.00
Gownley, Jr., Esq., Morey &		Community Service Award	\$700.00
Sondra Myers, PNC Bank Fund		John R. and Maureen J. Pesavento	\$700.00
for Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.	\$1,580.00	Century Club Building	
Carol M. Breig Memorial Fund for the	\$1,500.00	Maintenance Fund	\$1,330.00
NEPA Philharmonic	\$560.00	John R. and Maureen J. Pesavento	\$1,550.00
Catherine A. Foley, Esq. Memorial Fund	\$300.00	Outreach Building Maintenance	
for Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.	\$2,250.00	Fund	\$660.00
City of Scranton Small Business Relief	ΨΖ,230.00	Joseph A. Macialek Irrevocable Trust	\$3,390.00
Program	\$277,500.00	Joseph C. Kreder Fund for Lackawanna	Ψ3,370.00
Cody Jude Barrasse Memorial Fund	\$27,045.37	Pro Bono, Inc.	\$3,860.00
Community Resource Network Fund	\$5,000.00	Junior League of Scranton Endowment	\$5,000.00
Countryside Conservancy Fund	\$1,030.00	Fund	\$880.00
David S. Mattei Mission Fund	\$2,458.92	Karen O'Connell Welles Leadership	ψ000.00
David Wenzel Community Music Fund	\$500.00	Lackawanna Fund	\$1,140.00
Donald P. Becker Wallenpaupack	\$500.00	Karen O'Connell Welles Music Fund	\$4.750.00
Scholarship Fund	\$2,810.00	Koppelman/Dinner Fund	\$11,330.00
Dr. Stephen I. Rosenthal and Sara	Ψ2,010.00	Lacawac Sanctuary Watres Fund	\$1,070.00
Rosenthal Fund	\$5,240.00	Lackawanna Neighbors Joseph H.	Ψ1,070.00
Easter Seal Society of the Northeastern	Ψ0,210.00	Young Award Fund	\$2,000.00
Counties Endowment Fund	\$2,550.00	Lackawanna Pro Bono Fund	\$2,810.00
Fleese-Ludders Fund	\$2,850.00	Laura Ducceschi Fund for Animal Welfare	\$5,650.00
Frank T. Dolbear Memorial Fund	\$5,010.00	Leadership Lackawanna Fund	\$4,500.00
Geisinger Health Plan Transportation	φο/ο ι σ.σσ	Lloyd T. Capwell YMCA Youth Activities	ψ 1,000.00
Pilot Sub-Fund	\$45,9813.46	Fund	\$750.00
George A. Pann Memorial Fund	\$1,600.00	Mahon Family Charitable Fund	\$14,400.00
Ginny John Camp Archbald Fund	\$3,070.00	Margaret Briggs Leadership Lackawanna	\$1,640.00
Government Leadership Award Fund	\$390.00	Fund	Ψ1/010.00
Griffin Fund for the Music Department	φο, σ.σσ	Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award Fund	\$2,000
at Marywood University	\$470.00	Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Fund	\$3,580
Griffin Pond Animal Shelter	ψ., σ.σσ	Marion M. (Scranton) Isaacs Fund	\$730.00
Endowment Fund	\$2,300.00	Marworth Endowment Fund	\$3,260.00
H. Leigh Woehling Leadership	ψ=/σσσ.σσ	Matt McGloin Fund	\$25,535.85
Lackawanna Fund	\$340.00	Matthew D. Mackie, Jr. Fund	\$3,410.00
Heart of Scranton Virtual Fundraiser Fund	\$192,368.63	MHA Memorial Shelter/Rescue Fund	\$4,900.00
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Michael Jake Burkhardt Memorial Student	
Leadership Fund	\$430.00
Minooka Subaru Fund	\$46,000.00
Molly Calpin and Megan Calpin Hughes Fund	\$10,000.00
Monsignor Joseph G. Quinn Fund for	
Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.	\$1,650.00
Morey M. Myers Fund for Lackawanna Pro	
Bono, Inc.	\$2,400.00
Ned & Mary Ann Abrahamsen, George & Patti	
Lynett, Scranton Area Foundation Fund	<b>#</b> 0.000.00
for Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.	\$3,020.00
NEPA Animal Welfare Collaborative Fund	\$5,121.55
NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund NEPA Girls21 Fund	\$978,744.35 \$1,873.63
NEPA Gives Project Fund	\$1,073.03
One Point Fund	\$3,000.00
Page to the Stage Arts Program Sub-Fund	\$910.00
Page to the Stage Fund	\$6,562.00
Patti Lynett Fund for the Everhart Museum	\$820.00
Paul and Anne Marie Kelly Fund	\$1,900.00
Paul J. Schmitt, Sr. & Helen Stapleton Schmitt	
Memorial Fund	\$360.00
R. Matthew Burne Hope & Healing Fund	\$430.00
Ralph Keisling Memorial Fund	\$440.00
Richard and Sally Marquardt Education Fund	\$5,440.00
Robert & Bernadine Munley Fund for Lackawanna	
Pro Bono, Inc.	\$3,910.00
Rocco Valvano Veterans Fund	\$1,180.00
Roseann Smith Alperin Memorial Award Junior League of Scranton Fund	¢2 E00 00
Roselle B. and Louis A. Fine Memorial Fund for	\$2,500.00
Lackawanna Pro Bono	\$1,120.00
Ryan and Rena Wilson Charitable Fund	\$1,780.00
Sarah Marie Heard Fund	\$2,000.00
Scranton Council for Literacy Advance	<b>+</b> = <b>/</b>
(SCOLA) Fund	\$2,190.00
Scranton Public Library Memorial Fund	\$4,930.00
Sgt. Jan-Michael Argonish Memorial Fund	\$3,930.00
Sharon and Stephen Hudacek Family Fund	\$5,500.00
Sheldon Family Foundation	\$6,000.00
Steamtown Museum Association Fund	\$4,200.00
Stephen and Maria Hudacek Family	¢44.700.00
Foundation Fund	\$11,700.00
Sylvia H. Hahn, Esq., Fund for Lackawanna Pro	¢1 200 00
Bono, Inc. The Arc of NEPA Foundation Fund	\$1,200.00 \$1,580.00
The Broderick Family Fund	\$1,380.00
The Broderick Family Fund to Support The Arc	\$2,120.00
of NEPA	\$1,660.00
The Carlene R. Gallo, Esq., Robert T. Gownley, Jr.	
Esq., Jill H. Miller, Esq. Fund for	
Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.	\$1,990.00

The Fund for Women & Girls	\$10,810.0	
The Gelb Foundation Fund	\$57,900.0	00
The Greater Carbondale YMCA		
Endowment Fund	\$1,090.0	00
The Heather Fund	\$1,240.0	00
The Humor Therapy Fund	\$780.0	
The Kearney Family Fund	\$61,500.0	
The Max Grochowski Fund	\$3,380.0	
The Michael Hanley Endowment Fund	, , ,	
for United Neighborhood		
Centers of NEPA	\$270.0	00
The Robert and Rose Cavanaugh Fund to	¥=	
Feed the Hungry Poor	\$25,000.0	20
The Scranton School for the Deaf & Hard	Ψ=0,000.	
of Hearing Children Fund	\$360.0	20
Thomas G. Gallagher, Jr. Fund	\$3,280.0	
Thomas G. Gallagher, Jr. United Way	Ψ0,200.	
Operational Endowment Fund	\$43,650.0	20
Tomorrow's Leaders Today Fund	\$2,340.0	
United Way of Lackawanna County	Ψ2,010.0	
Endowment Fund	\$3,000.0	20
Wallace E. Gordon Memorial Fund	\$1,730.0	
Walsh-Nasser Family Fund	\$3,100.0	
William G. McGowan Charitable Fund	\$125,000.0	
William P. Rinaldi Leadership	\$125,000.0	50
Lackawanna Fund	\$610.0	20
William W. & Mary L. Scranton Leadership	Ψ010.0	50
Lackawanna Fund	\$640.0	20
Women in Philanthropy Business Relief	\$040.0	50
Fund	\$15,850.0	$\cap$
Women in Philanthropy Initiative Fund	\$40,000.0	
Women Matters Fund	\$1,131.	
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Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Scranton Fund	\$2,850.0	20
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Zak's Helping Hands Fund	<b>ДО</b> О.(	

#### Enhancing the quality of life in Northeastern Pennsylva

Funds established at the Scranton Area Community Foundation benefit the causes and charities you care about both now and decades into the future. No matter what charitable objectives you would like to accomplish, the Scranton Area Community Foundation offers charitable funds and charitable planning tools that will make it easier for you to reach your goals. Ask us how you can improve the region by creating your own charitable fund or by supporting the work of a fund that already exists.

### HEART OF SCRANTON

# Virtual Food Fundraiser

In partnership with the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund, Scranton's Mayor Paige Cognetti led a virtual fundraising event with the Scranton Area Community Foundation on Thursday, April 30, 2020 to help address the challenge of food insecurity in Lackawanna County.

Heart of Scranton: A Virtual Fundraiser to Help our Neighbors brought in a total of \$192,368.63 from over 300 generous donors and foundation partners in less than 48 hours!

All donations for this fundraiser went to support CEO/Weinberg Northeast Regional Food Bank,

Friends of the Poor, and Meals on Wheels of NEPA through the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund.



The Scranton Area Community Foundation would like to thank Mayor Cognetti for her support and partnership to combat food insecurity in the City of Scranton. The Foundation would also like to thank all of the generous donors who contributed to this important cause.





## grants from the Community Needs Fund

The following organizations received grants from the Community Needs Fund in 2020:

AllOne Charities Artists For Art Gallery Ballet Theatre of Scranton Black Scranton Project, Inc. Bread Basket of Northeast Pennsylvania Family Service Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania Foundation For Free Enterprise Education Greater Carbondale YMCA Greater Scranton Martin Luther King Commission Fund Indraloka Animal Sanctuary Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania Keystone Mission Lacawac Sanctuary Environmental **Education Center** Lackawanna and Luzerne County **Medical Societies** Lackawanna County Library System Lackawanna Historical Society Lackawanna River Conservation Association, Inc.

Lou Ruspi Jr. Foundation NAMI Scranton & Northeast Region NativityMiguel School of Scranton NCAC - Northeastern Pennsylvania Nonprofit & Community Assistance NeighborWorks Northeastern Pennsylvania NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund NEPA Gives Project Fund NFPA Inclusive Northeastern Pennsylvania Council, Boy Scouts of America Northern Lackawanna County Food Share via East Benton United Methodist Church Outreach – Center for Community Resources PAST (Parents a Second Time) Support Group PAWsitively for the Animals

Scranton Animal Shelter Association Incorporation Scranton Civic Ballet Company Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple Scranton Lackawanna Human Development Agency, Inc. Scranton Shakespeare Festival Telespond Senior Day Services, Inc. The Lenfest Institute for Journalism (TPF Special Assets Fund) The Scranton School District United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA Valhalla Veterans Services Walsh-Nasser Family Fund Wilkes University Women in Philanthropy Business Relief Fund Women's Resource Center WVIA Public Media

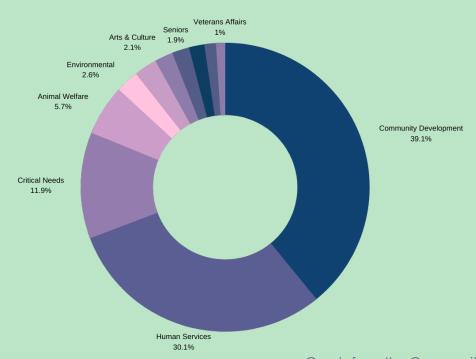
#### Community Needs and Critical Needs Grant Distribution by Category

Penn State Scranton

Saint Joseph's Center

Ronald McDonald House of

Scranton, Inc.



# Gefts received in 2020

The following pages list the gifts received in 2020 to funds that are administered by the Scranton Area Community Foundation. Support to these funds provides crucial assistance in the areas of education, arts and culture, human services, and nonprofit organizations.

#### #GaryInspiredMe Scholarship Fund

James N. Kavars

#### Abington Blaze Baseball Fund

American Water Colwell-Naegele Associates Gerrity's Supermarket, Inc. Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation Mariotti Building Products Michele Fenick Millett Ice Nicole & Mathew Shaffer

Peoples Security Bank & Trust Company PNC Bank Ratchford Law Group, PC Stonehill Investments, LLC The Patchcoski Family

Whitbeck Insurance Agency, Inc.

#### The Anastasia Fund

Mary Beth & Stephen Jaditz In memory of Anastasia *In memory of Carla Levesque* Mary Lou & Ken Heron In memory of Stacey Jaditz Susan & Kyle Dixon In honor of Barbara Lamberski In honor of Mary Lou and Ken Heron In honor of Steve and Mary Beth Jaditz

*In honor of Ted and Leigh* 

#### Ann and Leo Moskovitz Celebration of Life Fund

Regina & Edward Boehm

#### Anna E. Durkin Memorial Fund

Cecelia Haggerty Linda & Edward Lynett Patti & George Lynett William R. Lynett

#### **Anthracite Scholarship Fund**

Anthracite Golf Association

#### Austin M. Bumbarger: Helping Hands Memorial Fund

Austin M. Bumbarger: Eyes in the Sky Memorial Fund Barbara Powers Travis Bumbarger

#### Bender Family Foundation Fund

Melissa Simrell William Bender II William H. Bender

#### Capacity Building Fund

Center City Print David Wegner Elaine F. Shepard Ella Rayburn Friends of the Poor Gene Brady Gertrude C. McGowan, Esq. Goodwill Industries of NEPA Kate Dempsey Jones Mary O. Garm Maryalice Jacquinot, IHM Moses Taylor Foundation Nancy Perri Phoebe Wilson Rebecca A. Barnes Richard Bradshaw Schwartz-Mack Foundation

#### Carol M. Breig Memorial Fund for the NEPA Philharmonic

F. Warren Breig, Jr. In memory of Venald Boyard *In memory of Eleanor* Marsili-Tosti

#### Caroline Ace, LPN/Angela Muchal, LPN Scholarship Fund

Stephanie Zuccarini In memory of Richard R. Kerr The Litka Family In memory of Richard R. Kerr Theresa Wyszynski In memory of Richard R. Kerr

#### Catherine A. Foley, Esq. Memorial Fund for Lackawanna Pro Bono,

Jill H. Miller, Esq. & Thomas J. Foley, Jr., Esq. *In memory of Judge James Munley* In memory of Mrs. Joan Smith Joseph F. Cimini

#### Chris Till Sender Scholarship Fund

Foundation of the Association of Former Agents of the U.S. Secret Services In memory of Robert A. Till Marta L. Boxell *In memory of Chris Sender* In memory of Robert A. Till Michele D. Crowley

In memory of Robert A. Till Rebecca Listenfelt

In memory of Robert Till The Earley Family

In memory of Robert A. Till

The Galloway Family In memory of Robert A. Till

The Groff Family

In memory of Robert Till The Swanson Family

In memory of Robert Till

The Wagner Family

*In memory of Robert Till* 

William A. Sender

In memory of Robert Till

#### Cinderella's Closet of NEPA Scholarship Fund

Cinderella's Closet of NEPA NEPA Gives Project Fund

#### City of Scranton Small Business **Relief Program**

City of Scranton

Cody Jude Barrasse Memorial **Fund** Benton Township Lions Club In memory of Peter Barrasse Bob Thiel's Auto Body Shop, Inc. In memory of Peter Barrasse Chrissy & Julie Ludka Cody Jude Barrasse Memorial Foundation Dr. Linda D. Barrasse Ethel Rebar In memory of Peter Barrasse Jeanne & Joseph Sembrat In memory of Peter Barrasse Joseph Paciotti In memory of Peter Barrasse Maureen & Louis Guzzi In memory of Peter Barrasse The Honorable Michael Barrasse Nancy M. Barrasse, Esq. Pamela White In memory of Peter Barrasse Sandra A. Martin In memory of Peter Barrasse Stephen & Maria Hudacek Family Foundation Fund Terrance Wilde In memory of Peter Barrasse The Albert Lawrence Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Anthony Sweeney Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Dave Thomas Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Dunback Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Fletcher Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Folweiler Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Lisowski Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The McGraw Family

In memory of Ruth Cummings Silicon Valley Community Foundation In memory of Peter Barrasse The Mesko Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Schoen Family The Seitzinger Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Skiptunas & Tiffany Family In memory of Peter Barrasse

The Stoklosa Family

The Surgent Family

In memory of Peter Barrasse

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The Wazowicz Family In memory of Peter Barrasse The Yoder Family In memory of Peter Barrasse **UPMC** William G. McGowan Charitable Fund William Stella

Community Needs Fund

Adrienne & Paul Horger Ann & Malcolm MacGregor Ann & Richard Powell

Ann W. Chamberlin Anonymous

Anthony Calvario Arley Wholesale, Inc.

Arrah Fisher Beth Burkhauser

Bill Joyce

Bob Thiel's Auto Body Shop, Inc. Bread Basket of NEPA

Brian B. Kapp Brittany Pagnotti Carol & John Chisdak Carol A. Kristoff, Esq.

Cathy & Ed Fitzpatrick

In memory of Irene D. Barnoski

Condron Media Cooney Medical Inc. Cynthia & James Gillotti Dawn Leanne Talley Dede & William Tersteeg Donna & Michael Barbetti Donna Marie Martucci Dorothy & J. Conrad Bosley Dr. Linda D. Barrasse

In memory of Cody Jude Barrasse

**Edward Moran** Elaine F. Shepard Eleanor & George Ginader In honor of Kathleen Graff Elizabeth Cooper

Ellen Curt

In memory of Luke & Marc Chase Francis E. Crowley

In memory of Venald Bovard

Gertrude C. McGowan, Esq.

Gloria C. Davidow

In memory of Laurence M. Davidow

Gus Fahev

Guyette Communications Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation I.B.E.W. Local Union No. 81 James B. Nicholas

Jeanne Bovard Administrative **Endowment Fund** 

Jennifer Wohlgemuth Jeremiah Eagen, MD Jerry Musheno Joan Rotondaro Joanne Davies John M. Cuck John Pesavento John T. Cognetti Joseph F. Cimini Joyce Tressler

In memory of David L. Tressler, Sr.

Judith & Charles Curtin Judith O. Graziano

In memory of Venald Bovard

**Judith Tierney** Kathleen Graff Kathleen M. Wood Katie Gilmartin Kay Z. White

Ken Okrepkie & Dr. Kim Pavlick

Keystone College Knowles Associates, LLC Laura & Peter Frieder

In memory of Venald Bovard, Jr.

Laura Toole Lauren & David Price Linda Sproul Lucinda W. Neubert Lynn H. Nichols

Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award

Fund Marilyn R. Costa Marsha Parrish Martin Boylan

*In memory of David Phillips* 

Mary Lou Notari Mary W. Woehling Maureen Maher-Gray McGrail, Merkel, Quinn & Associates

Melanie Andreoli-Carpenetti Merrill Lynch

In honor of Laura Ducceschi

Michael E. Charnogursky Michael Helbing

In memory of Louis Umile

Michele & Jerry Musheno

Northeast Geotechnical Supply, LLC

One Point, Inc.

Patricia & James Alperin Patti & George Lynett

In memory of Venald Bovard

PDQ Print Center, Inc.

**PNC Bank** Robert Mesko

Roseann Smith Alperin Memorial Award Junior League of Scranton Fund

Rosemary & Donald Broderick Rosemary & John McGuigan Ruth & Joseph Hollander

In honor of Maryla & Bill Scranton

Ryan Wilson, Janney Montgomery Scott

Sally & John O'Brien Sally & Peter Bohlin

Scranton Preparatory School

Snyder & Clemente Accountants & Consultants

Supplying Foodservice Solutions Susan & William Calpin

> In memory of Molly Calpin and Megan Calpin Hughes

Sylvia Tagert

The McAulliffe Family

The Mullin Family

The Ross Family Foundation

The Tighe Foundation

Thomas C. Capezio

Virginia & Michael Rescigno

Wagner & Cecil Family

Wallace E. Gordon Memorial Fund

Wayne J. Miller

Wesel Foundation

William Burnell & Kate Holod

William G. McGowan Charitable Fund

#### Community Resource Network Fund

Geisinger Health System

#### Danielle Faramelli Scholarship Fund

Debi & Daniel Faramelli

#### David J. Wenzel Peace Fund

Elizabeth S. Bonczar

In memory of Terry Brennan

Mr. Joe Riccardo

#### Dr. Bernard Shair Memorial Scholarship Fund

Rachel Weisberger

In memory of David Powell Scranton District Dental Society

#### Dr. George J. Hallesky Memorial Scholarship Fund

JoAnn Hallesky

In memory of Matthew J. Wasik In memory of Raymonde Stepien

#### **Dulcey Degilio Scholarship Fund**

Debbie & Christopher Stark Judy Degilio Kent Kresge

#### Geisinger Health Plan Transportation Pilot Sub-Fund

Community Resource Network Fund Geisinger Health Plan Geisinger Health System

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Our Medallion Partners are local, highly-skilled financial advisors who have been approved by the Board of Governors to manage charitable funds on behalf of the Scranton Area Community Foundation. Financial Advisors participating in the Medallion Partner program maintain the relationships they have formed with their clients while working with us to help achieve the charitable objectives of their clients.

Throughout our Medallion Partners Program, we offer networking opportunities, educational seminars on regional philanthropic needs, and CLE/CE accredited, professional education courses relevant to attorneys, financial advisors, and certified public accountants on a variety of relevant topics.

The Foundation looks forward to developing and deepening relationships with professional advisors in our community. To become a Medallion Partner with the Scranton Area Community Foundation, or to receive updates and information on the benefits we offer for attorneys, financial advisors, and CPAs, please contact us.



# Scranton Area Foundation, Inc. Condensed Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2019

<u>ASSETS</u>		PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUES	
Cash Investments Other Assets Total Assets	\$84,516 \$ 41,593,245 \$2,144,153 <b>\$43,821,914</b>	Contributions Grant Income Administrative Fees Contract Service Fees Securities Settlement Income Investment Income Change in Charitable Remainder Unitrust	\$3,309,146 \$10,514 \$252,675 \$103,500 \$0 \$364,748
		Net Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investment	\$6,308,905
		Total Public Support and Revenues	\$10,364,288
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Agency Endowments Other Liabilities Total Liabilities	\$3,806,301 \$121,174 <b>\$3,927,475</b>		
Other Liabilities	\$121,174	EXPENSES Grants Operating Expenses Depreciation	\$2,005,958 \$879,453 \$ 5,836

In addition to the financials reflected on the audited statement, as of December 31, 2019, the Scranton Area Community Foundation also had an additional \$31 million in assets managed through contracts with other charitable foundations, made possible through our Foundation Management Services.

The financial statements of the Scranton Area Foundation, Inc. have been audited for the year ended December 31, 2019 by Certified Public Accountants. The audited financial statements including the auditor's report and footnotes to the financial statements as well as the Form 990 are on file at the Foundation office.

The Scranton Area Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt organization. A copy of the registration and financial information may be obtained from the PA Department of State by calling toll free to (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



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## **DURING OUR ANNUAL COMMUNITY CELEBRATION**

On Wednesday, November 18, we hosted our **Annual Community Celebration** event virtually via a live stream, sharing the accomplishments over the past year and the community impact made possible because of the Foundation's generous donors and supporters.

Most notably, this year alone, the Scranton Area Community Foundation has been able to distribute **over \$4 million in grants** to community-based nonprofit organizations across the region.

The event, which was held entirely virtually and was open for the public to access, gave a glimpse at how the Foundation has responded to the many challenges and community needs over the past year and shed light on the increasingly important role that the Foundation and community foundations across the nation play in fostering philanthropy, community leadership, and collaboration to address persistent civic and economic challenges.

During the event, we honored community partners including PPL Foundation, philanthropist Kathleen Graff, and the Robert H. Spitz Foundation, and featured funds that have made a significant impact in 2020 including the Heart of Scranton Virtual Fundraiser Fund, The Gelb Foundation Fund, Women's Whistle Stop Scranton Fund, and the NEPA COVID-19 Response Fund. The event streamed live at SAF2020.org at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, and has been made available at SAF2020.org for the public and the community to access.

Sponsors of the Foundation's Annual Community Celebration included **The Harry and Jeanette** Weinberg Foundation, PNC Bank, The Tighe Foundation, Posture Interactive, PDQ, Geisinger, Michael and Donna Barbetti, McGrail, Merkel, Quinn, P.C., Joyce Insurance, and Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC.

#### 2020 ANNUAL COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Scan this QR code with your smartphone to watch the entire Annual Communty Celebration we held virtually in the evening of November 18. You can also watch this replay at SAF2020.org.















Photos: *Top left:* Kathleen Graff accepts the 2020 Featured Community Partner Award during the Scranton Area Community Foundation's 2020 Annual Community Celebration.

Photo: *Top middle:* The Honorable Paige Cognetti, Mayor of Scranton, accepts the 2020 Featured Fund Award for the Heart of Scranton Virtual Fundraiser Fund.

Photo: *Top right:* Jack Nogi, Esq., Trustee of the Robert H. Spitz Foundation, accepts the 2020 Featured Community Partner Award.

Photo: *Middle right:* Susan Belin, Chair of Women's Whistle Stop Scranton, accepts the 2020 Featured Fund Award for Women's Whistle Stop Scranton Fund.



Photo: Alana Roberts, PPL Electric Utilities' Regional Affairs Director, accepts the 2020 Featured Community Partner Award for PPL Foundation.

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