



Winter 2019

INSPIRING STORIES, EMPOWERING COMMUNITY

Donor and Volunteer Spotlight

Phil and Mary Lu McPheron, philanthropy is a family affair

When more than 30 requests for funding were made to the Community Foundation of Tompkins County in November, the McPherons consulted with their daughters - both of whom now live in the Washington, D.C. area - to determine if and where they should donate.

After assessing the requests and asking for more information, they all chose a nonprofit they had never heard of - the **Free Science Workshop**, which was launching a science night for families in Ithaca that would include a **nutritious meal and an interactive science project.**

"The kids and parents could attend a workshop and build something, which would promote interaction in the family," says Phil, a retired

administrator at Cornell University and a board member at Community Foundation. "And it was particularly devoted to kids who might not have the resources to do that."

The McPherons were able to help meet the funding request of the Free Science Workshop largely because of the donor-advised fund they created at Community Foundation in 2017. Their fund, one of 65 such funds at the Community Foundation, allows donors to contribute money and distribute it over time to causes they choose.

Their Community Foundation donor advised fund **enables them to be more actively engaged in grant making** because it gives them direct access to needs. "We are informed by the Community Foundation of requests



in as well as out of cycle, and we can pick and choose what we want to fund" says Mary Lu, using a more holistic approach toward supporting communities.

"We hear over and over again how much donors value the connections they make through Community Foundation," says Amy LeViere, chief philanthropic services officer. "As a catalyst, we often provide the space and the connections **sparking the fire of philanthropy.**"

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COMMUNITY IMPACT



Thank You Community Leaders

Serving on grant review teams, committee and board service, community engagement and more. Photo: Rita Melen, Priscilla Crispell and Bill Currie.



Community Education and Events

Sharing stories of philanthropy continues to engage and empower our community. We look forward to hearing from you! Find all the latest at www.cftompkins.org under Events





Art of Participatory Leadership

The training, funded by Community Foundation, included leaders from the region, emphasizing strategies for engaging many voices in solving complex social problems.

By The Numbers (12/31/2018)

Assets: \$17.6 Million


 \$ 11.9 Million Endowed Funds


 \$ 5.7 Million Non-Endowed Funds




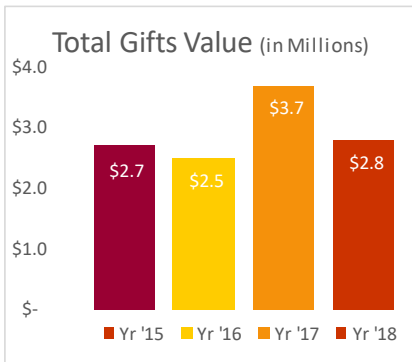
Fund Types (118 Funds)

 7 Community Impact Funds

 12 Field of Interest Funds

 34 Agency and Designated Funds

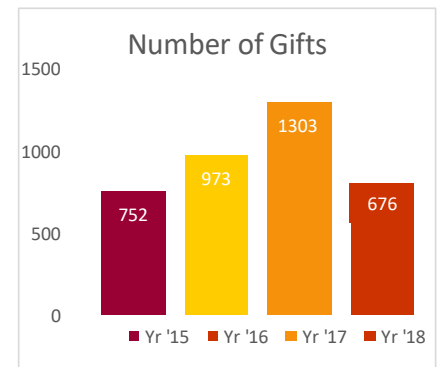
 65 Donor Advised Funds



1st new fund of 2019: Rotary Club of Ithaca Fund
Photo: George Ferrari, Mary Berens, and June Losurdo

Community Investments

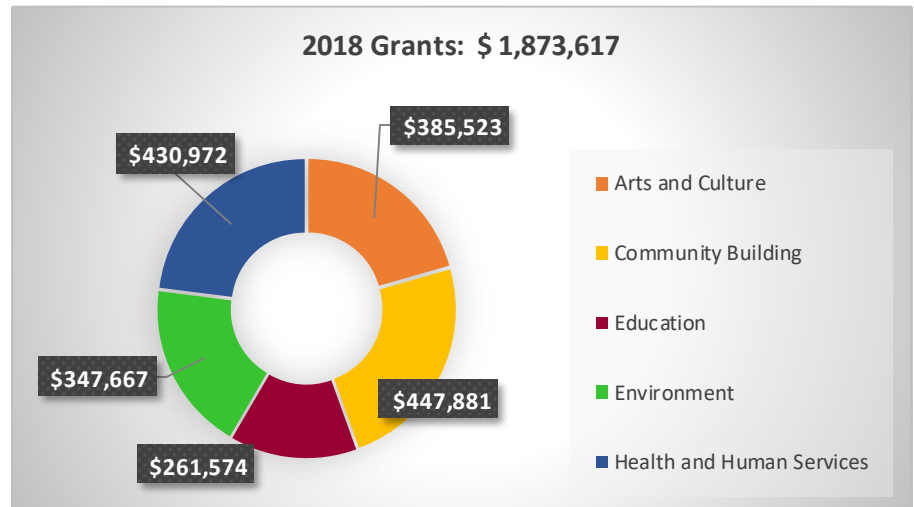
Thank you to our donors who made the following milestones possible! In our 19th year with over \$14.5 million in 3,600 grants, Community Foundation is a leading public grantmaker in Tompkins County.



CIPA (Cornell Institute for Public Affairs) students report and presentation on the Library Grant Cycle

2018 Grant Cycles

\$ 162,304	Library Grant Cycle
\$ 119,185	Spring Grant Cycle
\$ 53,475	Out of Cycle Requests
\$ 30,150	Women's Fund Grant Cycle
\$ 20,000	Fall Grant Cycle



Community Connections



2019 Community Foundation staff
Jessie Nocera-Galbreath, Amy LeViere, Nancy Massicci, George Ferrari, and Janet Cotraccia

We would like to recognize our 2018 HEROES Circle corporate members: Cayuga Radio Group, CFCU Community Credit Union, Chemung Canal Trust Company, Cornell University, C.S.P. Management, Dermatology Associates of Ithaca, Dryden Mutual Insurance Company, Elmira Savings Bank, The Frame Shop, GiveGab, The Glen Wood Financial Group, Hancock Estabrook, LLP, Insero & Co CPAs, Morgan Stanley Foundation, Park Foundation, The Philanthropic Fund, Triad Foundation. Thank you to our business community and private foundations for your partnership in local philanthropy!

