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The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund

Building the West End, One Block at a Time!

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The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund was established in 1994 with matching funds from the Kellogg Foundation as an affiliate of the Marquette County Community Foundation. Grants from the GIACF serve the people of Western Marquette County including, the City of Ishpeming, Ishpeming Township, Ely Township, Tilden Township, Champion, Michigamme and Republic.

“How Do I Apply For A Grant For My Project?”

The Greater Ishpeming Area Community fund has two grant cycles per year; one in the spring and another in the fall. To submit your project for consideration, visit

www.marquettecountycommunityfoundation.org or contact Gail Anthony at the Marquette Community Foundation at 906-226-7666.

Spring Grant Distribution

The Spring 2015 Marquette County Community Foundation Grant Distribution, including grants from the GIACF, took place on May 11 at Kaufman Auditorium in Marquette.

John Croze Memorial Scholarship Fund Established

When John M. Croze passed away in early 2014 it was clear to see how many lives he touched in the Ishpeming community. A teacher at Ishpeming High School for 35 years, a football coach for 15 years, and a family man, he touched the lives of many. When his family chose to set up a scholarship fund with the Marquette County Community Foundation, those people whose lives he touched showed up in droves to provide gifts honoring his memory. Nearly 300 gifts, raising over \$10,000 for the John Croze Scholarship fund have been received by the foundation to date. John's passion for math, his enthusiasm for football and other sports, and his genuine support for others, particularly his students, will never be forgotten. Thanks to so many generous donors, his memory will live on and future students will benefit from these gifts through scholarship assistance for years to come.



GIACF Provides Funds to IHS Geometry in Construction Program

The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund approved a grant for \$1,500 to the Ishpeming High School Geometry in Construction Program in the fall of 2014. Geometry in



Construction applies the concepts of mathematics in an applied, hands-on, real world setting, which results in higher math achievement by students. Funds were utilized to purchase individual student whiteboards, calculators, an LCD projector and a large portable whiteboard, all materials to be utilized in the 2 classrooms that are used for this unique program. Enrollment in the program doubled in its second year and academic achievement continues to exceed expectations.

Westwood High School's Severe Cognitive Impairment Program receives support from GIACF

A grant of \$1,000 was provided to purchase a color printer and projector for Westwood High School's Severe Cognitive Impairment Program. When resources were not available in the district's budget, Special Education Teacher Mandy Moebius reached out to the Ishpeming Area Community fund for assistance. The use of printed color visuals in her classroom greatly impacted students' learning and increased their independence.

So Many Ways to Give

So you want to give, but not sure how — here are some ideas:

Outright Gift

The simplest way to make a big difference is by an Outright Gift. You can make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds or other assets to your community foundation. Most charitable gifts qualify for maximum tax advantage under federal and state law.

Gift of Appreciated Stock

Turn stock market gains into community investment. Everybody wins when you make a gift of appreciated stock to your community foundation. Your gains are put to good use. Your gift of stock is reinvested in your community, and it qualifies for an immediate tax deduction based on the full market value.

Gift of Life Insurance

Leave your community as your beneficiary. Life insurance provides a simple way for you to give a significant gift to charity, with tax benefits that you can enjoy during your lifetime.

Gift of Real Estate

Making a charitable gift of real estate through your community foundation can help you turn your property gains into community good. The value of your real estate may exceed that of any other asset you own. With the help of your community foundation, you can use it to fulfill your charitable interests and receive financial tax benefits.



Start Giving Today

Donation Form

Yes, I would like to make a donation -- for **good**. for **ever**.

- General Grants Endowment Fund
- Youth Grants Endowment Fund
- Operating Endowment Fund
- Wherever the need is greatest
- Other (for a listing of all current endowment funds contact 906-226-7666 or visit the web-site).

Name(s) as it should be listed:

(Please Print)
Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

e-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Please make check payable to The Marquette County Community Foundation. **Credit card donations also acceptable by calling 906-226-7666.**

THANK YOU!

Your contribution is tax deductible. IRS Tax ID: 38-2826563

Mail to: Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund
c/o Marquette County Community Foundation
P.O. Box 37
Marquette, MI 49855

2014 Ishpeming Community Fund General Fund & Youth Fund Grant Awards Presented:

- Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes
\$400 for March Madness Event
- Westwood High School Softball
\$410 for Safety Equipment
- Superior String Alliance
\$480 for Superior String Alliance Camp Scholarship Fund
- Ely Township
\$480 for Parks Improvement
- Ishpeming Renaissance Festival and Art Faire
\$500 for As You Like It Shakespeare with a 60's twist
- Great Lakes Recovery Centers
\$500 for Veterans Behavioral Health Therapy Group
- MARESA
\$500 for 2014 Sports Training Camp
- U.S. National Ski Hall of Fame
\$750 for Ski and Snowboard Heritage Video Project
- Wesley United Methodist Church
\$1000 for Keep Kids Warm
- NICE Community Schools
\$1000 for Classroom Technology
- Trillium House
\$1500 for Office Startup
- Ishpeming Public School District No. 1
\$1500 for Ishpeming High School Geometry In Construction Program

2015 Ishpeming Community Fund General Fund & Youth Fund Grant Awards Presented:

- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
\$450 for Summer Food4Kids
- Wesley United Methodist Church
\$500 for Keep Kids Warm
- Ishpeming Independence Day Inc.
\$600 for Ishpeming 4th of July Celebration
- Ishpeming Historical Society
\$1000 for 2nd printing of vol.I A Visit to the Past
- City of Ishpeming
\$1070 for Inspiration Zone Clean Up/Fix Up
- City of Ishpeming
\$1500 for Carnegie Public Library Renovation

If you are interested in submitting a grant application for your project, please call 906-226-7666 or visit the website www.marquettecountycommunityfoundation.org to apply.