

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 Community Foundation of Marquette County. 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 one grant cycle in the spring, sometimes with a second in the fall. To submit your project for consideration, visit www.cfofmc.org or contact Gail Anthony at the Community Foundation of Marquette County at 906-226-7666.

Spring Grant Distribution

The Spring 2017 Community Foundation of Marquette County Grant Distribution, including grants from the GIACF, will take place on June 5 at 6 PM at Kaufman Auditorium in Marquette.

Sun/Skin Safety Awareness Program supported

“Just Believe” is an organization that was formed in memory of Jodi Ball who passed away after an 18 month battle against Stage 4 Melanoma Brain Cancer. One of her last wishes was to spread awareness of the importance of sun/skin safety. The organization plans to give presentations on Sun Safety to kindergarteners, 6th graders and high school health students. The GIACF provided funding for sunscreen and lip balm that will be provided to the students.



Youth Advisory Committee key component of decision making process for grant awards

When you look at the listing of grants on the second page of this newsletter, you might wonder who makes the decisions as to which applications are funded and which aren't. While the board members listed on the left review all of the applications, it is actually a group of students who make recommendations for any grants affecting the youth in our community. These students make up the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) and their advisor is Shannon Edmark. Their thoughtful consideration of each grant application and careful review of the budget they have to



work with is something the GIACF Board relies on with each grant cycle. The YAC also volunteers for GIACF events and several members will be attending the 25th annual Youth Summer Conference to learn more about philanthropy and how it can affect their community. Several members of the YAC are pictured at the left volunteering at “A Night at the Diner.” **Myah McNab,**

Mariel Morton, Alyssa Palomaki, Spencer Giroux, and Owen Morton. Other YAC members include **Ben Bruhnke, Logan Racine, Dondre Yohe, Olivia Kierzak, Chloe Grochowski, Hannah Young, Kasey Ball, Sarina Maki, Dylan Solomon, Lauren Farley, Elizabeth Farley, Brittany Nardi and Megan Pohlman.**

GIACF supports PAAC production of Seussical the Musical

education. For its summer 2017 production, it will present Seussical the Musical, a production that will feature 35-70 youth from around Marquette County. The GIACF provided funding for props and printed materials. Because of grant funding to help defray the cost of the production of this show, ticket sale revenue can be shifted toward the repair, maintenance, and restoration of the theater.

The Historic Vista Theater/PAAC promotes, produces, and encourages the arts in all forms for the benefit of the residents in Marquette County, and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. It provides an environment for the expression of art and an opportunity for entertainment and

**SAVE THE DATE!
THE SECOND
ANNUAL NIGHT AT
THE DINER WILL BE
HELD ON
NOVEMBER 2ND!**

Last year, this entertaining evening raised over \$4,000 for grants and scholarships in Western Marquette County!



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 Community Foundation of Marquette County. **Credit card donation 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 Community Foundation of Marquette County
P.O. Box 37
Marquette, MI 49855

2017 Ishpeming Community Fund General Fund & Youth Fund Grant Awards Presented:

Peninsula Arts Appreciation Council
\$1,350 Seussical the Musical

*Marquette County Land Bank
Authority*
\$1,500 Homeowner Repair Program

Just Believe
\$500 Sun/Skin Safety Program

*Hope Free Evangelical Lutheran
Church*
\$1,000 Community Dinners

Cancer Care of Marquette County
\$1,500 Patient Care

Ishpeming Independence Day, Inc.
\$150 Kids Parade

Wesley United Methodist Church
\$150 Project Keep Kids Warm

Ishpeming Public Schools
**\$1,000 Cross Country/Track
Uniforms**

Girls Scout Outdoor Experience
\$500 Tent Replacement

Great Lakes Recovery Centers
\$500 Music Therapy Program

Hematite Power Packs
\$300 Food for Packs

*If you are interested in submitting a grant
application for your project, please call 906-
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