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2020 Competitive Grants

The Marquette Grants Committee, along with their Youth Advisory Committee, met this spring to review grant applications from the Community Foundation's competitive grant cycle. This year the committees distributed \$46,784 for programs in the area, including: Silver Creek Church Neighborhood Block Party, Caregiver Incentive Project CPR/First Aid Training, Feeding America Food Pantries, Marquette Regional History Center Archaeology Heritage Program, Lake Superior Hospice Association's Bereavement Program, Exhibit Construction at the U.P. Children's Museum, and many more!

\$10,000 was also granted to the MAPS Education Foundation for their First to Finish, Childhood Savings Account Program. This program establishes a savings account with \$50, for every first grader in Marquette Area Public Schools to be used after graduation toward any qualifying career or educational expense.



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Community Response Fund

In March, the Community Foundation of Marquette County, in partnership with United Way of Marquette County, initiated the COVID-19 Community Response Fund to address issues related to the pandemic, and to provide support to local nonprofit organizations. The committee is comprised of community leaders who meet frequently to review grant applications and distribute funds. Community needs are being addressed in three phases: immediate needs; intermediate support for nonprofits; and a final Community Response Endowed Fund, to help provide future funding to nonprofit organizations in a crisis. The Marquette Area Community Fund, including the Youth Fund, granted \$12,900 to the



Community Response Fund efforts. The fund has distributed over \$70,000 to date, providing grants for various programs, including: PPE for Trillium House, Masks for Marquette, Marquette Area Public Schools to purchase a 3D printer to produce face shields, Feed the Frontlines, Feeding America for Marquette food pantries, and Synergy Fitness to purchase tablets for various Nursing Homes so their residents can contact loved ones.

For a full list of grants from the Community Response Fund, please visit www.cfofmc.org



Celebrating Chief Executive Officer, Gail Anthony

While we cannot gather in person in a conventional way this year, our 2020 Annual Celebration will be held virtually on Thursday, October 15th. Along with our Annual Meeting, we will celebrate the retirement of our Chief Executive Officer of 8 years, Gail Anthony. Under Gail's leadership, the Foundation has distributed over \$5,500,000 in grants and scholarships. During her time she also directed numerous community projects that will impact Marquette County for years to come. Gail departs her successful time leading the Community Foundation with this message: "It has been incredibly fulfilling to work with donors and community leaders throughout my eight years. Thank you all for supporting our work".

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Make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, or other assets. Most charitable gifts qualify for the maximum tax advantage under federal and state law. You can also donate to the Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund online at www.cfofmc.org.

APPRECIATED STOCK

Make a gift of appreciated stock. There is no capital gain to report and your gift of stock is reinvested in your community, plus it qualifies for an immediate tax deduction based on the full market value.

LIFE INSURANCE

Designate your community as your beneficiary. Life insurance provides an easy way to give a significant gift, and provide tax benefits you can enjoy during your lifetime.

REAL ESTATE

Make a charitable gift of real estate. This can help turn your property gains into community good. The value of your real estate may exceed that of any other asset you own. Use this type of gift to fulfill your charitable interests and receive financial tax benefits.

Beth Millner Jewelry Fundraising Pendants

We are honored to have been chosen as the 2020 fundraising partner by Beth Millner Jewelry! A portion of each pendant sold will be donated to the Community Foundation. These pendants make great gifts, while also supporting the work we do that benefits Marquette County. Shop local and support local! The pendants are available at the shop or online: www.bethmillner.com

