leading together
ESTABLISHED

1983

OUR VISION FOR OUR REGION

A healthy, thriving, sustainable Eastern Connecticut

OUR MISSION

To put philanthropy into action to address the needs, rights and interests of our community in Eastern Connecticut while fulfilling the passions of our donors.

OUR VALUES

• Integrity
• Inclusivity
• Respect
• Courage
• Collaboration
• Transparency
• Accountability

SERVING 42 TOWNS

Ashford
Bozrah
Brooklyn
Canterbury
Chaplin
Colchester
Columbia
Coventry
Eastford
East Lyme
Franklin
Griswold
Groton
Hampton
 Killingly
Lebanon
Ledyard
Lisbon
Lyme
Mansfield
Montville
New London
North Stonington
Norwich
Old Lyme
Plainfield
Pomfret
Preston
Putnam
Salem
Scotland
Sprague
Stafford
Sterling
Stonington
Thompson
Union
Voluntown
Waterford
Willington
Windham
Woodstock

OUR WORK

• Convene and serve as a thought partner with like-minded donors, nonprofits and other leaders to ensure collective impact, especially around four priority focus areas:
  • Empower youth
  • Promote basic needs and rights
  • Preserve the environment
  • Advance animal welfare

• Bring resources and knowledge to nonprofit organizations in Eastern Connecticut so that they may effectively and strategically carry out their missions to meet the needs of our community.

• Advise and support our donors to fulfill their philanthropic interests.
Dear Friends:

This year, we proudly celebrate 35 years of partnering with generous donors and nonprofit organizations to have a lasting, positive impact on people and places in the eastern Connecticut region that we all hold dear to our hearts. So, during this 35th year of serving our community, we look to the past to celebrate, honor, and reflect. We look to the present to listen, learn, and understand. And we look to the future to lead together to deliver on our vision of a healthy, thriving, sustainable eastern Connecticut.

LEADERSHIP  This commemorative report celebrates our history of growth and progress, but also marks the launch of a new era of providing community leadership for collective impact. We are committed to providing bold and strategic leadership to address the needs in our region. We believe that creating collaborative and inclusive spaces for civic engagement and advocacy related to topics that matter to our region is the key to deeper and more meaningful progress.

INVESTMENT  Our grants to empower youth, address basic needs and rights, preserve the environment and advance animal welfare focus on providing opportunities where they would not otherwise exist and strengthen the hands of those who can best meet community needs. Our scholarship awards help hundreds of students achieve their educational goals and dreams.

CAPACITY  Our nonprofit partners are the heroes on the front line. They deliver programs and services through dedicated staff and committed volunteers, often operating on restrained and diminishing budgets. We believe that strengthening community nonprofits helps essential organizations fulfill their missions and deliver needed programs and services. Thus, we are working with partners to leverage resources and technical skills to bolster our nonprofits.

We continue to be inspired by the simple premise of “together, we do better.” And with great humility and unwavering commitment, we are determined to lead together to do better every year.

Maryam Elahi  
President & Chief Executive Officer

Stephen Larcen  
Chair, Board of Trustees
The Shirley Bradway Serafin Scholarship Fund

Peter T. Serafin, a Putnam resident and engaged citizen who died on January 8, 2014, left the bulk of his estate to the Community Foundation to establish the Shirley Bradway Serafin Scholarship Fund. This permanently endowed scholarship honors Serafin’s wife, Shirley, who worked as a registered nurse at Day Kimball Hospital and Matulaitis Nursing Home. The $2.2 million fund provides need-based scholarships for residents of the Towns of Brooklyn, Eastford, Killingly, Plainfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Thompson, and Woodstock, who enroll in registered nursing and nursing-related programs at an accredited educational institution in Connecticut, Massachusetts or Rhode Island, helping to address the nursing shortage in Connecticut and beyond.

Love Our Libraries Fund

To celebrate our 25th anniversary in 2008, the Community Foundation made a strategic and significant gift to the community. A grant of $1.5 million from Edmund O’Brien’s bequest to area libraries allowed them to “dream big” and build on projects with lasting value like creating a dedicated teen space, starting a nonprofit resource center, developing a technology learning center and seeding several library endowments. The gift also expanded opportunities for collaboration among the 13 libraries involved and created a permanent endowment to benefit them.

“I chose nursing as a career as a result of my love for science, medicine, and education,
The Marjory B. and Laurence P. “Jim” Smith Unrestricted and Scholarship Funds

As an early Trustee of the Community Foundation, Jim Smith established one of the first permanently endowed unrestricted grant making funds and one of the first scholarship funds in 1983. After a lifetime of giving and before he passed away in 2009 at the age of 94, Jim carefully devised a plan for turning over to the Lawrence + Memorial Hospital and the Community Foundation the remainder of his investment nest eggs. Upon the death of his beloved wife, Marjory, in 2014, charitable trust distributions brought the Smith endowments to nearly $7 million which perpetuates the Smiths’ generosity forever.

The Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins Fund

Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins shared a life-long love of ornithology and nature that eventually turned into a tremendous legacy. Upon Mary’s passing on September 29, 2016, her trust set into motion the establishment of the Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins Fund for Birds, Other Animals and Nature, an $8.6 million legacy gift to the Community Foundation that will advance animal welfare and bird and wildlife habitat preservation efforts throughout eastern Connecticut.

The Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment

North Stonington resident Peter Grayson Letz passed away in September 2013, leaving his residuary estate to the Community Foundation for the purposes of promoting animal welfare and protecting the environment and wildlife in New London County. The $10 million gift to establish the Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment is the largest gift in the Community Foundation’s 35-year history. It will benefit both domestic pets and wildlife, preserve environmentally significant land and provide environmental education programs for generations to come.

— Sarah Uwazany, 2017 Recipient of the Shirley Bradway Serafin Scholarship
New London Partnership for Student Success

The Community Foundation has launched a collaborative to work with the New London Public Schools (NLPS) and community leaders to provide support for students from “cradle to career.” Together, we are crafting a long-term plan to improve educational outcomes for NLPS students. Multiple partners, donors and community leaders meet regularly to develop this strategic vision designed to equip and empower all students to achieve a bright and positive future.

Eastern Connecticut Mentoring Collaborative

The Eastern Connecticut Mentoring Collaborative (ECMC) is a key vehicle for the Community Foundation to promote mentoring as a means of empowering young people. Schools, colleges and universities, youth service bureaus, nonprofits, faith communities and grassroots efforts are working to support youth. The ECMC was launched to increase the connections, capacity, and quality of these youth-serving organizations towards an aspiration where every young person in eastern Connecticut who needs a mentor has one. Since our kick-off with nationally-known mentoring expert Dr. Susan Weinberger, quarterly “Lunch & Learn” events have brought mentors and organizations together from throughout eastern Connecticut.

Nonprofit Capacity-building

“It’s more than just the money” is a refrain we hear often from our nonprofit partners. While the Community Foundation awards millions of dollars to agencies and students annually, we also bolster nonprofits through a variety of technical capacity-building efforts to support internal systems and develop best practices that position them to better meet our community’s needs.

“Our Community Leadership in Action

“It is our responsibility to dedicate our time and demonstrate genuine care to young people to support them in growing up to become positive, productive members of their community. Mentoring is a mutual blessing; often times I learn more from my mentees than they learn from me.”
Thriving Community Conversations

In an effort to hear the voices of our residents, the Community Foundation initiated a series of community conversations on topics related to our strategic grant-making pillars. Our listening tour encompassed each part of our region from Pomfret and Willimantic to Norwich and New London. At Norwich’s Kelly Middle School, we heard directly from students on issues of importance to teens and their learning environment. In Pomfret, environmental leaders from around the region came together to share ideas for collaboration to increase conservation. Additional conversations on the value of the arts and women’s equity brought many new constituents together with long-time Community Foundation supporters to think creatively about community solutions and the role they and the Community Foundation can play.

“It is our responsibility to dedicate our time and demonstrate genuine care to young people to support them in growing up to become positive, productive members of their community.

— Kevin L. Booker, Jr., Mentor, Educator, Founder of Booker Empowerment, LLC and Community Activist
Leading for Advancement of Animal Welfare and Environmental Preservation
Animal Rescue
Our animal welfare grants have supported services needed to increase the number of adoptable and healthy pets in the region. The Groton Animal Foundation, Animal Welfare League of New London County, Ledyard CHAIN and others have used these funds for spay and neuter, veterinary care and other costs associated with preparing pets for forever homes and keeping them healthy in existing homes.

Connecticut Land Conservation Council
The Connecticut Land Conservation Council (CLCC) provides support and advocacy to organizations working to preserve land. The current three-year grant commitment to CLCC enables one-on-one support services and group training focused on building stewardship capacity, regional mapping, record keeping, advocacy and awareness.

Connecticut Humane Society
The Connecticut Humane Society (CHS) has long been a leader in providing programs to benefit the health and well-being of companion animals across the state. The Community Foundation’s partnership with CHS has enabled them to increase access to medical care for pets of financially challenged families by holding local vet clinics, distributing pet food and supplies, and referring families to their sliding-scale fee services when necessary. Additionally, the CHS grant supports Animal Welfare University which provides education programs to animal control officers and rescue organizations.

“CFECT’s partnership and support has been a game-changer for the region. In addition to receiving important and much-needed technical services, the land trusts are planning and working together more collaboratively. We can’t thank you enough.” — Amy Patterson, Executive Director, CLCC
**New England Science & Sailing Foundation (NESS)**

Through this grant award, NESS was able to offer students from Norwich and New London the opportunity to participate in hands-on, ocean adventure science-based education programs that not only make direct connections between the classroom and the real world, but also help to develop valuable life skills such as confidence, leadership, perseverance, communication, and teamwork among the youth participants.

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**Sankofa Education and Leadership**

“Resolved: Should cell phones be allowed in the classroom?” Our grant to Sankofa Education and Leadership, Inc. helped to support the Dr. Grace Sawyer Jones Debate program, an opportunity for 30 Norwich high schoolers to debate the use of cell phones in classrooms and other challenging social issues. In preparing for and participating in debates against teams from Colchester, New London and Plainfield, the Norwich students honed their leadership, public speaking, critical thinking and cooperative skills – all essential skills for engaged citizenship in a diverse, multi-cultural civil society.
“It is amazing to see how our students acquire skills like qualities of leadership in our classroom without walls.” — Spike Lobdell, Founder, President & CEO, NESS
Leading for Basic Needs and Rights
**High Hopes Therapeutic Riding**

This grant supports a multi-faceted equine-assisted learning program for school-aged Norwich and New London youth. The program helps participants develop empathy, compassion, communication and leadership skills.

**Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA)**

Thames Valley Council for Community Action provides supportive, individualized case management so that low-income families at-risk of being evicted are kept safely in their homes or in temporary housing and helps devise a plan for more permanent housing.

**Grow Windham: Youth CORE Community Enterprise Program**

This grant supports positive youth development, workforce and career readiness, and local food security programming and resources. Over 20 high school-age participants developed and led “community enterprise” healthy food access projects through a 6-week summer program, fall apprenticeships, and weekly meetings during the school year. Youth participants worked with a wide range of partners to learn about agriculture and food systems while developing leadership, advocacy and community-building skills.

“Character development is a key ingredient to successful learning. High Hopes provides a nurturing environment where the horse-human relationship supports the growth of self-esteem and self-confidence. These traits in turn promote leadership skills.” — Kitty Stalsburg, Executive Director, High Hopes
Professional Advisors: Key Partners in Community Leadership

Philanthropically minded people, professional advisors and the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut working together can make a powerful difference in our community. More than half of the $101.9 million in gifts received by the Community Foundation since its inception have come as the result of bequests or planned gifts from generous people who were guided by the expertise of their professional advisors.

We sat down with one such advisor to talk about his perspective on how people who want to make a difference through a charitable legacy, benefit from partnering with the Community Foundation.

With 35 years of legal trust and estate experience, David Zuckerbraun, Esq., is Vice President and Trust Officer at Essex Trust where he manages estates and trusts, and oversees estate settlements. He has also served as Community Foundation Trustee and on several Board committees including Governance, Investment, Audit, Development and Finance.

Says David, “Most of the clients we serve are predisposed to giving and want to make a difference in their communities. The Community Foundation helps them to define what their legacy will be, and they can be confident that their intent will be carried out in perpetuity by an established, trusted organization that knows the region and regularly assesses its most pressing needs.” He adds that whether people are giving later through a legacy gift or giving now while living, partnering with the Community Foundation has numerous benefits including:

- The opportunity to learn and give together with others to have greater impact
- Access to a wide community knowledge base, resources and advocacy networks
- Tax advantageous giving vehicles
- Permanently endowed funds that can be shaped around interest areas and can flex with evolving community needs now and in perpetuity
- Donor advised funds that allow fundholders to involve future generations

David was a key professional advisor in both of the Community Foundation’s largest legacy gifts in its history: the Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment established in 2013 and the Mary Janvrin and Natalie Janvrin Wiggins Fund for Birds, Other Animals and Nature established in 2016. Working closely with the donors’ attorneys, he played a significant role in bringing to fruition the vision that these donors had to ensure that domestic pets and wildlife thrive and that habitats, land and waterways would be protected for generations to come.

“Although I did not know Peter Letz personally, I know that he loved animals and cared deeply about the environment. I believe he would be very proud of the many investments his generous legacy gift makes possible in perpetuity.” — David Zuckerbraun
“My brothers and I set up a fund to honor our parents’ 50th anniversary. They shared a love of classical music and always enjoyed attending the Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra’s ‘Young Artists Competition.’ Now, their legacy will be supporting the Young Artists Competition in perpetuity. They were so pleased with the gift that gives back to the community and ensures support for the performing arts for generations to come.”

– David Zuckerbraun
Professional advisors often recognize when the Community Foundation is the right match for their clients’ charitable intentions. We thank the following advisors for their advice and community service.

Alyson Aleman  
Robert P. Anderson  
Charles C. Anderson  
Lois G. Andrews  
Carl Banks  
Joan Barnes  
Jim Bates  
Dennis Bidwell  
Neal M. Bobruff  
Thomas Borner  
Thomas J. Britt  
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Gregory Carnese  
Pat Cavaliere  
Jean Hendren Ceddia  
James A. Chambers II  
Paul Chinigo  
Joseph A. Cipparone  
Tracy Collins  
Kevin W. Conway  
Donald Cooper  
William Craig  
Lynn T. Cravinho  
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William J. Ebersole, Jr.  
Adele Edgerton  
Frank N. Eppinger  
Thomas Forma  
Darrell Fox  
Michael R. Garvey  
Simone Gladstone  
Mathew Greene  
Ellin Grenger  
Royden Grimm  
Laurence Hale  
William Hannaford, Jr.  
Lori Harrison  
Shannon Heap  
Robert Henderson  
Edwin C. Higgins III  
Paul Holland  
Wade Jensen  
Philip Johnstone  
Susan Jones  
Nick Kepple  
Linda Kidder  
Suzanne Kitchings  
Holly Knott  
Craig R. Koehler  
Robert Krusewski  
P. Michael Lahan  
Jonathan Lane  
Thomas Londregan  
Rogean B. Makowski  
Terence Malaghan  
Catherine Marrion  
Moira Bessette Martin  
Thomas McAvoy  
Thomas McBride  
Johanna McCormick  
Karen A. McDaniel  
Thomas McGarry  
James C. McGuire  
Jeffrey McNamara  
Kathleen A. McNamara  
William P. Middleton  
Christopher Miner  
William Miner  
Mary G. O’Donal  
Nicholas M. Orobello  
Theodore L. Parker  
Robert J. Patten  
Francis J. Pavetti  
Harvey C. Perry  
Derek Pirruccello  
Susan Pochal  
Patrick Poeschl  
Ted Potter  
Rita Provatas  
Teresa Prue  
John Read  
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Robert Statchen  
Kathy Stecher  
June Strunk  
Peter Stuart  
James Sullivan  
Deborah Tedford  
R. James Thevenet  
Robert Tobin  
Paul Vaida  
Lyn Gammill Walker  
James Weiss  
James L. Young, Jr.  
James Zahansky  
David Zuckerbraun
At the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, we are committed to stewarding the funds entrusted to us by our donors to get as many dollars as possible out to the causes, nonprofits and communities they care about.

Our Investment Committee consists of board members and volunteers with extensive institutional investment experience and varied perspectives. With oversight by our Board, they are responsible for developing and implementing our investment policy, recommending investment managers and monitoring our investment performance. The committee works with our investment managers at Brown Brothers Harriman (bbh.com) and Walden Asset Management (waldenassetmgmt.com) to preserve and grow our endowment through prudent investment strategies. Our three-pronged asset-allocation approach centers on growth, risk reduction and inflation protection.

• All of our donors’ funds are pooled together and invested in a well-diversified portfolio, which includes large, midsize and small-cap U.S. equities, international equities, real estate, alternatives and fixed-income securities (bonds).
• In 2017 the investment committee recommended to increase our look back period from 3 years to 4 years in determining our spending calculations for grant making. This is intended to level out income fluctuations from market activity and is referred to as income smoothing. This strategic change will help provide more consistent grant dollars year over year.
• Our Walden portfolio continues to apply environmental and animal welfare socially responsible screens, and both portfolios are designed to reduce exposure to tobacco-related products (less than .1%) and fossil fuels (less than .2%). Our portfolios have no direct exposure to gun manufacturers or distributors, and the overall exposure to weapons & defense is approximately 0.03%.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE
(net of fees):

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5-yr Annualized Return 8.0%

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
• John Pritchard, Chair
• Sam Childs
• Harry Ferguson
• Nicholas Fortson
• Martha Gibson

The Community Foundation’s audit is conducted by Blum Shapiro. The complete financial statements with accompanying footnotes and Form 990 are available on our website and for inspection at our offices. cfect.org/About/Publications

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### Statement of Activities  | December 31, 2017 & December 31, 2016

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Increase in Net Assets Before Other Losses | $ 12,821,047     | $ 6,767,190       |
Loss on Disposal of Property | 12,119           | 15,673             |
Increase in Net Assets | 12,808,928       | 6,751,517          |
Net Assets Beginning of the Year | $ 69,247,406   | $ 62,495,889      |
Net Assets End of the Year | $ 82,056,334    | $ 69,247,406      |
People Who Care: In 2017, the generous gifts of more than 1,500 individuals and organizations surpassed $10 million as a new record of supporting initiatives that matter to them and to the well-being of our region. We are deeply grateful to each and every one of them.

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