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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION’S MISSION IS TO TRANSFORM OUR REGION INTO A MORE VITAL, CARING COMMUNITY.
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2005 Annual Report
Dear Friends of the Foundation,

Each year we become a bit more confident of the ways this community foundation can have an impact in our eleven towns. Our tent just keeps expanding, as more and more donors find a comfort zone here for giving back to the community. We notice that the caliber (and the sheer number!) of grant proposals and scholarship applications rises every year. Regularly “beating the benchmarks” in investment performance cheers us as we watch our endowed funds grow. We have become a safe deposit box for those who contribute and an ATM for those who make a compelling case for the services they provide.

This mushrooming sense of confidence is tempered by humility. How will we ever grow fast enough to solve the intractable local issues of poverty, sub-literacy, homelessness and teen pregnancy? How will we remediate the costs of running effective programs while resources from businesses and government are shrinking? We can envision the day when social justice prevails in southeastern Connecticut. We have discovered, however, that we will never be able to achieve that alone. We have determined that starting where we are and doing what we can is about all we can accomplish today, but we also are planning for tomorrow.

From all of this our new mantra has evolved: Dream … Connect … Build. We are determined to transform this region into a more caring, vital community.

If confidence is the key to success, as professed by Rosabeth Moss Kanter of Harvard Business School, the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut can be regarded as a successful force for good in our shared community. With thousands of generous donors and hundreds of permanent funds already established, we are collectively tackling the tough and emerging issues facing our corner of the world.

Each of you can join or re-join this winning team. Our board and staff and committee members look just like you. And they care about the same issues you do. You can tell us what your concerns are and we will show you who’s working on them and doing it well. Together we can invest in the most promising programs and look with confidence at a better future.

Thank you for giving us your vote of confidence yet again. And read with pride in this annual report all that as been accomplished in 2005… and by whom.

from the chairman and the president

Alice Fitzpatrick, President
Tim Bates, Chairman
New London Public Schools Superintendent Christopher Clouet meets with fourth grade students at Jennings Elementary School. Photo: Jeff Evans / The Day
CONSISTENT, concerted, system-wide change is underway in New London’s public schools. Bringing it about are teachers and administrators, working together with the Connecticut Center for School Change (CCSC).

“TO IMPROVE STUDENT LEARNING, WE NEED TO HAVE REAL DIALOGUE AND USEFUL PLANNING, NOT JUST PAPERWORK,” SAID CHRISTOPHER CLOUET, SUPERINTENDENT OF NEW LONDON SCHOOLS. “WE NEED TO IMPROVE LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION, SET A BENCHMARK FOR GOOD INSTRUCTION, AND MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE CONSISTENT PRACTICES.” A GRANT FROM THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT PROVIDES HELP IN THOSE AREAS FROM CCSC, Whose Motto Is “SYSTEM SUCCESS EQUALS STUDENT SUCCESS.”

Andrew Lachman, executive director of CCSC, explained that often, hard-working teachers and administrators simply “don’t see the results that they want, and that we as a society want.” But, Mr. Lachman said, “An outside organization like CCSC can help them to become more focused, make more strategic use of resources, see how to get the outcomes they want.”

Dr. Clouet’s work with CCSC goes back several years and includes helping to launch its Superintendents’ Network, a group that meets each month with Professor Richard Elnore of the Harvard Graduate School of Education. These superintendents from all over the state visit schools, analyze what they see, discuss issues and help one another. They aim to involve everyone in a school district in improving teaching and learning. “It’s very focused,” said Dr. Clouet.

CCSC also provides professional development and coaching for teachers and principals. Carolyn Hazard, CCSC’s program coordinator, visits New London regularly to facilitate the study of current research in education, student assessment models, and recognition methods that will most strongly reinforce students’ efforts and performance.

Alison Elliott, a teacher at Jennings School, said, “We test; if we’re not meeting goals, we change how we’re teaching.” An example of a teaching method that’s proving to be effective awaited Dr. Clouet when he dropped by Mrs. Elliott’s classroom.

“THIS IS WORKING. IT’S GETTING CHILDREN TO THINK, TO COMPREHEND INFORMATION AND TO COMMUNICATE THEIR THOUGHTS. THEY ARE ENGAGED LEARNERS.”

In literacy activities linked to a section of the Connecticut Mastery Test, Mrs. Elliott’s fourth graders had worked together to analyze and write about similarities and differences. With great enthusiasm, they showed Dr. Clouet their “hands-on” efforts: charts comparing surgery in 1893 to surgery today.

“This is working,” Mrs. Elliott said. “It’s getting children to think, to comprehend information and to communicate their thoughts. They are engaged learners.”

With Community Foundation funding, that’s the kind of success that the CCSC is helping New London schools to achieve.
When Kathleen and Kerry Hertenstein left a community where they’d lived for nearly 20 good years, they left a parting gift that will help that community forever.

Through the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut, they’ve established the Hertenstein Family Fund, in honor of their respective parents, Walter and Verna Swedersky and George and Marie Hertenstein. “It’s to thank our parents and to help sustain the community,” says Kerry Hertenstein.

During part of his long career with Pfizer, he and Kathleen lived in East Lyme with their three daughters. Now two of those daughters are married and living in Ohio (one with two children, the other expecting a baby in July). After Kerry retired last year, he, Kathleen, and their youngest daughter also headed for Ohio, to be near the rest of the family. “We’re enjoying retirement,” says Kerry, speaking by phone as grandchildren played hide-and-seek around him.

But the Hertensteins haven’t forgotten southeastern Connecticut, where they still have many friends. “We became very close to the community,” says Kerry. Kathleen is a founding member of the Community Foundation’s Women and Girls Fund; Kerry served on the Foundation’s board of directors and chaired its Grants Committee.

As he pitched in, he saw community needs first-hand. “People think of southeastern Connecticut as affluent,” he says, “but there are many people in need.”

He also saw “how much the Community Foundation does to help people—to help people help themselves. We want to be part of that.”

He remembers visiting organizations that made requests for funds and seeing how the Foundation reviewed those requests. “The Community Foundation has knowledge of needs. It investigates carefully, and directs money to where it can make the biggest difference,” he says, explaining why he and his family chose the Foundation as the right place for their fund.

“We deliberately chose an unrestricted fund because the environment changes,” he adds. In coming years, community needs may be different; the foundation may “move in other directions.” The Hertensteins aim to help with whatever changes come along. They also want to do their part to improve a situation—which Kerry remembers well from his committee work—that will probably never change. “Always,” he says, “there were more worthwhile requests than could be met.”

Both he and Kathleen grew up in close-knit families, with parents “who were always supportive.” Today, he says, “We still have a close-knit family; we thank our parents for providing an example.” The fund “will live on beyond us,” he says. It will honor those good parents and help good causes forever. “It’s a small gesture on our part,” he says of the fund—but it’s much more than that. It’s a wonderful gift that over time will grow, meet new needs, and help people not yet born.
Kathleen and Kerry Hertenstein with Erin, one of their three daughters.
## ARTS & CULTURE

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## EDUCATION & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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## HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICE

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### The Community Foundation Awards

- **Grants for 2005**: $877,400
- **Community Partnerships**: $5,000
- **Connecticut Library Consortium**: $2,500
- **Mystic & Noank Library**: $4,880
- **Mystic YMCA**: $4,000
- **New London Main Street**: $6,300
- **Niantic Main Street**: $2,000
- **Stonington Free Library**: $2,357
- **Children’s Museum of Southeastern Connecticut**: $8,000
- **Connecticut Storytelling Center**: $4,800
- **Connecticut Center for School Change**: $10,000
- **DNA Epicenter**: $15,000
- **Drop-In Learning Center**: $6,000
- **Historically Black College Alumni**: $4,000
- **Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication**: $15,000
- **New London Community Boating**: $3,600
- **New London Office of Youth Affairs**: $4,000
- **Project Oceanology**: $4,400
- **Riverfront Children’s Center**: $5,727
- **Surfers Drum & Bugle Corps Alumni Association**: $2,500
- **Terra Firma Farm**: $5,000
- **Virtual Voyages**: $3,500
- **Williams School**: $3,500
- **City of New London/Sound Community Services**: $10,169
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<td>Shoreline Soup Kitchens &amp; Pantries</td>
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Collaborative Initiative for Management Assistance Grants (CIMA)

For a seventh year, The Foundation, along with the United Way of Southeastern Connecticut and the Frank Loomis Palmer Fund of Bank of America, made grants for capacity building. The Collaborative Initiative for Management Assistance (CIMA) has made more than fifty grants to help local organizations with board development, strategic planning, marketing and other areas.

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<td>TOTAL CIMA GRANTS                                                           <strong>$19,030</strong></td>
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**TOTAL** ................................................. $307,247
The Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut awards grants to federally recognized 501(c)(3) organizations and to other charitable, educational and civic organizations serving the towns of New London, Groton, Waterford, Ledyard, Stonington, North Stonington, Salem, Montville, East Lyme, Old Lyme and Lyme. Grants are made in the area of arts and culture, community development, education, environment, and health and social services. Grant application guidelines are available online for each of the grant programs listed. The Foundation encourages applicants to discuss their proposal ideas after reviewing the grant guidelines.

**GENERAL GRANTS**  
**NOVEMBER 15 DEADLINE**  
Competitive grants are made to a variety of community organizations in the range of $2,000 to $20,000. High priorities include programs that:  
- Strengthen families;  
- Improve access to area resources among under-served populations;  
- Enable residents to participate in the cultural life of the community;  
- Demonstrate collaborative efforts and inclusive practices;  
- Reinforce best practices or show innovative approaches;  
- Add to the general well-being of our region.

**THE WOMEN & GIRLS FUND**  
**AUGUST 1 DEADLINE**  
The Women & Girls Fund was established to harness the vitality of women living and working in our region for the purpose of uplifting other women and girls who face challenges in their lives. Grants range from $2,000 to $10,000. The Fund is currently focusing on two areas:  
- Preventing teen pregnancy and sexually-transmitted diseases;  
- Preventing domestic violence and supporting its victims.

**LET’S READ**  
**MARCH 15 DEADLINE**  
The Foundation has launched an initiative to improve literacy skills among children in our region. Grant awards are made to libraries, schools and non-profit organizations in the range of $2,000 to $10,000. Preference is given to proposals that:  
- Make reading cool! Generate the motivation to read among our youth;  
- Foster life-long reading skills as a path to success in life;  
- Address family literacy and create nurturing relationships between kids and their parents or mentors around reading;  
- Target disadvantaged or under-served audiences.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**  
**APRIL 1 DEADLINE**  
The Foundation manages 45 scholarship funds that grant more than 100 student awards annually. Scholarship candidates must be high school seniors, college or graduate students who are residents of the Foundation’s 11-town region and plan on attending accredited educational institutions. Awards range from $500 to $25,000.

Visit us at www.cfsect.org or contact Jennifer O’Brien, program director, at 860-442-3572 or jennob@cfsect.org.
women & girls fund 2005

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For the past two years, Women & Girls Fund grants have focused on addressing the dual threats of teen pregnancy and domestic violence. Local educators and health professionals came to the foundation with a concern that there was an upward trend in teen pregnancy/births in New London – a countertrend to the decrease in teen births on a state-wide and national level. In 2004, we awarded a grant to Community Partnerships and the Teen Pregnancy Project Task Force. They engaged nationally-known Philliber Research Associates to conduct a study on local teen pregnancy/birth rates. Their analysis confirmed that, indeed, teen birth rates in New London outpace births to teens in other parts of Connecticut and the US. In addition, the rate at which New London teens contract sexually transmitted diseases is double the rate of other communities, near and afar. The study’s findings inspired the task force to construct a Community Action Agenda. In 2005, The Community Foundation extended its commitment to finding solutions by providing funding for Community Partnerships to coordinate and implement the Community Action Agenda. This work is underway and will result in additional activities and programmatic adjustments for local schools, health organizations, faith-based groups and other social service non-profits.
When Bernard and Nelly Murstein married in 1954, Bernard agreed that Nelly’s career would be just as important as his career. That was a rare position to take in the days before “women’s lib.”

Now Nelly has set up the Murstein Family Fund, to honor Bernard and to help women who may be struggling toward careers.

With Bernard’s support, she repudiated the then-current prejudice that women who had young children and worked toward a profession were selfish and not good mothers. He pointed out that their two daughters would take her as a role model, which they did.

When Nelly came to Connecticut College as a professor of French, Bernard – whose field is psychology – obtained a position nearby at the University of Connecticut. Later he joined Nelly at Connecticut College. They remained there for close to forty years, despite several offers to Bernard that would have more than doubled his Connecticut College salary, because those offers did not guarantee that Nelly would have a position as good as hers at Conn. “As a result,” she says, “I’ve had a very fulfilling career.”

Her mother, left alone at age 30, raised five children and a younger brother by working at three simultaneous jobs: university teaching, high school teaching, and private tutoring. Inspired by her mother’s struggles, and later by her daughter Danielle’s advocacy of women’s issues, Nelly sought a way to contribute something to those less fortunate than herself. She truly believes that she is her “brother’s keeper.”

A former student and later president of Connecticut College, Claire Gaudiani, suggested philanthropy as a way of contributing. That helped Nelly decide to set up the Murstein Family Fund, whose purpose is to aid struggling women prepare to return to the workforce after an absence. Their reasons for the absence (perhaps abusive relationships, other family problems, or prison) are not as important as their desire to better their situation.

Nelly chose the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut as the right vehicle for the fund because, she says, “I trust the organization. The people there are competent, and they are involved. I believe in what they are doing.” She adds that the foundation knows the community and the organizations serving the women who need help.

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The donor-advised fund is part of the Women & Girls Fund, which many of her colleagues and friends support. Nelly hopes that she can get to know some of the fund recipients and hear how they are doing.

Bernard and she have realized their dreams of working at the same locale and achieving their academic and social goals. They hope that the fund will grow, and that friends and relatives will mark special occasions with gifts to the fund to help put recipients on the path toward realizing their own goals.
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Let’s Read Fund grants

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Weekly reading program between high school and elementary school students in Old Lyme .......................................................... $3,000
Child & Family Agency
Book club and family nights at B. P. Learned Mission .......................................................... $3,000
Connecticut College (Office of Volunteers for Community Service)
Project Kids Books Athletics in New London after-school programs ................................. $7,000
Drop-In Learning Center
Family literacy workshops in schools and daycare centers. ........................................... $2,100
Florence Griswold Museum
Words & Pictures: a children’s art and reading program linked with art on view in the Krieble Gallery. .................................................. $3,100
Jewish Federation
Adult volunteers read with elementary students weekly in ﬁve schools ........................... $5,000
Kente Cultural Center
Multicultural storyline program with writing and music ............................................... $2,500
New London Adult and Continuing Education
Book club and family activities for Even Start families ............................................... $2,000
New London Public Schools
Participation in the Nutmeg Book Awards for all 4th and 5th graders ........................... $3,000
Pleasant Valley Elementary School
Learning back packs for students to take home with family activities. .......................... $806
Regional Multicultural Magnet School
Bilingual family literacy nights for Spanish and English speaking families ................ $2,800
Riverfront Children’s Center
Family literacy events at childcare center and expansion of lending library of therapeutic books.................................................. $2,640
University of Connecticut at Avery Point
Reading and mentoring program between college youth and students at West Side Middle School .................................................. $1,500
Waterford Country School
Students participate in leadership and library-building activities. ................................ $3,400
Wheeler Library
After-school book club for 1st and 2nd graders in North Stonington. ............................ $1,800
Women’s Center of Southeastern Connecticut
School readiness program for young children affected by domestic violence .................. $2,500
TOTAL ....................................................................................................................... $ 46,146
Janie Pressley, retired East Lyme schoolteacher and Let’s Read grants committee member, found the essence of the Let’s Read initiative reflected in the following excerpt from the children’s book, Thank You, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco:

The grandpa held the jar of honey so that all the family could see, then dipped a ladle into it and drizzled honey on the cover of a small book.

The little girl had just turned five.

“Stand up, little one,” he cooed. “I did this for your mother, your uncles, your older brother, and now you!”

Then he handed the book to her. “Taste!”

She dipped her finger into the honey and put it in her mouth.

“What is that taste?” the grandma asked.

The little girl answered, “Sweet!”

Then all of the family said in a single voice, “Yes, and so is knowledge, but knowledge is like the bee that made that sweet honey, you have to chase it through the pages of a book!”

The little girl knew that the promise to read was at last hers. Soon she was going to learn to read.

Janie Pressley emphatically points out that grants made through Let’s Read should “provide the inspiration that will make children anxious to discover the sweetness of reading.” And, indeed, that is what the foundation hopes to accomplish through its priority focus on literacy programs for children and their families.
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Judi Glassenberg with granddaughters (left to right) Ellis Hemmerdinger, Roxanne Glassenberg and Jordan Hemmerdinger.
Charlie Glassenberg and Jacquie Hemmerdinger wanted to do something special for their mother, Judi Glassenberg, on her 60th birthday. “It’s a special birthday,” Charlie points out. They decided on a gift that will help teachers and kids for decades to come.

“They came up with this idea,” says Judi, who’d told her children firmly that there was “absolutely nothing” that she needed. She’s delighted that they and their respective spouses, Abby and Damon, decided to mark her birthday by establishing the Judith Glassenberg Classroom Enrichment Fund, under the Let’s Read initiative of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut. “It’s a way to help,” she says.

Judi worked as a teacher before she had children, and today those children are quick to say that she was always a great teacher for them. “We wanted something related to what she’s interested in, what she’s amazing at,” Jacquie says. “Teaching kids to read has been one of her great passions.” Charlie says, “We’re paying tribute to her life-long interests—children, teaching and learning, and knowledge.”

Charlie, Jacquie and their mother all point out that schools never have enough money in their budgets for the wonderful extras that dedicated teachers yearn to provide for their students. The fund is designed to cover some of those extras, especially in underserved communities. Judi eagerly lists some possibilities, like “a special reading corner, a special science project, anything that lets a teacher take that extra step forward that may really touch somebody.”

Charlie and Jacquie chose the Community Foundation for the fund because their family has another fund here also, and they know how the Foundation works. “I like the way the Foundation reports to you as a donor, how it manages money and how it helps the community in a focused and coordinated way,” Charlie says.

He and Jacquie live elsewhere now, but they grew up in New London, where their grandfather settled more than 80 years ago after emigrating from Russia. “We still care about the area,” Charlie says. “It’s been a wonderful home for the Glassenberg family. It’s nice to give back to a community that has given us so much.” Jacquie adds.

Judi is proud of her children for understanding what matters. She hopes that other families might see things the same way.

As Charlie puts it, “Family celebrations are a great opportunity to help the community.”
Melinda Carlisle is following her heart — and opening doors. She hopes that others will see just how the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut makes it possible to do both.

When she looked the Foundation’s work, she liked what she saw. “They do wonderful things in the community. I wanted to support their efforts,” she said. But how, specifically, would she direct her contribution?

Soon she learned that the staff was happy to listen and talk, to learn what her interests were and suggest possibilities. “They’re so good at listening. They help you to follow your heart,” she said. “They help you direct your contribution appropriately, and they make you feel comfortable, part of the Foundation family.”

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“Once a teacher, always a teacher,” she noted. She recalls how she aimed for her students not just to learn to read, but to want to read. “I wanted them to acquire a love of learning,” she said. She wanted them to think, gain confidence, have valuable new experiences and see connections that they didn’t see before.

She still wants to help children do those things. She admires the way Let’s Read programs can really expand children’s horizons. “It’s not just sitting them down and teaching them to read words,” she said. “There are far-reaching benefits.”

She appreciates the way the Foundation staff operates. “They meticulously, thoughtfully, look at every request,” she said. “That helps people like me make sound decisions.”

This year, she’s decided that spendable income from her fund will help the Mystic Ballet provide an after-school program for elementary-school kids in New London. “That may show the children an aspect of the world that they might not otherwise see,” she said. “It will be another way to help kids develop poise and confidence, as they explore something that’s different and satisfying. Besides, there are wonderful ballerina stories to read—and enjoy all the more, for having experienced the real thing.”

As she sees it, all kinds of work with youngsters — from introducing them to literary heroes to teaching them to spin on their toes — is connected. It’s all about helping them learn, grow, and find their way in the world.

Supporting that work, she said, “is all about opening doors for children.”
Marjory B. and Laurence P. “Jim” Smith Scholarship:
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Rita and Myron Hendel Scholarship:

Edwin Higgins, Jr. Scholarship:
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 Stephnie Sammataro, Stonington High School.

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Michael Shell, New London High School.

Beverly G. and George P. Letz Scholarship:
Shannon-Nicole Vine, Fitch Senior High School.

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Larissa Kupris, Stonington High School.

Fanny Stubblefield Scholarship (funded by the Foundation’s Women & Girls Fund and Pfizer):
Britney Frazier, New London.

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James Torrance Scholarship:
David-Michael Lozupone, Montville High School.

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1996 Beatrice McEwen Fund
   For students with high academic achievement and financial need
1996 Harvey Family Scholarship Fund
   For a Stonington High School student with a well-rounded track record
1996 Fletcher Family Scholarship Fund
   For a student with strong academic standing
1997 Gunvor Lund Scholarship Fund
   For students pursuing a career in engineering or science
1997 Tuneski/Shelf Iott Scholarship Fund
   For a student with good academics and notable Irish or Polish heritage
1997 William Pedace Scholarship Fund
   For a New London High School student with strong academic standing
1997 Alcino M. Almeida Scholarship Fund
   For a student with strong academic standing
1998 Mark Klotz Memorial Scholarship Fund
   For a Stonington High School student with skill in soccer
1998 John F. O’Brien, Jr. Scholarship Fund
   For a student with an interest in health care
1999 Pat Patterson Music Scholarship Fund
   For a student with an interest in music, preferably jazz
1999 Dr. Edward and Fuzzy Gipstein Scholarship
   For a top-ranked student with an interest in medicine or the arts
2000 Stonington 350th Anniversary Scholarship Fund
   For a Stonington resident pursuing unique educational opportunities
2000 General Scholarship Fund
   For unrestricted educational purposes
2000 Patricia K. Drake Scholarship Fund
   For a minority student with an interest in health or human services
2001 Joan & Bob Rutman Scholarship Fund
   For a student with good academic standing and financial need
2002 Edythe and Harold McNulty Scholarship Fund
   To encourage students to pursue nursing as a career
2002 Eric Evans Scholarship Fund
   For a student at Syracuse University
2002 Leslie M. Buck Teacher Education Scholarship Fund
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   For a student of the fine or performing arts
2003 Hispanic Alliance Scholarship Fund
   For students identified by the Hispanic Alliance
2004 Viola A. and Henry W. Turner Memorial Scholarship Fund
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2004 Edwin C. Higgins, Jr. Scholarship Fund
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2004 Sean Duzant Memorial Scholarship Fund
   For a student with good academic standing, interested in biology and/or soccer
2004 Kemaphoom “Ahn” Chanawongse Scholarship Fund
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2005 Freddy Fayal Scholarship Fund
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2002 M. Bradford Smith Scholarship Fund
   For a student pursuing a career in dental hygiene
2003 Citizens Bank Scholarship Fund
   For a student with financial need and a record of community involvement
2004 DeCesare-Bentley Scholarship Fund
   For students from 5 towns who will pursue an engineering degree
2004 Dr. Charles K. Lee Scholarship Fund
   For a minority student of science (funded by Pfizer & New London Rotary)
2004 Fannie Stubblefield Scholarship Fund
   For a minority student of the liberal arts with financial need
2004 Arnold Avery Scholarship Fund
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Giving is easy. You can start small or start large; provide for current projects or future ones; support organizations that you know and work that you care about. Whatever your charitable goals, the Community Foundation stands ready to help you realize them.

You can support the Foundation’s ongoing work with an unrestricted gift of any amount. Or, you can contribute any amount to any of the Foundation’s 210 permanent endowment funds which benefit a diverse range of causes and organizations in southeastern Connecticut, now or through your estate planning.

Through the Foundation you can also establish and name a new endowment fund and direct its purpose.

Following are some details on ways to give, now or later.

ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND

You can create your own endowed fund with a contribution of $5,000-10,000 (varies according to type of fund). You can create such a fund during your lifetime or through a will or a trust, or through planned gifts which provide income to you during your lifetime. The contribution may be made with any of a number of different assets including cash, stock, retirement assets, mutual funds, and life insurance.

In helping you to establish this fund, our staff will ask you:
- What would you like to accomplish?
- Where do your interests lie?
- Would you like to involve your family in gift giving decisions?
- Do you wish to honor or memorialize someone?
- Would you like to create a fund through a bequest or your estate plan?
- Would a planned gift vehicle be of benefit to you in making a charitable gift that will also provide income for you or a relative?

Then you can choose the type of fund that is best for your situation and choose how the fund will be named – perhaps for yourself or your family, or in honor or remembrance of a friend or loved one.

Here is a sampling of the types of funds you can establish:

Unrestricted ($5,000 minimum)
Donors place no restrictions on their gifts, and the foundation’s Board has full discretion in allocating the income. As opportunities arise to address challenges in our community, the Board can target its grant making to key issues.

Field of Interest ($5,000 minimum)
Donors choose a particular cause or geographic area for which the funds are to be used in perpetuity.

Donor Advised ($5,000 minimum endowed/$1,000 minimum for current distribution)
Donors remain actively involved in their giving. Foundation staff consults with donors for recommendations on proposals which have been presented for funding, or the donors may direct distributions of their own choosing.

Designated ($5,000 minimum)
Donors permanently designate their funds for a specific organization(s).

Scholarship ($10,000 minimum)
Donors can direct their funds with guidelines they establish. The foundation and its experienced scholarship committee can handle the entire review, or the donor may make recommendations from applicants presented by the foundation staff.

Agency Endowment ($5,000 minimum)
A non-profit organization and/or its donors can create a permanent revenue stream for the future strength of that organization.

Administrative ($5,000 minimum)
Donors provide for the ongoing work of the Foundation.

Special Initiatives
You may also be interested in supporting the foundation’s Special Initiatives: the Women & Girls Fund, which improves the lives of local women and girls, and the Let’s Read Fund, which fosters literacy among children and their families.
A fund can:

- Honor or memorialize an individual, family or group.
- Support the interest or organization(s) of your choice.
- Support a specific town(s).
- Remain anonymous at your discretion.

GIVING LATER

Many donors prefer to leave charitable assets upon their deaths after ensuring that they and their loved ones have been cared for. It also may be that other estate assets, such as life insurance or house sale proceeds, only then become available for charitable purposes. Some ways to make a future gift include:

Bequests in Wills and Trusts – You can designate a gift or portion of your estate to the Foundation and, in some cases, receive a substantial reduction in federal gift and estate taxes. Bequests are directed to the fund or purpose specified by the donor.

Retirement Plan Designations – You may realize significant tax benefits by naming the Foundation as a beneficiary of your qualified retirement plan.

Life Insurance – You may make a gift of a life insurance policy irrevocably designating the Foundation as the owner and beneficiary of the policy. Or, you may name the Foundation as a percentage beneficiary of a life insurance policy.

Remainder Interest in Real Estate – You may deed real estate such as a personal residence or vacation property to the Foundation and retain use of the property for the rest of your life.

GIFTS THAT GIVE YOU INCOME

You can realize the tax advantages of making a gift now, especially of highly appreciated assets, while still receiving income from that asset. Life income gift options include:

Charitable Gift Annuities – You make a gift of cash or property now and get immediate tax benefits. You (or a loved one) receive fixed quarterly or annual income payments for life. After your death, the remainder is directed to the fund or other charitable purpose at the Foundation, as specified by you.

Charitable Remainder Trusts – You place cash or property in a trust that pays you (or another named beneficiary) income for life. After death, the remainder of the trust transfers to the Foundation and is placed in the fund or purpose specified by the donor. You may receive income tax benefits in the year the trust is established.

Charitable Lead Trusts – You place cash or property in a trust that pays a fixed amount to the Foundation for a specified number of years. Once this period ends, the assets held by the trust are transferred to your beneficiaries. In some cases, the donor receives a substantial reduction in federal gift and estate taxes.
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Bob’s Discount Furniture, Inc.  
Boom Restaurant at Dodson Boatyard  
The Bowerbird  
Carlin Construction  
Children’s Museum of Southeastern Connecticut  
Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center  
E. Johnson Florist, Inc.  
Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra  
F & F Distributors Inc.  
Foxwoods Resort and Casino  
Garde Arts Center  
Gordon’s Yellow Font Wines & Liquors  
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Groton Inn & Suites  
Hoelck’s Florist  
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Lyman Allyn Art Museum  
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Mohegan Sun Resort  
Mystic Market  
Niantic Cinema  
Noah’s Restaurant  
Olio Restaurant  
Outback Steak House  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward N. Perry  
Rob Rivers Salon  
Roberts Audio - Video  
Schooner’s Restaurant  
Jeanne Sigel  
Stop & Shop  
Summer Music  
Thames River Greenery  
Utopia Total Salon  
Waterford Hotel Group, Inc.

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“You really can change the world if you care enough.”  

- Marian Wright Edelman
strength in numbers is a major goal of any charitable foundation. We strive to achieve that through broad diversification of our portfolio with The Russell Investment Group. In the past three years we have enjoyed a total return of 37.33%, annualized at 12.23%. In 2005 alone, we realized a return of 8.22%, while the S&P 500 Index showed no growth at all.

While we are eager to have a major impact on community issues through effective fundraising and grantmaking, we distinguish ourselves from many other funders by simultaneously growing our endowment and preserving its purchasing power. Contributions increased by 36% in 2005. We increased our grant awards by 6%. We adhere to a spending policy of 4-6% of the average fund balance for 12 quarters, reducing volatility and the impact of inflation.

Through gentle solicitation, prudent money management and thoughtful consideration of grant proposals, we are actively seeking to make southeastern Connecticut a more caring, vital community.

HIGHLIGHTS:
The Russell Investment Group was hired in July 2003 as the Foundation’s advisor. This change allowed us to diversify our portfolio. Following are some examples of the returns achieved from these new asset classes:

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<th>2003-2005</th>
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<td>International Equities:</td>
<td>15.99%</td>
<td>61.18%</td>
<td>25.04%</td>
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<td>Small Cap:</td>
<td>8.03%</td>
<td>52.71%</td>
<td>21.04%</td>
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<td>Private Real Estate:</td>
<td>19.19%</td>
<td>32.62%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>$ 86,330</td>
<td>$ 44,648</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>20,186,174</td>
<td>19,207,806</td>
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<td>Contributions-receivable</td>
<td>649,710</td>
<td>63,075</td>
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<td>Split-interest agreements:</td>
<td>4,961,854</td>
<td>4,820,305</td>
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<td>Property and equipment, net</td>
<td>325,125</td>
<td>300,385</td>
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<td>Other Assets</td>
<td>3,000</td>
<td>1,279</td>
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<td>$ 26,212,193</td>
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<td>Current Liabilities</td>
<td>$ 121,237</td>
<td>$ 128,042</td>
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<td>Liability Under Gift Annuity</td>
<td>7,623</td>
<td>8,130</td>
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<td>Net Assets:</td>
<td>26,083,333</td>
<td>24,301,326</td>
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<td>Board Designated - Capital</td>
<td>25,659</td>
<td>5,682</td>
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<td>769,542</td>
<td>730,681</td>
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<tr>
<td>Undesignated</td>
<td>20,324,222</td>
<td>18,735,253</td>
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<td>Temporarily restricted</td>
<td>214,888</td>
<td>233,999</td>
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<td>Permanently restricted</td>
<td>4,749,022</td>
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## Statement of Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2005

with summarized financial information for the year ended December 31, 2004

### Revenues, Gains and Other Support

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<td><strong>Contributions</strong></td>
<td>$1,775,391 $29,646</td>
<td>$1,805,037 $1,346,281</td>
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<td>Change in split-interest agreements</td>
<td>1,767 (9,467) 57,368</td>
<td>49,668 (58,433)</td>
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<td>Change in value of perpetual trust</td>
<td>- - 95,943</td>
<td>95,943 163,706</td>
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<td>Realized and unrealized investment gains</td>
<td>1,080,267 -</td>
<td>1,080,267 1,272,564</td>
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<td>Investment income</td>
<td>419,341 - -</td>
<td>419,341 503,864</td>
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<td>Special events (net)</td>
<td>20,345 - -</td>
<td>20,345 21,418</td>
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<td>Rental income</td>
<td>21,500 - -</td>
<td>21,500 18,480</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>3,318,611 20,179</td>
<td>3,492,101 3,267,880</td>
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<td>Less investment fees</td>
<td>(128,598) - -</td>
<td>(128,598) (114,223)</td>
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<td><strong>Total support</strong></td>
<td>3,190,013 20,179</td>
<td>3,363,503 3,153,657</td>
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<td>Net assets released from restrictions</td>
<td>39,290 (39,290)</td>
<td>- (3,133,657)</td>
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<td><strong>Total revenues, gains and other support</strong></td>
<td>3,229,303 (19,111)</td>
<td>3,363,503 (3,133,657)</td>
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### Expenses

**Program services:**

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<td>1,090,700 - -</td>
<td>1,090,700 1,026,769</td>
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<td>Other grant expenses</td>
<td>151,540 - -</td>
<td>151,540 139,105</td>
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<td><strong>Total program services</strong></td>
<td>1,242,240 - -</td>
<td>1,242,240 1,165,874</td>
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<td>General &amp; administrative expenses</td>
<td>339,256 - -</td>
<td>339,256 332,011</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
<td>1,581,496 - -</td>
<td>1,581,496 1,497,885</td>
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### Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets

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<td>1,647,807 (19,111)</td>
<td>1,782,007 1,655,772</td>
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<td><strong>Net Assets - Beginning Of Year</strong></td>
<td>19,471,616 233,999</td>
<td>4,595,711 24,301,326</td>
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<td><strong>Net Assets - End Of Year</strong></td>
<td>$21,119,423 $214,888</td>
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