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MANY OF US WHO LIVE IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT have deep connections to its people and places. Perhaps you first came to the region seeking an education, a career, or an opportunity to serve your country. You may have been born here and have a family history in this corner of New England. No matter the individual circumstances, it is only natural to want to give back to the community that you call home. The Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut stands ready to help you do that.

As one of the region’s largest permanent sources of grant funding, we also offer common meeting ground and leadership on important issues. We provide philanthropic guidance and can help you to learn more about the causes you care about. We also offer the chance to join others with similar interests to learn and give together for greater impact. Most important, we listen to you and to our nonprofit partners; we also pay close attention to what’s happening in our 42 communities.

For this annual report, we asked our friends and neighbors to send us their own words and images that show “the places you love” in the towns, cities, and countryside that the Foundation serves. We are delighted to share some of these throughout this publication.

Seeing these special places reminds us of the values we have in common and why we must continue to strive for a healthy, thriving, and sustainable eastern Connecticut.
Expanding our Vision:
A message from the President and the Chair of the Board of Trustees

THE YEAR 2014, one of the most successful in the history of our Community Foundation, began with a challenge. On a frigid January day, when windswept snow obscured the view from the windows, our Board of Trustees, several trustees emeriti, and our staff gathered in the Lyman Allyn Art Museum to begin the task of strategic planning.

Our plan had to be as creative as a work of art and solid as the four columns of local granite that support the museum. Before we could find new ways to put philanthropy into action, we wanted to listen to our partners — both donors and beneficiaries — and assess how the Foundation could invest in their future needs, rights, and interests. In the months ahead, the Strategic Planning Committee and an advisory group of stakeholders from around the region devoted their time and energy to the planning effort.

The new knowledge we gained about donor services and grant making has empowered us to build upon our past priorities and strengths. As a result of a major bequest from Mr. Peter Letz, we have been able to adopt additional priorities as well.

In July 2015, our Board of Trustees approved the new Strategic Plan. We are proud of the work that emerged from months of thoughtful, broad-based discussions and evaluation. Like the points of the compass in our logo, the plan’s four main directives will guide our actions for the coming years. We will work to empower youth, promote basic needs and rights, preserve the environment, and advance animal welfare.

The report in your hands traces the Foundation’s major achievements in a single year, 2014, yet it comes at a time when our vision is focused on the future.

Here are some of the highlights of 2014:

- Our donors generously contributed $10,354,325, which included 22 new named funds, a record level of giving, and double the amount received the previous year.
- The Foundation made a record $4,023,103 in grants and scholarships, up 15% over the prior year.
- We achieved 6.2% in investment returns, contributing to a five-year annualized return of 9.6%.

The numbers do not tell the whole story though. We also measure success by the effectiveness of our stewardship, our efforts to expand our knowledge, and the strength of our relationships with our nonprofit partners, advisors, and community leaders. Above all else, we are grateful to our donors whose generosity is at the heart of all we do.

It is a privilege to serve with such dedicated and generous individuals as we all work for the common good. Together we can make a healthier, thriving, and more sustainable world for everyone who lives in the places we love.

Maryam Elahi
President and Chief Executive Officer

Susan Pochal
Chair, Board of Trustees
The Letz Fund: A $10 million legacy from a man who loved the natural world

**IN FALL OF 2013,** the Community Foundation received astonishing news. The Foundation was about to receive by far the largest single gift in its history: an anticipated $10 million estate distribution to create the Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment.

When someone chooses to live life entirely on his or her own terms, not following a conventional path, that individual often remains a bit of a mystery to the rest of the world. That was the case when Peter Letz, then 60, died from cancer at a hospice center in the fall of 2011. Very few of his fellow residents in rural North Stonington would have guessed that their unassuming neighbor, who lived in a 1920 Cape and often worked in maintenance jobs, would leave millions to help the region he called home all of his life.

And yet, to the few who knew him well, it was no mystery that Letz loved nature and animals. He enjoyed nature photography and went out of his way to rescue injured or abandoned animals, even bringing a baby raccoon to the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center on one occasion and contributing to the organization. His parents, the late George and Beverly Letz of Groton, were long-term donors to the Community Foundation. They had established two scholarship funds, one for graduates of Fitch Senior High School in Groton and a second for Wheeler High School in North Stonington. It was natural for their son to seek the estate-planning assistance of attorney Suzanne Kitchings, who had worked with his parents. Kitchings and David Zuckerbraun, then a trust officer and attorney with The Washington Trust Company, helped the Community Foundation better understand Peter Letz’s hopes in making this generous bequest.

Peter Letz’s legacy will benefit animals, both domestic pets and wildlife. It also will support the preservation of the environment and environmental education in New London County. This year, the Community Foundation held focus groups and worked with local animal welfare groups and a committee of experts to develop a long-term plan for this fund. This permanently endowed fund will generate approximately $400,000 in grant dollars each year to support Peter Letz’s dreams.

**OUR HISTORY IS KEY TO OUR FUTURE**

**THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** has been helping people to help others for 32 years. Established in 1983, it began when like-minded people had a vision of building a permanent endowment for charitable giving. They wanted to make great things happen where they live.

**IN THE 1980s,** community foundations were relative newcomers to the philanthropic landscape, but today our foundation is one of more than 800 strong across the nation. Collectively, their assets exceed $71 billion; they are the recipients of more than $8 billion in gifts and have made more than $5.5 billion in grants and scholarships.

**UPON THE 2010 MERGER OF THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT (NEW LONDON AND SURROUNDING REGION) WITH THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE TRI-COUNTY AREA (NORWICH AND NORTH), WE BECAME THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT. WE NOW SERVE 42 TOWNS IN WHAT IS THE LARGEST GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF THE STATE’S 21 COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS. SINCE 2010, WE’VE DOUBLED IN ASSETS (TO $64 MILLION) AND INCREASED GRANT MAKING TO OVER $4 MILLION YEARLY.**
OUR DONORS

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT BRINGS TOGETHER HUNDREDS OF DONORS TO BUILD A BETTER FUTURE FOR THE PLACES AND COMMUNITIES THEY LOVE. THESE GENEROUS INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, AND BUSINESSES ARE FROM ALL 42 TOWNS IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT AND BEYOND.

SOME PEOPLE MIGHT THINK THAT IT TAKES A SUPERHERO OR A SAINT TO CREATE THEIR OWN FUND, NOT TO MENTION A SMALL FORTUNE. IN REALITY, THE MAJORITY OF OUR DONORS ARE ORDINARY PEOPLE, BUT THEY DO HAVE AT LEAST TWO SPECIAL POWERS: THE ABILITY TO ENVISION A BETTER FUTURE AND THE BELIEF THAT THEIR GIFT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE. USING THE PROVERBIAL STRENGTH IN NUMBERS, THE FOUNDATION CAN LEVERAGE THESE FUNDS TO DO THE MOST GOOD HERE IN OUR OWN COMMUNITIES.


A helping hand to future healers:

Bernard and Alice Chalecki

MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS DEVOTE THEIR LIVES to helping others, yet they themselves must often shoulder the high costs of attaining a medical degree or certification. Now, a new scholarship fund will offer help to those aspiring to be doctors, nurses, and other trained medical professionals.

One of several new “field of interest” funds created in 2014, the Bernard and Alice Chalecki Fund will provide scholarships for college and graduate students from any of the 42 towns in eastern Connecticut who are pursuing careers in health-related fields. The fund may also provide grants directly to accredited educational institutions to offer financial aid to students pursuing health-care studies.

The Chaleckis, longtime residents of southeastern Connecticut, had started a charitable fund with an investment firm many years ago; it had grown in value over time, but had not been distributed to any beneficiaries. After Bernard passed away in 2011, Alice worked with attorney David Zuckerbraun, then a vice president at The Washington Trust Company, who suggested that their charitable fund be transferred to the stewardship of the Community Foundation where Alice’s vision could be carried out.

As one who knows firsthand the difficulty finding a new primary care doctor after her own long-time physician retired, Alice has several reasons for wanting to help young people to enter medical fields.

“Unlike the time in which I grew up, when doctors still made house calls, there now are a variety of different trained medical professionals who can provide help when a patient needs assistance,” says Alice, noting the important role of physician’s assistants and others.

“According to the media, there is a serious shortage of such people, and I would like to help them,” she adds. She was inspired by young people such as Heather Buck, a Stonington High School basketball star who went on to play for the National Champion UConn team while pursuing her dream of becoming a registered nurse.

“We are all aware of the fact that advanced education is very expensive, but if that education ends up in service to others, it is well worth assisting,” Alice says.
The named fund will forever call to mind the lifelong contributions of her late husband, including his service to his country. A Connecticut native, Bernard was a World War II veteran who served in General Patton’s Third Army. Upon his return from the war, he was decorated with the Bronze Star. A 1948 graduate of Yale University, he first served as Director of the State of Connecticut’s Boating Commission, an agency that later merged with the Environmental Protection Agency. After 12 years at Electric Boat, he worked in retirement for two decades in the Education Department of Mystic Seaport. For thirty years, Alice joined him at the museum, helping visitors to enjoy and understand the maritime collection.

On land and sea: the intrepid Van Zandts will leave a legacy

**THE MANY** accomplishments and adventures of Sidney, Sandy and Douglas Van Zandt could fill several biographies, but their life stories have a common theme. All three have a deep love for natural and wild places: ocean waves, rocky shores, quiet forests, rugged mountainsides, and rushing rivers.

Now the Connecticut-based couple and their son have made plans to ensure that they can invest in the places and causes they have cared about in the past 50 years. In 2014, the Community Foundation helped the Van Zandts to launch two separate funds that have a unique, dynamic connection to one another.

The **Sidney Faithfull Van Zandt Environmental Education Fund** will support projects that teach children and teens in New London County a vital lesson: understanding our role in the ecosystem and learning to be better stewards of the environment. For as long as they live, both Sidney and her husband Sandy will have an opportunity to advise the selection committee on each year’s grant recipients.

At the same time, the family created the **Sandy, Sidney and Douglas Van Zandt Fund** as part of their estate plan, specifically a Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT), which will provide income to the Van Zandts and to their son Douglas, an Oregon-based entrepreneur and renewable energy consultant, over their lifetimes. When all of the family members have passed on, a portion of the remainder of the CRT will come to the Community Foundation to fund environmental education, open space, Connecticut Forest and Park Association, and several other organizations. Every year, distributions from the fund will benefit the charitable organizations that they have designated and also help to fund their environmental education fund.

“Alison Woods and the rest of the Community Foundation staff were wonderful and so helpful in creating this plan with us,” says Sidney, who knew that they were exploring uncharted territory by establishing their two related funds.
“We were climbing a new mountain with the lawyers and other planners involved,” Sidney adds. The Van Zandts had chosen the Foundation as a partner in their charitable planning because it was important to them that committees of local people would be deciding what to do with future funds, not a national organization.

A sail manufacturer and boat designer, Sandy and his wife, the former Sidney Faithfull, first settled in Noank with their 3-year-old son, Douglas, in 1961. They started a successful business, Van Zandt Sails the following year, using a sewing machine that Sidney had won in a raffle. Around this time, however, Sidney sensed a major change in the wind: the growing environmental movement of the 1960s and the need for open space.

Soon she became a full-fledged local activist, crusading to save Groton’s Haley Farm from development as a duplex housing project. Today it is Haley Farm State Park. As founder of the Groton Open Space Association in 1965, Sidney also co-chaired the Bluff Point Advisory Council, helping to save the 800 acres from development as an amusement park and creating the state’s very first coastal preserve. And that was just the beginning for this environmental trailblazer who had decades of leadership ahead of her.

She had grown up exploring the trails of the Mianus River Gorge near her home in upstate New York; the site was the first to be purchased as a preserve by The Nature Conservancy. The place that she loved so much would influence her entire life, but her new roots were firmly planted in southeastern Connecticut.

“My passion for this area is strong,” says Sidney today, explaining why it was so important to give back to this region.

“I want people to get out and take a walk, to open their eyes and see all the natural beauty around us. You really can make a difference.”

Last year, when Sandy began planning to sail once again in a single-handed race to Bermuda, the practical-minded Van Zandts decided to put all of their affairs in order first. As veteran blue water sailors, they knew the importance of being prepared. Back in 1980, as the two approached their respective half-century marks, the Van Zandts and their son built a 39-foot, steel-hulled cutter in which they would circumnavigate the globe and make four transatlantic crossings. Confident that their life together still had many exciting chapters to come, they named that vessel Sequel. Now, thanks to their foresight, there will always be a sequel to their charitable giving and the impact they have had on eastern Connecticut.
A calm, strong voice that won’t be silenced:  
The Robert E. Davidson Fund

As a longtime advocate for people who suffer from mental illness, Robert E. Davidson spent his life speaking up for those who might have been forgotten. Today, a fund in his name ensures that his ability to help others will extend beyond his own lifetime.

For the last 14 years of his career, Davidson served as executive director of the Eastern Regional Mental Health Board (ERMHB), a nonprofit agency known as “the citizen’s voice in mental health policy” in eastern Connecticut. Then came devastating news to all who knew him: a diagnosis of brain cancer in 2013 and a subsequent battle with the illness that forced him to retire. Shortly before Davidson passed away in March 2014 at age 65, his wife, Marjorie Blizard, shared an idea with his successor as executive director of the agency. The two of them joined forces with the Community Foundation to give Davidson the perfect tribute and parting gift.

“His way of making every person he met feel valued and important was perhaps Bob’s greatest gift,” Gross recalled. She hopes that others will be inspired to continue his work, building toward a world where everyone is treated “with acceptance, respect and compassion.”

Advocating for mental health clients and their families and assisting them to live independently in affordable housing is central to ERMHB’s mission. The agency also plays a role in community education. One of the first projects to receive support from the Davidson Fund will be a video about the complexities of mental health issues.

Helping the public to understand the problem is the first step to better decision-making by communities and to finding future solutions.

A Baltimore native who earned a doctorate in sociology from the University of Chicago, Davidson first came to Connecticut in 1989 to work for the state Department of Mental Health and later at Reliance House in Norwich. He met his future wife Marge at a zoning board meeting. At the time she was board president of Bethsaida Community, a transitional housing program that was applying for a zoning permit to build a home for homeless and at-risk women. Davidson’s eloquent testimony that evening on behalf of the project made a lasting impression on her; they married in 2005.

Because it only took a few weeks to complete the groundwork for the Robert E. Davidson Fund, his wife was able to present the news of its creation to him as a gift shortly before he died. She even gave him a brochure announcing the new fund.

“Flowers are beautiful, but they don’t last. Hearing about the fund was a tremendous comfort to him, and he knew then that his work would go on. This is something that will impact many in the community.”
OUR NONPROFIT PARTNERS

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DEPENDS ON OUR PARTNERSHIPS WITH DOZENS OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT WHO HELP US PUT OUR PHILANTHROPIC MISSION INTO ACTION. TO DATE, THE FOUNDATION HAS AWARDED MORE THAN $36 MILLION IN GRANTS TO LOCAL NONPROFITS AND SCHOLARSHIPS TO AREA STUDENTS. THE FOLLOWING PROFILES ARE JUST THREE EXAMPLES OF HOW, WITH MANY HELPING HANDS, WE ARE WORKING TO BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR YOUR NEIGHBORS AND THE PLACES YOU LOVE.

Madonna Place’s Fatherhood Initiative: helping children by helping their fathers

**LAST WINTER,** a young man came to Madonna Place in Norwich a few months after his girlfriend gave birth to their baby. It was a confusing time for him, since he had only bitter memories of his own childhood. Because his father had substance abuse issues and his mother suffered from mental illness, he and his siblings had been raised in foster care.

Now he brings his girlfriend to participate in parenting programs and attends the Fatherhood Initiative’s peer support group.

“It’s really a fantastic program — it’s taught me a lot about responsibility and what it means to be a father,” he tells a visitor.

Launched in 1998, when Madonna Place hired their first dedicated case manager for fathers, the Fatherhood Initiative serves between 170-225 men each year. Three full-time program staff members help men to get their own lives together, the first step in becoming a better father. With referrals to other agencies, the men receive legal assistance and help with problems such as substance abuse. Finding a job is an important step so that they can provide financial support to their children to help lift them out of poverty.

Executive Director Nancy Gentes, who has been at the family support center since 1991, has seen the positive outcomes.

“First and foremost, we want children’s lives to be better, and a dad who is involved in a positive way and taking full responsibility for them is best for kids. We want to support fathers in a way that benefits the child,” says Gentes. “One of the best ways a man can be a better a dad is to be kind, considerate, and a good co-parent with the child’s mother.” The program teaches them ways to communicate without conflict and how to mediate.

Although the program serves men in their teens to those who are grandfathers, the average participant is a low-income man in his early thirties who is struggling with multiple issues. One of 10 state-certified fatherhood programs in Connecticut, and the only one in the eastern region, the program offers individualized attention, educational and support groups, and a strong presence for court advocacy. It even includes a hands-on tutorial called “Dr. Dad” that teaches basic home medical needs such as taking a child’s temperature.

“The Community Foundation has given us outstanding support over the years,” says the executive director. “State funding can go up and down like a roller coaster from year to year, so private funding helps us to do more and to stay focused on our mission.” The Community Foundation
awarded a $14,000 grant to the fatherhood program in 2014.

Madonna Place served nearly 3,000 children and adults last year. Although Gentes and her staff diligently track the multiple outcomes of the agency’s programs from year to year, they themselves play an important role that is hard to measure.

In one instance, a young man who had grown up in foster care had never even seen a photograph of himself as a baby. Gentes remembered that his parents had visited Madonna Place shortly after he was born in the early 1990s. In her files, she found old photos of his mother and father at the Center, smiling and cradling him. Seeing those images of his parents as loving, caring people was therapeutic. It helped him to understand that his parents did the best they could at the time.

“We do a lot of work here based on evidence, best practices, research, and support, but sometimes it’s what you can say to a person — the nontangible support — that makes the difference and gives them hope.”

www.madonnaplace.org

Science and Second Graders: a natural learning experience

THEY HAD JUST PROMISED to be silent, but the 23 children took a collective gasp. Crystal Taylor, the science educator from the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center, had suddenly opened a cloth bag and taken out the biggest snake they’d ever seen.

In that moment, environmental science, which the second graders had been studying all spring at Uncas Elementary School in Norwich, had just gotten real — very real — as the reptile coiled itself around the young woman’s arm.

“Does that snake bite?” asked a seven-year-old boy.

“Well, she isn’t poisonous, but the fact is that all snakes can and will bite,” Taylor replied while calmly walking around the Nature Center’s classroom.

The science educator had ventured into their classroom two times in the past six weeks, bringing resources and exhibits from the Nature Center in Mystic. As part of “Organisms of Connecticut,” an ambitious program funded through the Community Foundation’s Norwich Youth Grants, the children learned to identify the basic functions of plants and animals. All 440 of the second graders in the Norwich Public School system participated in the program this past year.
“They did beautifully with the classroom visits,” their teacher Amy Kenyon said. She found that the highly visual, hands-on aspect of the program helped her students to retain information. In a final evaluation, all of her students were able to identify the basic plant and animal structures, special adaptations, and all the major types of habitats in Connecticut. It was a significant accomplishment for the seven-year-olds, who kept science journals of their observations.

The in-school visits are followed by a trip to the Nature Center’s indoor exhibits as well as woodland, wetland, and meadow habitats. Norwich schools operate on a tight budget, and for many students, the trip to the nature center may be their only yearly field trip. More important, however, Norwich students have scored higher on the science Connecticut Mastery Test since the Nature Center launched the program five years ago.

The mission of the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center is “to inspire an understanding of the natural world and ourselves as part of it — past, present and future.” The Nature Center’s science educators hope that the ongoing “Organisms of Connecticut” program will plant a seed of environmental consciousness in every student it reaches.

While they are identifying the cry of a red-tailed hawk, handling the pelt of a black bear, or looking under rocks for salamanders, the students are asking questions and seeking factual answers. Perhaps they will understand what the world looks like from a snake’s point of view, and the role that reptiles play in the larger ecosystem. That’s just one of several valuable lessons that will help the students adapt to their own changing environment, and perhaps, one day, to change the world for the better.

www.dpnc.org
Working to end homelessness in Windham County

NOT MANY ORGANIZATIONS are pursuing the same goal as the Windham Region No Freeze Project: in the next five years, the grassroots organization would like to close its doors forever. Having provided temporary emergency shelter to the area’s homeless population for the past 10 years, the nonprofit agency is part of a multi-partner effort to end homelessness in Connecticut once and for all.

“It’s exciting to think that the problem of homelessness could end in our area one day and to work towards that goal,” says Leigh Duffy, who has served as the project’s executive director for the past five years. Eradicating homelessness requires big changes and coordination, she acknowledges. State and local agencies are streamlining the current system, and beginning to meet people’s need for permanent supportive housing immediately, not after months on a waiting list.

The roots of the area’s homeless problem stretch deep into the issues of rural poverty, creating a small but highly vulnerable population with neither jobs nor transportation. The winter of 2014-15 was particularly hard on dozens of men and women who survived in makeshift camps under bridges and along the Willimantic River. From October to April, the No Freeze Project opens its doors in the evening to homeless adults over the age of 18. Unlike most shelters, it does not require that guests show identification. Last winter, all of its 30 beds were occupied every night, and sometimes 10-15 more visitors had to sleep sitting in chairs. Although not equipped to do so, the shelter sometimes stayed open all day when the wind chills dropped below zero degrees.

Duffy and her seven part-time staffers and volunteers ensure that their visitors have a safe place to sleep during the nighttime hours. For several hours each afternoon, project workers switch their focus to case management, making referrals to other services for health care and affordable housing.

In addition to managing fundraising events, Duffy also focuses on education and outreach, teaching others in the community about the issues of homelessness. Every year, more than 40 students from nearby Eastern Connecticut State University and the University of Connecticut volunteer at the center or support it through service learning projects.

With neither state nor federal funding, the shelter is entirely dependent on private, local contributions. A $5,000 grant from the Community Foundation’s Willimantic Welfare Bureau Fund paid the heating costs for the converted warehouse space last winter and provided hot water for the showers. Also through the Community Foundation, the Windham Area Women & Girls Fund awarded $5,000 to the shelter in 2014.

“Their support will ensure that we are here for every woman who comes to our door,” says Duffy. “They are so grateful that they have a safe, warm place to stay.”

Often there are happy outcomes, such as when a homeless man and woman who had met at the shelter decided to get married. Not long after their wedding at the nearby soup kitchen, the couple received the best present imaginable: a place of their own to live.

www.windhamnofreeze.com
## Windham Area

### Willimantic Welfare Bureau Fund — $18,160
- Holy Family Home and Shelter
- Interfaith Human Services of Putnam

### Women & Girls Fund — Windham Area — $26,904
- Connecticut Legal Services
- Covenant Soup Kitchen
- Planned Parenthood of Southern New England

## Norwich Area

### Sears & Frisbie-Chapman Funds — Norwich Youth — $105,000
- Children’s Museum of Southeastern Connecticut
- City of Norwich — Recreation Department
- Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center
- Helen Keller International/Childsight
- High Hopes Therapeutic Riding
- Norwich Public Schools/BRIDGES Summer Program
- Norwich Public Schools — Samuel Huntington Elementary School

## Southeast Area

### Unrestricted/Let’s Read Fund & Love Our Libraries Fund — $613,656
- American Red Cross-Connecticut Chapter
- The Arc New London County
- Avalonia Land Conservancy
- Avery-Copp House Museum
- Capital Good Fund
- Care and Share Soup Kitchen
- Catholic Charities, Diocese/Childsight
- The Center: A Drop-In Learning & Resource Center
- Center for Hospice Care
- Child & Family Agency of Southeastern CT
- Children’s Museum of Southeastern Connecticut
- Colonial Theatre School
- Community Coalition for Children
- Connecticut Ballet
- Connecticut College
- Connecticut Legal Services
- Connecticut Lyric Opera
- Connecticut Science Center
- Connecticut Storytelling Center

For information about grant cycles, guidelines and deadlines, visit www.cfect.org/ForGrantseekers
Women & Girls Fund — Southeast Area — $86,035
Catholic Charities
Child & Family Agency of Southeastern CT
Connecticut Community Care
Martin House
New London Adult and Continuing Education

Women & Girls Fund — Northeast Area — $10,000
Access Community Action Agency
The Arc of Quinebaug Valley

People for Animals & Wildlife (P.A.W.) Fund — $10,000
Animal Welfare League of New London County
Beech Brook Farm

Riverfront Children's Center
Striving Toward Empowered Personal Success (STEPS)
Safe Futures
SE Council on Alcoholism & Drug Dependence (SCADD)
SE Regional Action Council (SERAC)
Sea Research Foundation-Mystic Marinelife Aquarium
Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries
Southeastern Connecticut Cultural Coalition
Southeastern Connecticut Television
St. Mark’s Toddler Playgroup
St. Vincent de Paul Place
Stonington Education Fund
Stonington Free Library
Surfers Drum & Bugle Corp Alumni Association
Thames Area Citizens Advocacy Program
Thames River Community Service
Thames Valley Sustainable Connections
Three Rivers Community College
Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA)
UCONN Avery Point
United Cerebral Palsy of Eastern Connecticut
United Cerebral Palsy/Hartford
United Community & Family Services
United Way of Southeastern Connecticut
United Way/Prevention Fund
Visiting Nurse Association of SECT
Waterford Country School
WARM Shelter
Workforce Alliance
Writer’s Block Ink

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Women & Girls Fund — Northeast Area — $10,000
Access Community Action Agency
The Arc of Quinebaug Valley

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DONOR ADVISED GRANTS

Albano Ballet Company of America
American Red Cross-CT & RI Region
The Arc of New London County
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The William W. Backus Hospital
Beth Shalom Rodfe Zedek
Bethsaida Community
Boston Workers Alliance
Bring Our Music Back
Buffalo City Mission Society
Cactus Jack Foundation
Cambridge School of Weston
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The Center: A Drop-In Learning & Resource Center
Center for Hospice Care
Center for Labor Education and Research
Center for Professional Education of Teachers
Child & Family Agency of SECT
Children’s Museum of SECT
Chinese Progressive Association
City Life/Vida Urbana
City of New London
City of Norwich - Recreation Dept.
Colonial Theatre School
Common Cents EMS Supply*
Community Children’s Center
Community Labor United
Connecticut Audubon Society
Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness
Connecticut College Children’s Program
Connecticut Early Music
Connecticut Fund for the Environment
Connecticut Legal Services
Connecticut Public Television & Radio
Connecticut Science Center
The Conway School
The Cove Center for Grieving Children
Covenant Shelter of New London
Crosby Fund for Haitian Education
Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center
Denison Society
Doctors Without Borders USA
Downtown New London Association/NL Irish Parade
Dr. William Henderson Inclusion Elementary School
Earth Island Institute/Friends of Muonde
East Bay Center for the Performing Arts
Eastern Connecticut Ballet
Eastern Connecticut Community Garden Association
Environmental Defender Law Center
Eugene O’Neill Theater Center
Expressiones Cultural Center
Facing History and Ourselves
Fletcher School
Flock Theatre
Florence Griswold Museum
Food Bank of Western NY
Fractured Atlas
FRESH New London/TSNE
Friends of Fort Trumbull
Friends of Harkness Memorial State Park
The Friendship School
Furniture Bank of Southeastern Connecticut
Garde Arts Center
Girls on the Run of Southeastern Connecticut
Habitat for Humanity of Eastern CT
Haitian Health Foundation
Hartford Hospital
Hearing Youth Voices
Heavy Hitters USA
The Hewitt School
Heyday
High Hopes Therapeutic Riding
Higher Edge
Hispanic Alliance of SECT
The Hole in the Wall Gang Fund
Holy Family Home and Shelter
Horses Healing Humans
Hygienic Art
Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication (ISAAC)
I-Park Foundation
Ivoryton Playhouse
Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action
Judy Dworin Performance Project
Katherine Forest Crafts Foundation
The Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center
The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America
Kenyon Review
KRCB North Bay Public Media
La Grua Center
Lawrence + Memorial Hospital
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Life Support Systems*
The Light House
Literacy Volunteers of Eastern Connecticut
Los Banos Liberation Memorial Scholarship Foundation
Lyman Allyn Art Museum
Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts
Lyme Ambulance Association
Lyme Land Conservation Trust
Lyme Public Library
Lyme/Old Lyme Education Foundation
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Lymes’ Youth Service Bureau
Madonna Place
Martin House
The Masters School
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Millbrook School
Mitchell Farm Equine Retirement
The Musella Foundation for Brain Tumor Research
Musical Masterworks
Mystic & Noank Library
Mystic Area Shelter & Hospitality (MASH)
Mystic Arts Center
Mystic Seaport Museum
Natchaug Hospital
Natchaug School
National Football Foundation/SECT Chapter
New England School of Metalwork
New England Science & Sailing (NESS)
New London Adult and Continuing Education
New London Babe Ruth Baseball
New London Community Boating Foundation
New London Community Orchestra
New London County Historical Society
New London Education Foundation
New London High School Football Gridiron Club
New London Homeless Hospitality Center
New London Main Street
New London Maritime Society
New London Music Festival
New London Parks Conservancy
New London Soccer Club
New London Youth Affairs
New London Youth Football League
Noah's Light Foundation
Noank Baptist Church
Noank Mystic Community Band
North Windham School PTO
Norwich Free Academy (NFA) Foundation
Norwich Free Academy/Project Outreach
Norwich Human Services
NYU Steinhardt
Oakland Schools Foundation
Ocean Community YMCA
OIC of New London County
Old Lyme Land Trust
Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library
Operation Fuel
Our Companions Domestic Animal Sanctuary
Oxfam America
Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center
Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development
Pine Point School
Planned Parenthood of Southern New England
Point Reyes National Seashore Association
Proactive Safety/R&M Associates*
PTO of Natchaug Elementary School
Public Library of New London
Read to Grow
Read to Ride
Reforest the Tropics
Regional Multicultural Magnet School Foundation
River Gallery School
Riverfront Children's Center
Riverside Park Conservancy
Sacred Heart Educational Center
Safe Futures
Save Ocean Beach
Sea Research Foundation-Mystic Seaport Marine Aquarium
Sea-Legs
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Silver Hill Hospital
Slow Money
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Spirit of Broadway
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Striving Toward Empowered Personal Success (STEPS)
Submarine Force Library & Museum Association
Sweeney Elementary School PTO
Teens Turning Green - Search for the Cause
Ten Strands
Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation
Thames Area Citizen Advocacy Program
Thames River Community Service
Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA)
Three Rivers Community College
Tri-County ARC
The Trust for Public Land - CT
United Community & Family Services
United Way of Southeastern Connecticut
University Liggett School
Visiting Nurse Association of SECT WARM Shelter
Waterford Country School
Waterford High School
Waterford Little League South
Waterford Pre-Teen Basketball-Neil Hoelck Tournament
Waterford Public Library
Waterford Youth Football
Waterford Youth Service Bureau
Williams School
Windham Center School PTO
Windham Regional Arts Council
Workforce Alliance
World Ocean School
Writer's Block Ink
WSHU Public Radio
Yale-New Haven Hospital/Smilow Pediatric Oncology Unit

*For automated external defibrillators (AEDs) for public spaces
## DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

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FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Field of interest funds give people the option to support overarching issues that are important to them. The Community Foundation then invests in promising projects and organizations that address these areas of interest.

Arts Alliance Fund 2002
To promote artistic endeavors

Arts in Education Fund 1995
To support arts education in Norwich

Jane Dugan Baird Fund 2009
To improve the lives of women & girls
(affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-SE)

Beaver Brook Fund 2000
To advance the treatment of mental illness

Broach Fund 2009
To improve the lives of women & girls
(affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-SE)

Elisha and Lena J. Burt Charitable Trust 1989
For Groton-based organizations

Jacqueline and Marc Chadourne Fund 2014
To support programs and organizations supported by the People for Animals & Wildlife (P.A.W.) Fund

Bernard and Alice Chalecki Fund 2014
To provide scholarships for students in eastern CT who are pursuing studies in health-related fields

Marion E. Doro Fund 2009
To improve the lives of women & girls
(affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-SE)

Frisbie - Chapman Memorial Fund 2010
To support organizations offering programs & services for economically and socially disadvantaged Norwich youth

Carl Clark Graves Fund 1999
To advance the sports of crew, sculling & other water-based activities

Greater Norwich Education Fund 2003
For enrichment programs in Norwich Public Schools

Louise Guarnaccia Fund for Non-Traditional Students 2006
To help non-traditional female students enhance their employment opportunities (affiliated with the Women & Girls Fund-Windham Area)

Daniel and Rose Hendel Fund 1998
For children’s programs in southeastern CT

George L. Holt Public Welfare Fund 2002
To assist disadvantaged people in the Windham area & promote self-sufficiency through education & training

Scott F. LaFrance Fund 2014
For scholarships and other educational/enrichment opportunities for special needs students at Plainfield High School

Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals and the Environment 2014
To advance animal welfare (both domestic and wildlife) and support environmental projects (with an emphasis on environmental education) in New London County

Lydia I. Korolkiewicz Fund 2003
To prevent domestic violence & provide treatment for its victims (affiliated with the Women & Girls Fund-SE)

LaMattina Family Fund 2012
To support programs that provide opportunities for at-risk boys & young men

Let’s Read Fund 2002
To support literacy programs that encourage a love of reading & learning

Love Family Fund 2009
To improve the lives of women & girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-SE)

Love Our Libraries Fund 2008
To support 13 libraries in southeastern CT

Carole Marks Fund 2009
To improve the lives of women & girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-SE)

Juliana Valentine McCourt Children’s Education Fund 2001
To foster habits of tolerance & inclusion among children

Andrew & Elaine McKirdy Fund 2002
To support educational, economic, and/or social advancement programs for disadvantaged persons

Murstein Family Fund 2005
To provide women access to educational & job training opportunities (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-SE)

People for Animals & Wildlife (P.A.W.) Fund 2007
To promote the well-being & humane treatment and protection of animals & wildlife

C. A. Pike Fund 1996
To support healthy families

Elvia Enders Richards Fund 1986
For home health care services

Josephine & Gabriel Sacco Fund for Animals 2007
For the care & comfort of animals in the Town of Groton (affiliated with the P.A.W. Fund)

Science Education Fund 2002
To support science education programs for youth in southeastern Connecticut
Designated Funds work well for charitable people who want to help one or more specific nonprofits advance their mission and programs in perpetuity.

**Josephine Lanzalotta Allen Fund** 1998  
*Children’s Museum, Center for Hospice Care, SECT, L&M Hospital, & St. Paul’s Church* 
*For scholarships for graduating students at New London Science & Technology Magnet High School*

**Lou Allen Scholarship Fund** 2014  
*For scholarships for graduating students at New London Science & Technology Magnet High School*

**Almond Paine Fund** 1996  
*For Protestant churches in Killingly that hold regular Sunday School classes*

**Anonymous III Fund** 1996  
*VNA of SE CT & Waterford Public Library* 
*Walter V. Baker Fund* 1994  
*Public Library of New London* 
*Beaumont Family Fund* 1999  
*Mystic Rotary Club Scholarships* 
*Bill Memorial Library Fund* 2009  
*Brodhead Scholarship Fund* 2001  
*Naank Baptist Church* 
*David J. Calcheria/EASTCONN/ACT Fund* 2005  
*Scholarships for EASTCONN/ACT Students* 
*Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut, Inc. Foundation Fund* 2002  
*Martin V. Daly Memorial Scholarship Fund* 2012  
*Scholarships for Griswold High School* 
*Allen James Day Memorial Award Fund* 2012  
*To benefit Eastford Elementary School students*

**Robert E. Davidson Fund** 2014  
*To benefit Eastern Regional Mental Health Board’s education & advocacy efforts* 
*Roger Mason Day Memorial Award Fund* 2012  
*To benefit Eastford Elementary School students* 
*Dean’s Mill School 2009/SHS 2017 Fund* 2009  
*Denison Greening Project Fund* 2013  
*To help make land available to local farmers* 
*Scholarships for EASTCONN/ACT Students* 
*East Lyme Public Library Fund* 2009  
*Town of Eastford 8th Grade Awards Fund* 2012  
*To benefit Eastford Elementary School students* 
*Fred & Jo Falkner Fund* 2001  
*To benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters initiatives in southeastern CT* 
*Martha H. Griffis Fund* 1991  
*Public Library of New London*
Hartman Park Endowment Fund 1997
Hartman Park in Lyme
Hearing Youth Voices Fund 2012
For a study of New London students’ perspective on schools
Priscilla & Charles Hodges Memorial Fund 2008
Thames Valley Music School, Stonington Free Library, & Community Foundation of Eastern CT
Jacobs Family Fund 2012
High Hopes Therapeutic Riding, Inc. & the Community Foundation of Eastern CT
Olivette Kozey Art Award Fund 2012
To benefit Eastford Elementary School students
Ledyard High School Choral Music Fund 2013
To benefit LHS music programs and choral youth music in southeast CT
Lesniowski Fund 2006
New London Education Foundation Scholarships
Catherine Melling Memorial Fund 1999
New London County 4-H Foundation
Sarah Morse ECB Dance Scholarship Fund 2000
Eastern Connecticut Ballet
New London Resident Scholar Fund 2006
New London Science & Technology Magnet High School
Norwich Area Physicians’ Fund 1990
United Community & Family Services, Norwich
Norwich Department of Public Utilities Fund-Safety Net Program 2006
Norwich Human Services - emergency utility assistance
Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library Fund 2012
Old Lyme Social Services Emergency Fund 2001
Constance Pike Fund 2005
Old Lyme Children’s Learning Center
St. Mary Star of the Sea Church Fund 2006
Salem Free Public Library Fund 2009
Friends of the Science & Technology Magnet High School Fund 2007
Janey Schultz Scholarship Fund 2011
For Three Rivers Community College Scholarships for women pursuing nursing or allied health studies
Florence & Raphael Shafner Charitable Fund 1984
Le&M Hospital, American Red Cross, Child & Family Agency, Public Library of New London, Waterford Land Trust, Center for Hospice Care, VNA of Southeastern CT
William Shand Memorial Award Fund 2012
To benefit Eastford Elementary School students
Starfish Fund 2007
For Hispanic Alliance outreach to disadvantaged individuals & families
String Theory School of Music 2012
For music instruction scholarships for disadvantaged children in eastern CT
Rose & Sigmund Strochlitz Fund 1986
Waterford Public Library
Stonington Free Library Fund 2009
Team Joe Kelly Fund 2013
To support children & families being served by the Oncology Department of CT Children’s Medical Center
Betty Richards Tripp Fund 1999
Stonington Free Library
Veterans Memorial Greenway Fund 2003
For memorials in Willimantic
William S. Warren Academic Award Fund 2012
To benefit Eastford Elementary School students
Waterford Education Foundation/Waterford High School Class of 1960 Scholarship Fund 2010
Waterford High School Scholarships
Evelyn Carlson Widham Memorial Fund 2012
Waterford Historical Society & Waterford Public Library
Elie Wiesel Humanitarian Award & Scholarship Fund 1987
Williams School award & scholarship
Jane W. Williams Fund 1988
Mystic/Noank Library, Noank Historical Society & Literacy Volunteers
Windham Before & After School Program Fund 2011
To support the before & after school program initiatives of the Windham Public Schools
Leonard & Irene Zuckerbraun Family Fund 2004
Eastern Connecticut Symphony Youth Orchestra Young Artists Competition

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Dennis S. Barlow Scholarship Award Fund 2012    RADM David M. Goebel Leadership Award 2006
Beaumont Scholarship Fund 2006    Clayton M. Grey Memorial Scholarship Fund 2014
Cahill Black Point Education Fund 2012    Rachel E. Harma Scholarship Fund 2006
Daniel Canter Memorial Scholarship Fund 2008    Esther & Lucie Harmon & Leta Sabin Trepal Scholarship Fund 2012
Cynthia A. Carano Memorial Scholarship Fund 2010    Hispanic Alliance Scholarship Fund 2003
Harold D. Carpenter Scholarship Fund 2012    Ruben Elijah Reiser Johnson Scholarship Fund 2011
Kemaphoom “Ahn” Chanawongse Scholarship Fund 2004    Mark Klorz Memorial Scholarship Fund 1998
Matthew Chew Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Arts 2010    Latin Network for the Visual Arts Scholarship Fund 2010
Citizens Bank Community Service Scholarship Fund 2001    George & Beverly Letz Fitch Scholarship Fund 1989
Ernest W. & Elizabeth K. Cone Scholarship Fund 2007    George & Beverly Letz Wheeler Scholarship Fund 2010
Margaret Mary Curtin Scholarship Fund 2010    Eleanor K. Lewis Scholarship Fund 2012
Hilda Fischer Davis Memorial Scholarship Fund 2011    Rose & Abraham Lubchansky Scholarship Fund 1988
John Deligeorges, MD Memorial Scholarship Fund 2007    Don Lumadue Scholarship Fund 2003
Robert T. Desjardins Memorial Scholarship Fund 2008    Gunvor Lund Scholarship Fund 1997
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David & Sherry Dresback Scholarship Fund 2006    Peter Matthews Scholarship Fund 2010
C. Francis Driscoll Scholarship Fund 1994    Christa McAulliffe Scholarship Fund 2012
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Town of Eastford General Scholarship Fund 2012    Eddythe & Harold McNulty Scholarship Fund 2002
Thomas J. Ellis, Jr. Scholarship Fund 2013    Gilbert W. Mead Memorial Scholarship Fund 1996
William Emberton Scholarship Fund 2012    William & Evelyn Mehlmans Scholarship Fund 1988
John Ostrom Enders II Memorial Scholarship Fund 1993    Alfred G. & Imogen M. Moss Scholarship Fund 2009
Eric Evans Scholarship Fund 2002    Caryn Nesbitt, M.D. Memorial Scholarship Fund 2008
Freddy Fayan Scholarship Fund 2005    Gilbert W. Mead Memorial Scholarship Fund 1996
Fletcher Family Scholarship Fund 1996    William & Evelyn Mehlmans Scholarship Fund 1988
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Pat & Ernestine Patterson Music Scholarship Fund 1999
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William Pedace Scholarship Fund 1997
Pfizer Scholarship Fund 2013
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John F. Root Scholarship Fund 2005
Joan & Bob Rutman Scholarship Fund 2001
Carl, Jr. & Dorothy Croft Safford Scholarship Fund 2006
Carl, Jr. & Dorothy Safford UCONN Scholarship Fund 2006
Laura B. Seder Memorial Scholarship Fund 2011
Mary K. Sharpe Memorial Business Scholarship Fund 2012
Edith Wheaton Smith Scholarship Fund 2012

CDR James L. Smith Scholarship Fund 2012
Marjory B. Smith Scholarship Fund 1983
Marjory B. & Laurence P. “Jim” Smith Scholarship Fund 1983
Thomas Soltz Scholarship Fund 1993
Jack Stefanski Athletic Scholarship Fund 2007
Stonington 350th Anniversary Scholarship Fund 2000
James H. Torrance Scholarship Fund 1993
Tuneski/Sheflott Scholarship Fund 1997
Viola A. & Henry W. Turner Memorial Scholarship Fund 2004
Union School Association Scholarship Fund 2013
Emil Vaida Scholarship Fund 2012
Aldo Valentini Scholarship Fund 2009
Waterford Scholars Fund 1996
Tim West Memorial Scholarship Fund 2009
Cornelius & Mary Jane York Scholarship Fund 1993

AGENCY ENDOWMENTS

Nonprofits establish their own endowments with the Community Foundation for two good reasons: One, to assure their donors that long-term charitable gifts will be managed by a stable, successful and committed institution; two, to produce a predictable revenue stream annually for their missions.

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### SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS

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- **Robert E. Shannon Fund** 2002
- **Sustainability Fund (general)** 2003
- **James M. & Alma N. Trench Fund** 2010
- **Helen Vergason Fund** 1998

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**PLACES YOU LOVE**

**CLICK, INC.**

The commercially licensed cooperative kitchen in Windham is a nonprofit organization that operates on cooperative values. It serves the needs of the local community through its commitment to a just, locally based, sustainable and healthy food system. — Phoebe Godfrey

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Southeast Area Women & Girls Fund
Serves women & girls in East Lyme, Groton, Ledyard, Lyme, Montville, New London, North Stonington, Old Lyme, Stonington and Waterford
- Founded in 1999
- 200 founding members and other donors have built an endowment of $2.5 million, which includes 18 named funds established by individuals and organizations
- Awarded $980,173 to 209 programs since inception

Windham Area Women & Girls Fund
Serves women & girls in Ashford, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Scotland, Stafford, Union, Willington and Windham
- Founded in 2004
- 102 founding members and other donors have built a $340,000 permanent endowment with the partnership of a challenge from the Jeffrey P. Ossen Family Foundation
- Awarded more than $315,000 to 100+ programs since inception

Norwich Area Women & Girls Fund
Serves women & girls in Norwich, Bozrah, Colchester, Franklin, Griswold, Lebanon, Lisbon, Preston, Sprague and Voluntown
- Founded in 2006
- 41 founding members and other donors have established an endowment of $60,000 and are working to build it up to $300,000 over the next four years with the partnership of a challenge from the Edward & Mary Lord Foundation
- Awarded $62,000 in grants to 15 programs since inception

Northeast Area Women & Girls Fund
Serves women & girls in Brooklyn, Canterbury, Eastford, Hampton, Killingly, Plainfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Sterling, Thompson and Woodstock
- Founded in 2013
- 50 founders and other donors have contributed more than $70,000
- Awarded inaugural grants of $10,000 to three organizations in 2014
PLACES YOU LOVE

MARTIN HOUSE
MARTIN HOUSE IN NORWICH PROVIDES SAFE HOUSING, NUTRITIOUS FOOD, A CARING COMMUNITY, AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR 56 MEN AND WOMEN. THE STAFF HELPS RESIDENTS, ALL OF WHOM HAVE HISTORIES OF MENTAL ILLNESS, ADDICTIONS, POVERTY, AND HOMELESSNESS, MAKE A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION TO A MORE INDEPENDENT LIVING ENVIRONMENT. AS ONE RESIDENT SAID, “I FEEL LIKE I’M GETTING A SECOND OPPORTUNITY IN MY LIFE.” — TYRONICA PEREZ, MARTIN HOUSE, TRANSITIONS SUPPORT SPECIALIST

The Lewis Century Society
The Lewis Century Society acknowledges and honors those individuals who are including any of the Women & Girls Funds in their wills or estate plans. It is named after Harriet Richards Lewis, a New London woman who left the very first bequest to the Female Cent Society, a group of women who, in the early 19th century, gave a penny a week to aid women and children in need. In 1999, the successor organization now known as the Lewis Female Cent Society, turned over its nest egg to the Community Foundation, setting the stage for all the Women & Girls Funds.

We are pleased to recognize:
Pamela Akins
Maura Casey
Graham Gavert
Peg Moran
Dr. Nelly Murstein &
Dr. Bernard Murstein
Julie A. Olson
Evelyn Peyton
Carol J. Williams
ENDOWMENT OR PASS THROUGH FUNDS?
Selecting the best philanthropic opportunities for you

Endowed funds focus on capital appreciation and generate income in perpetuity. They are placed with a professional investment manager (overseen by our investment committee and Board of Trustees) with a strategy of growth over time for perpetuity and grant making that keeps pace with inflation. A portion of the return is used to make grant and scholarship awards each year.

Pass-through funds are by definition impermanent. As a result, they remain liquid and accessible. The funds can be distributed upon recommendation of the donor at any time, publicly or anonymously, according to your wish. With one gift of cash or securities, you can easily and efficiently benefit multiple organizations or causes.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS
Endowed and Non-Endowed
You select:
- The organizations you wish to support and at what level.
- A successor with advisory rights to your fund’s grant making, if you so wish.
- A possible beneficiary agency or field of interest at the end of the advisory privilege.

DESIGNATED FUNDS
You select:
- The charities you want to support when you start the fund.
- Whether you wish to endow the fund in perpetuity or to spend down the principal over a predetermined period of time.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS
You select:
- An area(s) of interest, like arts & culture, early childhood education, providing for basic needs, or environmental preservation at the time you start your fund.

The Community Foundation selects:
- The nonprofit organizations that offer the most promising and successful projects and solutions in your area(s) of interest.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS
You select:
- The criteria by which students will be selected: educational institutions or geographic area from which the students come, area(s) of study they will pursue, level of academic achievement, community...
service, and other factors. You can also decide whether the awards are based on need or on merit.

The Community Foundation selects:
- The qualified student(s).

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

You entrust:
- The staff and trustees of the Community Foundation to distribute your gift where it is most needed in the community through a competitive grants process.

The Community Foundation:
- Conducts site visits to nonprofit organizations and reviews a range of financial and outcome data.
- Convenes a volunteer grants committee of community residents to select those nonprofits that are best able to address critical needs and enhance the quality of life throughout eastern Connecticut while evaluating the return on your charitable investment.

SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS

These funds strengthen the Community Foundation’s role as a leader, convener, funder, and advocate for philanthropy throughout eastern Connecticut.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

The Community Foundation also welcomes gifts of any amount to support our special initiatives, including:
- Let’s Read Fund, which encourages early literacy and the love of reading.
- Love our Libraries Fund, which provides resources for local library programs.
- People for Animals & Wildlife Fund (P.A.W.), which supports efforts to protect animals, wildlife, and the environment.
- Women & Girls Funds, which provide funding for programs that improve the lives of women and girls in need.
PLANNED GIFTS

When you wish to give later...

A planned gift gives you an opportunity to provide for your community after first providing for your loved ones. You can create a fund now and fund it through your estate plans. Future gifts can be made through bequests in wills and trusts, retirement plan designations, life insurance, remainder interest in real estate, and beneficiary forms with your financial institutions.

Planned gifts also can provide you with income, allow you to take advantage of tax benefits, and make a big impact in the future. This is especially true for highly appreciated assets, which continue to generate income for you during your lifetime. Life income options include charitable gift annuities and remainder trusts and charitable lead trusts. Any assets that remain can be used to establish any one of the fund types mentioned above.

If you would like to learn more, please visit us at www.cfect.org or contact Alison Woods or Lilli Rhodes at the Foundation at 860-442-3572, 877-442-3572 (toll-free) or by email at alison@cfec.org or lillian@cfec.org.

PLACES YOU LOVE

HIGH HOPES THERAPEUTIC RIDING

The setting for High Hopes is picturesque, but the true beauty lies in the way staff works with us. Whatever problem we are working on — speech, learning, balance, PTSD, or strengthening our bodies — the staff treats all of us with kindness and respect. They send us a very clear message: “You are welcome here.” — From Judith Cohen, High Hopes Participant and Volunteer

To anyone, but especially those with disabilities, summer camp can mean adventure, fun, solace in nature and a sense of belonging on this earth. Like the rhythm of hoof beats on the road from barn to beach, activity at Camp Harkness is both grounding and uplifting, practical and profound. — Karen Brittle, PATH Intl Advanced Instructor
PLACES YOU LOVE

DODGE PADDOCK AND BEAL PRESERVE

ONE OF MY FAVORITE PLACES IS AVALONIA LAND CONSERVANCY’S DODGE PADDOCK AND BEAL PRESERVE AT THE END OF WALL STREET IN STONINGTON BOROUGH. TODAY IT IS A TRUE COASTAL PRESERVE, BUT IT HAS A RICH HISTORY OF BUSTLING BUSINESS ACTIVITY. AVALONIA IS DOING ITS BEST TO WORK WITH D.E.E.P. TO PRESERVE THE AREA FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF NATURE LOVERS AND HISTORY BUFFS. — BETH MOORE
PLACES YOU LOVE

OSWEGATCHIE HILLS (ABOVE)

“IN THE SILENCE OF THE WOODS, YOU WILL NOT BE ALONE.” — CHIEF SEALTH

OSWEGATCHIE HILLS IN NIANTIC: A PLACE OF QUIET BEAUTY, TEEMING WITH WILDLIFE. A RUGGED AND WILD FOREST FILLED WITH PONDS, STREAMS AND SPECTACULAR ROCK FORMATIONS, RISING DRAMATICALLY FROM A BEAUTIFUL TIDAL RIVER. A LANDSCAPE LARGELY UNTouched BY MAN SINCE THE DAYS OF THE NEHANTIC INDIANS. — MIKE DUNN

DONALD R. HENNE MEMORIAL PRESERVE (RIGHT)

IN ANY SEASON, I’M DRAWN TO THE DONALD R. HENNE MEMORIAL PRESERVE IN NORTH STONINGTON, A 100-ACRE REFUGE OF UPLAND FORESTS AND BEAVER-CRAFTED WETLANDS MANAGED BY THE AVALONIA LAND CONSERVANCY. THE HENNE IS HOME TO A DIVERSE ARRAY OF WILDLIFE, FROM NESTING TREE SWALLOWS AND OSPREY, TO BUTTERFLIES, DRAGONFLIES, AND STAR-NOSED MOLES. THE PLANTS ARE EXQUISITE, TOO, WITH LILIES, IRIS, SWAMP MILKWEED, AND OTHER EYE-CATCHING GEMS. THE STARS OF THE HENNE SHOW ARE THE GREAT BLUE HERONS. — BRUCE FELLMAN
The Legacy Society honors those people who have told us of their plans to leave a legacy through the Community Foundation in the future. Bequests, charitable trusts and gift annuities, retirement plans, life insurance ... all of these options make it possible for you to provide for the organizations and causes that matter to you after you have considered family and friends.

We thank the following people who have informed us of their legacy intentions. If you are not a member of the Legacy Society but have arranged to establish a fund or add to an existing fund, we hope you will join. Please feel free to call us if we can help you in any way.

Pamela Akins & Barry Levinson
Jay Allen
Judith Anderson
Bridget Baird
Anna & Tom Bartunek
Shirley Beal
Laura Berry & Bernard Hulin
Neal & Jane Lassen Bobruff
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Rhee Brouillard
Harriet B. Brown
Joan Butler
Laurel A. Butler
Beth & Garon Camassar
Maura Casey
Anne & Carl Clement
Nancy & Edwin Costa
Richard & Kathleen Daniele
Anne B. Davis
Ann & Karel den Tex
Otello Desiderato
Mildred E. Devine
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Bethe & Marcel Dufresne
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Harold Fink & Anita Steendam
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Barbara Tuneski
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Sandy & Sidney Van Zandt
Milton J. Walters
Walter C. Watson & Charles Sotir
Edward M. Weyant
Nancy & Blunt White
Shelley & William B. White
Cynthia & George Willauer
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PLACES YOU LOVE

THE HOFFMAN EVERGREEN PRESERVE

OWNED BY THE AVALONIA LAND CONSERVANCY, INC., THE HOFFMAN PRESERVE IS A FAVORITE PLACE FOR MANY IN SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT. THE 198.6-ACRE PRESERVE IS SITUATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF ROUTE 201 JUST BEFORE THE NORTH STONINGTON BORDER. THE DONOR OF THE ORIGINAL PROPERTY PLANTED MORE THAN 100,000 EVERGREEN TREES; HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO REPLICATE, ON A SMALL SCALE, THE WOODS OF NORTHERN CANADA THAT HE LOVED SO DEARLY. MILES OF WELL-MARKED TRAILS ARE SUITED FOR HIKING, SNOWSHOEING, AND BIRD WATCHING. — RICK NEWTON
$1,000,000 and above
Estate of Peter Grayson Letz

$500,000–999,999
Anonymous (2)
Alva Greenberg

$100,000–499,999
Anonymous
Alice Chalecki
Estate of Jacqueline M. Chadourne
Jeffrey P. Ossen Family Foundation

$25,000–99,999
Anonymous (3)
Connecticut Early Music Society
Walter S. Kapala Scholarship Trust
The M.J. and Caral G. Lebworth Foundation
Safe Futures
United Way of Central & NE CT
Sidney & Sandy Van Zandt
Helen Vergason Trust
Cynthia & George Willauer

$10,000–24,999
Anonymous
Claire & Anthony Alessi
Brave Warrior Advisors
Elsie & Sam Childs
Colonial Cooperative Care
Ralph Crispino, Jr.
David Garbo, Jr.
Myrna & Stephen Greenberg
Lorraine & Bruce Grey
Hispanic Alliance of SE CT
Friends of Team Joe Kelly
Joseph LaFrance
Mary & John LaMattina
Curly & William Lieber
Pfizer
Barbara Sahagan
Barry Schwartz
Sarah & John Steffian
Waterford Senior Services

$5,000–9,999
Anderson-Paffard Foundation
Bank of America Foundation and Philanthropic Services
Ruth & David Barlow
The Brownnington Foundation/
Michael Savage
Cecile & Art Costa
David Dresback
Katharine & Richard Gildersleeve
Barbara & Marc Ginsberg
Mabel Burchard Fischer Grant Foundation
Groton Animal Foundation
John & Kelly Hartman Foundation
Hendel Family Association
The Jacques Cartier Club
Michelle Maitland & Joshua Martin
Estate of Anne Ford Matthews
Eileen Ossen
Prior Parker
Marcy Woolworth Porter
Karen Stone & David Schulz
Veolia Water NA/New London Water Authority

$2,500–4,999
Craig Barrila
Wayne Boettner
Theresa Broach
Friends of Mike Buscetto
Cahill Black Point Education Fund
Friends of Matthew Chew
Citizens Bank - Putnam
Isabelle & James English
Albert Glassenberg
Groton Public Library/Town of Groton
Newell D. Hale Foundation
Adrienne & William Loweth
Kathleen F. & David W.
MacLennan Fund of the Minneapolis Foundation
New London Firefighters
Mark Palmerino
Jennifer & Jeffrey Radack
Kathryn Johnson & Thomas Scanlon
Denise & Matthew Shafner
Theresa & David Sistare
Lee Ellen & Tom Terry
United Way of SE CT
Abigail Wender
Pamela Wheeler
Carol Williams

$1,000–2,499
Anonymous
Action Amusements and Vending
Lynne & George Allen
Andy Dousis Education Consultant
Matthew “Andy” Baxter
Bay State Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
Barbara Fallon & Bennett Bernblum
Marjorie Blizard
Kathy & Tom Borner
William Bouton
Patricia & Daniel Carey
Melinda Carlisle
Chiropractic Health Center
Clamshell Quilt Guild
The Coachmen Charities Fund
Donna & Ron Coderre
Connecticut Early Music
Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC)
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   Laura Moorehead
Bella’s Bistro
Blue Moon Designs
Bousquet’s TV & Appliance
The Bulletin
Charleen’s Portrait Studio
Chase Building Supply
The Creative Quill
Chloe’s Jewelry and Accessories
Chase Graphics
DH Copeland Builders
Dime Bank
Thomas Doran & Company
Dynamic Alliance
Garde Arts Center/Jeanne Sigel
Hart’s Greenhouse
The Home Depot-Oxford
Jessica Tuesday’s
Lord Thompson Manor
Northeast District Dept. of Health
Northeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce
Picture This
Renee’s Working Girl Catering
Salmagundi
The Spa at Norwich Inn
Sprucedale Gardens
Stonebridge Press
Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group (TEEG)
Thompson Raceway Restaurant
ThomasDoran and Company
Trink-et Shoppe
Upbeat DJ
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WINY Radio

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NEW LONDON HOMELESS HOSPITALITY CENTER

MORE THAN JUST A PLACE, NLHHC IS AN ORGANIZATION WHERE DEDICATED EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND GUESTS WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE EACH OTHER’S LIVES AND SOCIETY AS A WHOLE. IT’S A PLACE WHERE A WARM SMILE, HEALTHY MEAL, CLEAN SHEETS, AND A HELPING HAND CAN MEND NEGATIVE CIRCUMSTANCES, PROMOTE POSITIVITY, AND TURN LIVES AROUND. IT’S A SAFE, JUDGEMENT-FREE SHELTER THAT REMINDS ME WHAT IS TRULY IMPORTANT IN LIFE. MOST IMPORTANT, EVERY YEAR IT’S THE SURROGATE HOME FOR MORE THAN 500 LOCAL RESIDENTS IN TRANSITION WHILE THEY WORK TOWARDS ADVANCING THEIR LIVES. — SAM ISA
How does the Community Foundation maximize the financial return on your charitable funds while getting as many dollars as possible out to the causes, nonprofits, and communities you care about?

We take great care.

Our investment committee works with our investment manager, Brown Brothers Harriman (www.bbh.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. We aim to reduce exposure to market volatility through diversification within risk-managed asset classes.

The Foundation’s individual funds are pooled together and invested in a well-diversified portfolio which includes large, mid, and small-cap U.S. equities, international equities, real estate, alternatives and fixed-income securities (bonds). Our portfolio has less than 3% exposure to fossil fuel companies and is managed with the intent of limiting exposure to tobacco-related investments. A new investment portfolio aligned with the focus of the Peter Grayson Letz Fund for Animals & the Environment provides an additional option for donor funds to be managed with sensitivity to animal welfare and environmental issues, as well as tobacco-related investments and fossil fuel companies.

In 2014, the Community Foundation had a 6.2% (net of fees) return on investment. Our five-year annualized rate of return is 9.6% which keeps us in line with our objectives of achieving perpetuity and making annual grant and scholarship awards that keep pace with inflation, from the 440 funds that charitable people and organizations have established over the Foundation’s 32-year history.

CFECT INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE (NET OF FEES):  
- 2014: 6.2%  
- 2013: 16.2%  
- 2012: 14.6%  
- 2011: 0.8%  
- 2010: 10.7%  
- 5-yr Annualized Return: 9.6%

MEMBERS OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE:  
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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT, INC.  

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<th>ASSETS</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2013</th>
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<td>Cash and Investments</td>
<td>$53,441,286</td>
<td>$45,111,589</td>
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<td>Split-interest agreements</td>
<td>6,109,451</td>
<td>5,799,978</td>
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<td>Property and equipment, net</td>
<td>439,419</td>
<td>678,632</td>
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<td>Other assets</td>
<td>61,538</td>
<td>105,248</td>
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<td><strong>$51,695,447</strong></td>
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| Total Liabilities and Net Assets | $60,051,694 | $51,695,447 |

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT, INC.  
Statement of Activities for the Years Ended December 31, 2014 & December 31, 2013

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<th>REVENUE:</th>
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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>$10,354,325</td>
<td>$4,921,054</td>
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<td>Investment Gain &amp; Income</td>
<td>2,800,440</td>
<td>6,250,532</td>
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<td>Change in value of trusts &amp; split interest agreements</td>
<td>309,67</td>
<td>372,347</td>
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<td>Other Income</td>
<td>14,500</td>
<td>19,608</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td><strong>$13,478,944</strong></td>
<td><strong>$11,563,541</strong></td>
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<td>Grants &amp; Scholarships</td>
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<td>General &amp; Administrative</td>
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<td>Investment Fees</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
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| Increase in net assets before other losses | $8,307,264 | $6,951,940 |
| Loss on disposal of property | 141,092 | — |
| Increase in net assets | 8,166,172 | 6,951,940 |
| Net Assets — Beginning of Year | 51,239,374 | 44,287,434 |

| Net Assets — End of Year | **$59,405,546** | **$51,239,374** |

The Community Foundation’s audit is conducted by Blum Shapiro (www.blumshapiro.com). The complete financial statements with accompanying footnotes and Form 990 are available on our website and for inspection at our offices. www.cfect.org/AboutUs/FiscalStewardship
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Professional advisors often recognize when the Community Foundation is the right match for their clients’ charitable intentions. Historically, over half of the gifts to the Community Foundation have come as bequests or other planned gifts, with the guidance and expertise of professional advisors. We thank the following advisors for their advice and community service.

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