



community foundation

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FOCUS Fund Endowment

In 2015, we awarded \$17,881 to impact broad community needs and interests across our Region. The following are summaries of the grants awarded.

Acme Christian Thrift Store and Food Pantry	\$1,792	Support of truck purchase.
Banks Township	\$1,000	Support renovation of the town hall.
Father Fred Foundation	\$2,500	Support purchase a double glass door reach in refrigerator, allowing for more efficient use of space and time for growing number of clients served each day requires more efficient use of space and time.
Grand Traverse Dyslexia Assoc.	\$2,000	Support Tuition Assistance Program, which is set up to help low-income families by providing tuition assistance for uninterrupted tutoring for dyslexic children.
Grand Traverse Industries	\$1,949	Support GTI's Custodial Training and Employment Business through the purchase of a high speed burnisher that would expand contract capabilities and more wage earning opportunities for persons with significant disabilities.
Listening Ear Crisis Center	\$2,500	Support licensed adult foster care facility in Mancelona through the purchase of a natural gas powered generator.
The Maples	\$1,140	Support <i>From Moments to Memories</i> - a pilot program of integration of music therapy in the daily routine of dementia and Alzheimer's patients. Through use of music and iPods, the program aims to decrease the amount of caregiver burnout as well as reported patient incidences.
Networks Northwest	\$750	Support repurposed use of "Hot Jobs Report" into a poster size to distribute in every high school in the five county region.
Pathfinder School	\$1,000	Grant support to repair/replace an existing well.

Village of Ellsworth	\$1,250	Support to complete a needs assessment regarding three critical community needs: housing, transportation and employment. The outcome of the project is to create an action plan including detailed next steps.
Village of Lake Ann	\$2,000	Support for Burnett Park Renovation project, including a play structure and an accessible swing seat for the park.