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## FOCUS Fund Endowment

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**In 2016, we awarded \$24,220 in grants; the following are summaries of the grants awarded.**

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| Benzie Area Christian Neighbors       | \$1,500 | Support utility assistance in response to unanticipated shortfall in True North utility funding.  |
| Good Samaritan                        | \$2,500 | Support capacity enhancement through technology upgrades to strengthen program data tracking and reporting.   |
| Grand Traverse Regional Arts Campus   | \$1,700 | Support six recycled plastic park benches to be placed along the ½ mile exercise trail at the Arts Campus for use by Campus visitors and tenants.   |
| Grass River Natural Area, Inc.        | \$2,000 | Support “Field Guide” to the natural history of Grass River and the Northwest Lower Michigan region.  |
| Interlochen Public Library            | \$1,475 | Funds for their New Library and Community Room capital campaign.  |
| Junior Achievement of Northwest MI    | \$2,457 | Support for wages for 13 at-risk Traverse City West Middle School students for a six week JA Economics for Success program that will teach students how to empower their futures and stay in school.              |
| Kalkaska Area Interfaith Resources    | \$600   | Support for a new refrigerator to increase storage for nutritional foods to be served to families utilizing KAIR’s food pantry.   |
| Mills Community House                 | \$1,338 | Support electrical upgrades (for both in-house and backstage areas) to accommodate the need for theatrical lighting enhancement, sound amplification and other presentational equipment at Mills Community House. |
| Northwest Michigan Supportive Housing | \$2,500 | Support one of NMSH’s households, including supportive services, utility payments, home maintenance, etc.   |

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| PEACE Ranch                    | \$2,500 | Salary support for their new Program Director who will begin in September 2016.  |
| Port Oneida Community Alliance | \$1,500 | Sponsor a nationally renowned monument conservator, Jonathon Appell, to conduct a 2-day monument conservation workshop. This will be open to local cemetery keepers and the public.  |
| Right Tree                     | \$1,650 | Support outdoor recreation and adventure programming as a platform to help middle school girls discover their worth, through purchase outdoor equipment for “Right Tree Adventure Rentals” in Elk Rapids.                          |
| Salvation Army                 | \$2,500 | Matching grant to support purchase of walk-in refrigerator/ freezer, in order to better address food insecurities of community members by improving nutritional options and accessibility to fresh protein, fruits and vegetables. |