

ANTRIM . BENZIE . GRAND TRAVERSE . KALKASKA . LEELANAU

FOCUS Fund Endowment

In 2018, we awarded \$25,100 in grants; the following are summaries of the grants awarded.

Advocates for Benzie County	\$7,500	Grant to support a construction training boot camp in Benzie County available for post high school 18-30 year old students, and a school program targeting 16-18 year olds. Specifically funds will be used to purchase a classroom/ tool trailer to be used in both programs.
Bethany Christian Services	\$1,500	Support upgrade of their audio-visual monitoring equipment in two foster care visitation rooms used for visitations between parent and child that may occur 1-5 times per week. The new system will directly impact over 1,300 individuals.
Cherryland Middle School	\$650	Grant to help with Cherryland's 8th Grade Community Project- an Outdoor Classroom/ Pavilion. Grant funds would specifically be used for building materials.
Glen Lake Community Library	\$1,000	Support library campaign for expansion and enhancement of library facilities, including creating a multipurpose room, increasing space for children and adult collections, and adding areas for study and technology.
Glen Lake High School	\$1,500	Grant to support the high school's Envirothon Team's solar array project. Grant funds will be used to purchase equipment for the panels,
Goodwill Industries	\$2,500	Support for purchasing a commercial dishwasher to be used by kitchen staff who make more than 700 meals to provide food for Meals on Wheels and Addiction Treatment Service programs and dinner to 75 Goodwill Inn guests.
Grand Traverse Dyslexia Association	\$1,000	Grant for GTDA's New Primmer Program Fund that supports specialized, evidence-based, tutoring of very young dyslexic learners; Pre-K through 2 nd Grade.
Helena Township	\$2,500	Grant to support a partnership between Helena Township and the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy to rework the trail at Coy Mountain in order for it to be user friendly and more sustainable.

Kalkaska DDA	\$1,000	Grant to conduct a CDBG Income Survey Application requesting approval to conduct an income survey to determine if they could meet the LMI requirements (low-to-moderate income list), which would qualify the municipality to apply for Federal and State grants.
Paddle Antrim	\$1,000	Grant for the design and placement of signs for the Chain of Lakes Water Trail.
Right Tree	\$1,600	Grant to help with the purchase of a delivery truck for Right Tree's donation based community recreation equipment (bikes, kayaks, SUPs, etc.)
TCAPS	\$1,500	Grant to support the purchase and installation of a 20 kW ground-mounted solar array at Traverse City Central High School.
TCAPS/TC West Senior High	\$1,850	Support Student Spaceflight Experiments Program (SSEP) Mission 13, and funding towards sending an experiment to the International Space Station. Students learn about microgravity experiment design and proposal writing as part of the SSEP project. This project engages students working on experiment design, but also the whole school and West Middle School in a mission patch design competition which results in two pieces of art work being flown to the International Space Station (ISS) and returned to Traverse City for display.