

# THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT



A REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES  
AND EVENTS OF 2011 AND BEYOND

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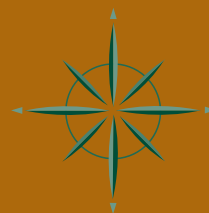
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## DREAM... CONNECT... BUILD.

Our mission is to transform our region  
into a more vital, caring community.



The illustration on the cover is from a lithograph for the New York Central Line railway ca. 1934. The image is by Anthony Hansen and was designed to lure tourists from the city to visit the beautiful country and seaside vistas of New England.

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## IT TOOK AN ADMIRAL TO PROPERLY LAUNCH OUR SHIP

In 1983, the fledgling Pequot Foundation – our predecessor – was fortunate to welcome aboard retired United States Coast Guard Rear Admiral Tom Wetmore as founding executive director. Tom was a local boy who made good in the wider world and returned to his roots.

Surrounded and supported by a Board of esteemed community leaders, Tom proved to be a quick study in mastering the skills for building a permanent endowment for this community. Founding President Robert Marrion said, "By the time Tom retired [nine years later], the Foundation was thriving and enjoyed credibility in the community. That credibility was a reflection of Tom's credibility. The community knew that if Tom was involved, the Foundation was authentic."

We'd be more than remiss if we didn't include a final salute to his beloved wife Joan in this dedication. She served as his "First Mate" (and the Community Foundation's donor relations specialist) for years...for free. They were quite a team!

Tom and Joan, thank you for building one of the region's most important legacies. We miss you both.

*Memorial contributions may be made to the Joan and Thomas Wetmore Fund.*



The 2011 Yearbook is dedicated to  
the good work and memory of

**Thomas T. Wetmore, III**

1925-2011



A photograph of a man and two children hiking away from the camera on a dirt trail through a dense forest. The man is wearing a blue t-shirt, a blue baseball cap, and a colorful backpack. The child on the left is wearing a black t-shirt with a graphic, orange shorts, and a green cap. The child on the right is wearing a pink shirt, white shorts, and a pink cap. The forest is lush with green ferns and trees.

Trails not only  
connect us with  
each other,  
they connect us  
with ourselves.  
Communities  
with no place to  
daydream are  
communities  
without  
imagination.

- DAVID BURWELL





## A GOOD TRAIL ALWAYS OFFERS ADVENTURE.

Hello friends,

I'm a city girl at heart, but my world view has been shaped by unmapped treks into the Connecticut woods, the California desert, the African bush and the Australian outback. I've seen amazing sights, met amazing people...and eaten some strange foods. I'm a better person in every way for the trails – of all types – that I've walked.

Like most people, though, I spend most of my time on the well-trodden “paths” of daily life. Nearly 20 years ago, in fact, I chose to settle back into the deep comfort of New England's coast and countryside, the rootedness of my family and the traditions of my childhood. It was the right choice.

But I'm never bored. Quite the opposite. I still see the most amazing things and meet the most amazing people.

And that's because of you and the remarkable daily life of the Community Foundation. Imagine, every day, I have the region's best trail guides and companions, some who we feature in this Yearbook. Each sets out with unique supplies and skills. Each arrives at his or her own destination and, especially, knows how to enjoy the journey.

You build community, while you support urban arts festivals, rural agricultural projects, shoreline sailing classes and in-home services for seniors. Your vision comes from your own experience, which you are willing to share.

I couldn't have a better job! Sometimes the Community Foundation manages the hike; sometimes we organize it; sometimes we continue to run it even after you're gone. But I promise you: we always learn from it!

### WE WANTED TO WRITE ABOUT HOW FASCINATING YOU ARE

This Yearbook's four key profiles prove my point. Rheo Brouillard, Jim English, Alva Greenberg and Susan Pochal each have taken on the world far differently, magnificently, and successfully... all to the benefit of eastern Connecticut. If I go a whole month without talking to one of them, I feel like I haven't taken my vitamins!

Similarly, we write about Doctors Olga and Mervyn Little, and how a gift they made years ago has now become an endowment for the amazing facility they created in the 1940s: Natchaug Hospital. The Littles found their own unique way to blaze a trail.

We also write about the incredible “barn raising” that took place at TEEG, the Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group. The story is a reminder that the Community Foundation's regular responsibility is “walking” with the region's nonprofits and watching over their health and initiatives.

### EVERY FUND, EVERY GRANT IS AN UNWRITTEN STORY

The truth is, behind every one of our 358 charitable funds is an important biography, like that of Paul Nunes who created a scholarship fund to help students attending his alma mater, Mitchell College (see page 46), or Old Lyme's Connie Pike, who left a final bequest to the Community Foundation.

Grants reflect daily interactions with a diligent nonprofit sector. The Community Foundation – and in many cases our donor advisors – is always identifying amazing initiatives.

Haven't taken a hike with the Community Foundation lately? Consider this a Guidebook. I promise you: every day is something new!

Alice



Paul Nunes  
*Chair, Board of Trustees, 2012*

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*President*





Grants



2011 Foundation Grants



## Discretionary Grants

Consider these flexible, unrestricted dollars as our “community checkbook.” **Discretionary** and **Field of Interest** grants tackle some of our communities’ most pressing needs and infuse vitality onto streets, into neighborhoods, and enrich the entire region.

### MEETING BASIC NEEDS FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE CITIZENS

Alliance For Living	\$10,000
Services for people with AIDS	
Arc of New London County	\$2,500
Community programming	
Care and Share Soup Kitchen	\$2,000
Weekly meals program	
Community Enterprises	\$1,340
Employment support services	
Community Health Center	\$10,000
Digital x-ray equipment	
Connecticut Adoption & Family Services	\$8,000
Adoptive parent training	
Connecticut Legal Services	\$15,000
Connecting the homeless with benefits	
The Connection	\$2,500
Mother's Retreat addiction program	
Covenant Shelter of New London	\$13,725
Support of case worker	
Habitat for Humanity of Southeastern Connecticut	\$10,000
Home construction for low income families	
Kids In Distressed Situations	\$7,500
New clothing for low income families	
Madonna Place	\$7,500
Fatherhood program	
Malta, Inc.	\$2,000
Street outreach to homeless	
Martin House	\$5,000
Meeting basic needs of residents	
Mystic Area Shelter And Hospitality	\$9,000
Emergency shelter for families	
Natchaug Hospital	\$6,000
Care Plus program in Groton	

New London Community Meal Center	\$5,400
Food and supplies	
New London Homeless Hospitality, Inc.	\$20,000
Services for homeless	
Opportunities Industrialization Center	\$15,000
Certified Nursing Assistant training program	
Thames Area Citizen Advocacy Program	\$1,520
Advocates for the elderly	
Thames River Community Service	\$6,000
Employment training	
United Cerebral Palsy of Eastern Connecticut	\$3,500
Supporting people with disabilities	
United Community & Family Services	\$10,000
Behavioral health initiative	

United Way of Southeastern Connecticut	\$10,000
Emergency heating assistance	
Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern Connecticut	\$10,000
Home healthcare services	
W.A.R.M. Shelter	\$5,000
Program Support	

### STRENGTHENING EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT OF OUR YOUTH

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southeastern CT	\$10,000
Mentoring children of incarcerated adults	
Boys & Girls Club of Southeastern CT	\$7,600
Healthy Habits program	
Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut	\$10,000
Childcare support	
Community Coalition for Children	\$5,000
Parent education program	
Connecticut College	\$7,500
Pre-school literacy program	
Connecticut Humanities Council	\$10,000
Literacy programs in New London	



High Hopes Therapeutic Riding is a well-established non-profit organization dedicated to providing the benefits of equine assisted activities (riding, carriage driving, unmounted learning) to children and adults with special needs. Here, program horse Major proudly carries Danielle at the High Hopes Hoedown, with Liz Adams, Program Director, leading.



Discretionary Grants

<b>Connecticut Storytelling Center</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>New London Adult and Continuing Education</b>	<b>\$3,428</b>	<b>St. Mark's Toddler Playgroup</b>	<b>\$2,425</b>
Storytelling and literacy skills building		Literacy program for mothers with young children		Scholarships and subsidies	
<b>Connecticut Women's Education and Legal Fund</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>New London Community Boating</b>	<b>\$4,050</b>	<b>St. Mary Star of the Sea School</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>
Women in Technology program		Scholarships for sailing program		Language learning lab	
<b>ECSU Foundation for School of Continuing Education</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>New London Main Street</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>St. Vincent de Paul Place</b>	<b>\$1,450</b>
Scholarships for local students		Support for skating rink		Food pantry	
<b>FRESH New London</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>New London Maritime Society</b>	<b>\$5,025</b>	<b>Stonington Community Center</b>	<b>\$4,700</b>
Youth programs in community gardens		Lighthouse Kids education program		Soccer field maintenance	
<b>High Hopes Therapeutic Riding</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>New London Youth Affairs</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>Thames Valley Council for Community Action</b>	<b>\$5,250</b>
For New London special needs students		After-school youth programs for teens		Improvements to New London childcare center	
<b>Historically Black College Alumni</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>Project Oceanology</b>	<b>\$4,200</b>	<b>University of Connecticut at Avery Point</b>	<b>\$3,810</b>
Program to encourage college attendance		Summer camp scholarships		Mentoring middle school students	
<b>Kente Cultural Center</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>Regional Multicultural Magnet School</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>	<b>EXPANDING AUDIENCES AND SUPPORTING LOCAL ARTS INSTITUTIONS</b>	
Literacy program		Experiential education program		<b>Avalonia Land Conservancy</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Lighthouse Voc-Ed Center</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>Riverfront Children's Center</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	Land preservation	
Summer program for autistic youth		Tuition support for families		<b>Children's Museum of Southeastern Connecticut</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>Mitchell College</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>Sea Research Foundation</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	Expanding museum audiences	
Scholarships for local students		Science learning programs			

WHERE’S RHEO? DOING GOOD SOMEWHERE!

Good luck chasing Rheo Brouillard down.

For most people, running Savings Institute Bank & Trust and its innovative financial services would be enough. Sure, he spends a great deal of his “volunteer time” on industry matters. You’ll find him explaining the importance of community banks at the State House as past Chairman of the Connecticut Bankers Association. Or discussing overdraft protection before banking committees in Washington, DC. On any given day (or night), though, you’re just as likely to find Rheo Brouillard co-chairing a meeting of the 10-year plan to end homelessness in Windham County. Or at a meeting of Rural Homes Limited to discuss elderly housing. He could be attending a Windham Hospital board meeting, or helping his wife and other volunteers organize the “Ride for the Cure” from their Hampton farm. He must not sleep, because he was active in Brooklyn town affairs when he and high school sweetheart Faith raised their



Rheo and Faith prepare for Ride for the Cure

three children there. Now they and their granddaughter Jasmine live in Hampton, and the Board of Finance has come calling. And certainly the banker might be spied accepting, as he did this spring, a well-deserved Corporate Philanthropy Award from the UConn School of Fine Arts or last year’s Eastern Connecticut State University (ECSU) Distinguished Donor Award.



Discretionary Grants



A landscape painting by Susan B. Luca from a recent showing at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum

<b>Connecticut Ballet</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>
After-school programs in New London	
<b>Eastern Connecticut Ballet</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
Performance and education for schools	
<b>Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
Performances for area schools	
<b>Eugene O'Neill Theater Center</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>
Youth playwriting program	
<b>Flock Theatre</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
Macbeth performance for students	

<b>Florence Griswold Museum</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
Free week for residents	
<b>Garde Arts Center</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
After-school arts program	
<b>Hygienic Art</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>
Writing program for middle school students	
<b>Judy Dworin Performance Project</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Residency at York Correctional Institution	
<b>Lyman Allyn Art Museum</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
Art education & community outreach	
<b>Mystic &amp; Noank Library</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
Reading materials	
<b>Mystic Arts Center</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>
Educational outreach to schools	
<b>Mystic Seaport Museum</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
<i>Skin &amp; Bones</i> exhibit	
<b>Surfers Alumni Association</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
Music instruction for youth	
<b>Tsetse Gallery</b>	<b>\$4,075</b>
After-school arts program	
<b>Writer's Block, Ink</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>
Youth performing arts	

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The Community Foundation, of course, knows Rho Brouillard as the tireless founder of the Windham Community Foundation, which grew to become the Community Foundation of the TriCounty Area. He was a key force in uniting the present-day Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut.

RESPONSIBILITY BEGAN AT HOME

Brouillard describes a hard-working French Canadian-rooted family growing up in Chicopee, Massachusetts.

“My mom [Irene] ran nursing homes for a doctor who had five or six in the area. I grew up around a lot of elderly people. It created an empathy I’ve had all my life.”

While he describes an “idyllic” childhood of playing outdoors from sunup until dark and being “spoiled rotten” by five older sisters, everyone worked hard. He worked at a gun factory, a box shop, and mowing grass on the turnpike.

“One thing I learned growing up was that I’m not afraid to work,” he remembers.

Brouillard finished at the top of his class in management studies at Western New England College. He entered the world of banking with BayBanks. He absorbed at least one lifelong lesson there.

“The banking industry as a whole has a high expectation of

their people being involved in the community. Community service becomes a way of life. When I orient my new hires now at the Savings Institute, we do the same thing. I can’t tell you how many thousands of hours people here donate for mentoring or civic associations and other functions. If you’re into something, we encourage you to get involved.”

“SOMETHING COMING FROM ALMOST NOTHING”

Brouillard’s other constant activity is economic development. He’s president of the Northeastern Connecticut Community Development Corporation. With other community leaders he continues to fight to recover a portion of the American Thread Company site, trying to reclaim contaminated land to build a solar field. He is working with several parties to convert former drug dens into housing for ECSU students.

“I like seeing something coming from almost nothing to actually happening,” he admits.

What’s the “bottom line” for this banker and community activist?

“Those that can, should,” he says. “That’s a philosophy I’ve tried to live by. We have an obligation to help those that need help.”



## Donor Advised Grants

### Donor Advised Grants

**Our Donor Advised Fund holders recommended grants to nonprofits in eastern Connecticut and beyond. Donor Advised Funds allow individuals, families, and businesses to select the organizations, programs and gift amounts each year.**

Alliance to Develop Power  
 American Heart Association  
 American Red Cross-National  
 Annual Catholic Appeal  
 Arts Cafe Mystic  
 Avalonia Land Conservancy  
 William W. Backus Hospital  
 Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School PTO  
 Best Buddies International, Inc.  
 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southeastern CT  
 Boston Workers Alliance  
 Boys & Girls Club of Southeastern CT  
 The Bozrah Volunteer Fire Company AED Fund ♥  
 Brave Hearts Kind Souls, Inc.  
 Bring Our Music Back  
 Cambridge School of Weston  
 Care and Share Soup Kitchen  
 Center for Cuban Studies  
 Child & Family Agency of Southeastern CT  
 City Life/Vida Urbana  
 City of New London  
 Common Cents EMS Supply LLC ♥  
 Communitas, Inc.  
 Connecticut Ballet  
 Connecticut College  
 Connecticut Community Care, Inc.  
 Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection  
 Connecticut Farmland Trust  
 Connecticut Food Bank  
 Connecticut Landmarks Society, Inc.  
 Connecticut Storytelling Center  
 Courthouse Center for the Arts  
 Covenant Shelter of N.L., Inc.  
 Covenant Soup Kitchen  
 Crosby Fund for Haitian Education  
 Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center  
 Denison Society  
 Doctors Without Borders USA  
 Drop-In Learning Center  
 Dubin Breast Center/Tisch Cancer Institute  
 Eugene O'Neill Theater Center  
 Expressiones Cultural Center, Inc.

Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, Inc.  
 Florence Griswold Museum  
 FRESH New London/TSNE  
 Friends of Harkness Memorial State Park  
 Garde Arts Center  
 Goodspeed Opera House Foundation  
 Haitian Health Foundation  
 Heavy Hitters USA, Inc.  
 Dr. William Henderson Inclusion Elementary School  
 High Hopes Therapeutic Riding, Inc.  
 The Hole in the Wall Gang Fund, Inc.  
 Hospice of Southeastern CT  
 Human Rights First  
 Hygienic Art, Inc.  
 I-Park Foundation, Inc.  
 Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication (ISAAC)  
 Jewish Alliance for Law and Social Action  
 Jewish Federation of Eastern CT  
 Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts  
 Kente Cultural Center  
 Kenyon College

Kenyon Review  
 La Grua Center  
 Lawrence & Memorial Hospital  
 Life Support Systems ♥  
 Lincoln College of New England  
 Longwharf Theater Foundation  
 Louis D. Brown Peace Institute  
 Lyman Allyn Art Museum  
 Lyme Land Conservation Trust  
 MacCurdy-Salisbury Education Foundation  
 Madonna Place, Inc.  
 Mansfield Downtown Partnership  
 Martin House, Inc.  
 The Massachusetts Amateur Sports Foundation  
 James Merrill House  
 Mitchell College  
 Mount St. Michael Academy  
 The Musella Foundation for Brain Tumor Research & Information, Inc.  
 Musical Masterworks  
 Mystic Area Shelter And Hospitality - MASH  
 Mystic Arts Center  
 Mystic Seaport Museum  
 Natchaug Hospital  
 Natchaug School  
 Neighborhood Alliance  
 New England School of Metalwork  
 New London Adult and Continuing Education



Founded in 1988 by Paul Newman, The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp in Ashford, Connecticut is a nonprofit, residential summer camp and year-round center serving children and their families coping with cancer and other serious illnesses and conditions. Through Camp programs, year-round outreach to hospitals and clinics, and ongoing services for children, families and caregivers, the Camp serves more than 15,000 annually. All of the Camp's services are provided free of charge.



Donor Advised Grants & Windham Area Grants



Children celebrating "Favorite Animal Day" at the Riverfront Children's Center in Groton.

New London Community Boating  
 New London Community Meal Center  
 New London County Historical Society  
 New London Education Foundation  
 New London Elks Lodge #360  
 New London Firefighters Burn Foundation  
 New London High School  
 New London Homeless Hospitality Center  
 New London Irish Parade, Inc.  
 New London Landmarks  
 New London Little League  
 New London Main Street  
 New London Maritime Society, Inc.  
 New London Music Festival  
 New London Senior Center  
 New London Soccer Club  
 New London Youth Affairs  
 New York Stem Cell Foundation  
 Noank Baptist Church  
 North Windham School PTO  
 NYU Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development  
 Ossining Historical Society Museum  
 Our Shoreline Community Association  
 Outreach to Haiti, Inc.  
 Oxfam America  
 Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center  
 Pro Musicis  
 Project Oceanology  
 PTO of Natchaug Elementary School  
 Public Library of New London  
 Public Policy Institute  
 Riverfront Children's Center  
 Roberts Wesleyan College  
 Rumsey Hall School  
 Save Ocean Beach  
 School Health Corporation ♥  
 Sea Research Foundation  
 Sea-Legs, Inc.  
 Shiloh Baptist Church  
 Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries

Slow Money, Inc.  
 St. Jude Children's Research Hospital  
 St. Mark's Toddler Playgroup  
 St. Mary Star of the Sea School  
 St. Patrick Cathedral  
 St. Vincent de Paul Place  
 Stonington Community Center  
 Stonington Education Fund  
 Stonington Free Library  
 Stonington Historical Society  
 Stonington Land Trust  
 Surfers Drum & Bugle Corps Alumni Association  
 Sweeney Elementary School PTO  
 Thames Area Citizen Advocacy Program  
 Thames River Community Service, Inc.  
 Thames Valley Council for Community Action  
 Tsetse Gallery  
 United Cerebral Palsy of Eastern CT  
 University of Connecticut at Avery Point  
 University of Connecticut Foundation  
 University of Michigan/Dept. of Neurology  
 USCGA Alumni Association  
 Visiting Nurse Association of Southeastern CT  
 W.A.R.M. Shelter  
 Wheaton College  
 Windham Center School PTO  
 Windham Hospital Foundation, Inc.  
 Windham Regional Arts Council  
 Women's Center of Southeastern CT  
 WRNI  
 Yale University Art Gallery

♥ *For automated external defibrillators in 11 public sites throughout eastern Connecticut.*

## Windham Area Grants

**Perception Programs, Inc. \$2,500**

Purchase computers to provide clients with direct access to the internet, the ability to search for employment on-line, complete job applications, and develop resumés

**Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group (TEEG) \$7,500**

Provide support services that empower individuals, strengthen families, and engage the whole community

**Willimantic Area Interfaith Ministry (WAIM) \$7,500**

Program support for two core programs; "Material Goods" and "Human Needs"

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## Norwich Grants

## Norwich Youth Grants

Made possible by the Frisbie-Chapman Memorial Fund and the Grace & Lewis Sears Memorial Fund

**City of Norwich - Recreation Department** **\$7,000**

To provide scholarships for youth age 5-12 from low income Norwich families to attend the 8-week, full day Recreation Department Summer Camp

**Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center** **\$9,900**

For school curriculum-linked science education for all Norwich 2nd graders, including two "in class" sessions and one on-site class at DPNC

**Norwich Little League** **\$7,500**

To help renovate a softball field used by approximately 100 Norwich girls, ages 6-16

**Norwich Public Schools – Extended Learning** **\$10,000**

For a 5-week full day educational enrichment and service learning program for 150 Norwich Public Schools 1st-7th graders

**Ocean Community YMCA** **\$3,100**

For scholarships & transportation for Norwich youth, ages 8-11, to participate in the Mystic Beach Camp

**Otis Library** **\$2,480**

For a six-week summer reading outreach program for disadvantaged youth to address the summer gap in reading and other literacy skills in partnership with Wequonnoc Elementary School

**Women's Center of Southeastern Connecticut** **\$10,000**

For a five session preventative program for 350 7th & 8th graders to address issues of violence and to empower students to make healthy relationship choices

**Writer's Block, Ink** **\$500**

To fund the participation of Norwich students in Writer's Block Ink programs designed to give voice to and empower young people, ages 8-21, through writing, performance and group interaction



## JIM ENGLISH: AN UNFINISHED NOVEL

Jim English began his college studies thinking he'd be a literature professor. His life had the beginnings of a classical novel.

His mother, Alice Bradford Welles, traced her history to the earliest days of Hartford. His father, James Fairfield English, Sr., led the Conference of Connecticut's 300 Congregational churches.

He was born in Putnam, CT and witnessed the early years of the Depression in Manchester, NH where his father was pastor.

"Manchester was flat on its back," he remembers. "I would hear the tales of hardship. People were throwing stones at the mill owners' homes.

But Connecticut was always "home," he points out. The family returned when his father got the call to lead the statewide Conference.

"We rarely saw him after that because he was on the road so much," he notes. "Dad knew people in every town. Later, when I got into bank acquisitions, I'd meet someone and invariably they'd ask, 'So, are you Dr. English's son?'"

Jim wasn't around home much either. He was off to his studies at The Loomis Chaffee School in Windsor six days a week, leaving at 7 am and returning after 6 pm.

The eager James, Jr. was too young for active duty when he graduated in 1944 at age 17, so the Army sent him first to the University of Minnesota then to Yale to study Japanese. He finished his service in Japan in 1946, and returned to Yale to receive his BA in 1949. He then won a Mellon fellowship to study at Cambridge University, where he received his Masters.

## PLOT TWIST: JIM GIVES UP ACADEMIA FOR BUSINESS

Returning home to Hartford Jim added two dramatic twists to the narrative. One, he married the wonderful Isabelle. They are now together 57 years. Two, he took a job with Connecticut Bank and Trust Company where he spent a year as a teller, then five years in the trust department while earning a law degree at the University of Connecticut.

How did he reconcile the world of commerce with the world of academia?

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“It’s all the real world,” he points out. “I enjoyed it. I was dealing with people. I was visiting little towns, learning new things,” somewhat like his itinerant father.

He was also joining boards: Corporations, foundations, colleges, hospitals, nonprofits of all types.

“You’re in a community; it’s what you do,” a humble statement from the eventual winner of the Connecticut Council for Philanthropy’s 2008 John H. Filer Award for encouraging public good. He also has honorary degrees from four colleges.

In nominating him for the Filer Award, Ethel Davis of The Nutmeg Foundation explains why Jim English is such a valued board member. She wrote:

“His hallmark is his judgment, or what some might call wisdom. He brings to nonprofits, businesses, and community groups alike a high standard for fiscal prudence, exemplary respect, and patience in the face of controversy, and a commitment to responsible decision-making and attention to detail, matched only by his strong commitment and generosity of time and spirit.”

#### THE PLOT THICKENS: JIM BACK AT SCHOOL, AS PRESIDENT

Jim English eventually became president, then Chairman and CEO of the bank.

“I enjoyed helping to build the bank up. I discovered that I like organizing things and watching them function and grow.

“But the banking industry changed. It used to be personal. I knew the branch managers and their families. I was having less contact with customers. There was too much risk taking. When the opportunity came, I knew I could make the break.”

The “opportunity” was to become Vice President of Finance and Planning of Trinity College in 1977, and then its president from 1981-1989.

“Trinity is an old and important institution. I felt I could make it a little stronger.” He adds, “I feel that my work at Trinity was the most important thing I did in my career.”

#### TRICK ENDING: A RETIREMENT INTO VOLUNTEERING

After retiring from Trinity College, Jim served on a number of corporate and nonprofit boards, including the Harford Foundation for Public Giving, of which he became board chair. A few years later, he filled in briefly as Interim President of the Mystic Seaport, of which he was a trustee. “It was fun to be back managing an organization,” he acknowledges, “being able to make plans, push buttons, and see positive things happen. And Isabelle and I made many wonderful new friends.”

At 85, Jim English is still writing his story. He just served two terms on the board of the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, helping to oversee investments and growth strategies. He recently helped his village of Noank open a co-op grocery market. He is still involved with the Mystic Seaport and volunteers at the Mystic-Noank Library.

What’s next? Stay tuned for the next chapter.

## People for Animals and Wildlife (P.A.W.) Fund Grants

Grants made from the P.A.W. Fund reflect the generosity of Josephine Sacco. Before her death in 2006, Josephine decided she would continue to care for animals, even after she was gone. So she left a bequest totaling more than \$300,000 to provide care and comfort for animals in the Town of Groton and established the Josephine and Gabriel Sacco Fund for Animals.

**Animal Welfare League of New London County** **\$3,450**  
Spay/neuter program, emergency veterinary care and food assistance for animals in Groton

**Groton Animal Foundation** **\$3,450**  
To provide veterinary care to increase adoptability for animals brought in to the Groton animal control facility and to help financially distressed pet owners in Groton with veterinary care assistance

**Waterford Country School** **\$2,000**  
For the construction of a flight cage as a safe place for injured migratory birds to be rehabilitated



Photo from the Groton Animal Foundation





Funds





## Unrestricted Funds

**Unrestricted Funds** are for donors who would like to address emerging community needs. Donors place their trust in a group of knowledgeable volunteers to review grant applications, conduct site visits and then use these discretionary dollars to make grants to organizations that make a positive and meaningful difference.

Judith & David Anderson Fund	2000	Richard & Clarissa Jones Fund	2005
Anonymous I (Norwich) Fund	2000	Drs. Joan & Manuel E. Kadish Fund	1997
Anonymous II (Norwich) Fund	2000	Chester W. Kitchings Fund	1983
Anonymous IV Fund	1997	J. Martin & Caroline S. Leatherman Fund	1996
Anonymous X Fund	2007	Mr. & Mrs. J. Martin Leatherman Fund	1983
Avery-Hammond Fund	1984	Doris R. & Benjamin A. Levinson Fund	1983
Irma Baker Memorial Fund	2000	Minnie & Dorothy Levinson Fund	1999
Shirley Beal Fund	1997	Liberty Bank Fund	1997
Big 4 Radio Stations Fund	2000	Reid & Linda MacCluggage Fund	2002
Peter Block Fund	1998	John T. & Evelyn MacDougall Fund	1996
Bredeson Family Fund	1998	Rosalind M. & Harvey N. Mallove Fund	1989
Helen Brewster Fund	2009	Manchester Savings Bank Fund	2000
Elsie A. Brown Fund	1990	Robert W. Marrion Founding President Fund	1987
Camp Family Fund	1987	Matthews Family Fund	1998
Carol L. Chappell Fund	1998	New England Savings Bank Fund	1988
Chelsea Groton Bank Fund	1997	New London County Mutual Fund	2000
Coastal (New London Federal Savings & Loan) Fund	1985	New London Day Fund	2000
Margaret Connelley Sullivan Fund	2000	New London Rotary Club Memorial Fund	1983
Mildred E. "Millie" Devine Fund	1996	Nightingale Fund	1998
Roger & Cornelia Dickinson Fund	2008	Norwich Savings Society Fund	1999
Dime Savings Bank Fund	1997	O'Brien Family Fund	2008
Robert A. Doherty Memorial Fund	1992	Donald & Marilyn O'Brien Fund	1998
Ann & Gordon Douglas Fund	2003	John O'Brien Fund	1997
Eastern Connecticut Development Council Fund	2000	Old Black Point Association Fund	2002
Eastern Federal Bank Fund	1997	Margaret & William Orkney and Grant Hileman Fund	1997
James & Isabelle English Fund	2006	George A. Ott Fund	1996
Robert & Lois Geary Fund	1996	Palmer/Bodenwein Fund	1983
R. S. Gernon Trust Fund	1994	Stanley Popiel Fund	2009
Elaine M. & Dr. David Ginsberg Fund	1984	Dyanne M. Rafal Fund	1998
Victoria & Charles Glassenberg Family Fund	1996	Kathleen W. & John T. Roan Fund	2000
Dorothy C. Goodwin Fund	1993	Isadore & Isabelle Rogovin Fund	2001
Gorin's Furniture Fund	1997	Estelle & Harold Ross Fund	2000
Alva G. Greenberg Fund	1998	Carrie V. & Horace W. Rowe Family Fund	1985
Carolyn L. & Kenneth E. Grube Memorial Fund	1997	Charles & Susan Seeman Fund	2000
Mr. & Mrs. William G. Hammond Fund	2004	Stella Shannon Fund	1999
William R. Hannaford Fund	1999	Millie & Martin Shapiro Fund	1998
Harry R. & Dorothy S. Hazard Fund	1989	Shea Fund	1983
William J. Hazlewood Fund	1987	Jerome & Marian Silverstein Fund	2000
Hertenstein Family Fund	2005	Melvin Simon Fund	2000
Mary Hewitt & Edward Mann Fund	1993	David C. Smith Memorial Fund	1987
Priscilla F. Hodges Fund	2007	Marjory B. & Laurence P. 'Jim' Smith Fund	1983
Marjorie Inkster Staton Fund	2007	Solomons Family Fund	1986
George Jagger Fund	1999	Catherine M. & Charles R. Sortor Fund	1983
Jewett City Savings Bank Fund	1997	Stamm Family Fund	1983
		Susan H. Timken Fund	1998
		Thomas Edison Troland Memorial Fund	1990
		Union Trust Fund	1984
		Dorothy West Lathrop & Harriet Sullivan Wallace Fund	1990
		Joan & Thomas Wetmore Fund	1992
		Whittemore-Kepple Fund	1998
		Juliet Wilber Long Teachers' Memorial Fund	1995
		Millard R. York Fund	1997





## Designated Funds

**Designated Funds** work well for charitable people who want to support one or more specific charities. A designated fund helps a nonprofit sustain their mission and programs. This year the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut dispersed grants to numerous named charities throughout eastern Connecticut.

**Josephine Lanzaletta Allen Fund**  
Children's Museum, Hospice of SE CT,  
L&M Hospital, & St. Paul's Church

1998

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

1996

**Anonymous III Fund**  
VNA of SE CT and the Waterford Public Library

1996

**Walter V. Baker Fund**  
Public Library of New London

1994

**Beaumont Family Fund**  
Mystic Rotary Club Scholarships

1999

**Leah Beyer Memorial Fund**  
Niantic Center School

2005

**Bill Memorial Library Fund** 2009

**Brodhead Scholarship Fund** 2001  
Noank Baptist Church

**David J. Calchera/EASTCONN/ACT Fund** 2005  
Scholarships for EASTCONN/ACT Students

**Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut, Inc. Foundation Fund** 2002  
Chamber of Commerce of Eastern CT Foundation

**Dean's Mill School 2009/SHS 2017 Fund** 2009

**EASTCONN (ACT) Scholarship Fund** 2004  
Scholarships for EASTCONN/ACT Students

**East Lyme Public Library Fund** 2009

**Fred & Jo Falkner Fund** 2001  
Big Brothers Big Sisters

**Martha H. Griffis Fund** 1991  
Public Library of New London

**Hartman Park Endowment Fund** 1997  
Hartman Park in Lyme

**Priscilla & Charles Hodges Memorial Fund** 2008  
Thames Valley Music School, Stonington Library, &  
Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut

**Lesniowski Fund** 2006  
New London Education Foundation Scholarships





## Designated Funds

<b>Catherine Melling Memorial Fund</b> New London County 4-H Foundation	1999
<b>Sarah Morse ECB Dance Scholarship Fund</b> Eastern Connecticut Ballet	2000
<b>New London Resident Scholar Fund</b> New London Science & Technology Magnet High School	2006
<b>Norwich Area Physicians' Fund</b> United Community & Family Services, Norwich	1990
<b>Norwich Department of Public Utilities Fund-Safety Net Program</b> Norwich Human Services - to provide emergency utility assistance	2006
<b>Old Lyme Social Services Emergency Fund</b> Old Lyme Social Services	2001
<b>Constance Pike Fund</b> Old Lyme Children's Learning Center	2005
<b>Salem Free Public Library Fund</b>	2009
<b>Friends of the Science &amp; Technology Magnet High School Fund</b>	2007
<b>Florence &amp; Raphael Shafner Charitable Fund</b> L&M Hospital, American Red Cross, Child & Family Agency, Public Library of New London & West Farms Land Trust	1984
<b>Janey Schultz Scholarship Fund</b> For Three Rivers Community College Scholarships for women pursuing nursing or allied health studies	2011
<b>Rose &amp; Sigmund Strochlitz Fund</b> Waterford Public Library	1986
<b>St. Mary Star of the Sea School Fund</b>	2006
<b>Starfish Fund</b> Assists L&M Hospital Office of Community Health, Outreach & Partnerships	2007
<b>Stonington Free Library Fund</b>	2009
<b>Betty Richards Tripp Fund</b> Stonington Free Library	1999
<b>Veterans Memorial Greenway Fund</b> For veterans' memorials in Willimantic	2003
<b>Waterford Education Foundation WHS Class of 1960 Scholarship Fund</b> Waterford High School Scholarships	2010
<b>Elie Wiesel Humanitarian Award &amp; Scholarship Fund</b> Williams School award and scholarship	1987
<b>Jane W. Williams Fund</b> Mystic/Noank Library, Noank Historical Society & Literacy Volunteers	1988
<b>Windham Before &amp; After School Program Fund</b> To support the before and after school program initiatives of the Windham Public Schools	2011
<b>Leonard &amp; Irene Zuckerbraun Family Fund</b> Eastern Connecticut Symphony Youth Orchestra Young Artists Competition	2004



Alva at spring training

## ALVA GREENBERG: RENAISSANCE WOMAN

Alva Greenberg carries a robust air of Renaissance about her. What she calls “naïve optimism” led her to publish the *Old Lyme Gazette*, open a groundbreaking art gallery, and stimulate downtown renewal in New London.

Start with ALVA Gallery, which punctuated State Street in New London from 1999 through 2007.

Greenberg ran a blistering pace of exhibitions every year: photography, oils, fabrics, watercolors, sculptures, prints, and mixed media, even cartoons. The themes spanned from Cuba to Vietnam and Haiti to Venice. She honored her famous father – baseball player Hank Greenberg – but dealt too with women's values, jazz, and 9/11. (Most of the shows can be viewed at [www.alvagallery.com](http://www.alvagallery.com).)

“It turned out to be a coalescence of all my skills,” she remembers. “I curated and came up with the concepts, but I wrote the press releases and the ads, too.”

ALVA Gallery led to Greenberg's collaboration with a variety of partners and projects like “Portrait of a City” [[www.thenewlondonproject.org](http://www.thenewlondonproject.org)] in the effort to revive New London. Already a pioneering trustee of the Garde, she bought and rehabbed five downtown buildings, including the 1872 Crocker House.

“How much fun is it to build a city?” she asks. “You have a vision and you start to make it happen. To bring people to live downtown, assuming if people live downtown, then businesses will flourish. And if businesses flourish, the arts will flourish. It was pretty heady.”

### PHILANTHROPY NOT FAR BEHIND

It's hard to separate Greenberg's philanthropy and community service from her daily activity in New London. Beyond serving as a trustee of the Garde, she was on the board of the Florence Griswold Museum, Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, and the



## Donor Advised Funds

Pequot Foundation (the original Community Foundation).

As Lary Bloom wrote in *The Hartford Courant* years ago, still true today: "Directors of nonprofits in the New London area sing her praises and describe her as energetic, generous, intelligent, visionary, a woman with an appetite for life. Tom Gullotta, director of Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut, points out that it was under her tenure as board chair the agency enjoyed its most dramatic growth."

Children occupy a special place in her heart. The Child & Family Agency today vies with Read to Grow Connecticut for her limited time.

Greenberg emphasizes, "Change one child's life and the ramifications can be huge. I met the principal of a school in Haiti. He came from a small village as a young boy to Port au Prince, lived ten in a room with distant relatives, got an education, and went on to become principal of the school. Now he was making sure that the girls have a safe place to sleep every night, and that the boys get a good meal every day."

As a trustee of her grandparent's foundation and a philanthropist in her own right, Greenberg takes giving very seriously.



Alva at play.

"I look for projects that are long term and are meaningful and that have legacy."

Greenberg's latest activity, however, can be found in Colby Park. She's among a group of local writers who contributed to Poetry of the Wild, an environmental art project that placed 16 poetry boxes throughout downtown New London.

Greenberg contributed a poem about looking in a window. "I had a bluebird box with a bit of a nest in it," she says, so she cut a hole in one side and mounted the poem inside. People must look through the "window" to read it.

Sounds right for a Renaissance woman.

## Donor Advised Funds

let individuals, families, and businesses select the specific nonprofits they would like to support during their lifetimes.

Alessi Family Fund	2009
Anonymous VII Fund	2007
Anonymous IX Fund	2006
<b>Anonymous XI Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Jane M. Brannegan Literacy Fund (affiliated with the <i>Let's Read</i> Fund)	2009
Neal & Jane Lassen Bobruff Fund	1998
Boettner Fund	2004
Buscetto Family & Friends Fund	2008
Monica M. Carlin Memorial Fund	2009
Melinda Carlisle Fund	2005
Colonial Cooperative Care Charitable Fund	2000
Community Arts & Education Fund	2008
Dangremond Family Fund	2004
Harold & Miriam Dean Fund	2003
Rudolph & John Dirks Fund	2009
Anthony & Elizabeth Enders Fund	2002
Elizabeth & William Foye Fund	2010
Fund for Norwich Arts	2010
Gildersleeve/White Fund	1984
Judith Glassenberg Classroom Enrichment Fund (affiliated with the <i>Let's Read</i> Fund)	2005
Michael J. Gorman Fund for Persons with Disabilities	2005
Greater Windham Public Safety Fund	2002
Elizabeth Newell Butler Gregory Fund	2001
Gross Family Fund	1999
Heritage Fund	2004
David & Muriel Hinkle Fund	2002
Howe Charitable Fund	1997
Javor Family Fund	2007
Barbara Kiss Johnson Fund	2002
Lathrop Family Fund (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	2009
Lewis Female Cent Society Fund (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	1999
Lieber Family Fund	2006
Julia J. & Carl W. Lindquist, MD Fund	2001
Jon Martenson Fund	2005
Michelle E. Maitland & Joshua C. Martin Fund	2008
John E. & Elizabeth M. Martin Fund	2002
Sarah Ann Martin Fund	2004
Peter Matthews Fund	2000
Morgan McGinley Family Fund	2007
Avery Russell Morgan Children's Literacy Fund (affiliated with the <i>Let's Read</i> Fund)	2000
<b>Grace Badger Murphy Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Margaret M. O'Shea Education Fund	2008



## Donor Advised &amp; Field of Interest Funds

Ossen Fund for the Arts	2006	Elaine Pearl Shapiro & Michael Shapiro	
Francis J. & Sally T. Pavetti Fund	1985	Charitable Fund	2004
Larry Pontbriant Athletic Safety Fund	2007	David & Theresa Sistare Fund	2003
Ralph Averill Powers Foundation Fund	2007	June D. Strunk Fund	
Pursuit Fitness Children's Fund	2000	(affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	2009
Colin & Loretta Rice Family Fund	2003	Toulmin Family Fund	2001
Richard E. & Marjorie E. Rowe Family Fund	2000	Estella E. Whipple Fund	
<b>Philip A. Turner Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>	(affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	2009
John T. Savage Memorial Fund	2004	Windham Public Schools Fund	2002
		Woolworth Family Fund for Stonington	2008

**Field of Interest Funds** give people the option to support overarching issues and areas of interest important to them. The Community Foundation then invests in promising projects and organizations working to advance these goals.

<b>Arts Alliance Fund</b>	2002	<b>George L. Holt Public Welfare Fund</b>	2002
To promote artistic endeavors		To assist disadvantaged people in the Windham area & promote self-sufficiency through education and training	
<b>Arts in Education Fund</b>	1995	<b>Lydia I. Korolkiewicz Fund</b>	2003
To support arts education in Norwich		To prevent domestic violence and provide treatment for its victims (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	
<b>Jane Dugan Baird Fund</b>	2009	<b>Let's Read Fund</b>	2002
To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)		To support literacy programs that encourage a love of reading and learning	
<b>Beaver Brook Fund</b>	2000	<b>Love Family Fund</b>	2009
To advance the treatment of mental illness		To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	
<b>Broach Fund</b>	2009	<b>Love Our Libraries Fund</b>	2008
To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)		To support 13 libraries in southeastern CT	
<b>Elisha &amp; Lena J. Burt Charitable Trust</b>	1989	<b>Carole Marks Fund</b>	2009
For Groton-based organizations		To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	
<b>Marion E. Doro Fund</b>	2009	<b>Juliana Valentine McCourt Children's Education Fund</b>	2001
To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)		To foster habits of tolerance and inclusion among children	
<b>Frisbie - Chapman Memorial Fund</b>	2010	<b>Andrew and Elaine McKirdy Fund</b>	2002
To support organizations offering programs and services for economically and socially disadvantaged Norwich youth		To support educational, economic, and/or social advancement programs for disadvantaged persons	
<b>Carl Clark Graves Fund</b>	1999	<b>Murstein Family Fund</b>	2005
To advance the sports of crew, sculling, and other water-based activities		To provide women access to educational and job training opportunities (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	
<b>Greater Norwich Education Fund</b>	2003	<b>People For Animals &amp; Wildlife (P.A.W) Fund</b>	2007
For enrichment programs in Norwich Area public schools		To promote the well-being and humane treatment and protection of animals and wildlife	
<b>Louise Guarnaccia Fund for Non-Traditional Students</b>	2006	<b>C. A. Pike Fund</b>	1996
To help non-traditional female students enhance their employment opportunities (affiliated with Windham Area Women & Girls Fund)		To support healthy families	
<b>Daniel &amp; Rose Hendel Fund</b>	1998	<b>Elvia Enders Richards Fund</b>	1986
For children's programs in southeastern CT		For home health care services	
		<b>Josephine &amp; Gabriel Sacco Fund for Animals</b>	2007
		For the care and comfort of animals in the Town of Groton (affiliated with the P.A.W. Fund)	
		<b>Science Education Fund</b>	2002
		To support science education programs for youth in southeastern Connecticut	



## Field of Interest Funds &amp; Sustainability Funds

<b>Grace &amp; Lewis Sears Memorial Fund</b> To support organizations offering programs and services for economically and socially disadvantaged Norwich youth	2010
<b>Smith Literary Fund</b> To encourage literary and historical research and writing through college scholarships and writing programs	2011
<b>Barbara Timken Fund</b> To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	2009
<b>Beth Walker Fund</b> To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	2009
<b>Whelen Family Fund</b> To improve the lives of women and girls (affiliated with Women & Girls Fund-Southeast)	2009
<b>Henry C. White Memorial Fund</b> To help treat & prevent substance abuse	1990
<b>Women &amp; Girls Fund-Norwich Area</b> To improve the lives of women and girls	2006
<b>Women &amp; Girls Fund-Southeast</b> To improve the lives of women and girls	1999
<b>Women &amp; Girls Fund- Windham Area</b> To improve the lives of women and girls	2004
<b>Edward Wozniak Arts Access Fund</b> To provide youth with access to the arts	2010

## Sustainability Funds strengthen the Community Foundation's role as a funder, a community leader, convener and advocate.

Sustainability Fund	2003
Rufus Barringer Fund	1999
Harry & Sarah Birenbaum Fund	1998
William G. Booth Fund	2004
Adele Clement Trust	1998
Ann & Karel den Tex Fund	1996
Fitzpatrick Fund for the 21st Century	1998
Priscilla F. Hodges Fund	2007
Marion E. Sanford Fund	2000
Robert E. Shannon Fund	2002
James M. & Alma N. Trench Fund	2010
Helen Vergason Trust	1998



## A DREAM THAT WILL KEEP ON GROWING

In the 1940s, Doctors Olga and Mervyn Little had a dream that people in eastern Connecticut could receive skilled nursing care near their homes.

Their dream became Natchaug Hospital, which the couple opened in 1954 as the region's first convalescent facility. And, notes Natchaug President & CEO Stephen Larcen, Ph.D., "because Olga was one of the first psychiatrists to practice in eastern Connecticut, the facility also accepted patients in need of psychiatric care."

Mental health services soon became a primary focus of the hospital. In 1970, the Littles added a 30-bed wing dedicated to psychiatric services. The Littles incorporated advancements in mental health and addiction treatment options, and responded to community need by adding new programs such as therapy for adolescents and outpatient treatment.

Perhaps most significantly, in 1977 the Littles "gave" Natchaug Hospital to the community they loved: Natchaug became a nonprofit organization.

Their legacy of meeting community health needs continued. The hospital became a multi-site network: seven Joshua Centers for children and adolescents; four partial hospitalization programs for adults; and Clinical Day Treatment special education for K-12 students who are experiencing emotional disorders.

In 2004, Natchaug Hospital partnered with the State to create Journey House, a unique residential program for court-involved adolescent girls, while continuing to provide evaluation services for the Juvenile Courts.



## THE LITTLES MAKE A GIFT THAT YOU CAN NURTURE

Before they passed away in 1997, Olga and Mervyn Little left one more legacy to eastern Connecticut. The couple donated a “founders’ gift” which, in 2011, Natchaug Hospital used to seed an endowment at the Community Foundation.

“The hospital operates on a very thin margin; insurance and fees do not cover some basic elements of care that we feel are important for our clients,” Dr. Larcen said. “While donations are a very small part of our revenue, they are key both for day-to-day operations and for dreams.

“For example,” he continued, “clients may be admitted in the middle of the night, arriving by ambulance with no clothes or personal belongings. We provide what they need. Parents may have no transportation to visit their children. We’ll pay for the taxi ride.

“Or a community needs new services. When we were asked to open a Joshua Center in the Essex/Old Saybrook region, we had to find community support to help fund the costs, including constructing walls, installing phones and carpet, furnishing the space, and equipping the classrooms.

“Similarly, the programs we offer in the community – teacher and counselor training, and parent education, among others – are all possible thanks to the generosity of people who care about those that we serve.”

Larcen hopes the endowment will grow large enough through donations to remove the year-to-year uncertainty about funding both current and future community needs for new or expanded programs that make a difference in his clients’ lives.

The Community Foundation is a great option, says Larcen. “Just like Natchaug, it is fully integrated with the community. Many of the people who support us look to the Community Foundation about how to best invest their philanthropic dollars. And the Community Foundation guarantees the endowment will only benefit the work of Natchaug Hospital.

“I think the Littles would be thrilled that the community has a way to ensure their legacy of meeting community behavioral health needs remains a vital part of Eastern Connecticut.”

**Emotional, behavioral and mental disorders cut across all income, education, racial, ethnic and religious groups. They are found among single parent and two-parent families and in birth, adoptive and foster families.**

– Surgeon General David Satcher

## Agency Endowment Funds

**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 guaranteed revenue stream annually for their operations and stability. The nonprofits listed below have made this long-term commitment to their fiscal health:**

A Moveable Feast Fund	2003
Alliance For Living Fund	2002
ARC of New London County Fund	2003
Children's Museum of Southeastern Connecticut Fund	2004
Clock Tower Fund	2009
Connecticut Early Music Fund	2001
Covenant Shelter of New London Fund	2004
Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center, Inc. Fund	2007
Griffis Art Center Fund	2001
<b>Groton Public Library Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Hempsted Heritage Fund	2001
James Merrill House Fund	2009
Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Scholarship Fund	1997
Literacy Volunteers of Eastern Connecticut, Inc. Fund	2004
Mystic Arts Center Education Endowment Fund	2002
<b>Natchaug Hospital Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
New London County Historical Society Fund	2007
New London Education Foundation Fund	2001
Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center Fund	2003
Riverfront Children's Center Fund	2009
Mitch & Betty Salomon (Wood Pawcatuck Watershed Association) Fund	2002
Shiloh Baptist Church Fund	2001
Southeastern Connecticut Women's Network Fund	2008
Stonington Community Center Fund	2006
Stonington Education Fund	2000
United Way Endowment Fund	1993
Waterford Senior Services Endowment Fund	2007
Dr. Carl Wies Scholarship Fund	2008
Windham Theatre Guild Fund	2003



## Scholarship Funds



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Forward thinking benefactors opened educational doors for more than 170 students in 2011, thanks to these funds which awarded \$283,600.

Alcino M. Almeida Scholarship Fund	1997
<b>Dr. James T. Anderson Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Arnold W. Avery Scholarship Fund	2004
Beaumont Scholarship Fund	2006
Malcolm F. & Harriet B. Brown Scholarship Fund	2006
Daniel Canter Memorial Scholarship Fund	2008
Cynthia A. Carano Memorial Scholarship Fund	2010
Paul N. Carpenter Athletic Memorial Scholarship Fund	1992
Kemaphoom "Ahn" Chanawongse Scholarship Fund	2004
Matthew Chew Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Arts	2010
Citizens Bank Community Service Scholarship Fund	2001
Ernest & Elizabeth Cone Scholarship Fund	2007
Margaret Mary Curtin Scholarship Fund	2010
John Deligeorges, MD Memorial Scholarship Fund	2007
Robert T. Desjardins Memorial Scholarship Fund	2008

Patricia K. Drake Scholarship Fund	2000
David & Sherry Dresback Scholarship Fund	2006
C. Francis Driscoll Scholarship Fund	1994
Sean Duzant Memorial Scholarship Fund	2004
John Ostrom Enders II Memorial Scholarship Fund	1993
Eric Evans Scholarship Fund	2002
<b>Hilda Fischer Davis Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Freddy Fayal Scholarship Fund	2005
Fletcher Family Scholarship Fund	1996
FRESH Scholarship Fund	2008
General Scholarship Fund	2000
Edward & Fuzzy Gipstein Scholarship Fund	1999
RADM David M. Goebel Leadership Award Fund	2006
Frederick, Theodore & James Haddad Scholarship Fund	2007
Rachel E. Harma Scholarship Fund	2006
Edith M. Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund	2008
Harvey Family Scholarship Fund	1996
Rita & Myron Hendel Scholarship Fund	1983
Hendel Family Association Scholarship Fund	1983
Dr. Isadore Hendel Memorial Scholarship Fund	1996
Edwin C. Higgins, Jr. Scholarship Fund	2004
Hispanic Alliance Scholarship Fund	2003
<b>Ruben Elijah Reiser Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Mark Klotz Memorial Scholarship Fund	1998
Latin Network for the Visual Arts Scholarship Fund	2010
George & Beverly Letz Fitch Scholarship Fund	1989
George & Beverly Letz Wheeler Scholarship Fund	2010
Rose & Abraham Lubchansky Scholarship Fund	1988
Don Lumadue Scholarship Fund	2003
Gunvor Lund Scholarship Fund	1997
Mallove Family Scholarship Fund	1989
Peter Matthews Scholarship Fund	2010
Beatrice McEwen Fund	1996
Edythe & Harold McNulty Scholarship Fund	2002
Gilbert W. Mead Memorial Scholarship Fund	1996
William & Evelyn Mehlman Scholarship Fund	1988
Alfred G. & Imogen M. Moss Scholarship Fund	2009
Caryn Nesbitt, M.D. Memorial Scholarship Fund	2008
NL Rotary/Dr. Charles K. Lee Scholarship Fund	1999
Patricia C. Norman Scholarship Fund	2007
<b>Nunes Family Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
John F. O'Brien, Jr. Scholarship Fund	1998
Alyce Orenstein Scholarship Fund	2008
Pat & Ernestine Patterson Music Scholarship Fund	1999



## Scholarship Funds



## Lauren Collins

### A blast from the past...

*It is always such a delight to hear from previous scholarship recipients. Thanks Lauren for checking in with the Community Foundation and the update on your academic and professional success.*

*Between 1999 and 2003, Lauren attended Eastern Connecticut State University, and received several scholarships from the Thomas Soltz, Beatrice McEwen and Gunvor Lund Scholarship Funds.*

Dear Alice-

I was going through old paperwork and just came across a note from Ellen McGuire dated August 14, 2001. I'm not sure if you remember me, I received several scholarships from the Foundation. I attended that particular year's Salute to the Scholars dinner with my mom, dad (Bob and Gwen Collins) and grandmother. I obtained your email address from the Community Foundation website.

In the envelope from Ellen I came across the most delightful surprise - a picture of my grandmother and me! I haven't seen it in 11 years. The photo is possibly the nicest one I have of just her and me, and can't wait to get it into a frame. She passed 2 years ago, and this picture will allow me to keep a welcome memory of her always in my home!

I'm now a Nurse Practitioner in Boston, applying for faculty at Boston University School of Medicine. I've also recently taught my first lecture to nursing students at MGH Institute of Health Professions. I hope you and Ellen are doing well, and also want you to know how much I always cherished the Community Foundation for encouragement and assistance in my education.

Would you by any chance be able to forward this message on to Ellen? I could not find an email address for her, but wanted to thank her for her thoughtfulness as well.

Take care!  
Kindly,  
Lauren Collins



Raymond Vaughn Payer Scholarship Fund	1994
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Antone "Billy" Roderick Scholarship Fund	1991
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## Thinking About a Fund?

# Thinking About a Fund with the Community Foundation?

It begins with your desire to make a positive difference in your community.

It is about affecting change you sincerely believe will benefit someone or something you care about.

It is also about strategic giving and often goes far beyond money.

**The Community Foundation tailors a giving plan that is precisely right for you. Here are a few considerations while mapping out your charitable dreams:**

**Endowment or Pass Through?**

Endowed funds focus on capital appreciation and generate income in perpetuity (or for the time period you select). They are invested with leading investment firms to grow over time. A portion of the earnings will fund all future grant making, staying ahead of inflation and creating a permanent legacy for your fund. They often allow for greater

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Pass-through funds are by definition impermanent, yet flexible. They suit the donor who prefers to distribute significant portions of their contributions to address current issues NOW. They are liquid and accessible. Our staff will make distributions of any accumulated funds upon request. Such grant awards can be attributed to the donor or remain anonymous. One transaction, say of stock or an IRA distribution, can benefit multiple agencies or causes. Easy, straightforward and requiring only one acknowledgment letter for the IRS, pass-through funds make it easy for you to support an array of favorite causes.





## BELLY DANCING, LATIN, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

### One of Susan (Blanchette) Pochal's ideas of a good time as a teenager was watching trials.

"From the time I was 14, I wanted to be Perry Mason," she remembers. "I had an aunt who was a clerk in the Superior Court, so I would hang out there," she admits.

Not a surprising activity, perhaps, for a soon-to-be valedictorian (and lawyer) who enjoyed Latin and loved math.



"Starburst"

But Susan Pochal was also a shot-putting, javelin-throwing, badminton-competing teen who wanted a football for Christmas, shingled the roof with her dad, and competed with the boys on the wrestling team.

And if you think you have her figured out, know that she spent her "spare time" singing sweetly in the school choir and belly dancing with her relatives.

Today this "community starburst," as Alice Fitzpatrick calls Susan, shares her prodigious range of skills even more broadly. With a bustling husband-and-wife legal practice and three children, certainly. But the community is a like beneficiary. She chairs the Board of Directors of the Greater Mystic Chamber of Commerce and leads the Hunger Task Force for the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center. She's vice chair

of the Community Foundation and an advisor to the SECT Women's Network.

### FROM COMMUNITY TO COMMUNITY

Susan grew up with powerful ingredients: supportive parents with high expectations, an achieving high school with few cliques. She also had something extra special.

"My 18 cousins all lived in the same town; we grew up together. I could call any one of them today and they would be right here."

Her mother's Lebanese-American family gathered around the grandparents' small grocery-deli in Winsted, Connecticut. J.B. Nichols and Son sat right on the town park.

"Oh, I never expected to get paid," Susan says, with surprise.

"You were just hanging out with 'Sittu' [Lebanese for Grandmother]. I bagged groceries and stocked the shelves, then we'd go out and play for a while. Later we'd go upstairs to help cook. There would always be cooking!" she laughs.

In law school, Susan found her niche – property cases – and her husband – Mark.

When the couple eventually landed in eastern Connecticut, Susan immediately joined the Three Rivers College Foundation Board, despite a new home, a new practice, and a baby (soon three).

"I ended up serving for nine years, three years as president. Why? Because I love education, I feel strongly about getting people educated," she says.

It was one of many activities, from social services campaigns to professional associations to scout troops for Matthew, Kathryn, and Brian.

"I just get much more reward out of giving something than getting something," Susan admits.

### WORKING WITH HER CHARITABLE CLIENTS

Susan first met the Community Foundation regarding the regional "Leave A Legacy" campaign.

"That's such a fabulous concept," Susan



Photo: Vincent Scaramo

Susan and Mark Pochal at Machu Pichu, Peru

says. "People just don't realize they can make such a difference in a life by just leaving a bit of their estate, big or small."

If a client's needs are right, she'll introduce the Community Foundation, as she did with the late Margaret Smith of Mystic.

"She wanted to accomplish something that was a bit tricky - to encourage local writers to publish," Susan says. "The Community Foundation was willing to work with her until they both found something workable. She liked that concept. I like it, too."

### HOPES FOR HER CHILDREN

Susan's children have begun to follow in her path. They're running races and volunteering.

"They've been with me to places to deliver food and gifts, and they've seen that not everyone has what they have. I hope they'll continue to remember that, and that they learn to give back."

Now where did I leave my shotput and javelin...?





## Types of Funds

## DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

**Donor Advised Funds** (both endowed and non-endowed)

You select:

- the organizations you wish to support annually,
- the grant amount,
- a successor who will enjoy the advisory rights to your fund's grantmaking,
- a possible beneficiary agency at the end of the advisory privilege.

## DESIGNATED FUNDS

**Designated Funds**

You select:

- charities you would like to support at the fund's inception, then,
- to endow the fund in perpetuity, or,
- to spend down the principal over a predetermined timeframe.

## FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

**Field of Interest Funds**

You select:

- An issue or area of interest you would like to support (for example, early childhood literacy, the arts, or homelessness) at the fund's inception.

The Community Foundation selects:

- The nonprofits that offer the most promising projects and solutions within your field of interest.

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

**Scholarship Funds**

You select:

- The educational institution or geographic area from which the students come,
- The area of study the recipient will pursue, level of academic achievement, community service, etc.,
- The attributes, skills or interests of the recipients, and/or,
- The basis: financial need or merit?

The Community Foundation selects:

- The qualified student.

## UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

**Unrestricted Funds**

You permit:

- Trustees and professional staff at the Community Foundation to distribute your gift to address emerging community needs and fund compelling projects through a competitive grants process.

The Community Foundation:

- Visits schools, shelters, food pantries, child care providers and a myriad of nonprofit organizations,
- Reviews economic data, agency budgets and program outcome information,
- Convenes a grants committee to select nonprofits addressing critical needs and enhancing quality of life throughout eastern Connecticut,
- Evaluates the return on your charitable investment.



## Types of Funds

**The Community Foundation also welcomes gifts of all amounts to our Special Initiatives:**

- *Let's Read Fund*. Improves early childhood success indicators,
- *Love our Libraries Fund*. Supports local library programs,
- *People for Animals and Wildlife Fund*. Protects our pets, wildlife, and the environment,
- *Women & Girls Fund*. Empowers women at critical life stages. Makes life better for women & girls in need.

**Sustainability Fund** strengthens the Community Foundation's role as a leader, convener, funder and advocate for philanthropy throughout eastern Connecticut.

**Planned gifts, when you wish to give later...**

Many donors prefer to leave charitable assets upon their death after ensuring their loved ones have been taken care of. Donors may create a fund today and fund it through their estate plans. Some ways to make future gifts include:

- Bequests in wills and trusts,
- Retirement plan designations,
- Life insurance,
- Remainder interest in real estate,
- Beneficiary forms with your financial institutions.

**Gifts that give you income during your lifetime and make a big impact in the future...**

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

Life income gift options include:

- Charitable gift annuities,
- Charitable remainder trusts,
- Charitable lead trusts.

Depending upon the vehicle you choose, the remaining dollars are used to establish one of the fund types included on this page.

**Visit the website or contact us directly.**

We'd love to offer any help we can...and it's always free. Contact Alison Woods at [Alison@cfect.org](mailto:Alison@cfect.org), Kip Parker at [kip@cfect.org](mailto:kip@cfect.org), call (860) 442-3572, or visit us at [www.cfect.org](http://www.cfect.org).

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Women & Girls Funds





## Women & Girls Funds



This incredible sisterhood (comprised of donors, nonprofit agency staff, and women and girls who need a bit extra of help) comes together to break through

the inequities and injustices that hold low and moderate income women back. Thanks to this special initiative, women, girls and families in our 42 cities and towns are moving toward a brighter future.

### Norwich Area, \$15,000

Bozrah, Colchester, Franklin, Griswold, Lebanon, Lisbon, Norwich, Preston, Sprague, and Voluntown

**Three Rivers Community College** **\$5,000**  
“Women in Green Jobs”: To support Photo Voltaic Training Program; a skills training program for 12 dislocated women as a basis for employment or further education

**United Community & Family Services** **\$5,000**  
Educational materials and outreach to approximately 600 teens and parents about reproductive health, pregnancy & STD prevention

**Women's Center of Southeastern CT** **\$5,000**  
To sustain the certified domestic violence counselor/advocate in the Norwich Police Department to serve approximately 400 Norwich area women

### Southeast Area, \$93,000

East Lyme, Groton, Ledyard, Lyme, Montville, New London, North Stonington, Old Lyme, Salem, Stonington, Waterford

**Catholic Charities** **\$5,000**  
Case management for elderly New London women to help maintain self-sufficiency

**Child & Family Agency** **\$10,000**  
Bi-lingual outreach through the school-based health center to reduce teen pregnancy and STDs

**Child & Family Agency of SE CT** **\$8,000**  
Counseling program for mothers and children affected by domestic violence

**Connecticut Community Care** **\$3,000\***  
Support for the Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders in New London

**Covenant Shelter of New London** **\$1,000\***  
Support services for women with children who are victims of domestic violence

**Drop-In Learning Center** **\$2,500**  
Domestic abuse prevention workshop for parents of enrolled children

**Jewish Federation of Eastern Connecticut** **\$5,000**  
Activities and services for New London area senior women to help them live independently

**L&M Community Health, Office of Outreach and Partnerships** **\$10,000**  
Support of teen pregnancy/STD prevention activities including Be Tru 2 U and Latino Parent Power

**Mystic Area Shelter And Hospitality (MASH)** **\$1,000**  
Employment support for single mothers seeking permanent housing

**Noank Group Homes** **\$2,000**  
Program to address prevention of family and dating violence in collaboration with the Women's Center

**Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC)** **\$2,000**  
Program with the Women's Center and NL Homeless Hospitality Center to assist women in attaining job skills



**Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center** **\$1,500**  
Job seeking program for low-income women in Pawcatuck and North Stonington

**Planned Parenthood of Southern New England** **\$10,000**  
Students Teaching About Responsible Sexuality (STARS) program at New London High School

**Thames River Community Service** **\$6,000**  
Services and counseling for families with special needs who are victims of domestic violence

**Tsetse Gallery** **\$2,500**  
Classes in creative expression to help clients from the Women's Center healing from domestic violence

**Visiting Nurse Association of SE CT** **\$10,000**  
Home health care visits for elderly female clients

**Visiting Nurse Association of SE CT** **\$5,000**  
Nurse-managed wellness clinics in three locations in New London's senior housing sites

**Women's Center of SE CT** **\$8,000**  
Crisis intervention for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault

**Women's Center of SE CT** **\$500**  
Employment and training program for victims of domestic violence

\*Funded in part by the Lewis Female Century Society



## Women &amp; Girls Funds

**Windham Area, \$22,000**

Ashford, Brooklyn, Canterbury, Chaplin, Columbia, Coventry, Eastford, Hampton, Killingly, Mansfield, Plainfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Scotland, Stafford, Sterling, Thompson, Union, Willington, Windham, and Woodstock.

**The Access Agency****\$1,500**

Funding will support training and workshops for residents and staff

**Audubon Society-Pomfret****\$400**

Camperships for science-minded girls to attend summer camp

**Connecticut Community Care, Inc.****\$1,000**

Assist low income elderly women with expenses necessary to remain safe and independent in their own homes

**Connecticut Legal Services, Inc.****\$3,000**

Provide legal support to victims of domestic violence

**Connecticut Youth Leadership Project, Inc.****\$1,000**

Support for youth development program that focuses on teens with disabilities

**Day Kimball Homemakers****\$2,500**

Help elderly and their caregivers by providing respite care to women 65+ years of age and their sandwich generation female caregivers

**Natchaug Hospital****\$1,500**

My Life My Choice, a program designed to stop the sexual exploitation of adolescent girls while integrating public health and social work frameworks to help teens change attitudes, improve skills, and knowledge base

**Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters****\$2,000**

180+ girls at Windham High School will participate in one-on-one mentoring program with volunteers

**Stone Acres Therapeutic Riding Center****\$900**

Therapeutic riding class scholarships for women and girls

**United Services, Inc.****\$1,500**

Program for victims of domestic violence that includes shelter and support services for women and children, counseling, advocacy, court advocacy, support groups and transitional services

**Windham Area Interfaith Ministry****\$3,500**

Support for human needs programs which provides financial assistance, short term case work, advocacy and utility assistance

**Windham County 4-H Foundation, Inc.****\$1,200**

Scholarships for 3 girls from greater Willimantic area to Windham Tolland 4-H Camp

**Windham Hospital Foundation, Inc.****\$2,000**

Health education programs geared toward Latina women, focusing on two subsets focused on empowerment programs and women's health

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At the forefront of this powerful effort were the founding members who committed at least \$1,000. Their contributions continue to change the lives of women and girls throughout eastern Connecticut.

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Paul Nunes, Alice Fitzpatrick, Maura Casey, Connie Schultz and Laurel Butler at SE and Norwich Women & Girls Fund Breakfast.

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## WW&G Challenge

Everyone loves a challenge...

And the Windham Area Women & Girls Fund (the Fund) is fortunate to have this one. In December 2011 the Jeffrey P. Ossen Family Foundation awarded the Fund a three year matching challenge grant. Each dollar given to the Fund will be matched by the Jeffrey P. Ossen Family Foundation: Each \$1 gift becomes \$2; \$20 becomes \$40; \$100 becomes \$200, \$1,000 becomes \$2,000. What a magnificent way to grow the Fund's permanent endowment and ensure the well-being of the Windham area's women and girls!



Eileen Ossen, the Jeffrey P. Ossen Family Foundation's Executive Director.

**"The Fund's volunteers live here, care about this community, are well-informed about the needs of women and girls, and know what programs and services make a positive difference."**



Harriet Richards Lewis and child

## The Lewis Century Society

**How a penny grows to almost \$2.4 million**

Harriet Richards Lewis was a founding member of the Female Cent Society in 1810, a group of New London women who gave a penny a week to aid women and children in need.

Lewis left the very first bequest to the Female Cent Society, which was later renamed in her honor. In 1999, the still-active Lewis Female Cent Society turned over its nest egg to the Community Foundation, setting the stage for the Women & Girls Fund.

Today the three Women & Girls Funds stand at almost \$2.4 million, thanks in part to the foresight and generosity of people like Harriet Lewis.

The Community Foundation created the Lewis Century Society to acknowledge those individuals who are including any of the Women & Girls Funds in their wills or estate plans:

Pamela S. Akins  
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# People Who Care

We were able to sustain our grant making levels throughout the great recession because of the new gifts from donors listed here. Thank you!

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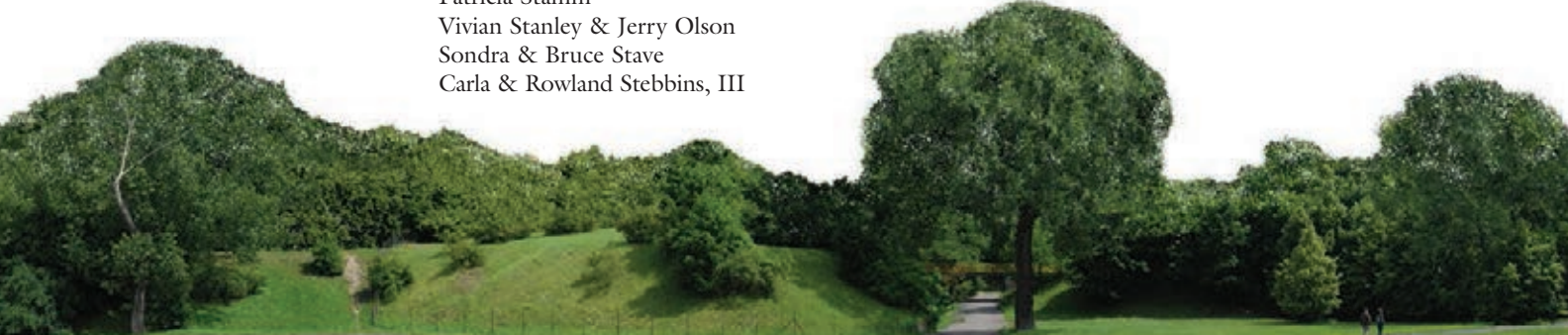
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## The Legacy Society

**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 possibilities make it possible for you to provide for the organizations and causes that matter to you after you have taken care of 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 or add to an existing fund, we hope you will join.

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## Future Funds

Donors may establish funds that they will contribute to at a later date or through their estate plans. We are grateful to the donors who created the funds below for their thoughtful planning.

<b>Anna &amp; Tom Bartunek Animal Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
Harry & Sarah Birenbaum Family Fund	2004
Gladys & Harold Burns Scholarship Fund	2006
Costa Family Scholarship Fund	2009
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<b>Kathryn F. Lord Fund</b>	<b>2011</b>
McAlister Bradley Fund	2008
James F. & Terri A. Muren Fund	2002
Malcolm & Margaret Robertson Educational Fund	2006
Barbara W. Skinner Fund	2009
Bruce C. Skinner Fund	2009
Thomas & Olga Sotir and Walter & Susie Watson Scholarship Fund	2007

## Bequests

The Community Foundation remembers and thanks these individuals who each left a bequest that created or added to a permanent endowment in 2011 that will continue the charitable work they did during their lifetimes.

Estate of Shirley & Deane Avery  
Estate of Emeroy F. Davidson  
Estate of John Dirks  
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Estate of Constance A. Pike  
Estate of Margaret P. Smith



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Connie at her beloved Old Lyme Children's Learning Center

## CONNIE PIKE: ENCORE

*Just like Connie Pike to surprise us one more time!*

The Community Foundation was pleased – and grateful – to learn in the past year that Connie left a significant bequest to her charitable fund – the C.A. Pike Fund – here. She passed away in 2009.

Her fund began as “Anonymous” 17 years ago. “Connie shunned recognition, only using her maiden name for making gifts,” reminisces Community Foundation Alice Fitzpatrick. “She was no nonsense and no frills.”

And she continued “investing” in the region’s families during her lifetime, contributing another \$10,000 every year. With her blessing, the Community Foundation seeded afterschool programs at the Drop-In Learning Center, offered sailing for kids at New London Community Boating, provided parent aides through United Community & Family Services, and built a new classroom at the Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication.

Connie’s philanthropy mirrored the type of community involvement that won her the Distinguished Friend of Education Award in 2005. She ran a volunteer tutoring program for so long that Jan Guarino-Rhone, the former principal of Lyme-Old Lyme High School, couldn’t say when she had started.

“I don’t know too many people who have been this dedicated for so long and are so well-liked and respected. She outlasted everybody.”

In late 2007, at age 87 and suffering from Alzheimer’s, Connie moved to Boston to be nearer her daughter. Before she did, however, she sent a handwritten note to Alice, which the latter keeps close by:

“I can’t thank you enough – ever – for the wonderful part of my life with the Foundation! I’ve treasured it from the beginning...”

Connie’s legacy will last beyond Alice’s desk, too. Since her passing alone, Connie’s fund has sent more than \$46,000 to the issues she cared about.

We know she’s got more to do!



## Let's Read Fund



The *Let's Read Fund* supports programs that foster a love of reading and gets students reading at grade level by 3rd grade – a strong indicator for future academic success. These dollars, along with our unrestricted funds, are awarded to organizations that support tutoring, mentoring, integrating arts and literacy, professional development, and encourage summer reading efforts.

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## Financials

We live in challenging times. It is a time of great need and a time of great market volatility. So how do we at the Community Foundation perform the delicate balancing act of being good stewards of your money and getting money out to our strapped communities?

**We take great care.** Our investment committee of 7 conscientious professionals works with our investment manager Brown Brothers Harriman to preserve and grow our endowment through prudent investment strategies. The table below shows our three-pronged asset allocation approach: Growth, risk reduction and inflation protection. We aim to reduce exposure to market volatility through diversification within risk-managed asset classes.

### Current Asset Allocation

<b>Growth 55.7%</b>	<b>Risk Reduction 42.8%</b>	<b>Inflation Protection 1.5%</b>
U.S. Equities 48.1%	Fixed Income 25.2%	Real Assets .9%
International Equities 7.3%	Hedge Funds 13.9%	U.S. Inflation Protected Bonds .6%
Private Equity .3%	Cash 3.7%	

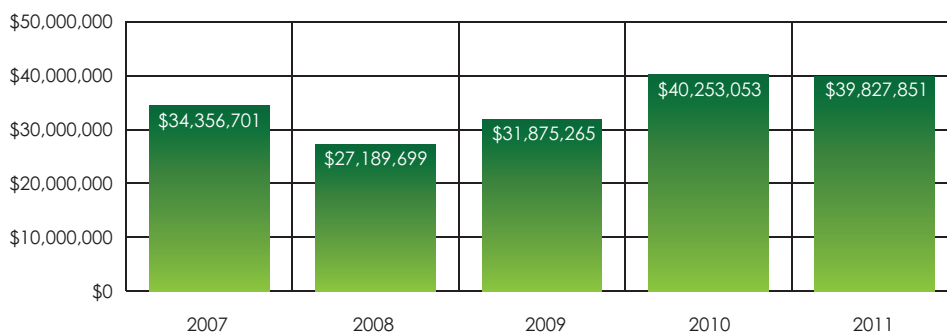
### Performance as of 12/31/11

	1 year	3 years	5 years
CFECT Endowment	1.20%	10.97%	2.30%
Blended Benchmark	1.60%	10.16%	2.43%

In a year that saw a quarterly high of 6.4% and a quarterly low of -10%, our diversified portfolio realized a return of 1.2% against a blended benchmark of 1.6%.

*Note: Performance is reported net of fees. The Blended Benchmark allocation is calculated to have similar risk and return characteristics as the CFECT Endowment.*

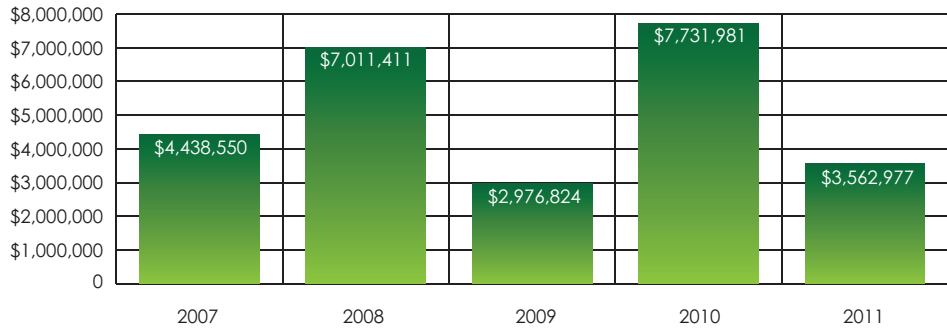
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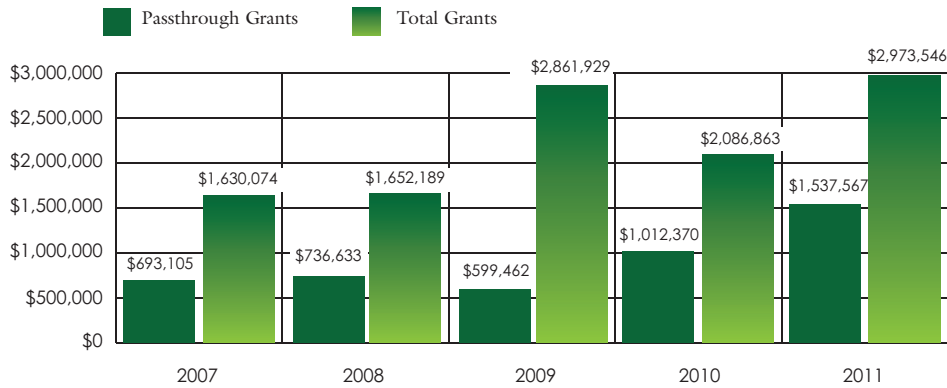


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**We have generous donors.** The amount of grant money available to spend for grant making and scholarships each year is based on a spending policy of 4-6% of a 12 quarter rolling average for endowed fund balances. Averaging over 12 quarters keeps us from having great dips in grant making when the market is down. Limiting the spending to 4-6% keeps your funds growing when the market performs well. This year we enjoyed the added benefit of making significant grants from non-endowed funds or “pass-through” gifts. Out of almost \$3 million in 2011 total grants, more than \$1.5 million came from non-endowed funds – up 50% over last year, making 2011 our highest grant year to date.

The markets may have restrained our endowment growth this year but thanks to the great confidence and generosity of local philanthropists, our agencies and students have been able to receive the funding they need despite the challenging times.

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## Financial Statements

**The Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, Inc.****Statement of Financial Position, December 31, 2011 & December 31, 2010**

	2011	2010
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and Investments	\$35,098,856	\$34,977,417
Split-interest agreements	5,000,184	5,382,175
Property and equipment, net	348,706	325,035
Other Assets	144,257	91,056
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>40,592,003</b>	<b>40,775,683</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
Grants and Other Payables	764,152	522,630
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	34,880,633	34,830,479
Temporarily restricted	1,519,335	1,714,609
Permanently restricted	3,427,883	3,707,965
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>39,827,851</b>	<b>40,253,053</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$40,592,003</b>	<b>\$40,775,683</b>

**Statement of Activities for the Years Ended December 31, 2011 & December 31, 2010**

	2011	2010
<b>Revenue:</b>		
Contributions	\$3,562,977	\$6,272,482
Transfer of TriCounty Assets		1,459,499
Investment Gain & Income	314,232	3,108,041
Change in value of trusts & split interest agreements	(424,092)	456,889
Other Income	19,450	22,450
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>3,472,567</b>	<b>11,319,361</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Grants & Scholarships	2,973,546	2,055,326
Other Grant Expenses	264,910	253,912
General & Administrative	556,988	501,034
Investment Fees	102,325	131,301
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3,897,769</b>	<b>2,941,573</b>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(425,202)	8,377,788
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	40,253,053	31,875,265
Net Assets - End of Year	\$39,827,851	\$40,253,053

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The audit of the CFECT for 2011 was completed by Blum Shapiro, who expressed an unqualified opinion on these financial statements.

A complete copy of the audited financial statements may be obtained by calling the Community Foundation at (860) 442-3572 or at [www.cfect.org](http://www.cfect.org)



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## Nunes Family Scholarship Fund

Community Foundation Board Chair Paul Nunes (elected in 2012) graduated from Mitchell College many years ago when the college only offered two-year associate degree programs. After Mitchell, he transferred to another college and earned his Bachelor's degree but he took with him the conviction that he received an excellent foundation at Mitchell that has served him well during his 40-plus years in banking.

Paul explains, "I feel I owe a lot to

Mitchell College and establishing a scholarship fund at the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut was my way of leaving a legacy that will benefit future generations of local students who attend Mitchell in the years to come. Mitchell College is truly a gem, and I am happy to have my family's name associated with both this wonderful institution and the Community Foundation in perpetuity."



## Boards, Staff &amp; Committees

## Professional Advisors

Many professional advisors know when the Community Foundation is the right match for their clients' charitable intentions. Historically, over half of the gifts have come to the Community Foundation 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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## Profile: TEEG



### A MODERN DAY “BARN RAISING”

Dictionary.com defines “partnership” as “the state or condition of ... participation, association, joint interest.” For the 25-year-old Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group - TEEG, this definition doesn’t come close to describing “the TEEG Way,” a phenomenon of cooperation that recently built a state-of-the-art facility to serve residents of Connecticut’s Quiet Corner.

“The construction of TEEG’s new home has been a remarkable collaborative, public/private partnership from the very beginning.” Executive Director Donna Grant stated at the groundbreaking last spring.

“There is a story of commitment and personal ownership; a story about community pride that doesn’t get told as often as it used to. But let me assure you, that story is alive and well at 15 Thatcher Road!”

TEEG serves seniors, parents, and children of all ages, with programs ranging from fuel and food assistance to case management and youth programs. Even so, the sheer range of partners in “getting the job done” was remarkable.

While many contributed to this success, there are a few outstanding individuals who led the way. John

Rice, serving as a Volunteer Clerk-of-the-works, coordinated workmen and volunteers, student laborers and donated materials for over four years. Charlie Weedon served as Volunteer General Contractor, working with Steve Lewis, the Volunteer Architect, to design the most energy efficient building in Northeast Connecticut. Thompson Town Planner Kevin Kennedy started – and kept – the ball rolling.

Local companies donated and installed cable systems, fire alarms, kitchen cabinetry, appliances, furniture, flooring, and window sills. Community organizations and church groups landscaped and painted. Tech school students installed the electrical, plumbing and masonry at the site. Former clients pitched in because they wanted to give back.

As uncertainty remains constant in this post-recession era, “The TEEG Way” reminds us of the everlasting power of community. Grant said, “The culmination of this tremendous community accomplishment is testimony to all that is still right in the world. That it really does take a village, and our villagers are still willing to roll up their sleeves and get the job done.”



## Applying for Community Foundation Funding

The Community Foundation distributes approximately \$3 million in grants and scholarships annually. Over half of the total is directly recommended by charitable individuals through donor advised and designated funds they've established here, a significant source of steady income to the region's nonprofit sector.

The remaining half – also the result of funds and gifts from generous individuals, businesses and organizations – is available for eligible students and organizations who would like to answer one of the many challenges the Community Foundation has presented, from children's literacy to women's rights. These "discretionary" and highly competitive grant programs are described briefly below, but for more details, grant guidelines and applications, and specific deadlines, visit [www.cfct.org/forGrantseekers](http://www.cfct.org/forGrantseekers).

### General Grants

We welcome grant applications for initiatives in the areas of arts and culture, community development, education, environment, and health and social services. The organizations and programs must serve the residents of New London, Groton, Waterford, Ledyard, Stonington, North Stonington, Salem, Montville, East Lyme, Old Lyme and Lyme. The application deadline is November 15.

### Let's Read Fund

For schools, libraries, and nonprofits that promote literacy and the love of reading among children and families. Use the General Grants application by the November 15 deadline.

### Love our Libraries (L.O.L) Fund

For community-based programs and services offered by the 13 libraries in East Lyme, Groton, Ledyard, Lyme, Montville, New London, North Stonington, Old Lyme, Salem, Stonington and Waterford. Use the General Grants application by the November 15 deadline.

**Please remember, though:**

**The Community Foundation can do so much more for your organization than offer grants. Invite our free technical assistance, help in structuring a grant proposal, suggestions for collaborative approaches to a nagging issue, convening and facilitation services, links to other funders, and more. Naturally, we also provide endowment management and development consultation to help ensure your long-term viability.**

### Women & Girls Funds

To improve the lives of women & girls

Southeast CT	August 15 deadline
Norwich area	August 15 deadline
Windham area	October 1 deadline

### People for Animals & Wildlife (P.A.W.) Fund

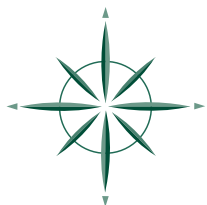
The current primary funder, the Josephine and Gabriel Sacco Fund for Animals, will fund efforts that provide care and comfort for animals in the Town of Groton, including rescue and sheltering, low cost spaying/neutering and other veterinary care, and education that encourages responsible pet ownership or prevents abuse and cruelty. Application deadline is April 15.

### Scholarships

The Community Foundation's 79 scholarship funds sent over 170 high school seniors and others to colleges and other academic institutions in 2011, thanks to the cherished faith in education held by so many donors in eastern Connecticut. Each fund identifies its own selection criteria, which may include the student's town of residence, high school, college field of study, and other preferences. Most application deadlines are April 1.

### Programs for Norwich Youth

Thanks to endowments transferred by the former Norwich YMCA, the Community Foundation can offer support for nonprofits, schools, libraries and other organizations that provide youth development programs and services for economically and socially disadvantaged Norwich youth, with a priority preference for Norwich-based organizations. The annual deadline is March 1.



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