



Community Foundation  
Serving the Heart of W. PA

**20 YEAR CELEBRATION**

# The Community Foundation through the years

## 1998 – 1999

Articles of Incorporation on September 2, 1998

First board meeting of recruited Trustees November of 1998

Granted 501c3 status in January 1999

Original seed of \$40,000 donated by Merchants National Bank

December of 1998 generous personal donation of \$200,000 was received

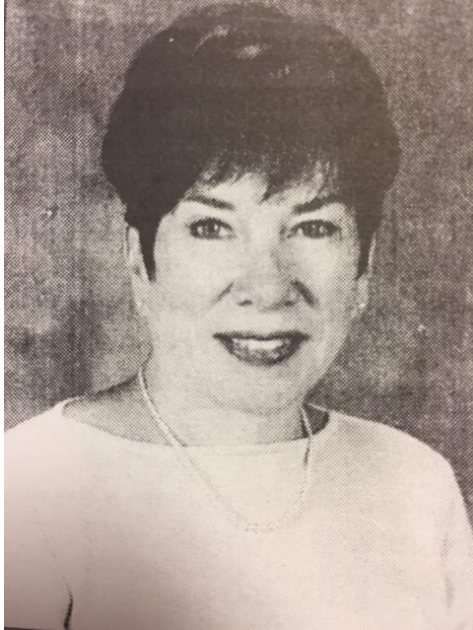
## 2000 First granting period

Granted \$19,050

**2017 Granting** (Total includes Scholarships, Community Foundation Funds and Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) scholarships)

**\$528,509**

**First Executive Director, Gail Seifert  
2002 - 2005**



**Mindy Knappenberger, Executive Director  
2005 - 2017**



Autumn Vorpe-Seyer, President – 2009  
Shellhammer Atwood and Associates, Inc.



Lance Whiteman, Vice-President, 2002  
Partner, Lovett Bookman Harmon Marks, LLP



Karen Waugaman, Secretary/Treasurer, 2016  
CWM Environmental



Frank Baker, 1998

Retired, Professor at Indiana University of PA



Sandy Bradigan, 2012  
Retired English Teacher,  
Armstrong School District



Dina Blake, 2016

H.R. Director, Klingensmith's Drug Stores



The Honorable Chase McClister, 2005  
Judge, Court of Common Pleas



Tyler, Heller, 2018  
Attorney, Mechling & Heller LLP



Christine Moss, 2005  
Retired, Administrative & Legal Instructor  
Cambria Rowe Business College



Richard G. Snyder, 2002  
Board Member Emeritus



Tracy Peters, Coordinator  
Communications & Administration



## *Board members through the years....*

|                         |                    |                          |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Jim Drenning</i>     | <i>1998</i>        | <i>Bob Cinpinski</i>     | <i>1999 – 2004</i> |
| <i>Bill Myers</i>       | <i>1998</i>        | <i>Joe Dannels</i>       | <i>1999 – 2009</i> |
| <i>Joan Tatsak</i>      | <i>1998 - 1999</i> | <i>Patty Kirkpatrick</i> | <i>1999 - 2009</i> |
| <i>Rick Meyer</i>       | <i>1998 - 1999</i> | <i>Jack Steiner</i>      | <i>1999 - 2010</i> |
| <i>Ron Shafer</i>       | <i>1998 - 1999</i> | <i>Jerry Arbaugh</i>     | <i>1999 - 2012</i> |
| <i>Ralph Knepshield</i> | <i>1998 – 2003</i> | <i>John Shoop</i>        | <i>2001 - 2011</i> |
| <i>Donna Blose</i>      | <i>1998 - 2007</i> | <i>Joe Cippel</i>        | <i>2005 - 2008</i> |
| <i>Jeff Mantini</i>     | <i>1998 - 2008</i> | <i>Randy Cloak</i>       | <i>2005 - 2006</i> |
| <i>Kristy Green</i>     | <i>1998 – 2009</i> | <i>Diane Emminger</i>    | <i>2010 - 2011</i> |
| <i>Bob Hallman</i>      | <i>1998 - 2010</i> | <i>Kristen Samosky</i>   | <i>2012 - 2014</i> |
| <i>Dan Lucovich</i>     | <i>1999</i>        |                          |                    |
| <i>Don Tylinski</i>     | <i>1999</i>        |                          |                    |
| <i>Phil Dunmire</i>     | <i>1999 - 2001</i> |                          |                    |



# 2018 Programs

Day of Giving – raised over \$338,000!!!

Thank you to our Match Partners:

2Krew Security & Surveillance  
Armstrong Center for Community Learning  
Armstrong Eye Care Associates  
Arts on the Allegheny  
Biblical Life Institute  
Carl & Tracy Peters  
Central Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
Christine & Arnold Moss  
Dina Blake  
Erie to Pittsburgh Trail Alliance  
Evangel Heights  
Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Evangelical Lutheran Church Nursery School  
Ford City Renaissance Community Partnership  
Frank & Mary Baker  
Friends of the Kittanning Public Library  
Grace Christian School  
HAVIN  
Jack & Chris Steiner  
Kalamazoo Heating & Cooling LLC

# Thank you to our Match Partners: continued

Karen Waugaman  
Kittanning Veterinary Hospital  
Lance & Christine Whiteman  
Larry & Jodi Beers  
Life Choices  
Livengood Inc.  
McCall Scanlon & Tice, LLC  
Mechling & Heller, LLP  
Mike McElhaney  
Miller-Kokoski Family (In honor of Judy Miller)  
NexTier  
Orphans of the Storm  
Parker Personal Care  
Reagan's Journey  
Richard G. & Barbara A. Snyder General Charitable Fund  
Richard G. Snyder YMCA  
Shellhammer Atwood Agency  
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Adrian  
Susan Crooks  
The Blind Association  
The Salvation Army - Kittanning  
Tom & Sandy Bradigan  
William E. Hughes, Jr.  
Worthington West Franklin Community Library

**Mark your calendars for the  
2019 Day of Giving!**

**Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019**



# Practices to Promote an Engaged & Well-Managed Board

*“The stronger the board, the stronger the ability to achieve mission”* is a well-accepted assumption. Creating that kind of board depends greatly on the board’s management of its own operations.



Ready for a stronger board? Want to enhance accountability and commitment of boards members and the board as a whole? Don’t miss this program, rooted in the Standards for Excellence®,

- ✓ Board/staff roles
- ✓ Board’s role in fundraising
- ✓ Best practices for board minutes
- ✓ Recruitment procedures
- ✓ Rules for membership organizations
- ✓ Much more!

**Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 9:00 AM-12:00PM | \$10 per person**

**(registration at 8:30 am)**

**Presented by Tish Mogan, Standards for Excellence Director at the PA Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO)**

- ✓ **In-person** at IUP-Northpointe, 167 Northpointe Blvd, Freeport, PA 16229      **OR**      ✓ **Simulcast** at IUP-Punxsutawney, 1012 Winslow St, Punxsutawney, PA 15767

## **Questions?**

Contact Tish Mogan at  
tish@pano.org or 717-839-6560

## **Register at [www.pano.org](http://www.pano.org)**

*\*Participants are encouraged to attend in Freeport but video conferencing is available in Punxsutawney. Please select the location where you’ll be attending.*

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Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
AT NORTHPOINTE



# **“Practices to Promote an Engaged & Well-Managed Board”**

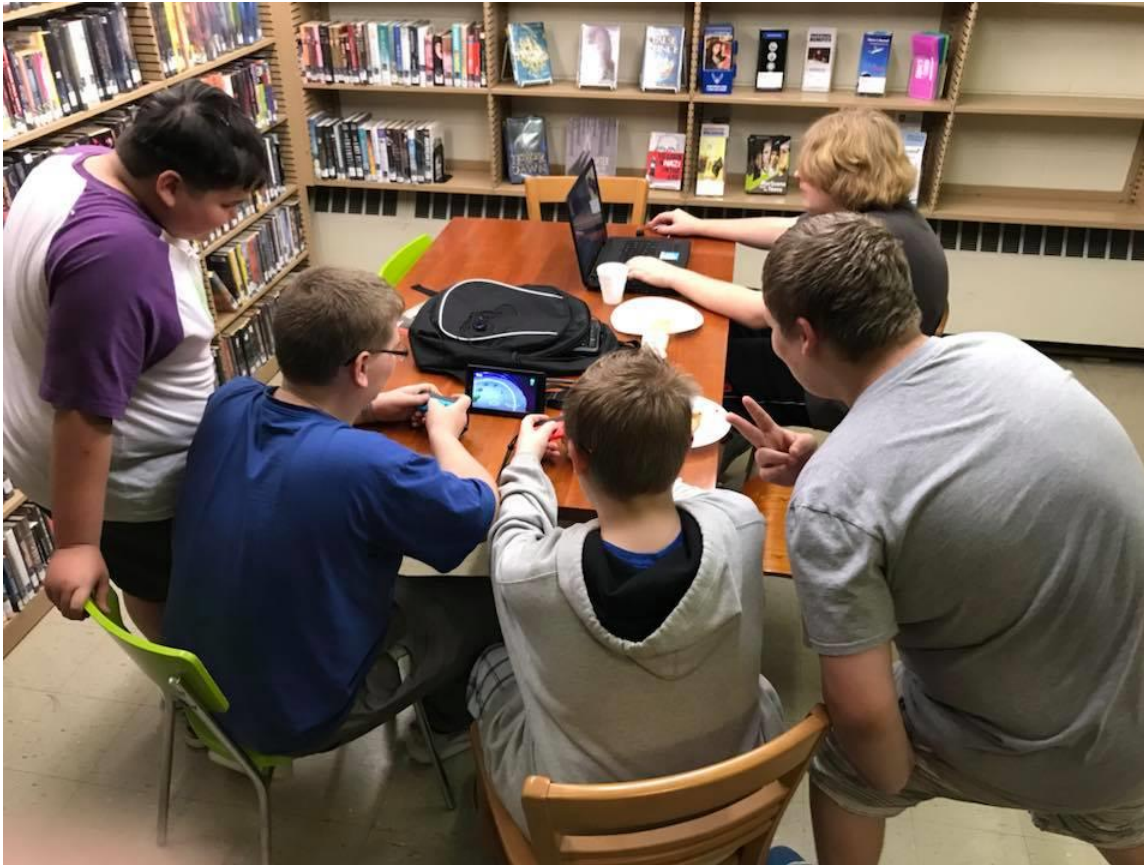
PANO Training for Non-Profit Organizations  
(Pennsylvania Association for NonProfit Organizations)

**Thank you to our sponsors:**

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## Take a glance at our 2017 Unrestricted Grant Winners



**Apollo Memorial Library**



# Habitat for Humanity





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EMPOWERING FAMILIES WITH LIFE-  
AFFIRMING OPTIONS THROUGH OUR



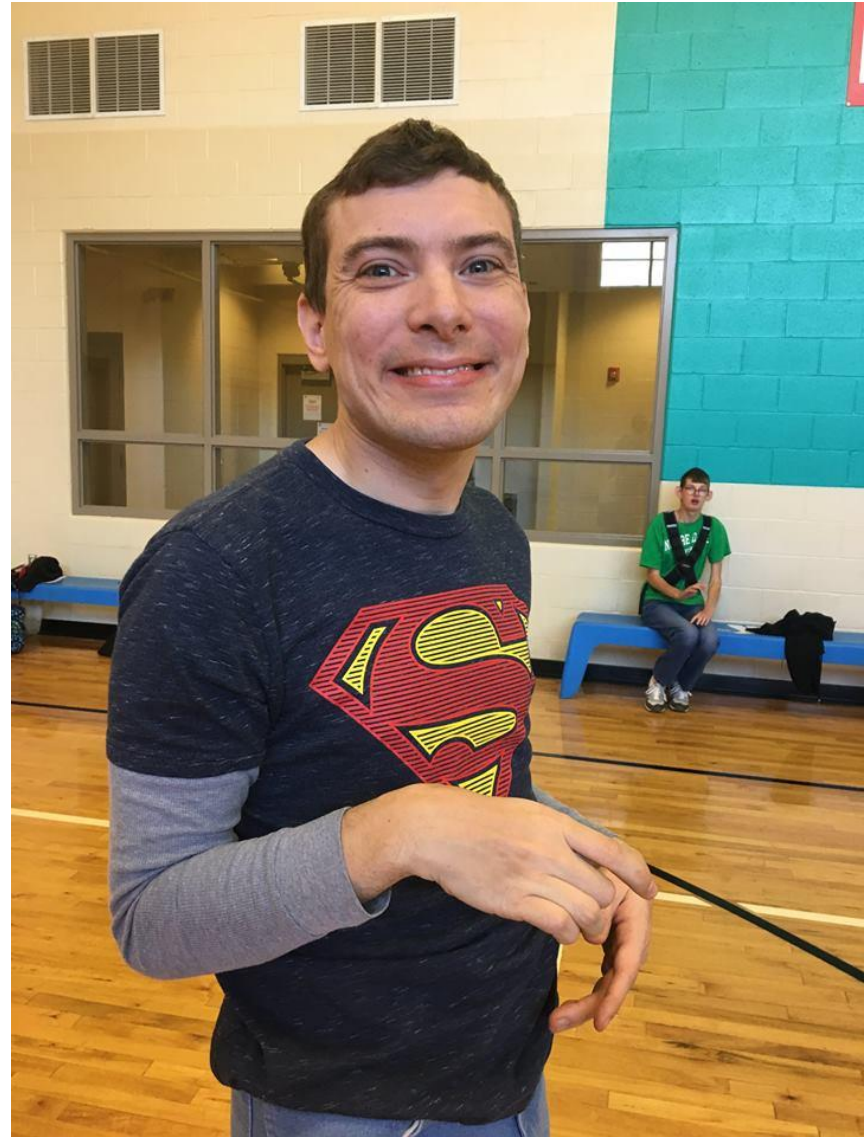
located in Indiana,  
Kittanning, and Butler



[yourlifechoicesinfo.com](http://yourlifechoicesinfo.com)

724-545-2826

# Lifesteps





# Make-A-Wish



*I wish to have  
a play set*

**Alex, 3**  
Williams syndrome

# Progressive Workshop







## Richard G. Snyder YMCA



**Worthington  
Evangelical  
Lutheran Church  
Nursery School**



## **2018 Scholarships Awarded**

**\$69,250**

**On target to make grants to nonprofits totaling.....**

**\$372,602.24**

**2018 Granting** (Total includes Scholarships, Community  
Foundation Funds and Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) scholarships)

**\$587,494.24**



**This year's finalists in the General Category are ...  
in alphabetical order**

**Don't Stop Dreamin (In the Moment)**

To create everlasting memories that enrich the lives of residents and patients by bringing joy and happiness through granting their dreams.

**Fort Armstrong Folk Festival**

To purchase a stage for the North Stage entertainment area for the Folk Festival.

**Hose Company #6**

To replace the Water Rescue Raft Boat Motor.

**Hose Hook & Ladder Co. #1**

To replace aging and outdated equipment .

**Ramps of Hope**

To change the lives of people in need by building handicapped access ramps at their homes.

**Richard G. Snyder YMCA**

To provide bussing for students in grades 7-12 from Armstrong High School to participate in a FREE after school program (MAD).

**This year's finalists in the Children's Category are...**  
**in alphabetical order**

**Biblical Life Institute (BLI)**

To provide scholarships for participation in "Hoop Dreams", a summer basketball program for youth from 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Blessings in a Backpack**

To provide food for elementary school children who have little or no food to eat on weekends during the school year.

**Evangelical Lutheran School Worthington**

To provide help to families who need assistance with early education as well as to help families that may develop a need throughout the school year.

**Grace Christian School**

To provide funding for an Ozobot Evo Classroom Kit to teach coding, STEM, art, history and subjects beyond STEM.

# Because of *You* We can make a difference!

Where does the money come from for us to be able to award these grants tonight?

## Our Founder's Fund

This Fund is made possible by:

- Donations received during our Annual Appeal that are not designated for a particular fund
- Or, from donations made to the Community Foundation throughout the year

**As is evident this evening, any donation received for the Founder's Fund goes back into the *community*!**

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we thank you for supporting the Community Foundation this Evening!

