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Talent Attraction Program (TAP) Scholarship recipients Ken DeMoya, Samantha Wyatt, and Nicholas Brehm at the Mercantile Loft Apartments.

MESSAGE to the COMMUNITY

When you build a house, you start with the foundation. You make sure that your home will be on solid ground and that the foundation is strong enough to support the house and is designed to allow you to grow into the new space. Building a community can take on some of the same elements as building a home. In order to succeed you need to have a strong foundation. The Hamilton Community Foundation fills that role in our community. We provide the base on which many positive initiatives and programs can be built. We have the infrastructure and the tools in place to support philanthropic efforts throughout the community. We have a visionary Board of Trustees, we have a knowledgeable staff, we have dedicated volunteers and have very generous donors. Together we have in place the elements to build a community – from the ground up – and provide all the support needed to create the strong, vibrant place we call home.

In this year's *Report to the Community* we highlight some of the many individuals, families and organizations who partner with the Hamilton Community Foundation to make a positive impact. We focus on some of our donors who work hard each and every day to build up their fund so that they have the resources to produce even more positive results. These stories demonstrate the power of partnership – donors working with the Foundation to build assets to increase impact. By working with the Foundation our donors increase the power of their giving and positive results that are achievable.

We invite you to explore some of our work presented in the pages that follow. We encourage you to look for that power of partnership in these examples. We thank you for all that you do to support the important work of your community foundation. We welcome you to consider how you might begin or continue to partner with us to build and strengthen this community. Together, we have the power to make a lasting impact – and it all begins with the Foundation.

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Offering Real Life EXPERIENCES for Children





In 2015, Bret and Krista Parrish established the Experience Fund at the Hamilton Community Foundation to bring opportunities for children at the Boys and Girls Club of Hamilton. "Part of the concept is for kids to earn the right to participate – homework completed, good behavior and attendance at the Club three times a week." Bret Parrish



"I didn't know you were a real person,"

exclaimed an elementary student from the Boys and Girls Club of Hamilton when she met Jim Bonaminio, owner of Jungle Jim's in Fairfield.



Pictured from the left: Neil Cohen, "Jungle Jim" Bonamino, Honi Cohen, Krista and Bret Parrish

She was part of a group of elementary students taking part in a Cooking Class at Jungle Jim's. It was one of many real-life Experiences Bret and Krista Parrish wanted to share with kids. Many of the children live in poverty, so their life experiences are limited to school, home, the Boys and Girls Club or church. Bret and Krista are board members with the organization, so they decided to create a project called Experience and establish a fund at the Hamilton Community Foundation.

"When I was teaching, I noticed kids who had been exposed to many life experiences were able to make better connections to topics I was discussing than those with limited life experiences," Krista Parrish explained. "The Boys and Girls Club didn't have the funding to offer field trips for these types of opportunities, so we thought we would bridge the gap."

Bret and Krista rely on others in the community to sponsor a wide array of Experiences. Neil and Honi Cohen put together the Jungle Jim's trip. "I was searching for an idea for a great experience and thought about a cooking class. I reached out to Jungle Jim's for their support," said Honi Cohen.

Other recent Experiences have included trips to the zoo, the Rotary production of Mary Poppins, plus swimming, Rockwall climbing and Zumba class at the East Butler YMCA.

"Part of the concept is for kids to earn the right to take part in Experience so that it's not available to everyone," said Bret Parrish. "That helps inspire kids to want to participate." There are three ways to earn an Experience: making homework a

priority, exhibiting great behavior and obeying the rules of Boys and Girls Club and coming to the club at least three times each week.

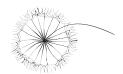
Children have said their favorite Experience is spending a week at the YMCA's Camp Campbell Gard in the summer. "I think the Camp Experience has been great for them," Bret Parrish said. "We take them out for a one-day Experience first so they get a feel for what camp life is like and the kind of things they'll get to do."

The camp project is the most expensive, but Krista Parrish has found community groups are happy to donate items such as toiletries, sleeping bags and flashlights for each child. "We also give each camper \$20 to spend at the Camp Store, and the store staff teaches them how to spend their money wisely," she added.

Another major Experience is a trip to Miami University sponsored by Mark and Kim Weisman. "Our kids have toured Goggin Ice Arena, met the hockey team, the football team and the marching band," Krista said. "Children got to try on the uniforms and play the instruments, which was amazing for them."

The kids also enjoy a dinner and hear from Miami students who share the hurdles they have gone through to get a college education, in hopes of inspiring the children to do the same someday.





The importance of a Catholic education to William and Mary Mathews has resulted in four generations of their family supporting scholarships for students through the Hamilton Community Foundation.

The Mathews family has had ties to Saint Peter In Chains Catholic Church in Hamilton for nearly a century. They intended for all ten of their children to attend Saint Peter in Chains School, but tuition charges altered that practice for the youngest of the children.

When Mary Mathews passed away in 2004, her husband William talked with their children about his desire to do something to honor her. "He wanted to focus on Catholic education, so he contacted the Hamilton Community Foundation to find out how to set up a fund for that purpose," said Karen Fowler, one of the Mathews' ten children. "For all of our birthdays, anniversaries or Christmas, he would put money into mom's scholarship fund, and our families are continuing that tradition."

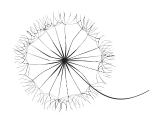
In 2008, the Mathews' children decided on a special Christmas gift for dad - a scholarship in his honor. William and Mary's scholarships are awarded to 8th graders at Saint Peter in Chains School and continue for those who attend Badin High School and need financial assistance.

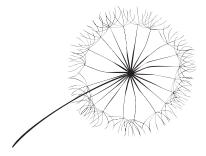


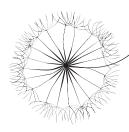
William and Mary's children Seated left to right · Marcia Stamper & Betty Miller Standing left to right - Jerry Mathews, Karen Fowler, Tom Mathews, Diane Howell & Rich Mathews Stairs left to right - Tanya Mathews (Tom's wife), Chris Pater Not pictured: Sandy Deboo Steve Mathews deceased

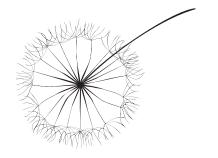
William Mathews went to every scholarship presentation until he passed away in 2011. He had decided that one of the requirements for the scholarships was to have students write a 500-word essay on why they valued their Catholic education.

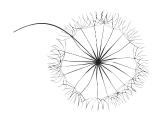
"When scholarship time came around, the school would deliver the essays to our house, and dad would read every single one of them," Fowler recalled. "He had macular degeneration, so he would sit there











with a large magnifying glass and laboriously read every word. His intent was for the scholarship to go to students needing financial help."

When William and Mary's son Stephen died in 2010, his family and friends got together to establish a third scholarship. The Stephen L. Mathews Memorial Scholarship provides financial assistance to an incoming ninth grader at Badin from either Saint Peter in Chains or Sacred Heart School in Fairfield.

Through the years, the Mathews children and grandchildren have been involved with the scholarship award ceremonies. Karen and her brother Rich Mathews have been among the scholarship presenters. Jerry Mathews' daughters – Ashley and Emily –

have presented the scholarships the past two years and have agreed to continue doing so.

There are more than forty grandchildren and great grandchildren in William and Mary Mathews' family today, and they've all learned the value of supporting the family's scholarships through the Hamilton Community Foundation. "Mom and dad are no longer with us, but we still put money into their scholarships for their birthdays, anniversary or at Christmas every year," explained Karen Fowler.

Using special occasions to contribute to scholarships is a tradition that will continue to be passed down through each generation of the Mathews family.

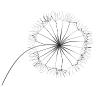


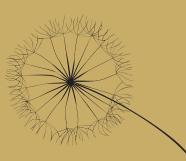
Mary and William Mathews

The Mathews family established Designated Funds to support tuition for students attending St. Peter in Chains School as well as Stephen T. Badin High School. Through their generous and continual support of these funds, more than 30 students have been supported by the Mathews family.

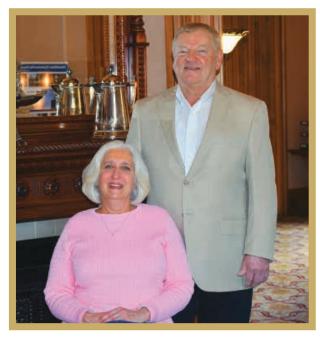
In addition to the William and Mary Mathews' funds, the following have established funds to assist with tuition at St. Peter in Chains School as well as Stephen T. Badin High School.

Dick and Joan Beer Scholarship
Vincent Davin Memorial Scholarship
Friendly Sons of St. Patrick Scholarship Fund
Bernice & Greg Holbrock Scholarship Fund
Matthew 19:14 Catholic Education Fund
Stephen L. Mathews Memorial Scholarship
Josephine Osso Scholarship
Daniel Francis Pate Memorial Fund
Pfirman Family Fund
Herman & Doris Sanders Scholarship Fund
Donald & Jeanette Schellenbach Fund





The Dittmans discover a great way to help through IRA GIVING



Michael and Anne Dittman (pictured above) have long wanted to give back to the community by encouraging higher education, and through their scholarship fund at the Hamilton Community Foundation, they can do this by making a tax-free transfer of funds from their Investment Retirement Account.

"We had done some financial planning, and we always intended that once we passed, we would do a scholarship," Anne said. "And then once we got to looking at the requirement on distribution and the IRA link, we decided to do it now and avoid those taxes."

"Instead of waiting until after we're dead, this allows us to do something now." Michael said. "Education's important. I went to the University of Cincinnati, so I got my scholarship set up with UC Engineering."

"When you've worked hard all your life, and you've saved your money like you're supposed to, then when you hit 70 and a half and the government says you have to take that distribution," Anne said. "You have to take it, it doesn't mean you have to spend it. But then you realize that you have to take it and it has to get taxed."

A graduate of Ross High School, Michael grew up on a family farm and was the first generation of his family to go to college.

"I did good in high school and the counselor pushed me to want to do something different," Michael recalled. "My grandfather asked me, 'What do you want to do, be better than us?' I said, 'Well, sort of.' There's nothing wrong with farming, I love farming, but, you gotta make money to live."

He spent his career with Champion Paper as an engineer and retired in 2000 when the company was bought out by International Paper.

The daughter of two educators, Anne was born in Northern Ohio and went to college in Bowling Green, then came to Hamilton to work at Champion, and that's where they met. They moved around some as Michael worked on major expansions and new plants. He worked on the new plant up in Michigan for three years, but also spent time in Alabama, Texas, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina, and Florida.

Learn more about IRA Charitable Giving Rollover at www.hamiltonfoundation.org/

How you can benefit from

IRA ROLLOVER

"We both worked there and saved in the savings plan and Champion was really good at promoting their savings plan and matching," Anne said. "We both did as much as we were allowed."

Both realize the importance of education, both to the individual and to the community, and know how difficult it sometimes is for students to raise money for a college education.

"If somebody could have thrown me a couple of bucks, it would've made it easier," Michael said. "And so that's why I've always thought about if I could accumulate enough money that I didn't need for myself, then it'd be a good avenue to donate something to kids."

The IRA Charitable Rollover is now a permanent provision of the Tax Code that allows people age 70½ and older to make direct transfers totaling up to \$100,000 per year, per individual, to qualified charities, such as the Hamilton Community Foundation without having to count the transfers as income for federal income tax purposes.

IRA charitable rollover gifts must be distributed directly to the Hamilton Community Foundation. To ease the process, we offer the following fund options that qualify for your IRA gift.

TYPES OF FUNDS

Unrestricted Fund

IRA transfers to the Unrestricted Fund address a broad range of current and future needs. The Hamilton Community Foundation evaluates all aspects of quality of life in our community—arts and culture, economic development, education, civic beautification, social services—and awards strategic grants to select projects and programs.

Field of Interest Funds

Field of Interest Funds allows you to target gifts to causes you care about: arts, education, economic development, neighborhood revitalization and more. The Hamilton Community Foundation awards grants to community organizations and programs addressing your specific interest area.

Designated Fund

Designated Funds allow you to support the good work of a specific nonprofit organization—your church, a school, a senior center, library or any qualifying nonprofit charitable organization.

Scholarship Fund

Scholarship Funds allow you to support students seeking to improve themselves through higher education.

What does NOT qualify for an IRA Charitable Rollover

- Donor Advised Funds
- Private Foundations
- Charitable Gift Annuities, Charitable Remainder Trusts, etc.

To begin the process

We recommend that you contact the IRA Administrator and ask about their procedure to execute an IRA Charitable Rollover gift.



Generous Gift Provides New BOOKMOBILE

If you haven't been on board the Lane Library's new Bookmobile, you're in for a treat. The spacious vehicle is the largest in the 80 years the Lane has operated a Bookmobile. A Fairfield couple made it all possible when they bequeathed their estate to the Hamilton Community Foundation to benefit the library.



"The bequest from Joe and Lois Koefler (pictured on the left) was meant specifically to increase library access, and I can't think of a better purpose for it than this," said Bookmobile Manager Fran Meyer. "We've been able to welcome more schools on board, and we can use it for things like Story Time because it's so much bigger inside so kids can move around."

The previous Bookmobile was in service for 18 years and was cramped for space. The new bus has much wider aisles and shelves, better lighting and three computer stations to help people place holds on materials.



Iris and Amy Kuhlman visit the bookmobile every Thursday in Ross



Duane Campbell (*pictured above*) is a frequent visitor to the new Bookmobile when it makes its weekly Thursday stop at Ross IGA. "My wife is a voracious reader and the convenience of having the Bookmobile available on our way home from Cincinnati is truly a blessing," Campbell explained. "We now have grandchildren and look to the Bookmobile to help generate our love to them for all genre of books."

Lane Library Public Relations Manager Carrie Mancuso said the new bus also offers outdoor opportunities that weren't available before. "We have a canopy on the side of the Bookmobile so we can set up for things such as Story Time or special events like the Hamilton Flea at Marcum Park or other outdoor events," Mancuso said.



Kathy Guenther checks out a book with Lane employee Tom Tierney

The Bookmobile visits the Hamilton, Fairfield, Ross, New Miami and Talawanda School Districts throughout the school year and is now represented at every public, private or charter school in Hamilton. Individual schools are coming up with unique ideas for using the Bookmobile. For example, teachers at Fairfield Compass Elementary are bringing their

reluctant readers on board to pick out books and read them there.

"Sometimes the kids will come to me and ask if they can read to me, so I can help them sound things out, and that's really wonderful," said Bookmobile Manager Fran Meyer.

While 90 percent of Bookmobile stops revolve



Ayla Inman loves the new bookmobile

around schools during the school year, the summer months provide an opportunity for weekly visits to city parks or mobile home parks. The Bookmobile also visits community sites such as Wal-Mart in Fairfield Township, Queen of Peace, Ross IGA and Darrtown.

"It's always wonderful when people come to the Bookmo-

bile to browse and talk," Meyer said. "Because the new Bookmobile is so much bigger, they can spend more time browsing. Since we don't have self-check-outs like we do at are branches, we talk to everyone as they check-out and we get to know them so much better.

Joe Koefler was a frequent visitor to Lane Library and loved reading. The Koefler's bequest to the Lane through the Hamilton Community Foundation will pay dividends to book lovers for many years.



An Innovative Way to Deal with College Loan Debt

Samantha Wyatt says people are astonished when she tells them she has a scholarship to help pay her student loan debt in exchange for living in the city of Hamilton.

She is one of seven young people so far accepted into the Hamilton Community Foundation's Talent Attraction Program (TAP), designed to bring young professionals to the city. TAP is patterned after a project in Port Huron, Michigan, and the two com-

munity foundations appear to be the only ones in the nation attracting young talent by helping pay down student debt.

To qualify for TAP, college graduates must have a job in Butler County and agree to live in the revitalized core neighborhoods of Hamilton such as the downtown, Dayton Lane, German Village and Rossville Historic Districts.

Ken DeMoya moved from Florida to Hamilton to work for Liferay. Through his work, he learned about TAP and was one of the first to be accepted. "I think living in downtown Hamilton is a great opportunity because it's very active," DeMoya said. "The community comes alive in summertime unlike any other city where I've lived, and the events along the riverside are so attractive."

Ken especially loves the opportunity to meet many small business owners in the city. "Many small business owners I know go to my church, and it's a small, close-knit community," he said.

Samantha Wyatt is a 6th grade math teacher at Fairwood Elementary in Hamilton. Unlike Ken, she grew up in the Fairfield area and started looking for a place in Hamilton after graduating from the University of



Pictured from the left: Nick Brehm, Samantha Wyatt and Ken DeMoya

Cincinnati. She found out about TAP while exploring opportunities at the Marcum Apartments.

"The Marcum was the right fit for me, and the TAP scholarship was icing on the cake," she said. "I love being close to Marcum Park and the Hamilton Flea, and I'm really excited for my first summer here."

Nick Brehm lived in downtown Cincinnati while man-

aging the Liberty Veterinary Hospital, so he started looking for a new place to live. A friend told him about Hamilton and the TAP Program. "I drove around the different neighborhoods and really loved the Dayton Lane area with its beautiful older homes," he said.

Ken, Samantha and Nick know the feeling experienced by so many young college graduates today – being overwhelmed by student debt. The average debt for TAP students currently is \$60,000, and the Foundation is offering them up to \$10,000 in financial assistance for a 30-month period.

"If you look at the statistics, you have fewer young people starting families or getting their starter homes because they're restricted by student loan debt," Nick Brehm explained. "I think anything community groups can do to blunt the impact of that debt is deeply appreciated and doing it in a way that highlights the growth of an area like Hamilton is better for everyone."

Samantha Wyatt has been telling other young people about the benefits of TAP. "Living closer to my school has allowed me to volunteer two days a week after school helping our students with limited English language skills," she said.

Samantha, Nick and Ken have expressed a desire to put down roots in Hamilton and say they're thankful for the Hamilton Community Foundation's support as well as others in the city.

Personal Resource for **YOU**



We're here to help you benefit the charitable causes you're most passionate about. As your partner in philanthropy, we understand that every donor has individual needs and wishes. We will work with you individually and personalize our service to ensure that your philanthropy is effective, personal, meaningful, and fulfilling.

You can:

CONTRIBUTE TO AN EXISTING FUND

We'll work with you to ensure that your gift benefits the charitable priorities you're passionate about.

CREATE YOUR OWN FUND

Our goal is to help you establish the fund that will enable you to fulfill your philanthropic purpose.

LEAVE YOUR MARK

Including Hamilton Community Foundation in your estate plan is an easy way to make a long-lasting, meaningful, and significant impact on the community around you.

All that's necessary to open a fund at the Community Foundation is the completion of a simple fund agreement and your donation. You may create a fund with a current gift, by bequest or through a planned gift. The Hamilton Community Foundation offers many ways for you to give.

As a vibrant and connected community leader, the Hamilton Community Foundation is ready to help transform your passion for giving into greater impact! For more information and to learn how integrate your giving choices with your financial planning, contact us at 513.863.1717.

CHRISHOLM Growing Endowment

In 1995, the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company (now Duke Energy) donated 17 acres of land, including a historic farmhouse, in Woodsdale, just north of Hamilton, and 17 acres to MetroParks of Butler County with the stipulation that they form a support group to help manage the property and provide operational support.

The property had belonged to Christian Augspurger, the leader of 36 Amish Mennonite families who had immigrated to Butler County in 1819. Augspurger built a stone farmhouse with outbuildings and called the farmstead "Chrisholm." The original farm home burned in 1873, and the next year his son Samuel built a brick house on the site. By 1989 the house and barn after a succession of owners had become rental property and was in poor condition before being purchased by CG&E to build the Woodsdale Generating Station in Madison Township.

It became the duty of the Friends of Chrisholm to represent the remnants of the Amish Mennonite community and collaborate with Metro Parks, according to Anne Jantzen. Descendants of the community include Charles Richter, inventor of the famous Richter scale to measure earthquakes, and Esther Price, the famed candy maker.

"The house was in need of renovation, the barn was in need of renovation, the out buildings had been



Anne Jantzen enjoys a moment on the porch of the Chrisholm Farmstead



torn down, the landscape was a mess," Anne said. "So we worked with MetroParks to bring in some grant money."

That done, Chrisholm Historic Farmstead opened to the public in 2001.

"We see ourselves as stewards of the history, of the stories, of the agricultural backgrounds," Anne said. "Those are the kind of things that are not in the MetroParks mission."

Although Friends of Chrisholm had been able to help raise funds for repairs and special projects, they eventually came to realize that they could not sustain the all-volunteer organization into the



future, and in 2014 decided to hire a part-time professional to help look after the place.

"But in order to do that, we had to have a steady and substantial income," Anne said. "So we decided to establish the endowment so that we could then pull in interest as a annual income and that would allow us to hire probably an administrative assistant."

The group had never raised more than \$40,000, but realized that they needed much more than that to create an endowment.

"We finally set a goal of \$100,000," she said, "but that will be our goal. But I'm not a fundraiser and we were worried about how in the world are we ever going to get that much money. But I've learned you just need to ask."

So having reached the \$100,000 goal, they decided to \$200,000, and are quickly approaching that benchmark, and they chose the Hamilton Community Foundation to help them manage and administer the funds raised.

"We felt like it was an organization that we could trust, we could see what they were doing in the community and so they were already a well-known, established organization that we felt like we could partner with," Anne said.

Having a part-time person on staff will allow them to leverage the money they raised by writing more grants and bringing in more funds for the future of Chrisholm.



In June, the friends of Chrisholm will be celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Augsburger Family coming to Butler County. The farmhouse, built in 1874, was the home of Samuel Augspurger and his family. The Augspurgers were the leading members of the

Amish-Mennonite settlement in this area.

In an effort to secure the future of the Chrisholm Farmstead, they set out to raise \$200,000 for an endowment fund at the Hamilton Community Foundation. Through the leadership of Anne Jantzen and her team, they are on track to reach their goal with the generous support of many donors to the fund. Sustaining the work of the Friends of Chrisholm and keeping the Augspurger family history alive will now be realized through the partnership with the Hamilton Community Foundation.

Local children enjoy learning and creating at the Chrisholm Historic Farmstead





VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES

Thank you to our volunteer committees

Volunteers have been a part of the Hamilton Community Foundation since it began in 1951. We are thankful for the time, talent and treasures our volunteers provide every day. We appreciate all the community-minded individuals who serve on the Foundation committees.

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B2GB Giving Together

Because laws limit the ways in which companies can raise money for charity and give it away, the employees of ThyssenKrupp Bilstein began their own fund at the Hamilton Community Foundation so that they could be more charitable.

"We used to just have a \$10,000 a year company budgeted money for charity," said Lindsey Stanfill, associate human resources manager. "We wanted to figure out a way to make more money, to fundraise, but, as a company, we couldn't do that." As one of Hamilton's largest employers, Thyssen-Krupp had several



(from left to right): Cody Stumph, Dillard Hall, Jim Fogle, Stephanie Flannery, Zack Armold, John Davis, Lindsey Stanfill, Christina Logsdon

people go through the Leadership Hamilton training program offered by the Chamber of Commerce, where they learned about the Hamilton Community Foundation.

"That's how we figured out that we could create a fund through them and do fundraising now," Lindsey said.

They created the Built 2 Give Back team–abbreviated B2GB–a committee of employees, to further that goal.

According to Stephanie Flannery, occupational safety and health manager, the relationship with the Hamilton Community Foundation has allowed the B2GB team to triple its impact.

"We meet monthly and talk about different charitable organizations that we want to support, different volunteer activities that we want to do," she said. In addition to the \$10,000 a year the company budgets for the purpose, the committee also comes up with ways to generate more funds, like monthly raffles and silent auctions at company gatherings.

"Our employees can buy raffle tickets and they win PTO (paid time off) days, parking spaces, things that have been donated to us by vendors and different people in the community," Stephanie said. "We raffle things off and then we take that money and we put it in the Hamilton Community Foundation and then we can later

donate it. As a company, we weren't allowed to do that."

The B2GB team has pledged to keep as much of their giving as possible within Hamilton and Butler County.

"A lot of our employees come from this area and we want to make sure it's going back into the community that our people live and work in," Stephanie

said. "We do a lot with

the City of Hamilton, a lot of their unique events like Operation Pumpkin and Icefest and anything at the Fitton Center. We recently did a series with the Celebrating Self series. We try to support the Hamilton community, as well, as it grows and flourishes."

"We've always supported the Sojourner 5K for the Sojourner Race for Recovery, so there's legacy stuff that we do every year," Lindsey said. "We do a lot with Big Brothers Big Sisters, because we've always been involved with them, too, because we have an employee that's a board member."

They also try to honor requests made by employees to support their favorite charities.

"We want to be a good a good corporate citizen," Lindsey said, "and personally, I believe in this community and I know our organization does, as well. We know that we are part of this Hamilton revitalization story being one of the largest employers in the area, so it's really just our way of saying, 'This is our community. These are our employees, and we are giving back in any way that we can."



(from front to back): Donna Steinmetz, Stephanie Flannery, Piper (dog), Lindsey Stanfill, Christina Logsdon, Alex Stewart, John Davis, Jim Fogle, Hailey Marosi, Dillard Hall, Cody Stumph

BUILT 2 GIVE BACK



Through the ThyssenKrupp Bilstein's Built 2 Give Back fund, since 2015 their team has granted more than \$100,000 to organizations in our community.

In addition to the support of the company, employees also provide funding for their charitable activities. In 2018, the team established a scholarship fund as well to assist employee's children, grandchildren with educational needs. ThyssenKrupp Bilstein, makers of premium shock absorbers, employs more than 500 people at their Hamilton location.

CORPORATE GIVING GROWING to benefit EMPLOYEES AND COMMUNITY

According to the 2017 Cone Communications Corporate Social Responsibility Study, 74% of Americans say that their job is more fulfilling when they are given the opportunity to make a positive impact on social and environmental issues. More than ever, companies of all sizes are turning to a cost-effective and meaningful solution to meet this need: corporate donoradvised funds.

Like a donor-advised fund used by an individual, corporate donor-advised funds allow companies to invest money in an account dedicated solely to charitable giving, and then use that money to make a difference in the community.

As the creator and advisor of the fund, the management team, or a committee can determine the guidelines for the kinds of nonprofit organizations your corporate charitable fund will support. With a corporate fund at the Hamilton Community Foundation, your company or your employees can donate or grant to any 501(c)(3) public charity.

With a long list of available services and expert staff at the Hamilton Community Foundation, a corporate donor-advised fund may be the perfect addition to your existing corporate giving program. The staff at the Foundation works closely with each organization to tailor their goals to fit the company's culture and financial capacity.

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Being part of a community relies on creating strong relationships, putting people with varied interests together to work toward a common goal.

Because the Hamilton Community Foundation helps fund both TVHamilton and the Hamilton Vision Commission, and since both are charged with promoting the city in a positive light, the Foundation encouraged TVHamilton producer Steve Colwell and the Vision Commission's chief communication strategist Jeff Archiable to work closely together to that end. And the results have been off the charts.

"The missions of the Vision Commission and TVHamilton are so closely aligned that it only made sense that they start working together," Jeff said.

"We have always done a good job of promoting Hamilton to Hamilton," Steve said. "But we wanted to expand that reach."

Because of changes in the way people consume news and video products, Jeff and Steve started working together to produce short, TV news-like segments for people to consume on-line and in social media. The results were almost immediately successful, and they soon began measuring their success in tens of thousands of views rather than hundreds.

"You want to win the battle inside your own borders," Steve said. "The first task is to educate people in Hamilton, but we've gone beyond that now."

Telling Our Story

"We're getting people from all over the area commenting on the videos," Jeff added. "You'll see people from West Chester, Oxford, Middletown, Mason all commenting on posts, saying they want to come to Hamilton. We're not confined by cable television. We have no confinements anymore. We have reach."

"The biggest thing we can do for the City of Hamilton, the businesses in Hamilton, and the people in Hamilton is that we can tell the story of Hamilton throughout the region—and the world, even—and we've expanded the

reach exponentially. That's the reach we have now. We didn't expect it to be so big."

They've been going out and highlighting small businesses, community events, and classroom-level activities in the schools rather than long-form interview programming, and local television into the Internet age.

They have also been making their raw footage available to Cincinnati news stations to enhance their coverage of events in Hamilton.

"Hamilton is valuable to them because they have ratings boxes here," Jeff said, "but it's so far for them to drive, in their mindset. Now they don't have to. It makes their coverage look deeper."

"In one form or another, when we started doing this and told the Cincinnati stations, all of them said they would never use it," Steve said. But it wasn't long before footage from TVHamilton has been on all four stations.

"It's a service to help them to their job better and it's work we were already doing anyway," Jeff said. "And now we see them coming up here more often." Steve and Jeff can also cite incidents in which the local newspaper has written stories just to have a context in which to run video that TVHamilton has provided.

And it's all been positive for Hamilton.

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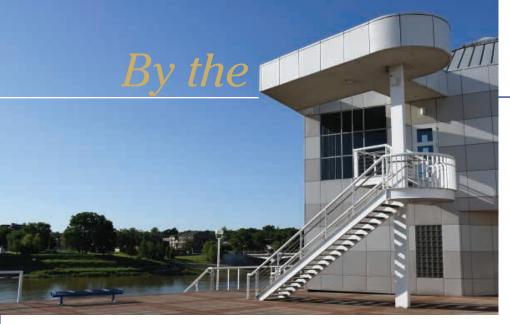












NUMBERS

HCF INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

(as of December 31, 2018)	I YR	3 YR	5 YR
Hamilton Community Foundation	-4.7%	6.0%	4.5%
Benchmark	-5.9%	5.9%	4.5%

\$86,382,602

HCF CURRENT ASSET ALLOCATION

(as of December 31, 2018)

Global Equities	59.9%
Global Fixed Income & Cash	25.0%
Private Equity	4.3%
Diversifying Strategies	10.8%

ASSETS 2018

Total Assets

Current Assets (Unaudited) \$2,720,644 Cash and cash equivalents Current portion of notes receivable 245,785 Prepaid expenses 456 2,966,885 **Total Current Assets** Property and Equipment, net 4,930,959 Other Assets 69,544,536 Investments Notes receivable, net of current portion 7,846,655 Int Les Current 689,945 **CSV** 403,622 **Total Other Assets** 78,484,758

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS 2018

Current Liabilities (Unaudited) Current portion of grants payable \$1,520,134 Accounts payable 31,753 Accrued expenses 86,787 **Total Current Liabilities** 1,638,674 Grants Payable, Net of Current Portion 423,000 **Total Liabilities** 2,061,674 **Net Assets** Unrestricted 23,382,761 Temporarily restricted 43,792,726 Permanently restricted 17,145,441 **Total Net Assets** 84,320,928 Total Liabilities and Net Assets \$86,382,602



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\$3,148,706
GIFTS TO THE FOUNDATION

846 TOTAL FUNDS

\$86,382,602 TOTAL ASSETS