



**ANNUAL REPORT • 2022**  
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# Letter to the Community



The Foundation strives for excellence in all that we do—to conduct ourselves and our organization at the highest level of quality in all aspects of our work.

### **Enhancing the lives of our community:**

Our community's needs are wide-ranging and important to its health and well-being, encompassing food security, equity, housing, social connections, arts, education, a protected environment, financial security, and more. We believe that by working together we can make a real and sustained difference. Our work focuses on strengthening and supporting local nonprofits, for they are the key to meeting the needs of our community.

**Being the Foundation of choice for our community:** We are one of many community foundations in this region, and far from the largest. However, we believe we are our community's best choice. Our board and staff have connections, roots, and friends that keep us in tune with local needs. We strive to listen and engage to ensure we truly understand our community.

**Maintaining community trust:** The Foundation has succeeded for nearly 50 years because we have been entrusted to invest funds and direct grants with care and compassion, always with the intention of making a meaningful impact. We take this trust very seriously, and so we continually seek to strengthen our board's and staff's financial acumen; ensure that we meet

the requirements of informed fiduciary responsibility by using a community foundation focused accounting system, conducting rigorous external audits, an arms-length finance committee, and regular and detailed financial reporting.

**Staying flexible:** We have developed flexibility to meet the changing needs of our community. With nearly any question or request, we start with a desire to find a way to say "yes," because we understand that the underlying intent of the question is to create new solutions to meeting evolving needs. We cannot predict the future, but we can prepare by being open and inviting to new ways of helping donors find ways to make a positive, significant impact.

**Give for Today, Plan for Tomorrow:** We spend a good amount of our time working with donors to build endowments and helping our nonprofits save for their future needs. An example is our Give for Today, Plan for Tomorrow 80/20 strategy: for every dollar donated to an organization, we use 80% for current needs and put 20% away for the future. We practice this ourselves with gifts to the Viemeister Endowment Fund, which supports the Foundation's operations.

**Grant making which is impactful:** We have created strong grant-making committees comprised of board members, staff, and community members to consider grant

requests and address needs as thoughtfully as we can.

### **Encouraging Nonprofit Collaboration:**

An evolving grant area is helping nonprofits who have complementary missions collaborate to identify and address the deeper, tougher issues that we face—like food insecurity, housing insecurity, school facilities, and workforce expansion. We are exploring the forces and motivations that help or hinder collaborative projects and look forward to fostering breakthrough, impactful projects.

**Providing Leadership:** While we have learned a lot about providing leadership on key community issues, we have more to learn and more to do. We are seeking ways to develop strong nonprofits and boards, including our own, through action, learning, and governance training. To sustain this, we need to engage and develop future leaders and donors, and we want to make working with the Foundation inviting—not intimidating.

As always, we ask you to join us—as a donor, a volunteer, a committee member, a board member, and a partner in listening, learning, and identifying problems and solving them. Together we can do more.

*Lisa Abel, Board President;  
Matt Denman, Board Treasurer &  
Jeannamarie Cox, Executive Director*

## Cover Photos

Heartbeat Learning Gardens  
YSCF Philanthropy Award Recipients 2021  
Otto Cipollini as Shrek, YS Schools Musical  
YS Community supporting YSHS Boys Soccer

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## Vision

Helping build an extraordinary community. Together we can do more. Join Us!

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Lisa Abel, Art Boulet, Rich Bullock, Chris Cox, Matt Denman, Terry Graham, Angie Hsu, Artie Isaac, Ellis Jacobs, Joanne Lakomski, Todd Leventhal, Kathryn Van der Heiden

## Mission

Entrusted with the responsibility of enhancing community life, we are a catalyst and resource for local charitable giving and grant making.

# YSCF Philanthropic Programs

**Give for Today, Plan for Tomorrow...**The Foundation created a *Give for Today, Plan for Tomorrow* program focused on building sustainability of our local nonprofits. The program's 12 nonprofit participants receive 80% of their donations directly for today's needs, and the Foundation deposits and invests the remaining 20% in the nonprofit's field-of-interest endowment. These endowments are focused on the organization's future, and they receive incentive funding at key milestones provided by the Foundation.

## YSEQUITY

YSEQUITY, a new program of the Foundation, is the second guaranteed income (GI) program in Ohio and the first documented program in a village in the United States. In the initial pilot, YSEQUITY provides 15 residents of 45387 with \$300 each month over a period of 24 months. The goal is to add 15 additional participants in July of 2023 with a sustainable 30 residents in the following years.

YSEQUITY was initiated as a response by a Foundation Committee of community members to racism and inequality. The pandemic and current events highlighted the need to increase equity for individuals in our community. Generous donors provided the initial endowment gift, which was matched by the Foundation. The program will provide payments to about 10% of the 330 households in poverty in YS (data from the last census).

YSEQUITY is working with experts from The Center for Guaranteed Income Research at the University of Pennsylvania and The Ohio State University Center for Financial Resources to administer the program and evaluate the outcome. YSEQUITY was awarded a Greene County ARPA grant for start-up expenses. The plan is to build the endowment to \$3M or greater through donations and grants which will make this a permanent local program.

## YSCF NextGen Philanthropy at Yellow Springs Schools



### YSCF Youth Action Board

Now in its third year, the YSCF Youth Action Board (YAB) is a diverse group of fearless thinking students who are passionate about solving community issues for youth and making the world a better place. The training provides a holistic leadership approach using the philanthropic process to teach youth how to communicate, make decisions, foster their passions, and align their strengths. In 2022 the YAB chose to fundraise for Insecurity of Needs – housing, food & personal hygiene support for youth in our community. The YAB awarded the Feminist Health Fund (FHF) and Florence Randolph, YSPD Community Outreach Coordinator with \$4,400 each, matched by the Foundation. The FHF supported the distribution of more than 500 unisex hygiene and period kits for youth. The YSPD funds prevented four (4) families from being evicted from their homes and provided utility payments as well. Funds also provided for perishable food support for more than 10 youth in the village.



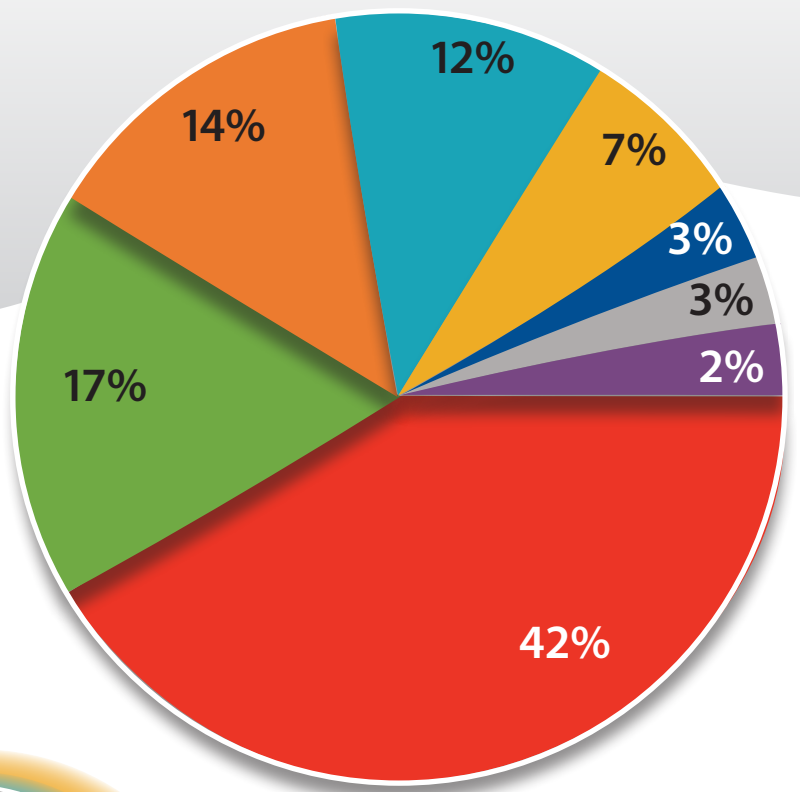
### Youth Philanthropy Grants & Grant Review Committees

In the fall of 2022, the Youth Philanthropy Grant Review Committee (aka Charlotte Drake) expanded to include students at Mills Lawn Elementary School. Now there are two YPGRC, one in each building. The Charlotte Drake Youth Philanthropy Endowment Fund is dedicated to philanthropic projects (humanitarian or community based) of young people in grades K-12 in the Yellow Springs Schools. The endowment provides funds for these projects. Applications are reviewed monthly by the YPGRC during the school year and often granted within the month in which the application is submitted. A recent recipient was the Gay/Straight Alliance and the Student Review Board/YSHS – *The Pronoun Sticker Project*. The stickers are placed on the front of their Chromebooks as a common place of prominence. The sticker project hopes to make it easier for all Yellow Springs School students to make known their pronouns to teachers and peers, and to help destigmatize the communication of pronouns.

### Annual Report Contributors

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# 2022 Donations by Area of Interest



- Environment – 42%
- Arts – 17%
- Health – 14%
- Education – 12%
- Social Justice – 7%
- Seniors – 3%
- Housing – 3%
- Community – 2%



## #GIVINGTUESDAY Yellow Springs

### Financial Summary/Highlights

- 2022 Total Assets – \$18,500,000; 12% of which are managed local agency funds
- 2022 Viemeister Administrative Endowment – \$1,000,000; annual distribution is funding for the operations of the Foundation
- 2022 Love of Community Gifts – \$80,000; 80% is directed to grant making endowments and 20% to the Viemeister Administrative Endowment as part of the Give for Today, Plan for Tomorrow Program (page 3)
- 2022 Operating Expenses – \$430,000; 9% over budget due primarily to market fluctuations
- 2022 New Money to the Foundation – \$850,000
- 2022 Grants (not including Donor Advised Fund Grants) – \$750,000\*
- 2022 Donor Advised Fund Grants – Number of grants 185, \$202,000\*

### YSGivingTuesday Highlights

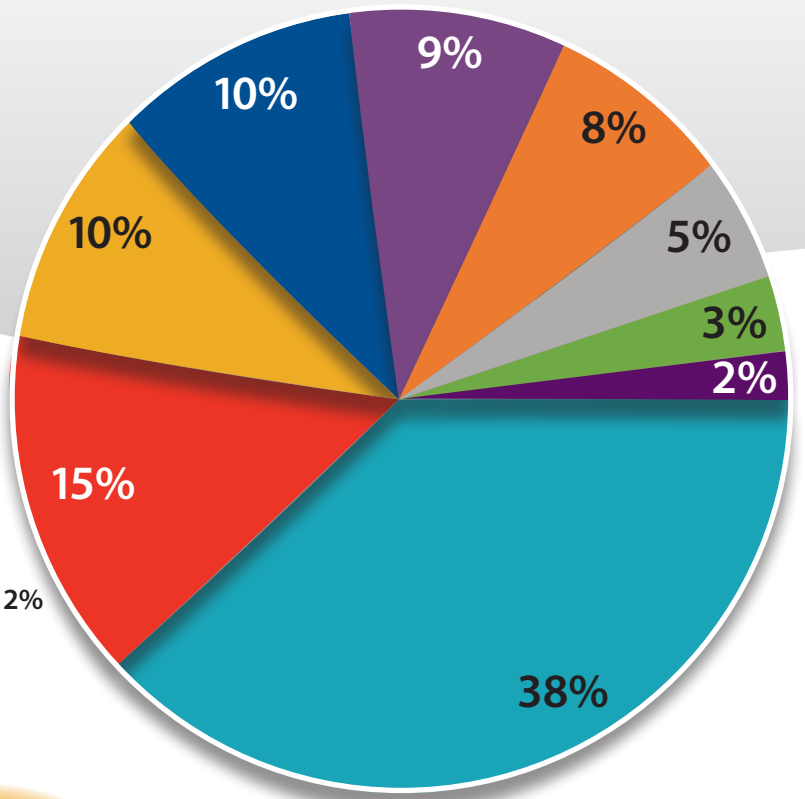
- 7th year of a combined community fund raising effort
- \$47,500 total from more than 400 donations to 40 participating organizations/funds
- The Foundation provided \$10K in grant funding to incentivize the nonprofit organizations along with marketing and back-office support

Overall Grants Funded:

**\$952,000**  
**awarded\***

Collaborative grant  
award distributed to **6** different organizations

# 2022 Grants by Area of Interest



- Education – 38%
- Environment – 15%
- Social Justice – 10%
- Seniors – 10%
- Community – 9%
- Health – 8%
- Food Security – 5%
- Arts – 3%
- Affordable Housing – 2%



## 2022 General Grant Highlights

- Antioch College, Wellness Center Pool Lift
- Glen Helen Association, GHA Safety & Health Initiatives
- The 365 Project, Production of Video 2022 Video of YS Juneteenth Walk & Program
- World House Choir, Electronic Equipment
- YS Senior Center, Membership & Organizational Database



## 2022 YS Endowment for Education (YSEE) Grant Highlights

- For Our Girls Start Up & Sustainability
- Sensory Path at Mills Lawn School
- YSHS Shrek, the Musical
- YSHS Esports



## YSHS Scholarship Highlights

- 50th Reunion Leadership Scholarship – \$10,000
- Karen McKee Community Service Scholarship – \$3,000
- Chris Rainey Memorial Scholarship – \$1,000
- YSHS Gay Straight Alliance Scholarship – \$5,516

Grants Funded by Area of Interest:

**\$250,000**  
awarded

For Education to YS Schools, Antioch School, YS Community Children's Center and Scholarships

# Fiscal Sponsorship

## The Foundation Supports Many Organizations as a Fiscal Sponsor

The Foundation is happy to support our local organizations as a fiscal sponsor. Fees are associated with these services and operating responsibilities for both the Foundation and the organization.



### Grant Funding Administrative Support –

The Foundation provides fiscal sponsorship and administrative support for qualified organizations, permitting them to apply for grant funding from other 501c3 organizations. Funds are provided to the Foundation, and the program is paid for directly by the Foundation in accordance with the grant funding.

**A recent example:** The Columbus Foundation's Johnstone Fund for New Music grant awarded to Sound Spring Project.



### Supplemental Administrative Support –

The Foundation provides fiscal sponsorship and administrative back-office support for organizations. The Foundation sets up a system for accepting donations and paying program expenses. The organization is solely responsible for all fundraising, and the Foundation manages the processing.

**A recent example:** The YS Dog Park works with the Foundation to accept donations that pay for services to keep the Dog Park functioning.



### Comprehensive Administrative Support –

The Foundation provides fiscal sponsorship and all administrative back-office support for the registered nonprofit/organization. This may include managing checking/saving accounts, check writing, reimbursements, and state filings. The nonprofit is solely responsible for all fundraising, and the Foundation manages the processing.

**A recent example:** Sister Trillium/The Yellow Springs Creative Reuse Center is a newly formed organization that the Foundation is assisting with back-office administration as it becomes a nonprofit.

## Photos

1. YSCF Youth Action Board 2022
2. Teachers Naomi Hyatt & Hannah Corrigan, Pronoun Sticker Project
3. Philip O'Rourke, World House Choir
4. YSHS Esports
5. YSSC New Software for Membership & Organizational Database
6. Mills Lawn Elementary Sensory Path
7. YSCF Youth Action Board & Nonprofit Leadership Institute Scholars at YSHS
8. Charles Arthur Williams breakdancing in the film Sound Springs
9. Greyhound at the Dog Park

# Thank You to Our 1500 Generous Donors!

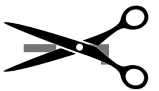
*A Special Thank You to all of our For the Love of Community & Viemeister Donors. Gifts to these funds provide for grant funding for our Community and Foundation Operations.*

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- Amazon Smile
- Black Pug Bike Repair
- Cresco Labs
- F.E.W. Ricket Family Fund
- Pangaea International, LTD
- The Frank Pace, Jr. Foundation, Inc.
- Turning Inward LLC

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- \$5,000  
  \$2,500  
  \$1,000  
  \$500  
  \$250  
  \$100  
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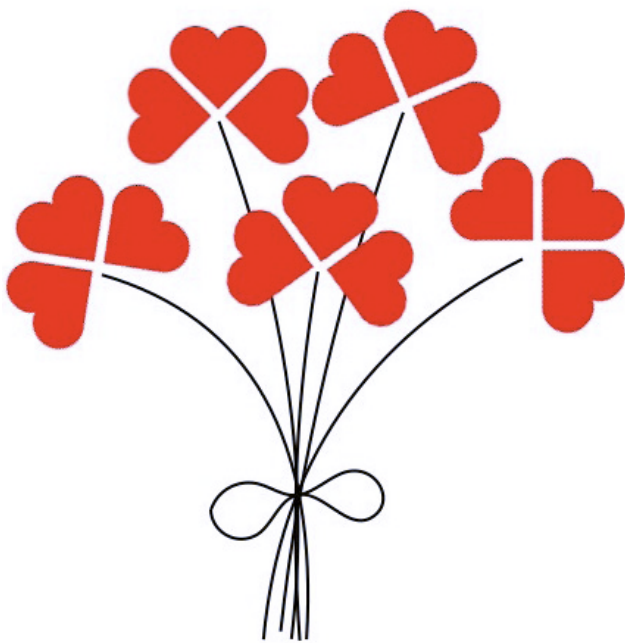
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