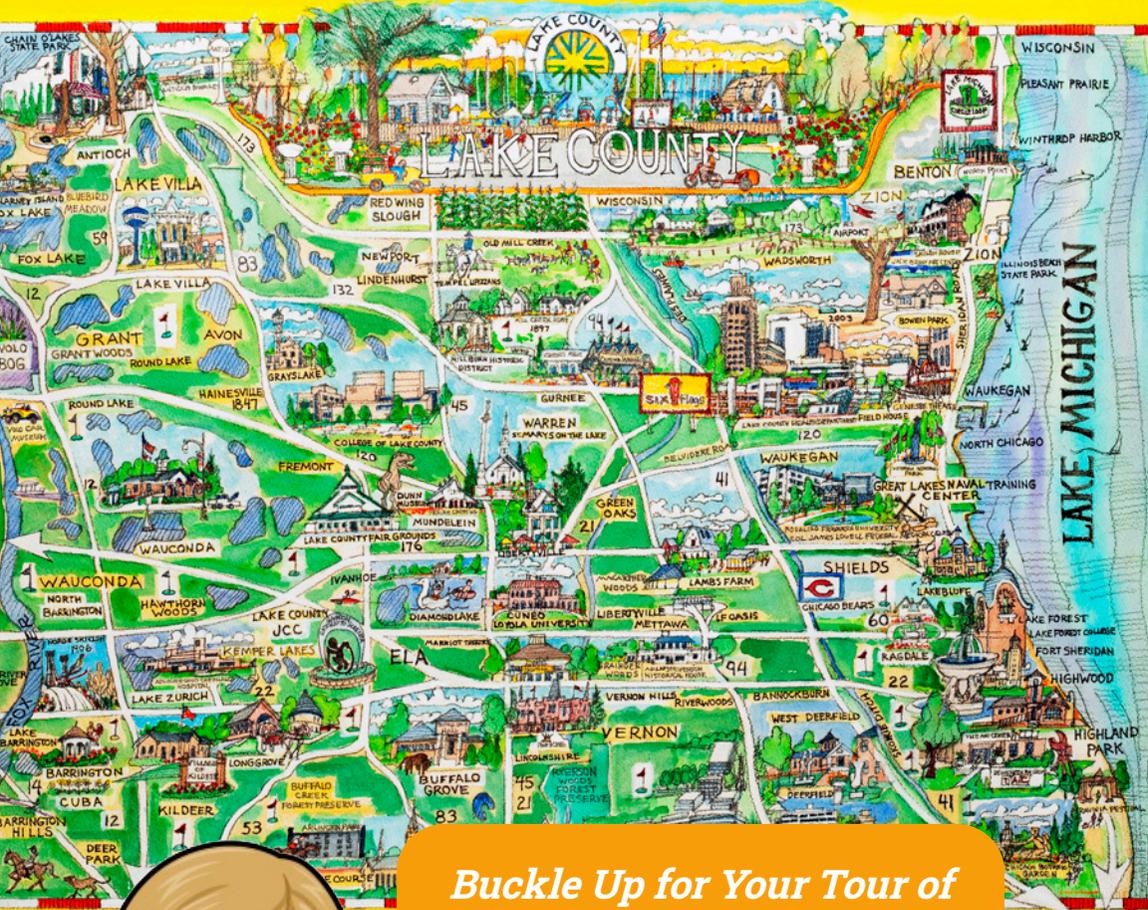




THE LAKE COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Growing Philanthropy. Building Community.

2020-2021 Report to the Community



*Buckle Up for Your Tour of
Philanthropy in Lake County!*



Welcome Aboard!

The mission of The Lake County Community Foundation (LCCF) is to improve the quality of life for the most vulnerable residents of the county by providing civic leadership, promoting collective philanthropy and partnering with our grant recipients.

What is a community foundation? As the community foundation for Lake County, we pool local resources and invest them back into initiatives that make our community a better place for all to live, work, learn and play for generations to come. In fact, we were created in 2003 as a response to the suburbanization of poverty as the suburbs quickly became home to the fastest growing poor population in the country. From the start, we have been dedicated to meeting our neighbors' most basic needs to give our community the opportunity to thrive.

NEW IN 2020!

Moved our office to University Center of Lake County on the College of Lake County's campus in Grayslake.

Created the Lake County Community Crisis Relief Fund, a new *permanent* fund to support emergency needs in our community.

Launched a Racial Equity Program and started developing a **Small Business Growth Initiative**, two new programs to help advance equity in our community.

Meet your tour guides



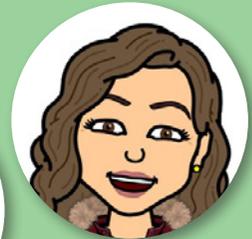
Maggie Morales
Executive Director



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Wendy Richter
Manager of Donor Services & Operations



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A Note from Our Tour Director

Dear Lake County,

In thinking about the past year, so many words come to mind: fear, isolation, uncertainty, struggle and loss. On the other side: hope, love, strength, resilience, together and community. If I've learned anything from 2020, it's that each of us has a part to play in showing up for one another during our greatest times of need. The amount of support, collaboration, innovation and selflessness demonstrated by so many of you has been truly inspiring.

This year's report highlights the impact that philanthropy can have in big ways. While 2020 looked very different from the year we originally had planned, there is much to be celebrated, much gratitude to be given and a lot more work to be done! Our hope is that while you read this, you will take a moment to reflect on the difference you made last year. Perhaps that difference is coming to life on these very pages.

I invite you to sit back and enjoy the ride as we take you on a journey through the impact your generosity has made on the community we love so dearly.

From all of us at LCCF, thank you!

Maggie Morales

Maggie Morales
Executive Director,
The Lake County Community Foundation



Our Local Investments



Our community investment strategy prioritizes basic human needs, early childhood education, leadership development and animal welfare.

2020 BASIC HUMAN NEEDS GRANTS

- A Safe Place (Partnership for a Safer Lake County)** – \$10,000
- Alexian Brothers Housing and Health Alliance** – \$15,000
- Alliance for Human Services** – \$10,000
- Art Impact Project** – \$20,000
- CASA Lake County** – \$13,250
- Center for Enriched Living** – \$20,000
- Community Works** – \$15,000
- Curt's Café** – \$10,000
- Farmworker and Landscaper Advocacy Project (FLAP)** – \$5,000
- GiveNkind** – \$8,000
- Josselyn Center** – \$20,000
- Korean American Senior Center (Hanul Family Alliance)** – \$18,000
- Northern Illinois Food Bank** – \$15,000
- Oasis Productions (Stepping Stones Network)** – \$10,000
- Reading Power** – \$20,000
- Willow House** – \$20,000

2020 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION GRANTS

- AAUW Preschool** – \$10,000
- Kohl Children's Museum** – \$5,000
- Sheila Daniels Christian Academy** – \$6,000

2020 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

- The Charmm'd Foundation** – \$5,000
- Mano a Mano Family Resource Center** – \$5,000
- Not-For-Profit-Resources, Inc.** – \$5,000

2020 ANIMAL WELFARE GRANTS

- Heartland Animal Shelter** – \$4,500
- Save-a-Pet** – \$4,500
- Spay and Stay** – \$4,500

DONOR ADVISED FUND GRANTS

(Oct. 1, 2019–Sept. 30, 2020)

55 grants totaling \$520,301

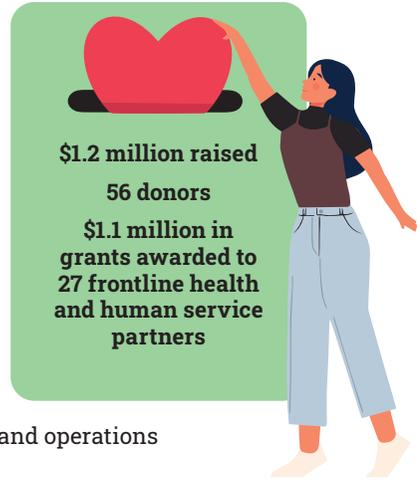


Lake County Community Crisis Relief Fund

In March, LCCF launched the Lake County Community Crisis Relief Fund to support the critical needs that have arisen in Lake County as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This *permanent* fund will also serve as a resource in times of future community or countywide emergencies.

Through this fund, LCCF awards grants to frontline health and human service agencies that are addressing our neighbors' most basic needs including: emergency food and supplies, interim housing and shelter, transportation, primary health care services, utility and financial assistance, support for students, nonprofit safety and operations assistance and more.

We are humbled by the generosity of Lake County as our community has worked together to take care of its own during this incredibly challenging time. It is truly amazing what we can accomplish when we all come together!



From Lake County Crisis Relief Fund partner:

“Being on the front lines, it has been eye-opening to see how urgently the need for food has grown. The grant has allowed us to increase emergency food distribution, ensuring that the families in crisis we serve do not go hungry.”

—Maribeth Roberti, Founder and Executive Director, Roberti Community House



Lake County Community Crisis Relief Fund (Continued)

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS CRISIS RELIEF FUND DONORS!

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WHEN CRISIS CREATES OPPORTUNITY

One of the grants we awarded, thanks to the gracious donors listed above, bridged a gap for Lake County's elder population in addressing their medical needs. Funding supported ElderCare Lake County's innovative partnership with a local limo company, A-List Limousine, Taxi & Bus, to provide rides to senior citizens in need of safe transportation to essential doctor appointments. The limo company ensures that the vehicles have plastic shields in place to protect immuno-compromised riders who need to get to chemotherapy, dialysis, macular degeneration treatment and other critical appointments. ElderCare is working with the company to schedule rides for the patients to ensure they get the care that they otherwise may not receive. We applaud the creativity of our partners and love sharing this innovative example of reimagining services



Donor Journeys



At LCCF, we provide personal service, advice and tools to support your philanthropic goals. First, we help you identify your passions and what kind of impact you want to make. Next, we can help you find the right organizations and philanthropic tools to make the most impact with your giving. Whether you want to create a donor advised fund, get your children and grandchildren involved in philanthropy, support a particular community need or are considering a bequest to a favorite nonprofit, we can support you!

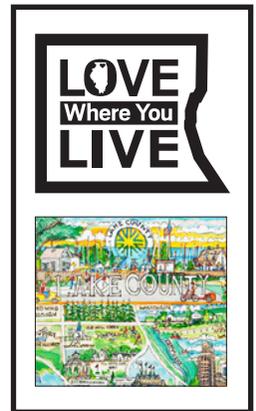
There are countless ways to give. The Foundation's deep expertise in the local nonprofit sector and philanthropy can help transform your vision into a powerful charitable legacy. Below, you'll find a few ideas to help you get started.

Please give Wendy a call at 847-377-0520 X23 to learn more!

JOIN THE LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE CLUB!

The Foundation's monthly giving program, the Love Where You Live Club, is an easy way to give back to your community. All funds raised through the Club go directly back to the community through grants to support nonprofits serving our most vulnerable neighbors throughout Lake County. Here at the Foundation, we encourage you to *love where you live and give where you live!*

- Give **\$25-\$99/month** and receive a Love Where You Live car magnet.
- Give **\$100 or more/month** and receive the car magnet and a poster of Lake County painted by renowned Lake Forest artist, Mark McMahon.



CREATE A FAMILY LEGACY – JOIN THE LAKE COUNTY LEGACY SOCIETY!

Leave a lasting family legacy in Lake County by making a gift to LCCF in your estate plans. Include us in your estate plan through your will or trust or make a contribution via a charitable gift annuity or a charitable remainder or lead trust. You may also list LCCF as a beneficiary of your life insurance or retirement fund assets.



Inform us that you have made these arrangements and let us know if you would like your name included in future listings of the Lake County Legacy Society.

We are happy to respect your wishes if you would like to participate anonymously.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

A donor advised fund (DAF) is a philanthropic vehicle that allows donors to make a charitable contribution, receive an immediate tax deduction and then recommend grants from the fund over time. A fund allows donors to remain actively involved in distributions from the fund during their lives and, if desired, the life of a successor generation of advisors. Our DAF holders are part of the LCCF family and we support them in maximizing the impact of their gifts!

DAF GRANT MAKING PARTNERSHIP

In 2019, the Foundation launched the Donor Advised Fund (DAF) Grant Making Partnership to help pool our philanthropic dollars and make the most impact in Lake County. Each year, we provide our DAF holders with a guidebook of vetted grant applications that they can review and choose to support. Our expertise helps our fund holders identify the organizations that fit their philanthropic interests while supporting local community investment.

GIFTS TO BUILD OUR OPERATING ENDOWMENT

Our \$2 million operating endowment fuels the critical work our team does by providing funding for operations. When you give to the endowment, your generosity benefits LCCF year after year. You and your family can also create your own named operating endowment to solidify your family's legacy in Lake County, while ensuring LCCF continues to build a more prosperous community for all.

FUNDS UNDER MANAGEMENT

4 Jack Adams Memorial Fund
Adeline Steans Morrison Fund
Basic Human Needs Fund
BKidz Fund
Buchanan Family Foundation Fund
CCSD21 Community Education
Opportunities Fund
District 103 Learning Fund
Field Partners Fund
First Presbyterian Church of Lake
Forest Lake County Fund
J.P. DePree Family Fund
Jamee and Marshall Field Fund
John and Elizabeth Gescheidle
Family Fund
Lake County Community Crisis
Relief Fund
Lake County Early Childhood
Education Fund
Lake County Humane Society Fund
LCCF Endowment Fund
Morales Family Fund
Mother's Trust Foundation Fund
Paul H. Daube Jr. Memorial
Scholarship Fund
Ragdale Foundation Cornerstone
Fund
Ravinia Centennial Fund
Reusché Family Fund for PADS Lake
County
Richter Family Legacy Fund
Robert F. Reusché Operating
Endowment Fund
Sanders Partners Fund
Sedgebrook Benevolent Care Fund
Sedgebrook Scholars Fund
Weber Family Fund
Wheeling Consolidated School
District #21 Fund
William H. Luking Memorial Fund
Winthrop Harbor Education
Enrichment Fund

Financials

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(October 1, 2019-September 30, 2020)

ASSETS

Operating Pool	\$	343,354
Investments		15,089,290
Total Assets \$		15,432,644

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities	\$	571,349
Agency Funds		156,448
Net Assets		14,704,847
Total Liabilities and Net Assets \$		15,432,644

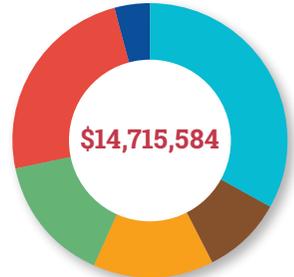
We recently partnered with William Blair as our new asset management firm!



DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

(October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020)

Donor Advised Funds	\$	4,928,411	33.5%
Designated Funds	\$	1,405,647	9.6%
Operating Endowment	\$	2,131,367	14.5%
Unrestricted Endowment	\$	2,159,295	14.7%
Restricted Endowment	\$	3,419,354	23.2%
Administrative Funds	\$	671,510	4.6%



Under Construction, Coming Soon ...

RACIAL EQUITY PROGRAM

LCCF launched an overarching racial equity program to enrich our values, practices and community investments. We are starting with our internal organizational procedures, practices and priorities in this journey. The program provides racial equity resources, education and strategy to create a more equitable Lake County community for stakeholders, partners and donors.



LAKE COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH INITIATIVE

LCCF is working with partners to design a program that will provide financial assistance and technical support to entrepreneurs and small businesses in our communities with limited access to resources from traditional financial institutions. We are committed to supporting women and minority owned businesses while building relationships with key stakeholders and partners to inform this critical work. Visit our website www.lakecountycf.org for updates!

ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH

LCCF is planning for significant organizational growth! In 2020, the Foundation developed a roadmap to achieve independence from The Chicago Community Trust and established a Civic Leadership Committee to help guide us in this process. This important work will continue into 2021 as we create a vision for the Foundation to expand its programming and impact across the county to ensure that the needs of our most vulnerable neighbors are being met.



Thanks For Riding Along with Us!

We are so grateful for the support of our dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly to advance our mission!

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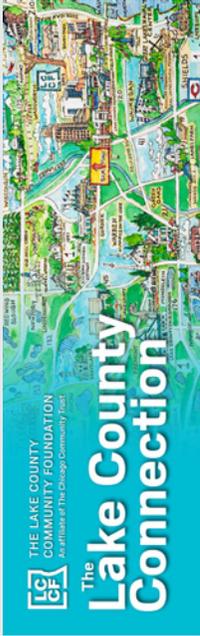
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