

2016

YEAR IN REVIEW



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Dear Friends,

Recently we welcomed Petra Roter (pronounced pay-tra row-ter) to succeed me as the executive director of La Crosse Community Foundation. Petra is a well-known La Crosse native with excellent credentials and a true commitment to our community. Special thanks to the board's executive committee for their work to select a new executive director who embodies the values and goals of the Foundation.

Today, La Crosse Community Foundation's total assets exceed \$60 million and are growing. Last year more than \$3.2 million in grants was issued to nonprofit, government and educational organizations and for local student scholarships. The Foundation's board and staff are poised to continue to serve you and the broader community, and I know you share my optimism for the future of this great organization.

La Crosse's philanthropic community makes so many accomplishments possible, and it has been an incredible honor to be a part of this work. Your friendship and generosity mean the world to me personally and professionally. Every single day I witness what a love of community means to the overall quality of life for so many, particularly those who are vulnerable – children, the homeless and those with mental illness. I am grateful to have worked with so many generous donors, as well as the organizations these donors support, who are truly committed to improving the lives of so many in our community. Thank you all!

If you haven't done so already, please consider establishing a fund today, or adding language to your will or estate plan to include La Crosse Community Foundation and the community in which you've lived, worked, raised your family and enjoyed retirement. Speaking of retirement, I plan to enjoy mine. :)



With deepest gratitude,

Sheila Garrity
Executive Director
1992-2017

ANNOUNCING LCF'S NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

After an extensive search, the La Crosse Community Foundation board has hired Petra Roter, Ph.D. as its new Executive Director.

Roter relocated from the Oshkosh area, but is no stranger to La Crosse. She served as the dean of student development and academic services at the



University of Wisconsin-La Crosse from 2000-2005. Most recently she served as a senior special assistant to the vice president of academic and student affairs for the University of Wisconsin System administration. Prior to that she was vice chancellor for student affairs at UW-Oshkosh.

Roter has been an active community leader wherever she resides. While in La Crosse she was a Rotarian, served on many nonprofit boards and task forces, and co-chaired the La Crosse Mayor's Task Force on Safety and Binge Drinking. While in Oshkosh, she continued her community service for many nonprofit boards, and recently served as the co-chair of the 2016-2017 Oshkosh Area United Way annual campaign.

Roter officially began her post March 20. She is excited to carry on the good works of the Foundation and its donors.

La Crosse Community Foundation AT A GLANCE

La Crosse Community Foundation is a public charity created by and for the people of the La Crosse area with a purpose to enrich the quality of life for all who call it home. We steward and invest charitable gifts, chiefly in the form of endowment funds, to help fund needed services and projects that strengthen our community, forever.

We are a resource for philanthropy.

We are a trusted resource for donors and professional advisors, providing philanthropic expertise and services to inform decisions about meaningful, impactful giving. Our spending-rate endowment model allows donors to continue to carry out their charitable interests well beyond their lifetime from their established funds.

We know the community.

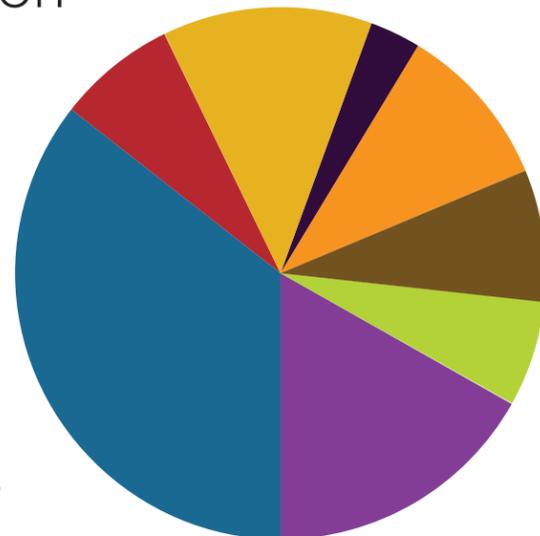
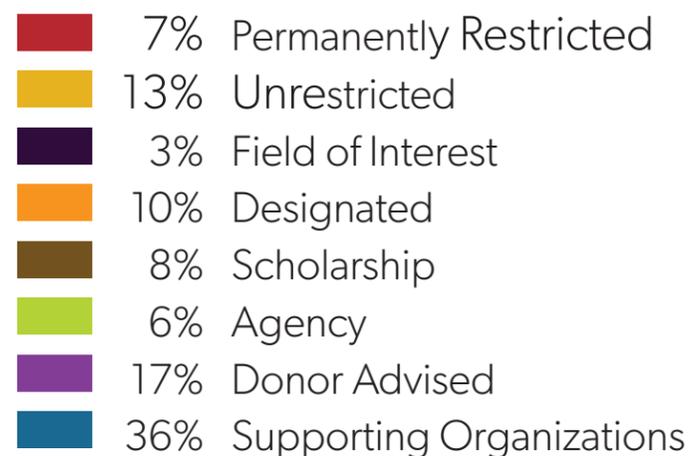
We know the issues facing the La Crosse area and the organizations that can bring effective solutions. We serve as a community catalyst and convener, raising awareness and bringing focused efforts and resources to address the area's most pressing needs.

We make grants to qualified organizations.

Nonprofit, educational and government organizations can apply for funding through our competitive grant making process. Fund advisors can also recommend grants to qualified organizations for specific projects or programs, or as an unrestricted grant. We have

granted almost \$35 million from our various funds since our founding in 1930.

Total Assets = \$60.8 Million



TYPES OF FUNDS

Donors to La Crosse Community Foundation can create a fund that supports a specific need or area of interest, or one that is multipurpose and flexible. The Foundation administers the funds in perpetuity to serve the donors' interests and respond to community needs. Funds are named by donors often for their family, or in honor or memory of a loved one.

The community foundation model is about permanence. We encourage donors to establish endowed funds so that grants can be made from those funds both now and forever. That is why we say we are "For Good. Forever."

Donor Advised

When establishing a donor advised fund, donors make a charitable gift to the Foundation and receive an immediate tax benefit, then they can remain actively involved in the grant making process from the fund's distributions. These funds offer a highly personal approach to giving, as professional grant making staff can help fund advisors make grants to agencies or projects that best fit their interests.

Designated

When a designated fund is established the donor selects one or more nonprofits as the perpetual recipient of the fund's distributions. The Foundation ensures that the designated recipients receive support so long as they remain in existence, and continue to fulfill their intended charitable mission. These funds are commonly established through estate plans as a way to continue providing annual support to the donor's favorite charitable entities beyond his or her lifetime.

Field of Interest

These funds enable individuals and groups to pool their charitable gifts into one fund that addresses a specific purpose or area of interest. The Foundation's board awards grants to organizations that are making a difference in that particular area. The fund remains flexible enough to meet community needs within its specific purpose, even as those needs change over time.

Scholarship

Scholarship funds provide financial support to deserving students. Donors establish the scholarship criteria (major, school, etc.), and the Foundation's staff ensures awards are made in accordance with set guidelines.

Supporting Organization

A supporting organization is an excellent alternative to a private foundation. Supporting organizations do not pay excise taxes or tax preparation fees, and no minimum distributions are required.

Donors maintain personal involvement in grant making, while receiving the favorable tax treatment of a public charity. The Foundation handles grant administration and all reporting requirements.

Agency Endowment

An agency endowment is a type of designated fund established by a nonprofit organization for its own benefit. The Foundation has fiduciary responsibility over the funds, and each year the organization can choose to take the spending rate distribution, or continue to grow the fund with its annual earnings. It's a simple and efficient way to build an endowment to help create sustainability for an organization.

General (Unrestricted)

Over generations, donors have made unrestricted gifts directly to the Foundation to use in addressing changing community needs. Unrestricted gifts are put in the General Fund to gift through the Foundation's competitive grant making process. The board, with assistance from the Foundation's staff, evaluates proposals with an eye toward leveraging resources and provider expertise.



Investing in Our COMMUNITY

Grantmaking in 2016 Totals \$3,278,213

We are privileged to steward and invest charitable gifts that have been entrusted to us throughout the past 86 years to address local needs in a variety of program areas, including arts & humanities, community improvement, culture & diversity, education & scholarship, environment, faith, health & human services, and recreation & wellness.

In 2016, a total of \$3,278,213 was provided to many nonprofit, educational and government partners through grants from the Foundation's donor advised, designated, field of interest, scholarship, general and supporting organization funds. Another \$142,200 was distributed from agency endowment funds. Here are just a few stories of how 2016 grant funded programs or projects are making a difference in the greater La Crosse area.

Arts & Humanities Grant Spotlight

Concerts in the Park

Funded by the Ella F. Ambrosius Fund and the Bob & Jean Marck Family Fund

The La Crosse Concert Band's summer Concerts in the Park have been a La Crosse tradition since 1930. The valuable tradition of these concerts brings together community members young and old to enjoy great music by local musicians on La Crosse's beautiful riverfront. Attendance is usually well over 1,000 people.

These free musical evenings are made possible by local donors, including La Crosse Community Foundation. Each concert begins with the national anthem and features a children's march. The quality, multigenerational concert music provides educational opportunities both for the audience and for the student and adult performers.



Community Improvement Grant Spotlight

Community Policing Officers

Funded by the Special Initiatives Fund and Anonymous Donors (2)

La Crosse's most at-risk neighborhoods saw reduced crime rates thanks to the addition of several Neighborhood Resources Officers (NROs). These positions were made possible through a Federal grant program and support from La Crosse Community Foundation in the department's first-ever public-private partnership. The NROs focus their efforts on community concerns within their assigned neighborhoods, including Washburn, Lower Northside Deport and Downtown.

The model has been shown to improve relationships

between residents and police officers. The NROs have seen residents taking more ownership in their neighborhood, and residents and business owners report feeling more safe and secure. The greatest success NROs report is their ability to more quickly address drug activity, which is an increasing concern for our region. The La Crosse Police Department has become a national leader when it comes to their community policing model, even being recognized by the Wisconsin Attorney General for having the most innovative community policing program.



Recreation & Wellness Grant Spotlight

La Crosse Area Family YMCA Mental Health Director

Funded by the General Fund

One in five adults experiences a mental health condition each year; the same goes for teens ages 13 to 18. If left untreated, mental health conditions can drastically affect an individual's ability to lead a successful life. The need for improved mental health in the region has not gone unnoticed, as many groups and organizations including the La Crosse Area Family YMCA are working to develop solutions to help those struggling with mental health conditions.



One such solution is the YMCA's new full-time mental health director position, funded by a multi-year grant from the Foundation's General Fund. The La Crosse YMCA serves over 35,000 community members each year. This new position is improving members' access to accurate information about mental wellness, decreasing the stigma around seeking help, increasing screening and assessments, and streamlining referrals for those who need additional care. The position is also serving as a model and resource for other organizations interested in providing solutions for better mental health in the region.

◀ Sarah Johnson, the YMCA's mental health director.

Culture & Diversity Grant Spotlight

“ULTRA-AMERICAN: A Patriot Act” Azhar Usman Performance

Funded by the Global Awareness Fund and the June Kjome Justice & Peace Fund

More than 650 students and community members attended a free performance by nationally acclaimed comedian Azhar Usman at the University of Wisconsin- La Crosse in November. Uzman is a former lecturer, community activist and lawyer turned actor, writer and stand-up comedian who CNN has called “America’s funniest Muslim.” His show blends comedy with a serious message aimed to challenge audiences to re-think their assumptions about religion, race, and culture in America.



The event was organized by UW-L’s Anti-Islamophobia Working Group to provide an opportunity for constructive dialogue about Islam, and to strengthen inclusivity in our community. The working group, which includes faculty, staff and students, formed to address the increasing anti-Muslim sentiment in our country, and to encourage neighborly relationships with our Muslim community members. The Usman performance occurred as a part of La Crosse’s 4th Annual Global Initiatives Week, which celebrates our region’s diversity and global connections through dance, art, music, film, food and poetry.

For more information on applying for a grant, visit the Foundation’s website or call the program director Jamie Schloegel.

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Education & Scholarship Grant Spotlight

La Crosse Promise Future Centers

Funded by the General Fund and the Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund

The La Crosse Promise Future Centers are operated in both Logan and Central High School with the goal to maximize the number of high school students enrolling in post-secondary institutions. Future Center advisors connect students and their families to the resources necessary to achieve their post high school goals. They assist students with campus visits, college and career selection, scholarship applications and other financial aid planning.

La Crosse Promise is working to economically transform the region by positioning the city of La Crosse as an education-minded community. Research shows education-minded communities experience decreased crimes, better health, more stable families,

and increased civic participation. On-going data collection is showing success for the model. The graduating class of 2016 is the first to have access to the Future Centers for their entire high school experience. More than 75% of the Class of 2016 at both Logan and Central High School utilized the La Crosse Promise Future Centers to get information and resources necessary to pursue post-secondary education, and more than 72% of the Class of 2016 was accepted into 2-year or 4-year post-secondary programs. More than 64% of the Class of 2015 enrolled in college the following fall, which is a 5% increase from recent years.

Environment Grant Spotlight

Acorns to Oaks

Funded by the Myrick Hixon EcoPark Fund

Acorns to Oaks, a program of Mississippi Valley Conservancy (MVC), provided over 2,000 local students the opportunity to connect with nature in outdoor, hands-on classrooms to promote environmental literacy and sustainability. The program teaches students about native plants and animals, controlling invasive species and outdoor recreation activities to help kids develop an appreciation for our precious natural resources.

MVC collaborates with WisCorps to offer a traditional classroom education component. To kick-off the program’s third year, staff from both MVC and WisCorp joined 7th grade students from Lincoln Middle School in the New Amsterdam



Grasslands where they helped with seed collection to be spread in other local area grasslands after controlled burns. Prior to the field trip, students were taught about native grassland plants and the birds that nest there. Many students indicated the field trip was one of very few opportunities they have gotten to enjoy and connect with nature.



Health & Human Services Grant Spotlight

HorseSense for Special Riders Therapy Horses

Funded by the Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund and the Erickson Sisters’ Fund



HorseSense for Special Riders has offered a therapeutic horseback riding program for individuals with special needs in the Coulee Region since 1989. Therapeutic riding is a unique combination of sport, recreation and education, and offers many physical, cognitive, psychological and social benefits for children and adults with disabilities. With help from horse therapy, riders report improved social behaviors, self-confidence, speech and language, as well as muscular and physical improvement.

The horses utilized at HorseSense are critical to the success of the program. Not every horse has what it takes to enter a therapeutic riding program, and HorseSense ensures each horse is a good therapy candidate. When three horses were retired in 2015, HorseSense looked to the Foundation for funds to locate and purchase new horses that fit the specific needs of their riders. Thanks to a grant from the Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund and the Erickson Sisters’ Fund, two new horses named Kit and Pop Tart joined the HorseSense family in 2016. HorseSense serves over 100 children and adults each year, and has a total of nine highly trained therapy horses.

2016 Grants & Distributions

While we are very happy to be able to award these grants, there is always more need than we have funds to address. If you would like to contribute to any of the funds listed on pages 16-19, or establish your own fund, please contact our office at (608) 782-3223 or email lcexecdir@gmail.com.

The following organizations received a grant distribution from each listed fund in 2016.

7 RIVERS LGBTQ CENTER

Ardus and John Cleveland Family Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund

AFRICAN AMERICAN MUTUAL ASSISTANCE NETWORK

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

George and Virginia Schneider Family Fund

ALLEY CAT ALLIES INC

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

ALZHEIMERS ASSOCIATION OF GREATER WISCONSIN

George and Virginia Schneider Family Fund

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

Tom and Ann Monson Family Fund

AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION FOUNDATION

M. Elizabeth Cason Fund

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Corinne Zielke Fund

AMERICAN RED CROSS SCENIC BLUFFS CHAPTER

M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund

ANIMAL RIGHTS COALITION

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

AQUINAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION, INC.

Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund
Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund
Corinne Zielke Fund

AQUINAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INC.

Fowler and Hammer Fund

ARTS AT LARGE INC.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

BETHANY LUTHERAN HOMES, INC.

Bethany Lutheran Homes, Inc. Endowment
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Connie Replik Memorial Fund

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF THE 7 RIVERS REGION

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

BIRTHRIGHT OF LA CROSSE

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund
George and Virginia Schneider Family Fund

BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF GREATER LA CROSSE

William & Cynthia Berg Family Fund
MLB MKB Bottcher Family Fund
Boys & Girls Clubs of La Crosse Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Lommen Boys & Girls Club Scholarship
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Amie L. Mathy Center for Recreation and Education Endowment
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Steven P. and Suzanne R. Tanke Family Fund
Corinne Zielke Fund
Anonymous Fund

CAMP SEND A KID INC.

Covenant Fund

CAPABLE CANINES OF WISCONSIN

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

CARLETON COLLEGE

Schilling Family Fund

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKMAN

Davy Family Fund
La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund
Mary Grace Sieber Fund

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF LA CROSSE, INC.

Children's Museum of La Crosse Endowment
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Global Awareness Fund

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Christ Episcopal Church Historic Preservation Endowment
Wayne J. Hood Fund
Father Christopher Pratt Memorial Fund

CITY OF LA CROSSE

General Fund-LCF
Roch Kendrick Memorial Fund
Pettibone Park Commission Endowment
Special Initiative-LCF Fund

CITY OF ONALASKA

Harold E. Lemke Fund

CIVIL AIR PATROL-WISCONSIN WING

Barbara and Dave Erickson Fund

COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY FAITH ALLIANCE INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF

CONSUMER CREDIT COUNSELING SERVICE OF LA CROSSE

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

COULEE COUNCIL ON ADDICTIONS

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Jacob Christian Lillejord Memorial Fund aka "Jacob's Ladder"

COULEE READING CENTER, INC.

Richard W. Brown Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

COULEE REGION CHILDREN'S INTERNET PROTECTION TASK FORCE

General Fund-LCF

COULEE REGION HUMANE SOCIETY

M. Elizabeth Cason Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
PMJ Fund
Duane and Carol Taebel Fund

COULEE REGION SLED HOCKEY, INC.

General Fund-LCF
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

COULECAP, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund

COUNCIL ON FOUNDATIONS

General Fund-LCF

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE

Fowler and Hammer Fund
Father Christopher Pratt Memorial Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Foundation, Inc.

ELLA F. AMBROSIUS FUND

General Fund-LCF

ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Duane and Carol Taebel Fund

ESSENTIAL HEALTH CLINIC

Richard W. Brown Family Fund
Barbara and Donald Frank Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

EVERY BODY CAN DANCE, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

FAMILY & CHILDREN'S CENTER

American Association of University Women-La Crosse Branch
La Crosse Family and Children's Center Endowment

ROBERT & ELEANOR FRANKE CHARITABLE FUND

General Fund-LCF
Johns Flaherty Collins-Michael Stoker Memorial
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund
Dr. David L. & Sacia B. Morris Family Foundation Fund
Sullivan Fund
Bernadette Teff Family Fund

FELINE RESCUE INC.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH-LEGAL CLINIC

Barbara and Dave Erickson Fund
Fowler and Hammer Fund

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

William C. Jr. and Scott Pickett Memorial Fund

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Harold "Pete" Isenman Fund

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH - CLOTHES CLOSET

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

Kurt and Julie Schroeder Family Fund
Anonymous Fund

FREEDOM HONOR FLIGHT INC.

Chad Erickson Memorial Park Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

FRIENDS OF ANIMAL ADOPTIONS, INC.

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

FRIENDS OF COULEE REGION RSVP

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

FRIENDS OF THE LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

FRIENDS OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

FRIENDS OF WEST SALEM BASEBALL

Corinne Zielke Fund

GATEWAY AREA BOY SCOUTS

Davy Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Wayne J. Hood Fund
Mary Grace Sieber Fund

GENERAL FUND -LA CROSSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund
Schilling Family Fund

GIRL SCOUTS OF WISCONSIN-BADGERLAND COUNCIL

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Schilling Family Fund

GREAT RIVER SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

GREAT RIVERS UNITED WAY

General Fund-LCF
James and Ellen Heinecke Fund
Dr. David L. & Sacia B. Morris Family Foundation Fund
Schilling Family Fund
GROW LA CROSSE INC.

ERIC AND SANDY BREKKE FAMILY FUND

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF

GUNDENSEN MEDICAL FOUNDATION

Howard Dahl Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Ellen and Henry Funk Family Fund

FRED AND MARY ANN FUNK FAMILY FUND

Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund
Dr. David L. & Sacia B. Morris Family Foundation Fund
Connie Replik Memorial Fund

KURT AND JULIE SCHROEDER FAMILY FUND

Schilling Family Fund
Mary Grace Sieber Fund
Duane and Carol Taebel Fund
Chester and Veronica Ware Fund
Harry L. and Charlotte L. Woods Family Fund

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY-LA CROSSE AREA

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

HILLVIEW URBAN AGRICULTURE CENTER

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

HMOOB CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY AGENCY (HCCA)

Audrey and Donald Medinger Family Fund

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

HORSESENSE FOR SPECIAL RIDERS, INC.

Erickson Sisters' Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Harold "Pete" Isenman Fund

HUNGER TASK FORCE OF LA CROSSE, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCES

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF
Anonymous Fund

JIM'S GROCERY BAG FUND OF LCF

Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund
Kurt and Julie Schroeder Family Fund
Sullivan Fund

JOE WAS JUST JOE FOUNDATION INC.

Schilling Family Fund

JUNE KJOME JUSTICE AND PEACE FUND

Sullivan Fund

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF WISCONSIN

General Fund-LCF
Schilling Family Fund

JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Schilling Family Fund

KIDS AND MENTORS OUTDOORS (KAMO)

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund

KIVA MICROFUNDS

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

LA CROSSE AREA CRIME STOPPERS INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

LA CROSSE AREA FAMILY YMCA

Davy Family Fund
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund
General Fund-LCF
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund

ALICE O. GORDON & VIOLA M. FORSHLER FUND

Wayne J. Hood Fund
Schilling Family Fund
Chad's Champs Fund for the Miracle Field

LA CROSSE AREA SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVE, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

LA CROSSE AREA SYNOD ELCA

Global Awareness Fund
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund

LA CROSSE AREA VETERANS MENTOR PROGRAM INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

LA CROSSE CHAMBER CHORALE, INC.

La Crosse Chamber Chorale Fund
Dr. David L. and Sacia B. Morris Fund

LA CROSSE CO. ASSOC. - HOME & COMMUNITY ED.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

LA CROSSE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER, INC.

James and Ellyn Ash Family Fund
Magerus-McKinney Fund
Sundet Family Fund

LA CROSSE COMMUNITY THEATRE

Gretchen Guernsey Leigh Fund
Mary Grace Sieber Fund

LA CROSSE CONCERT BAND

Ella F. Ambrosius Fund
Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

LA CROSSE COUNTY 4-H

La Crosse County 4-H Fund

LA CROSSE COUNTY

Ardus and John Cleveland Family Fund
General Fund-LCF
Chad Erickson Memorial Fund
June Kjome Justice and Peace Fund
Special Initiative-LCF Fund

LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Anita and Robert Funke Historical Society Fund
La Crosse County Historical Society Endowment
Gretchen Guernsey Leigh Fund
Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund

LA CROSSE JAIL MINISTRY

General Fund-LCF

LA CROSSE LIONS CHARITIES, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

LA CROSSE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER INC.

Dr. David L. & Sacia B. Morris Family Foundation Fund

LA CROSSE PROMISE INC.

General Fund-LCF
Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund
Jack and Marti Schwem Fund

LA CROSSE PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.

Fowler and Hammer Fund
Maureen and Robert Freedland-LPEF Fund for Studies of the Shoah
Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund

Sally A. Grimslid Memorial Fund for Northside Elementary

Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund

Kids for Kids Fund-LPEF

La Crosse Public Education Foundation Endowment

La Crosse Public Education - Swantz Fund

Schilling Family Fund

Duane and Carol Taebel Fund

Carol and Duane Taebel Family Fund

LA CROSSE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Global Awareness Fund

Dr. Gunnar and Mary Baldwin Gundersen Memorial Fund

LA CROSSE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Ella F. Ambrosius Fund

Ruth M. Dalton, M.D. Fund

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

LA CROSSE YOUTH SYMPHONY SOCIETY

Richard W. Brown Family Fund

LAC COURTE OREILLES FOUNDATION, INC.

Kurt and Julie Schroeder Family Fund

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF WISCONSIN INC.

CMG Women's Fund

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

Davy Family Fund

MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

La Crosse Knights of Columbus Charity Fund

MAYO CLINIC HEALTH SYS.-FRANCISCAN HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION

Ruth M. Dalton, M.D. Fund

Davy Family Fund

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Foundation, Inc.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Schilling Family Fund

MENTAL HEALTH COALITION FOUNDATION, INC.

Schilling Family Fund

Morris A. and Roberta Anne Severson Fund

MINNEAPOLIS FOUNDATION

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CONSERVANCY

Fowler and Hammer Fund

Fred and Mary Ann Funk Family Fund

Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund

Myrick Hixon EcoPark Funds PMJ Fund

MOBILE MEALS OF LA CROSSE

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

MONROE COUNTY SHELTER CARE, INC.

American Association of University Women-La Crosse Branch

NAMI LA CROSSE COUNTY INC

William C. Jr. and Scott Pickett Memorial Fund

NATIONAL DANCE INSTITUTE

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

NEW HORIZONS SHELTER & OUTREACH CENTERS

Blahnik-Naugler Help Fund - WF

M. Elizabeth Cason Fund

Barbara and Donald Frank Family Fund

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

Guentner-Froegel Family Fund

General Fund-LCF

Norman L. Gillette, Sr. Family Fund

Rev. Ronald and Merle Gustafson Fund

James and Ellen Heinecke Fund

Milo and Beverly Mayer Mach Family Fund

George and Virginia Schneider Family Fund

Sundet Family Fund

Chester and Veronica Ware Fund

NO KILL LAW & ADVOCACY CENTER

Bob and Jean Marck Family Fund

NORSKEDALEN NATURE AND HERITAGE CENTER, INC.

Robert & Eleanor Franke Charitable Fund

General Fund-LCF

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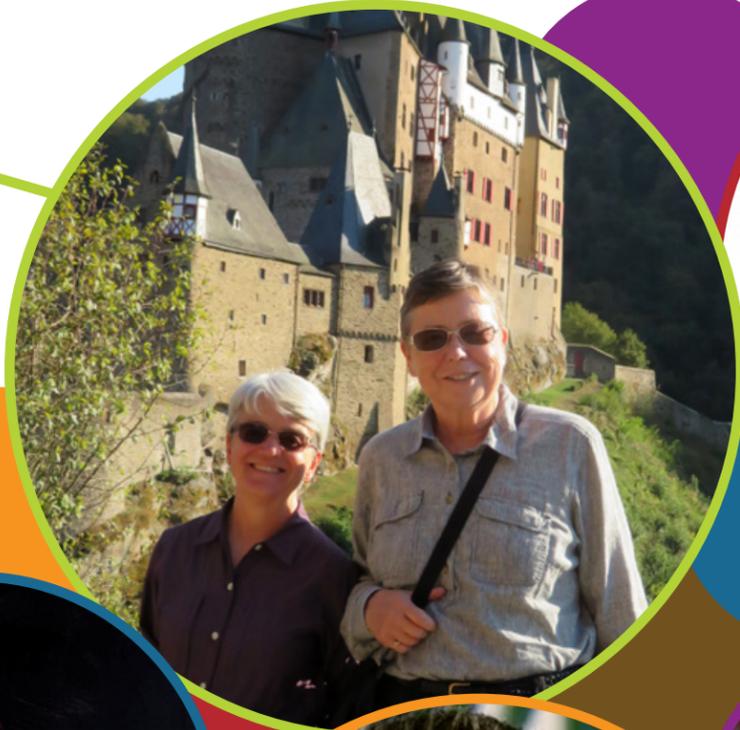
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Valerie Burman Art Plus Scholarship Fund

Established in Valerie's memory by her husband Ron. Valerie received awards to pursue a double major in both art and education, culminating with a Masters of Fine Art, the highest degree attainable in her field. She taught at the University of Minnesota, University of Wisconsin - La Crosse and Western Technical College. The fund will award a total of three annual scholarships to graduates at Logan, Central and Onalaska High Schools who are seeking a double-major in art plus a practical field like education just like Valerie.



Scott Henke Memorial Fund for the Care and Shelter of Animals

A designated fund established in Scott's memory by his father and sister to provide one annual grant to either the Sparta Animal Shelter, Viroqua-Westly Animal Shelter or the Coulee Region Humane Society, as determined by the Foundation's board each year.



Bramschreiber Family Fund in Memory of Karl Bramschreiber

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Established by Nina's daughter, Carol, to honor the long-time Bangor resident who passed away in 1987 at the age of 82. The scholarship will be annually awarded to a Bangor High School graduate planning to attend a public university or technical school. The recipient must demonstrate hard work and academic potential, and be respected by fellow students and faculty.



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Maureen Freedland Social and Environmental Justice Fund

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NEW FUNDS

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Donor advised fund established by Dr. Chris and Jane Kerbaugh to give back to their community in perpetuity, and instill a sense of philanthropy with their children, Steven and Amanda. As a dentist, Chris is keenly aware of people's needs and the challenges they face. Jane is a life-long resident of the La Crosse area, and she and Chris support organizations that assist people facing challenges particularly related to poverty.

Stephen and Katherine Webster Fund

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Established in memory of Robyn Dockens by her sister and friends in the Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau community. The fund will receive proceeds from an annual fundraiser, and will provide four scholarships for G-E-T High School graduates who plan to attend a university or technical school. Three scholarships will support students who excel in music, and the fourth will support a student recommended by the school who is not receiving any other scholarships.

Maureen L. Kinney Fund

A designated fund that will extend grant support to organizations whose missions support education, arts and cultural programs in the community. Maureen Kinney, a La Crosse attorney, has been involved in leadership roles for several local organizations, including the Mississippi Valley Conservancy and League of Women Voters.

Nancy Fulkerson Hill and Ed Hill Fund

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2016 *Financial Report*

Consolidated Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2016	2015
SUPPORT AND REVENUE		
Public support - contributions and bequests	\$ 1,872,085	\$ 567,041
Interest and dividend income	1,544,040	1,866,977
Net gain (loss) on investments	1,876,660	(2,098,607)
Other income	37,531	36,049
Change in perpetual trust	10,541	(304,166)
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	5,340,857	67,294
EXPENSES		
Grants and scholarships	3,278,213	3,565,927
Program-related expenses	6,159	10,394
Support services:		
Management and general	506,500	503,769
Fundraising	28,188	29,188
Investment and trustee fees	261,397	279,902
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,080,457	4,389,180
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	1,260,400	(4,321,886)
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	55,183,748	59,505,634
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 56,444,148	\$ 55,183,748

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This is a summarized financial statement. The complete audited financial statements and IRS Form 990 are available by request.

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 208,882	\$ 306,486
Investments	56,646,151	55,155,671
Leasehold Improvements, fixtures and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$18,185 in 2016 and \$13,743 in 2015	22,742	25,749
Other assets	53,136	52,779
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts	3,923,816	3,913,275
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 60,854,727	\$ 59,453,960
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Payroll taxes payable	\$ 922	\$ 918
Grants payable	605,577	1,249,303
Agency endowment funds	3,804,080	3,019,991
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,410,579	4,270,212
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted net assets		
Undesignated funds	7,349,327	7,079,180
Special Initiative fund	120,847	33,807
Field of interest funds	1,940,419	2,509,875
Donor designated funds	11,192,127	10,329,670
Donor advised funds	10,238,253	9,219,183
Supporting organizations	7,304,844	7,467,893
Total unrestricted net assets	38,145,817	36,639,608
Temporarily restricted net assets	14,374,515	14,630,865
Permanently restricted net assets	3,923,816	3,913,275
TOTAL NET ASSETS	56,444,148	55,183,748
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 60,854,727	\$ 59,453,960

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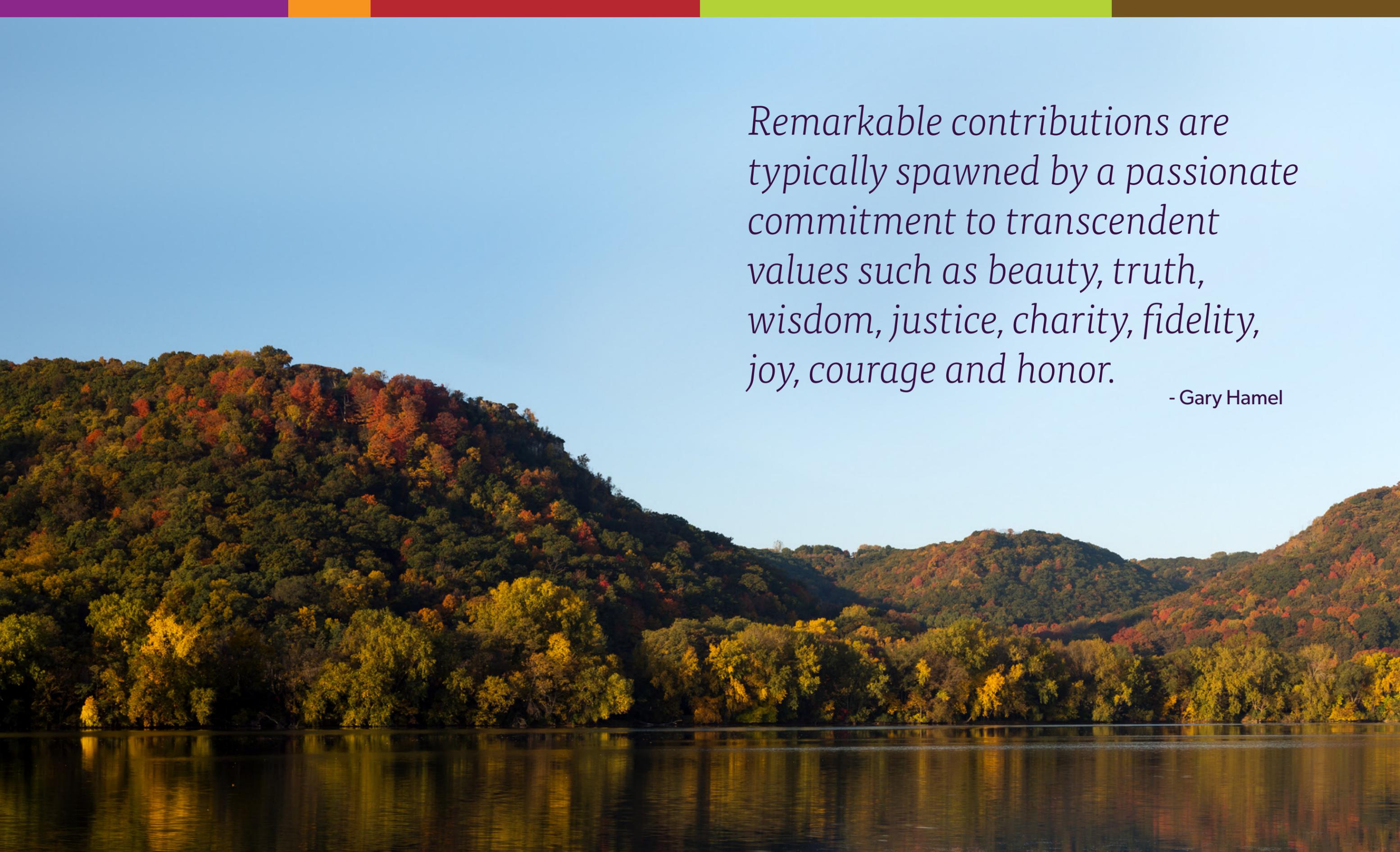
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