

the Ligonier Valley ENDOWMENT

Annual Report 2022

The Ligonier Valley Endowment seeks to preserve and steward the physical and cultural heritage of life in the Ligonier Valley and to encourage further enrichment in aesthetic, educational, recreational and cultural dimensions. Through grants awarded to local charities and qualified non-profit organizations, the Endowment connects donors to the central needs of the community. The Ligonier Valley Endowment relies on the generosity of the citizens and supporters of our community to fulfill this purpose.



"We are grateful for the Ligonier Valley Endowment's grant toward the Welcome Center and Hospitality Lounge in the new Joshua House. This fellowship space has quickly become the favorite spot for many to gather and enjoy their time of renewal and enrichment as they retreat at Ligonier Camp and Conference."

Patrick Myers, Executive Director,
Ligonier Camp & Conference Center



"The grant was specifically used for purchasing hemlock logs for a stream ecosystem habitat improvement project for Hendricks Creek near Bolivar. Our region's tourism benefits by creating a pristine "destination fishery" throughout the Tubmill Watershed. Our sincere thanks goes to the Ligonier Valley Endowment for considering the value and funding of these projects."

Lindon Gamble,
Tubmill Trout Club Unlimited

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2022 Community Recipients:

Bolivar Parks & Recreation – Remodel playground

Bolivar Volunteer Fire Company – Upgrade 2 fire truck engines to National Fire Standards

Chestnut Ridge Meals on Wheels – Food supplies due to increased costs

High Flyers – Uniforms and equipment

Ligonier Camp & Conference Center – Completion of Welcome Center

Ligonier Valley Athletics – Start-up funds for Ligonier Valley High School Hall of Fame

Ligonier Valley Historical Society – Support Free Museum Day (features six Ligonier Valley museums)

Ligonier Valley Learning Center – Outdoor nature preschool

Ligonier Valley Rams Youth Football – New scoreboard and field equipment

Ligonier Volunteer Hose Co. #1 – Funds toward purchase of new aerial ladder truck

Ligonier Youth Baseball & Softball Association – Improvements for Donaldson playing fields

Mutual Aid – Decontamination System (also used by police and fire departments)

New Florence United Methodist Church – ADA compliance improvements

St. Clair Township Police Department – Mobile computer systems for three police cars

Tubmill Trout Club Unlimited – Correct and clean water flow to Hendricks Creek

Woodbridge Preschool – New air conditioning system



"Funding provided by the Ligonier Valley Endowment was essential to the operation of the LV Rams Youth Football and Cheer Program in 2022. Over 100 children in our school district benefited directly from the funding, in the pursuit of their athletic activities. The LVE field's new scoreboard renamed in honor of Mr. Jerry Page will be used by generations to come."

John Fogel, LV Youth Football President and Coach

Named Community Funds:

- Artuso Family Fund • Andrew A. Balog Fund • William E. and Virginia Wiebel Bitzer Fund
- Brallier Family Fund • John and Catharine Cathey Fund • Jim and Gerry Cooper Fund
- Anne and Paul Coyne Fund • Craig Family Fund • Marvin and Mary L. Gantz Fund
- Stephen and Janice Gooder Family Fund • George J. and Sarah B. Heideman Fund
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2022 Scholarship Recipients:

- Thomas & Nancy Donchez Scholarship..... Matthew Marinchak
- Marvin and Mary L. Gantz Scholarship Katie Andrews
- Ligonier Valley Endowment Scholarship Michael Knupp and Abigail Painter
- Carmen Joseph Marotta Scholarship..... Alex Marsh
- R. K. Mellon Family Scholarship Sara Package and Maverick Vaniel



Ligonier resident Alex Marsh, recipient of the Carmen Joseph Marotta Scholarship, is a first year student at the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech.

"The Marotta Scholarship has helped and supported me on my journey to become a veterinarian."
Alex Marsh

Named Scholarship Funds:

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- Thomas & Nancy Donchez Scholarship Fund
- Marvin and Mary L. Gantz Scholarship Fund
- Ligonier Valley Endowment Scholarship Fund
- Carmen Joseph Marotta Scholarship Fund
- R. K. Mellon Family Scholarship Fund

A \$10,000 contribution is required to establish a Named Fund. A \$25,000 contribution is required to establish a Named Scholarship Fund.

Visit our website at ligoniervalleyendowment.org to learn about our Named Fund option for donating.

If you would like further information on establishing one of these funds, or if you are considering us in your estate planning, please call the Ligonier Valley Endowment office at 724-238-3970.

The Ligonier Valley Endowment Fund: \$

Total Contributions 2022\$312,925

Total Grants Awarded:

Community\$205,870
Scholarships \$41,000
Total\$246,870

Since Inception:

Community\$4,452,535
Scholarships\$187,200
Total\$4,639,735

Endowment Fund balance as of

12/31/2022.....\$5,875,839

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