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# OTTAWA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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## EARL J. JOHNSON FUND ESTABLISHED

### THIS ISSUE

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- Request for operating funds
- Grant Writing Workshop

Rich Norgard and Patrick O'Keeffe (on left), Ottawa County Historical Society members accept a check from OCCF vice president, Dr. Derrill Habitzel and president, Joy Roth (on right)



The Ottawa County Community Foundation recently established a fund to honor the memory of Earl Johnson, an early Community Foundation board member, prominent Ottawa County school superintendent, and farmer from Williston, who died in 2012 at the age of 101. Mr. Johnson's life was one of giving to his community, and his decision to leave a portion of his estate to the Community Foundation provided a perfect way to continue his legacy. The Earl J. Johnson Fund, established by the Ottawa County Community Foundation in September, will support the Foundation's grant-making program in Ottawa County.

In addition to establishing a fund in Mr. Johnson's name, the Foundation helped to underwrite the new *Ottawa County 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* book, with a \$10,000 gift from the Johnson legacy. The book is a special project of the Ottawa County Historical Society, and will be the first comprehensive telling of the story of Ottawa County, founded on March 6, 1840, in over a century. It will be rich in narrative and photographs as it celebrates the diversity of its people and industry. The volume is expected to be available by the summer of 2016.

Mr. Johnson knew and respected the work of the Community Foundation and recognized how donations to the Foundation will continue "Doing Good. Forever." We are grateful to him for his generosity and his foresight to recognize that a strong community comes from the good works of everyone.

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If you have not done so, why not do it now?

The Ottawa County Community Foundation is dedicated to helping you with your philanthropy whether through memorial donations or as part of your estate plan or will. Please consider naming us as one of your beneficiaries.

To learn more, visit our website [www.ottawaccf.org](http://www.ottawaccf.org) or call 419-797-4293

## Special Thanks

Sincere appreciation is extended to two local groups of volunteers who have provided assistance this year with the preparation of our newsletters for mailing.

Thank you to:

- ◆ Port Clinton High School students in Ms. Kristin Middleton's classroom
- ◆ U.S. Bank staff, Oak Harbor branch

## ALL ABOUT US

The Ottawa County Community Foundation is a public charitable organization created by the citizens of our community to improve the quality of life for those who live and work in the Ottawa County area.

The Foundation established a permanent endowment to support a variety of charitable programs designed to address the current and emerging needs of local residents in the fields of education, social services, physical and mental health, safe and positive living environment, natural resources and the arts.

College scholarships are awarded to deserving students to support their post-secondary educational endeavors.

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Bedankt Dėkujeme vām  
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# GRANTS AWARDED TO LOCAL NONPROFITS

The Foundation awards grants each year to deserving nonprofit organizations serving Ottawa County. This year a total of **\$38,354.84** was awarded to **27 organizations** at the Grant Awards Breakfast in June. Funding for these grants is provided by the earnings from unrestricted funds held by the Foundation including the Armbruster Fund, Peterson-Blackburn Fund, Rhiel Fund, Rofkar Fund, Stensen Memorial Fund, Theirwechter Fund, and Johnson Fund. **Congratulations** to the recipients for their efforts to meet the needs in our community!

Organization	Use	Amount
Salvation Army	School supplies & book bags for low-income/at risk students	\$2,500.00
Oak House	Trip to Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village	\$700.00
United Way Ottawa County	Weekend summer food program in Port Clinton	\$1,000.00
Friends of P.C. Parks	Posts, backboards, hoops for new basketball courts	\$900.00
Stein Hospice	Educational resources, pamphlets, therapy supplies	\$1,000.00
The First Tee	Student scholarships for junior golf and life skills programs	\$2,000.00
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Irrigation system, brochures, garden shed	\$2,175.00
Firelands Symphony Orch.	Green Golly Flute Project to Bataan & Danbury Elem. Schools	\$1,000.00
Oak Harbor Development Grp.	Business district flower program	\$500.00
Danbury Twp. Police Dept.	Purchase automatic external defibrillator	\$1,518.00
Otterbein North Shore	Music & Memory program for elders	\$1,000.00
Riders Unlimited	Motorized lift & safety upgrades	\$500.00
Oak Harbor Chamber Foundation	Sound system & other equipment	\$500.00
Ottawa County Board of D. D.	Printing brochures, advertising on OCTA buses	\$500.00
Ottawa Nat'l Wildlife Refuge	Binoculars & books for Oak Harbor Library partnership	\$500.00
Musical Arts Series in P. C.	Performances at 6 retirement centers, master class for students	\$2,000.00
Ottawa County Museum	Frames for old stained glass windows	\$750.00
Ability Center of Ottawa County	Recreation activities for Day at the Range & Adventure Fair	\$2,000.00
Greater P.C. Area Arts Council	Display of local artists' work on building at Friendship Park	\$1,000.00
Life is Good No Matter What	Provide experiences for adults with terminal cancer	\$500.00
Humane Society Ottawa County	Spay/neuter program	\$1,000.00
Church Of Truth Ministries	Purchase food for the food pantry	\$1,400.00
Genoa Academic Committee	Chromebooks for high school students	\$1,500.00
Black Swamp Conservancy	Materials for boardwalk on Middle Bass Island	\$500.00
P.C. Lighthouse Conservancy	Wireless alarm system	\$411.84
National MS Society Ohio Chapter	Short term emergency & support services to MS patients	\$1,000.00
Ottawa County Historical Society	Ottawa County 175th anniversary book project	\$10,000.00

## End the Year with a Gift to Support the Community Foundation

The Ottawa County Community Foundation relies on donations to support its day-to-day operating needs. Please consider us as you make your year-end giving decisions. Your contribution is tax-deductible.

Enclosed is my/our gift:      \_\_\_\$1000    \_\_\_\$500    \_\_\_\$100    \_\_\_\$50    \_\_\_Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form with your check payable to: *Ottawa Co. Community Foundation*, P.O. Box 36, Port Clinton, OH 43452

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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*Thank you. Your gift does make a difference!*



I would like to know more about how I can include the Community Foundation in my estate plans.



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## 2016 GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP SCHEDULED

Nonprofit organizations are encouraged to attend an upcoming Grant Writing Workshop sponsored by the Foundation. Nancy Heller, grants specialist and educator from Columbus, will conduct the training.

Participants will learn more about OCCF grant opportunities and get detailed instructions on how to submit a request for funds from the Foundation.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2016**  
**8:30 A.M.**  
**OTTAWA COUNTY COMMUNITY**  
**RESOURCE CENTRE**  
**8043 W. STATE ROUTE 163**  
**OAK HARBOR**

Reply to: [info@ottawaccf.org](mailto:info@ottawaccf.org)

Applications for grants for 2016 are due  
**March 15, 2016.**

## Our Giving . . . by the Numbers

2015 marks the fifteenth anniversary of the Ottawa County Community Foundation. A combination of donor generosity and wise stewardship have made these years a time of remarkable growth for the Foundation. From our humble beginnings has arisen a vibrant organization that now has **over \$6.3 million** invested for causes dear to the hearts of our donors. Below is a summary of giving to date.

**Total Community Grant dollars awarded**  
**\$297,611**

**Total Scholarship dollars awarded**  
**\$575,015**

**Grand Total dollars distributed\***  
**\$1,262,182**

\*includes donor advised, designated, and organization endowment funds

*This publication shares news about the Ottawa County Community Foundation as we fulfill our mission of creating philanthropy and making our community a better place to live, work and raise a family. The Ottawa County Community Foundation is a public charitable foundation affiliated with the Toledo Community Foundation.*