



Freeport Community Foundation

2014

Annual Report to the Community

The mission of the Freeport Community Foundation is to help provide for the well-being of the citizens of northwest Illinois by accumulating assets in the form of permanent funds and prudently distributing income from those funds to charitable organizations.

How have we made an impact?

\$90,608.86 awarded in grants in 2014

Boys & Girls Club of Stephenson County – Empowerment Initiative

CareerTEC – Computer Info Server System

CONTACT – Train the Trainer - Mental Health First Aid

FHN Family Counseling Center – Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring

Freeport Art Museum – Arts Magnetism at Jones-Farrar School

Malcolm Eaton Enterprises – Production Expansion

Master Builders Ministries – Case Management Tech Upgrade

New Horizons Counseling Center – Therapeutic Counseling for Seniors with Senior Resource Center

New Horizons Counseling Center – Therapeutic Counseling FSD #145 Students

Northern Illinois Food Bank (2) – Capacity Building: Mt. Calvary Food Pantry, New Jerusalem

Planetary Studies Foundation – Observatory Expansion at Park Hills

RAMP - Teens in Transition – Le-Win #202 Students

Senior Resource Center – Direct Assistance Program

Stataline Music Foundation – Summer Chamber Orchestra

Stephenson Cty (Friends of the Pecatonica) - Concrete Picnic Tables - Atten's Landing

Stephenson Cty Historical Society – Research Library Development

United Way of NW IL – Computer Upgrade

VOICES DV – Sexual Assault & Abuse Prevention w/ FSD #145 Kindergarten students/teachers/parents



2014 Fall Grant Awards

\$1,600.00 awarded in YAC Grants in 2014

Aquin Catholic Schools, Cub Scout Pack 832, RAMP, United Way of NW IL

2014 YAC CARE Awards (Community Awareness Reflected in Education)

Connie Gogel, Aquin - Ms. Gogel donated her \$100.00 award to the Aquin Interact service club.

Matthew A. Marvin Community Impact Award - David A. Steenrod (posthumously).

Mrs. Elly Steenrod donated her husband's \$500.00 award to the Freeport Community Public School Fund.

John M. Drogosz Youth Substance Abuse Prevention/Treatment Memorial -

The Rosecrance Foundation - Hillman Recovery Home for boys basketball court

Donations of Support were made to: Malcolm Eaton Enterprises summer camp, FACC food pantry

In Kind Donations of time, talent and expertise: Big Easy Radio, Lisa Bull, Jessica Modica, Peggy Campbell, Jay Castro, Marcy Folgate, FCF Board of Directors and Staff, Freeport Area Chamber of Commerce, Freeport/Stephenson County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Laurie Gungel, Brad Hart, M-45 Marketing Services, Beth McWhirter, Shary Meinert, Northwestern Illinois Farmer, Marilee Murphy-Odendahl, Attorney David Olsen, Aubra Palermo, Andrea Schultz-Winter, Kathi Spaeth, The Journal-Standard, United Way of NWIL, Village Voices, Youth Advisory Council Members

Donations

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A Message from the President...

The Freeport Community Foundation was founded in 1975 to create a lasting legacy of funds for charitable organizations serving the people of Freeport and the surrounding communities. During the past 39 years the Freeport Community Foundation has provided a constant source of grant funds to our local non-profit charitable organizations. We are so proud to say that grants in excess of two million dollars have been awarded!

In 2015, we will continue to work towards raising awareness of the Foundation. We will celebrate 40 years of giving back. Your gifts fund our endowment process to help us give back to our communities forever. We invite you to join us on the journey of making a philanthropic meaningful impact in our communities both in the immediate future and for the long term.

We welcome your questions and urge you to learn more about your Freeport Community Foundation by visiting our website at www.freeportcommunityfoundation.org or by calling us at 815-801-3035.

Bob Nickels, Board President



The Foundation presented our 2014 Matthew A. Marvin Community Impact Award to Elly Steenrod to posthumously honor her husband David Steenrod. The award is named in honor of Freeport philanthropist Matt Marvin and will be awarded annually to a worthy community volunteer.

Philanthropy is the core of the Foundation. It's how we started. It's how we have grown. And it is how we will continue to thrive. If you would like to join us on this philanthropic journey, make a donation to your favorite fund or contact us to find out how to establish a Fund:

Name _____
Address _____
City / State / Zip _____
Gift Amount: ___\$25 ___\$50 ___\$100 ___Other \$_____

Select Your Favorite Fund:

- Community Needs Fund
- Matthew A. Marvin Fund
- Freeport Area Church Cooperative (FACC) Endowment Fund
- RAMP Endowment Fund
- Northwest Illinois-Southwest Wisconsin Fund for Community Development
- John M. Drogosz Youth Substance Abuse Prevention/Treatment Memorial Fund
- Ian Murphy-Mitchard Scholarship Fund
- RC Miller Agriculture & Land Conservation Fund
- Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Fund
- United Way of Northwest Illinois Endowment
- Dan & Nancy Schmitt Family Endowment Fund
- In Memory of _____

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