Message from the Executive Director
A Community Foundation is simply that, a community coming together to build a strong foundation from which the community can continue to grow and prosper. Through FCF’s stewardship of your investments, the Foundation has, since 2014, more than doubled our annual reinvestment into the region, topping out at $193,607 in grants awarded last year. The more you invest in the Freeport Community Foundation, the greater the dividends our communities and citizens are able to experience. Please, come grow with us!

Michelle DeHaven, Executive Director
fcfdirector@freeportcommunityfoundation.org

Message from the Board President
Over the last 44 years, the Freeport Community Foundation has invested over $2.7 million in grant funding to organizations throughout our three-county service area. That investment yields an ongoing positive impact on the quality of life throughout northwest Illinois. Please contact us to learn more about how you can become part of this productive organization nurturing our region’s future.

Paulette Williams-Thomas, Board President

2019 FCF Spring Grant Awards
The Foundation is pleased to announce that $70,109.64 in grants were awarded to the following organizations from the Community Needs / Marvin Fund and the Craig Wilson Trust:

- Boys & Girls Club of Freeport & Stephenson County - Project Scrub
- Freeport Area Church Cooperative - FACC Safe and Warm
- Freeport Art Museum - Paint the Port
- Freeport Middle School - Rachel’s Challenge—An Anti-Bullying Initiative
- Northern Illinois Food Bank - Food Distribution in Stephenson County
- Senior Resource Center - Technology to Serve Seniors Project
- Special Olympics Illinois - Summer Games 2019
- St. John’s Lutheran Church - Grace Meal
- Stockton Music Boosters Club - Voice Awards
- The Workshop - The Workshop Galena Gifts Work Experience
- Timber Lake Playhouse - Summer Theatre Literacy Project
- VOICES of Stephenson County - VOICES of Stephenson County Safety Upgrades

Stephenson County Historical Society
FCF’s grant to the Stephenson County Historical Society provided funds to preserve and digitize Charissa Taylor Bass’ “Songs of the Centuries” illuminated book containing over 70 poems spanning twelve centuries. “Songs of the Centuries” is one of the museum’s most beautiful and important artifacts. The project includes a custom built acrylic vitrine (case) for display. The book was also professionally photographed. Visitors can now view all 75 works of art on a digital screen, thereby enhancing their experience at the museum.

Drogosz Grant
The Foundation awarded $4,000.00 from the John M. Drogosz Youth Substance Abuse Prevention/Treatment Memorial Fund to the Rosecrance Foundation. This grant will be used to secure fitness equipment, including a treadmill and stationary bike, for Rosecrance’s recovery homes for adolescent boys and girls. This long-term residential program is designed to develop independent living skills and provide ongoing support, safety and counseling in a drug-free setting after completing a primary treatment program. With this equipment, clients will be able to further integrate recreational activity into their daily lives.

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2018-2019 Grant Awards
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Youth Advisory Council (YAC)
The Youth Advisory Council (YAC) consists of area youth age 14-20 who are dedicated to learning about volunteerism, philanthropy, and leadership. YAC members also learn about the grant-making process including reviewing and awarding grants. Current YAC members are Brittany Vehmeier, Shirley Hoummou, Chloe Smith, and Brenna Woodworth. The YAC awarded 4 grants in April 2019 to youth-serving projects:

- Family YMCA of Northwest Illinois (Outreach Program – STEM Activities)
- United Way of Northwest Illinois (Apple River Little Free Library)
- VOICES of Stephenson County (Children’s Summer Camp)

Stephenson County Historical Society

“You do your little bit of good where you are; it’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.”

– Desmond Tutu
Matthew A. Marvin Community Impact Award

The 6th annual Matthew A. Marvin Community Impact Award was presented to Teri Winter. Teri has served on several boards including Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Jane Addams Mental Health Center, FHN Finance Committee, YMCA of Northwest Illinois, FHN Foundation, and the Highland Community College Foundation. Teri loves Freeport and is one of its biggest cheerleaders.

Teri exemplifies the spirit of the Matthew A. Marvin Community Impact Award – she loves her community and does what it takes to help make Freeport a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

In addition to the recognition, Teri Winter was awarded $1,000 to present to a non-profit 501(c) (3) of her choice. Teri chose the Family YMCA of Northwest Illinois as the recipient of this cash award for its After School Program.

The Foundation is currently looking for nominees for the 2019 award. The Impact Award honors an individual or nonprofit organization whose notable contributions to the community set a high standard of quality and impact.

Nomination forms can be found on our website: http://freeportcommunityfoundation.org/about-us/matthew-a-marvin-community-impact-award/ or you may also call or email the Foundation for this form. Nominators will be asked to include a detailed (750-word) narrative about the nominee. Nominations are due at the Foundation office by September 12, 2019.

The winner will be announced at the Foundation’s annual Fall Grant and Donor Reception on Thursday, October 24, 2019, at the Eagles Club.

Discretionary Donations, Grants and Scholarships

Craig Allan Wilson Trust. Betty Wilson, mother of Craig Wilson, recently toured the updated FHN Family Centered Care Room and Lounge. In 2018, through FCF and funds from the Craig Wilson Trust, $1,000 was donated to the FHN Hospice program in honor of Craig Wilson.

Community Needs/Marvin Fund. FCF made donations to the following charitable organizations and their programs: Northern Illinois Food Bank (Milk2MyPlate and Mobile Food Pantry – McConnell), The Salvation Army (Year-end donation), United Way of Northwest Illinois (Giving Tuesday Match), Northwest Illinois Audubon Society (Earth Day 2019), and Tyler’s Justice Center (Men Who Cook sponsorship).

Dan & Nancy Schmitt Family Fund. Family YMCA of Northwest Illinois (School Uniforms), Highland Community College Foundation (Friends of the Fine Arts), and the Winneshiek Playhouse (Lighting Fund).

Jeannette Lloyd Trust Scholarship Fund. Three scholarships were given in 2018 to Freeport High School seniors who have excelled in speech and drama: Kya Eckert, Sara Heiden, and Dan Rials.

Northwest Illinois-Southwest Wisconsin Fund for Community Development. Mighty Richland Dessert Theater (Performances).

RC Miller Agriculture & Land Conservation Fund. Freeport High School Ag Department (Vet Science Class Chicken Model).

The Luthin Family Endowment Fund. The Salvation Army (Holiday Needs) and Flight Radio (Day in the Park Program).

Freeport Community Foundation

Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets

Modified Cash Basis (unaudited) December 31, 2018

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Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

Modified Cash Basis (unaudited) for the year ending December 31, 2018

| Public support and revenue: |          |
| Contributions               | $ 470,908|
| Investment income           | 207,476  |
| Realized and unrealized gains (losses) | (592,468) |
| Total public support and revenue | 85,916  |
| Allocations and expenses:   |          |
| Allocations to agencies     | 193,608  |
| Management and general      | 118,323  |
| Total allocations and expenses | 311,931 |
| Change in net assets        | (226,015) |
| Net assets, beginning of year | 4,811,329|
| Net assets, end of year     | $ 4,585,314|

SAVE THE DATE

Fall Grant and Donor Reception

Thursday, October 24, 2019

Eagles Club • 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Mark your calendar to attend the Foundation’s annual Fall Grant and Donor Reception! It is a great opportunity to learn more about the positive impact the FCF has on our region, as well as meet our 2019 Grants Recipients. This year’s Matt Marvin Award honorees will be revealed, along with a few other surprises.

RSVP to the Foundation at 815-801-3035 or ofcmanager@freeportcommunityfoundation.org

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Connecting people who care with causes that matter.

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.