THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA
2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Homegrown Philanthropy
What We Do

The Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization, created in 1978, that provides:

**Personalized service** to make your giving easy, flexible and effective. We accept a variety of gifts, offer custom fund options to suit your needs, and all gifts receive maximum tax advantages. We do all this with administrative costs of less than one percent of our assets.

**Local expertise** with a professional staff that understands the issues and opportunities shaping our region. We monitor all areas of community need and can help you learn about the most effective organizations and programs serving your areas of interest.

**Strong leadership** that invests in the most promising endeavors for our mountain communities and responsibly manages $170 million in charitable assets. We ensure your giving will effectively benefit generations to come.

Our Mission

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina promotes and expands regional philanthropy and develops local funds that address changing needs and opportunities in the 18 counties of Western North Carolina.

WNC Counties Served

Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey.
In the past year, The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina distributed more than $9.4 million in charitable grants across the 18-county mountain region and beyond. These grants plant the seeds for a strong future and support innovative programs that address our most pressing needs and promising opportunities. Thanks to local philanthropists’ investment in and recognition of visionary projects, future generations will reap a bountiful harvest from homegrown philanthropy that supports and sustains our mountain way of life and advances the welfare of all our citizens.
Our WNC Region

Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey
Message from the Board Chairman and President

For the past 29 years, the people of our region have shared their wealth with others through The Community Foundation by assisting those who need a helping hand, promoting the arts, enhancing our natural environment, building community, providing access to health care, improving education and making sure that a legacy of caring exists for future generations.

This is homegrown philanthropy at its best, binding local people together with nonprofit organizations that are working to strengthen our beautiful mountain region.

As we look to the future, we see the communities of our 18 counties growing and changing. There are increasing needs and new challenges that will take strength, leadership and generosity to address. The Community Foundation is committed to working with others — donors, nonprofits, community and business leaders, and public officials — to bring all of our resources to bear on the compelling issues of our time. We know that communities thrive when determined people come together to make good things happen. We hope you will join with us to reach even further into our mountains with this indomitable spirit of homegrown philanthropy.

The abundant generosity of many people across Western North Carolina will be evident in the pages that follow. If you are considering becoming a donor, please call and let us know how we might work together to carry out your passion for your community and improve its quality of life for generations to come.

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Since 1978, 124 men and women have served as Directors of The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina, ensuring the Foundation is governed with community input. The lives of countless individuals and nearly every mountain community has been touched by their dedication to the betterment of the region we share.

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The Community Foundation At A Glance

**Founded:** 1978

**Assets:** $170 million

**Investment Return:**
- 15.9% – one year
- 10.0% – three years
- 9.6% – five years

**Operating Costs:** less than 1% of assets

**Contributions Received:** $17.4 million – year ended 6/30/07

**Funds:**
- 79 new funds established during the year
- 15 new planned gifts created during the year
- 783 total funds created by individuals, families and organizations

**Grants:**
- $9.4 million awarded during the year
- $6.7 million in donor-advised distributions
- $2.1 million in competitive grants
- $516,242 in scholarships
- $90 million awarded since 1978

**Types of Support:**
- Broad-based grantmaking in the areas of:
  - Advancing the Arts
  - Assisting People in Need
  - Building Community and Economic Vitality
  - Improving Educational Opportunities
  - Enhancing the Environment
  - Promoting Quality Health

**Area Served:** 18 western counties of North Carolina

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**ASSET GROWTH 1997 - 2007**

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$9.4 Million Distributed in Grants and Giving in 2007

A Advancing the Arts: $654,072
Expanding cultural and heritage offerings, assisting museums and cultural institutions

B Assisting People in Need: $2,171,874
Meeting basic needs, reaching the disadvantaged through early intervention and helping people facing challenges become more self-sufficient

C Building Community and Economic Vitality: $1,190,135
Providing economic opportunities, improving affordable housing, and encouraging civic engagement and community improvements

D Improving Educational Opportunities: $1,359,999
Supporting creative approaches to improve education in the public schools and the community

E Scholarships: $516,242
Helping WNC students pursue higher education

F Enhancing the Environment: $725,623
Addressing challenges through education/initiatives to preserve and protect our natural resources

G Promoting Quality Health: $1,624,883
Extending access and supporting health services, encouraging health and wellness programs

H Religion: $1,191,406
Donor-advised gifts to churches and religious institutions
Leadership Initiatives

In addition to our work with area philanthropists and ongoing grantmaking, The Community Foundation helps to strengthen our region through the following targeted leadership initiatives:

Our Changing Mountain Landscapes
The Community Foundation has served our mountain region for 29 years, a period of dramatic and rapid change. We have witnessed a changing economy and new struggles for families and children. We have welcomed thousands of newcomers from diverse backgrounds, and we have been affected by political and global change.

For the past year, The Community Foundation Board and staff have been listening to and learning from our donors, community and nonprofit leaders, elected officials, developers, farmers, realtors, builders, long-time landowners, newcomers, property rights advocates, and a long list of other local citizens to identify the most pressing needs of our region. The issues that evoked the most concern related to caring for our mountain landscapes and promoting more informed decisions about how we use our land to positively impact our economy and our environment, and sustain our cherished quality of life.

These are complex problems and many different people and groups hold keys to the solutions. The Community Foundation believes that we need a forum to generate reasoned public dialogue around these issues and create tools to address them. To this end, our Board has committed both our convening and grantmaking capacities.

During the next year, we will be partnering with the Southwestern Commission in the seven western counties of our region — Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain — to pilot the Mountain Landscapes Initiative. We will use the latest technology to visualize regional and county demographic data to help community leaders and local citizens make meaningful decisions about what they want for their communities. Using this visualization technology, participants can see the impact of a variety of development practices in use in locales across the United States with characteristics similar to ours in Western North Carolina.

Conversations will include topics such as economic growth, quality of life, and the natural beauty that is our hallmark — and in many cases the lifeblood — of our region.

This will be a fair and inclusive process that brings together a broad and diverse constituency and hears all voices. It’s Homegrown Philanthropy that is providing this opportunity for local people to make informed decisions.

Engaging Women Philanthropists
As we search for solutions to the pressing issues facing our mountain communities, The Community Foundation is committed to helping women who have access to wealth work together to assist less fortunate women and girls, who constitute a disproportionate number of those living in poverty. Today, more than 300 local women are part of a giving circle called Women for Women. They are becoming focused, long-term advocates for fellow women.
in need and are combining their collective financial resources to help, funding $270,000 in grants this year alone.

In addition to Women for Women, an endowment dedicated to addressing the unmet needs of women and girls has been established and continues to grow. See page 31 for more detailed information about the Foundation’s work with women philanthropists.

**WNC Nonprofit Pathways**

Realizing that the successful investment of donor and grant dollars is dependent on successful and effective nonprofits, the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina, Mission Healthcare Foundation and United Way of Asheville and Buncombe County continue to work together to create and sustain the WNC Nonprofit Pathways program. This portal of information is available to all WNC nonprofits. Offerings include an assessment as a first step in determining organizational strengths and challenges, along with a wide range of learning opportunities and coaching to strengthen professional skills and tailored consultancies to increase organizational capacity.

The Community Foundation is committed to this collaborative approach to creating a “pathway” of support for nonprofits that offers the practical help needed to run their organizations, serve their clients and communities, and facilitate the development of a better program than any of us could individually create. For more information, visit www.nonprofitpathways.org.

**Hispanics in Philanthropy**

North Carolina has one of the fastest growing Latino populations in the nation, accounting for 27.5 percent of the state’s population growth from 1990-2004. This growth presents a host of economic benefits as well as challenges to individual communities and our state.

Since 2003, The Community Foundation has partnered with 17 other NC funders and the national organization, Hispanics in Philanthropy, to increase philanthropic investment in the NC Latino nonprofit sector.

The Community Foundation has been a leader in raising and leveraging matching funds for grantmaking to Latino-led nonprofits in the mountains. This year, the third round of grantmaking took place, with more than $388,000 awarded to help strengthen organizational capacity and develop Latino leadership among WNC nonprofits. This support helps position Latinos to work with other community leaders and make decisions that benefit the entire community.
This year, the Foundation distributed more than $9.4 million in gifts and grants. In this section, you’ll see total distributions from donor advised funds, as well as competitive grants by category of interest. Each competitive grant is marked with initials that indicate the specific CFWNC grant program that funded it.
CFWNC Competitive Grant Programs

Asheville Merchants Fund (AMF)  
Grants of up to $50,000 over two years to support economic growth and improve the quality of life in Buncombe County.  
Deadline: Letter of intent by April 1, 2009  
Contact: Tim Richards (trichards@cfwnc.org)

Biltmore Lake Charitable Fund (BL)  
Grants of $500 or more to support charitable projects in the Enka-Candler area.  
Deadlines: April 1 & October 1  
Contact: Virginia Dollar (dollar@cfwnc.org)

Learning Links (LL)  
Grants of up to $700 for the public schools in Avery, Graham, Jackson, Madison, Mitchell and Swain counties to fund hands-on learning activities in the classroom.  
Deadline: September 26  
Contact: Maria Juarez (juarez@cfwnc.org)

Melvin R. Lane Fund (MRL)  
Grants of up to $150,000 over three years to support organizational development and collaborative approaches for human service nonprofits in the 18-county region.  
Deadline: Spring 2009  
Contact: Bob Wagner (wagner@cfwnc.org)

Joseph F. Mongovis Charitable Fund (JFM)  
Grants of up to $5,500 to assist people in need through designated charitable organizations.  
Deadline: June 30  
Contact: Spencer Butler (butler@cfwnc.org)

Opportunity (OG)  
Grants of up to $7,000 to help nonprofits in the 18-county region improve services to the community.  
Deadlines: February 1 & August 1  
Contact: Beth Maczka (maczka@cfwnc.org)

Organizational Development (OD)  
Grants of up to $7,500 for nonprofits in the 18-county region to hire a consultant or receive training to build their capacity to serve the community.  
Deadline: Rolling cycles  
Contact: Beth Maczka (maczka@cfwnc.org)

Pigeon River Fund (PRF)  
Grants of up to $25,000 to improve water quality in Haywood, Madison and Buncombe counties.  
Deadlines: March 15 & September 15  
Contact: Tim Richards (trichards@cfwnc.org)

Strategy (SG)  
Grants of up to $25,000 for outstanding projects in the 18-county region that promise significant impact and address critical community needs.  
Deadline: Letter of Intent by October 1.  
Contact: Tim Richards (trichards@cfwnc.org)

Summertime Kids (STK)  
Grants of up to $2,000 to provide disadvantaged children in the 18-county region with enriching summer activities.  
Deadline: March 15  
Contact: Spencer Butler (butler@cfwnc.org)

Women for Women (WFW)  
Grants of up to $100,000 to improve the lives of less fortunate women and girls in the 18-county region.  
Deadline: January 18  
Contact: Lisa Forehand (forehand@cfwnc.org)

Before submitting a request for a grant, nonprofit 501(c)(3) or public agency representatives should contact the Foundation to discuss their needs and receive current funding guidelines. Contact the staff person indicated via email or call (828) 254-4960. Detailed application information is available on our website: www.cfwnc.org

Other Resources for Nonprofits

Nonprofit Resource Center  
CFWNC maintains a resource center at Pack Memorial Library in downtown Asheville with information about nonprofit funding and management. It is a Cooperating Collection of the Foundation Center.

We also offer “Introduction to Grantseeking,” a free quarterly workshop. Contact Virginia Dollar (dollar@cfwnc.org) to register.
They say home is where the heart is, and for Dot Hamill that expression couldn’t be truer. Walking from room to room, she recounts with humor the process she and her late husband, Pat, experienced as they designed the house. He was a graduate of the Yale School of Architecture, she a self-described “frustrated architect”. Together they argued over every square inch and nail, she says. But along with the disagreements, there was also love and partnership in a marriage they entered into late in life, after both were widowed. “We fell more in love each and every day,” Hamill says. “We were too old to have a baby together, so this house became our baby.”
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One day their house will symbolize more than the couple’s love for each other; it will also support their love of the arts. Dot and Pat donated their residence to The Community Foundation and retained a lifetime interest. Dot says, “We set out to leave our children cash instead of a house that they might fight over. So we gave the house to The Community Foundation, receiving at the time a significant tax deduction, which we invested.”

She continues, “Between the investment and removing the house from our estates, this has been a really good deal for the kids. I can live in the house as long as I choose, and when the house goes on the market, the children will have the right of first refusal. Proceeds from the sale of the house will go to The Arts Fund, so it’s a win-win all the way around.”

The Hamills created The Arts Fund at The Community Foundation 10 years ago to provide broad support for the arts and as a vehicle to encourage others to give. Hamill, a former Broadway actress and lifelong advocate for the arts, says, “People often see the arts as the ‘icing on the cake,’ something to fund after all the other needs in the community have been fulfilled. What is sometimes not understood is the role the arts play in learning in every field and the discipline that is achieved along the way.”

**Advancing the Arts $654,072**

**Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: $481,122**

**Competitive Grants: $172,950**

- **Asheville Area Arts Council - $7,000** to create a new website that will provide enhanced information about the arts. (OG)
- **Asheville Art Museum Association**
  - $25,000 for a juried exhibition of WNC artists and associated programs that support the cultural community as a catalyst for economic development. (AMF)
- **Asheville Art Museum Association**
  - $5,500 to support a student-docent program that will provide professional training in art history and public speaking to students from area colleges and universities. (OG)
- **Asheville Lyric Opera - $4,200** to purchase database and office equipment that will improve opera productions and enhance communication with potential patrons. (OG)
- **Bascom-Louise Gallery Corporation**
  - $25,000 to provide organization and development skills to this expanding visual arts center in Highlands. (SG)
- **Black Mountain Center for the Arts**
  - $7,000 to purchase media equipment to enhance theatrical productions, art history lectures and a new film series. (OG)
- **Hands On! A Child’s Gallery - $7,000** to support a part-time coordinator for an interactive children’s museum in Hendersonville. (OG)
- **Highlands Historical Society - $5,000** toward the restoration and exhibition of a 1900s-era cottage once used to treat people with tuberculosis. (OG)
- **Lake Eden Arts Festival - $20,750** for performing artists to teach after-school programs serving children in public housing communities in Buncombe County. (SG)
- **Montford Park Players - $7,000** to improve stage lighting capabilities at an outdoor amphitheatre in Asheville. (OG)
- **NC International Folk Festival - $7,000** for telephone equipment that will increase the organization’s efficiency. (OG)
- **North Carolina Stage Company**
  - $5,000 (OD)
- **Pack Place Performing Arts - $7,000** toward a new lighting control system for the Diana Wortham Theatre. (OG)
- **Penland School of Crafts - $25,000** to provide Mitchell County elementary and high school students with art instruction and exposure to the field of crafts. (SG)
- **Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre - $5,000 (OD)**
- **WNC Public Radio - $7,000** to purchase a transmitter that will bring public radio to people in the Black Mountain area. (OG)
- **Yancey History Association - $3,500** for computer equipment necessary to improve the museum’s operations. (OG)
Domestic violence is often assumed to affect women only, but in reality it can happen to men and women of all ages, regardless of education, ethnicity or income. REACH of Haywood County is using a grant from The Fund for Haywood County, a CFWNC affiliate, to tackle the issue of elder abuse.
Many of the elderly are isolated in their homes or in institutions. Victims are often unaware that domestic violence is a crime and are powerless to change the control dynamics of their relationship with an abuser – a spouse, family member or caregiver. Through a public education campaign, REACH hopes to raise general awareness of the issue in the community, as well as specifically instruct professionals who work with senior citizens to recognize signs of abuse and take appropriate action.

The Canton Christian Convalescent Center is one of the organizations participating in the elder abuse prevention campaign by educating members of their staff and residents. Pictured left, Social Services Admissions professional Deb Bates looks on as residents (L-R) Walter Bryson, Dorothy Burke and Anita Davis, enjoy a spirited game of cards.

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Assisting People in Our Mountains
$2,171,874

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: $1,382,389
Competitive Grants: $789,485

Andrews Elementary School
$2,000 (STK)

Appalachian Therapeutic Riding Center - $1,900 (STK)

Basilica of St. Lawrence
$3,920 (JFM)

Black and Gold Unlimited/Pathway Programs
$1,980 (STK)

Boys and Girls Club of Henderson County - $50,000 to expand programs for disadvantaged youth by recruiting more volunteers and increasing contributions from individuals to the organization and its endowment. (MRL)

Boys & Girls Club of Transylvania County - $2,000 (STK)

Burke United Christian Ministries
$7,000 to purchase forklift equipment for efficient warehouse operation of the food service program. (OG)

Catholic Church Extension Society
$5,500 to subsidize staff serving Madison and Yancey counties. (JFM)

Catholic Social Services Diocese of Charlotte - $5,500 to provide immigration services to six WNC counties. (JFM)

Cherokee County Schools
$715 (STK)

Children & Family Resource Center of Henderson County - $25,000 to identify the needs of children in Henderson County and work with governmental and private agencies to address those needs. (SG)

Communities In Schools of Mitchell County - $1,994 (STK)

Community Table - $7,000 for a take-home, weekend food program serving disadvantaged children in Jackson County. (OG)

Council On Aging of Buncombe County - $2,500 to provide information and support to seniors and their caregivers. (OG)

Council On Aging of Buncombe County - $2,500 (OD)

Differently Abled News Network
$7,000 to publish a magazine for people with disabilities, their families and caregivers. (OG)

Eckerd Youth Alternatives - $24,745 for a coordinator to support the success of at-risk children after they complete an intensive treatment program. (SG)

Eliada Homes, Inc. - $25,000 to teach young adults practical life skills, such as how to apply for a job and rent an apartment. (SG)

Eliada Homes, Inc. - $5,500 to help fund a staff chaplain position. (JMF)

F.I.R.S.T. - $2,000 (STK)

Foothills Equestrian Nature Center, Inc. - $2,000 (STK)

Girls on the Run of WNC - $400 (STK)

Graham County Schools - $2,000 (STK)

Haywood Baptist Association
$7,000 to purchase a walk-in freezer and cooler that will help provide food for the less fortunate. (OG)

Haywood County Schools Foundation - $2,000 (STK)

Henderson County Council On Aging - $30,000 to expand a partnership with the Department of Social Services and serve more at-risk seniors, enabling clients to live independently in their own homes. (MRL)

Hinton Rural Life Center - $25,000 to provide financial literacy and credit counseling services to low-income families in Cherokee, Clay, and Graham counties. (SG)

Homeward Bound - $40,000 to transition homeless women from the “Room in the Inn” temporary shelter program into permanent, supportive housing. (WFW)

Homeward Bound - $20,000 to support a permanent housing program for the chronically homeless in Asheville. (SG)

Hope for Abuse Victims through Education and Nurturing
$4,000 (OD)

Hot Springs Health Program, Inc.
$2,000 (STK)

Irene Wortham Center - $25,000 to educate the public about the center and individuals with developmental disabilities. (SG)

Housing Authority of the City of Asheville - $1,868 (STK)

Irene Wortham Center
$2,000 (OD)
KidSenses - $1,710 (STK)

Latino Advocacy Coalition
$48,000 to strengthen marketing and fundraising as well as complete a strategic plan for programs and services that assist the growing Latino population in Henderson County. (MRL)

LifeSpan - $7,000 for a creative arts program serving people with developmental disabilities in Haywood County. (OG)

MANNA FoodBank - $25,000 to decrease hunger by increasing the number of individuals and families receiving food stamp benefits. (SG)

Mission Healthcare Foundation
$7,000 to provide support for families of children with special needs. (OG)

Neighbors in Ministry - $2,000 (STK)

North Asheville Baptist Church
$5,500 to provide scholarships to economically disadvantaged students. (JFM)

OnTrack Financial Education and Counseling (formerly Consumer Credit Counseling Service of WNC)
$35,000 to provide financial counseling to child care workers in Buncombe County, teaching them how to better manage their money, increase take-home pay and decrease dependence on predatory lenders. (WFW)

Optimist Santa Pal Club of Asheville
$5,500 to provide toys and games to children of low-income families. (JFM)

Our VOICE - $7,000 to launch a sexual assault prevention services program that targets people with developmental disabilities, their caregivers and service providers. (OG)

Our VOICE - $7,500 (OD)

The Outreach Center - $50,000 to increase staff capacity, raise resources, and build a sustainable funding base that will enhance crisis-assistance programs for disadvantaged citizens of Burke and surrounding counties. (MRL)

Penland School of Crafts - $1,920 (STK)

Pigeon Community Development Center - $2,000 (STK)

Pisgah Legal Services - $25,000 to remove barriers that prevent victims of domestic violence from becoming self-sufficient. (SG)

Pisgah Legal Services - $7,000 for software to improve fundraising and help provide legal services to low-income people. (OG)

REACH of Haywood County
$15,000 to prevent and raise awareness of elder abuse. (SG)

REACH of Macon County
$54,810 to help women escaping domestic violence or recovering from sexual assault move from crisis intervention to increased self-sufficiency and economic independence. (WFW)

Salvation Army-Buncombe County
$5,500 to assist families and individuals in Buncombe County with the cost of rent and utility assistance. (JFM)

Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre Guild - $2,000 (STK)

Stecoa Valley Arts, Crafts and Educational Center
$2,000 (STK)

Swain County Schools - $2,000 (STK)

Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry - $7,000 to furnish and equip a new and expanded facility that serves people in crisis. (OG)

Terpsicorps Theatre of Dance
$2,000 (STK)

Transylvania Christian Ministries
$73,523 to create a transitional housing program for homeless women and their children. (WFW)

W.A.M.Y. Community Action
$2,000 (STK)

Western Carolina Rescue Ministries - $5,500 to provide ongoing counseling to people dealing with substance abuse issues. (JFM)

Western Carolinians for Criminal Justice - $25,000 for a community-based treatment alternative to incarceration for male offenders in Buncombe County. (SG)

Youth Empowerment - $7,000 to improve transportation for at-risk teens in Rutherford County to attend tutoring, mentoring and life skills classes. (OG)

Youth Empowerment - $2,000 (STK)

YWCA of Asheville - $2,000 (STK)
Improving Educational Opportunities

Biltmore Lake Charitable Fund
— Bringing Technology to the Classroom

As he walks into Enka Middle School, Jack Cecil pauses at the entrance and considers the school motto posted there: “Where school and community work together to build the future through student success.” “I like that,” he says. “That’s exactly what we hope to achieve.”

George and Jack Cecil, chairman and president, respectively, of Biltmore Farms, LLC, view themselves not as real estate developers but as “community developers”. This successful father and son’s Buncombe communities include Biltmore Park, Biltmore Lake and The Ramble Biltmore Forest. With their success comes a strong responsibility to give something back, says George, and the Cecils chose to work with The Community Foundation to accomplish their philanthropic goals.
Improving Educational Opportunities $1,876,241

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: $1,078,407
Competitive Grants: $281,592
Scholarships: $516,242

Asheville Catholic School - $5,313 to provide nutritious lunches to low-income students. (JFM)

Asheville City Schools Foundation
$7,000 for a program that promotes access to college for low-income and minority youth. (OG)

Avery Middle School – two grants totaling $1,400 (LL)

Bee Log Elementary School - $6,332 to purchase science and technology curriculum materials for students at this rural Yancey County school. (OG)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of WNC
$6,600 to provide mentors in Jackson County. (OG)

Boys and Girls Club of Hickory - $2,100 to support a gang prevention education program in Burke County. (OG)

Bright Adventures Pre-Kindergarten
$700 (LL)

Brush Creek Elementary School
$7,000 to create outdoor science learning stations at this Madison County school. (OG)

Brush Creek Elementary School
$646 (LL)

Buladean Elementary School
$600 (LL)

Buncombe County Schools - $2,000 for a violence prevention curriculum at Woodfin Elementary designed to eliminate or decrease behavior problems. (OG)

Children First of Buncombe County
$25,000 to increase parent involvement and improve academic support for at-risk students. (SG)

Cranberry Middle School - two grants totaling $1,400 (LL)

Crossnore Elementary School
$630 (LL)

Cullowhee Valley Elementary School
$696 (LL)

Deyton Elementary School
three grants totaling $2,000 (LL)

Enka High School - $15,000 for technology to help decrease the dropout rate and meet the needs of low-income students. (BL)

Evergreen Community Charter School
$5,000 (OD)

Gouge Primary School - $7,000 to encourage art appreciation and enhance reading skills of students in Mitchell County. (OG)

Gouge Primary School - $700 (LL)

Grace Community Church - $7,000 to support an after-school program serving disadvantaged children at Old Fort Elementary. (OG)

They created the Biltmore Lake Charitable Fund to improve the quality of life in the Enka-Candler area (where the Biltmore Lake community is located) by supporting what Jack calls the “building blocks of community”: education, economic development, health care, the arts/culture and environment/quality of life. With each lot or home sale, a portion of the proceeds benefits the donor advised endowment fund, creating a sizable resource to support charitable projects. Twice each year, grant proposals are reviewed by the charitable fund’s board, which includes Biltmore Farms representatives and Enka-Candler residents, such as Dr. Greg Glance. “Having people like Dr. Glance on the committee is invaluable,” says Jack. “He serves on the Enka School Foundation. Plus, he grew up here, lives here, and knows this community better than we ever will.”

Since the fund began, more than $100,000 has been awarded, much of it in support of local schools. Among the grants, Enka Middle School received $25,000 to implement a computerized classroom performance system. This system (shown left) includes remote keypads students use to respond to their teacher’s questions, providing immediate feedback on learning comprehension and allowing teachers to adjust instruction accordingly.

The Cecils are so pleased with the results that they have created a similar fund associated with The Ramble. George hopes other developers will follow. “I think responsible developers would want to do their part to help address the future needs of the community,” he says. “By confining a fund’s purpose to a small geographic area, they can have quite a large impact.”
Graham County Schools - $6,900 to conduct a drug prevention campaign targeting youth. (OG)

Grandfather Academy Charter School two grants totaling $1,300 (LL)

Henderson County Public Schools/Coalition for Family Literacy $66,667 for education services benefiting teen mothers, encouraging them to graduate from high school and learn job skills. The grant will also be used to teach English to Latina mothers. (WFW)

Hominy Valley Elementary PTA $12,000 matching grant to expand Hominy Valley Elementary’s outdoor recreational area. (BL)

Jewish Community Center of Asheville - $7,000 to fund an educational garden that will be used to teach children about nature and protecting the environment. (OG)

KidSenses - $25,000 to purchase a traveling planetarium for science classes serving elementary schools in six WNC counties. (SG)

Literacy Council of Highlands - $7,000 to purchase reading tutorial software that will aid after-school tutoring and the adult literacy program. (OG)

Mitchell High School - two grants totaling $1,400 (LL)

Neighbors in Ministry - $15,000 to provide financial literacy skills to children and families in Brevard. (SG)

Newland Elementary School $700 (LL)

North Carolina Agricultural Foundation - $3,700 for interpretation equipment that will allow non-English-speaking individuals to participate in classes offered by the organization. (OG)

Pisgah Elementary School - $16,175 to enhance technology and educational equipment. (BL)

Robbinsville Elementary School two grants totaling $1,386 (LL)

Robbinsville High School - $647 (LL)

Robbinsville Middle School - $700 (LL)

School of Alternatives - $700 (LL)

Swain County East Elementary School three grants totaling $2,100 (LL)

Swain County High School two grants totaling $1,400 (LL)

Swain County Middle School $700 (LL)

Swain County West Elementary School - $700 (LL)

Tipton Hill Elementary School $700 (LL)

YMCA of Western North Carolina $5,500 to provide after-school care to disadvantaged children. (JFM)

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Richard M. Arnold Scholarship Fund 2006 recipients: Dustin Cox, Jannessa Henderson, John Mitchell

Asalone-O’Connor Foundation Fund 2007 recipient: Steven Quinones

Asheville Young Women Leadership Award Fund 2007 recipient: Emily Verdu

William Bradley Ayers Memorial Scholarship Fund 2007 recipient: Nick Stubbblefield

Alan Bruckner Young Life Scholarship Fund 2007 recipient: Zach Taylor

J. Jerry Cabe Dental Scholarship Fund 2006 recipient: Lauren Whitmire

John Francis Amherst Cecil Foundation Fund 2007 recipients: Carol Andes, Logan Bailey, Emily Barnhardt, Melissa Cabe, Julie Carter, Bridget Sluder

Chatooga Club Employee Scholarship Endowment Fund 2006 recipients: Robin Bishop, Ashley Ham, Rachel Holt

Harry W. Clarke Scholarship Endowment Fund 2007 recipients: Ryan Collins, Elizabeth Laguna

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Emily Davidson Memorial Music Scholarship Fund 2007 recipient: Roarke Arrowood

Mike Davis Team Spirit Award Fund 2007 recipient: Rakeem Rutherford

Jim Duyck Memorial Scholarship Fund for Mountain Youth Baseball, Inc. 2007 recipient: Kyle Paeplow

Johnneen Roth Epstein Scholarship Fund 2007 recipient: Laura Roop


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Nursing Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Rainey Belt

Wellington Hamrick Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Jamie Heffelfinger

Chuck D. Hargrove Memorial Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Jessica Muse

Huffington Scholarship Fund
2007 recipients: Krystal Cutshaw, Kayla McCall, Marlene Morales, Iyali Ruiz, Ryan Smith, McKenzie Thompson

Highlands Falls Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund
2006 recipients: Kelly Garton, Meda Green, Monika Janderova, Christian Jimenez, Iyali Ruiz

Yates L. and Louise D. Holland Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Garret Date

Walter “Pop” Jarvis Scholarship Fund
2007 recipients: Nicole Baird, Nate Davis, Matthew Estes, Laura Gay, Lauren Jaynes, Brittany Millsaps, Megan Norman

Journey Endowment Funds
2007 recipients: Spencer Blevins, Tina Evans, Angela Fate, Erin Finsel, Cortney Freeman, Natalie McKinney, Jason Moffitt, James Richter III, Helen Schafer, Allen Stephens, Tyler West

Kimmel and Associates Scholarship for Students in Construction Fund

Lucius Lanier Memorial Fund
2007 recipients: Logan Brackett, Aaron Hampton

James G.K. McClure Educational and Development Fund

McDowell Medical Associates, P.A., Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: CJ Milam

Gene and Lee Meyer Scholarship Fund
2007 recipients: Julie Findley, Aaron Hampton, Carol Norris, Tyler West

Brandon F. Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: John Ramsey

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2007 recipient: Chelsea Allen

NC Alpha Epsilon Memorial Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Janki Patel

Cal and Carol Peddy Memorial Fund
2007 recipients: Evan Mitchell, Amber Woodby

Elda C. Penny-Graham Co. Woman’s Club Scholarship Fund
2007 recipients: Coley Phillips, Jessica Rogers

Irving Jacob Reuter Award Fund
2007 recipients: top awardee, Chelsea Sokolow; also receiving awards: Ben Anders, Will Cogswell, Hilary Cole, Jamie Diner, Kat Griffin

S. Hayes Robinson Memorial Dance Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Megan Jones

Rotary Club of Asheville Fund/Morrill Fund
2007 recipients: Ben Anders, Marley Burns, Alyse Cardell, Hilary Cole, Michael Dickerson, Caroline Lawrence, Gabriel McGowan

Salsbury Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Chris Icard

Charlie R. & Charles J. Silver Family Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Jeremy Taylor

Lynn Brown Slater Memorial Scholarship Fund
2007 recipient: Nancy Jones

Murice C. Talley Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund
2007 recipients: Anna Jackson, Megan Justice

Transylvania County New Century Scholars Fund
2006 recipients: Kyle Cantrell, Robert Cantrell, Matthew Mason, Mandi Musgrove, Roger Warren

Transylvania Excellence in Education/Chamber of Commerce Award Fund
2006 recipient: Davidson River School

Transylvania Excellence in Education/Excellence Award Fund
2007 recipient: Laura Brookshire

Transylvania Excellence in Education/Holbrook-Nichols Achievement Award Fund
2007 recipient: Jordan Aiken

Wildcat Cliffs Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund
2006 recipients: JaNelle Etsitty, Tyler Shook

Clyde and Mildred Wright Endowment Fund
Building Community & Economic Vitality

Design Corps and HandMade in America — Revitalizing Mountain Towns

The majestic brick building is located not far from Main Street in Andrews. Built in 1923 as a Baptist church, its 84 stained glass windows are still intact. Today, the structure functions as the Valley Town Cultural Arts Center, hosting an occasional community dance, wedding or concert, but local residents have big plans to renovate and transform it into an active performing arts and cultural center.
This year, The Community Foundation awarded a grant to Design Corps to bring two architectural design Fellows to live and work on this and other public projects in Andrews and Hayesville. Bryan Bell, executive director of Design Corps, says, “These communities have beautiful buildings, but they need work. Small towns may not have architects – or the money to hire them even if they do – and yet an architect’s drawings and plans are needed in order to pursue funding and turn their liabilities into assets.”

Local citizens who are active participants in HandMade in America’s Small Towns Project will work together with the Fellows to develop structural plans, cost estimates and funding strategies. The long-term goal is to develop public spaces with cultural and economic benefits that will help revitalize these communities.

Pictured left (L-R) are: Design Corps Fellow Eric Goldman; Susan Martin, president of the Clay County Historical and Arts Council; Frank Jones of the Memorial Park Project; Glen Love of Clay County Community Revitalization Association; and Fellow Ella Scheuer.
**Building Community and Economic Vitality**  
**$1,190,135**

**Donor Advised and Designated Contributions:** $784,915  
**Competitive Grants:** $405,220

**Affordable Housing Coalition of Asheville** - $5,000 (OD)

**Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project** - $25,000 to increase demand for locally grown foods by developing tailgate markets and distribution links between farmers, grocers and restaurateurs. (AMF)

**Asheville Area Habitat for Humanity**  
$25,000 to develop a marketing and communications plan to promote the Habitat Home Store and increase revenue to build more houses. (AMF)

**Blue Ridge School** - $7,000 toward a student-led effort to create an outdoor fitness center in Cashiers. (OG)

**Centro de Enlace** - $7,000 toward commercial kitchen equipment for fresh tortilla production in Yancey County. (OG)

**Community Empowerment Project**  
$49,920 to hire the organization’s first paid executive director and strengthen internal operations to better provide social and economic development programs for low-income people in Rutherford County. (MRL)

**Community Housing Coalition of Madison County** - $7,000 to provide home repairs and affordable housing services. (OG)

**Design Corps** - $25,000 for two AmeriCorps design Fellows to help renovate and preserve community facilities in Andrews and Haysville. (SG)

**Eagle Market Streets Development Corporation** - $25,000 for a small business incubator to train and support minority entrepreneurs with low incomes. (AMF)

**HandMade in America** - $25,000 to expand new markets for local craftspeople by developing a sourcebook of home furnishings and architectural products that will be distributed to area architects, designers and developers. (AMF)

**HandMade in America** - $7,500 (OD)

**Jackson County Habitat for Humanity**  
$7,000 toward the purchase of a truck to collect and deliver furniture and appliances for the resale store. (OG)

**Land-of-Sky Regional Council**  
$25,000 to involve community leaders in a strategic approach to land conservation in four WNC counties. (SG)

**Land-of-Sky Regional Council**  
$7,000 to work with community leaders and create “green” infrastructure plans for future growth in Madison, Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania counties. (OG)

**The Mediation Center** - $7,000 to expand mediation and conflict management services for Spanish-speaking people in Buncombe County. (SG)

**Mitchell County Development Foundation** - $25,000 to support the 2007 edition of “The Home of the Perfect Christmas Tree” catalog. (SG)

**Mountain Housing Opportunities**  
$25,000 for activities related to an affordable housing development at the site of the Glen Rock Hotel. (AMF)

**One Dozen Who Care** - $7,000 to support an entrepreneurial learning center in Andrews that encourages new opportunities for women and minorities. (OG)

**Rural Southern Voice for Peace**  
$7,000 to work through local churches and engage the community in discussions about environmental protection and preservation of rural culture in Yancey and Madison counties. (OG)

**Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity**  
$48,400 to strengthen the organizational and financial sustainability of Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity and the Rutherford Housing Partnership and encourage access to safe and affordable housing for people in need. (MRL)

**Smoky Mountain Native Plants Association** - $7,000 to expand a locally grown food processing project in Graham County. (OG)

**Union Mills Learning Center** - $5,400 to help winterize a community center in Rutherford County. (OG)

**Vocational Solutions of Henderson County** - $6,000 (OD)

**Western North Carolina Alliance**  
$20,000 to engage citizens in proactive land use policies and practices that will help preserve the natural and cultural heritage of Macon and Jackson counties. (SG)
As a fifth-generation farmer in Rutherford County, Tim Bovender’s way of life is disappearing fast. He got started early, learning to drive his grandfather’s tractor at the age of six. Back then, he says, there were many farmers, but today they are becoming scarce. Development is booming in the mountains and with tax values and farming costs both on the rise, the temptation to sell is substantial. “Suddenly there are new roads, developments and gated communities everywhere. It’s amazing how fast everything is changing,” he says. “If we’re not careful, it’s all going to be gone.”

Enhancing the Environment

Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina
— Preserving Farmland in the Mountains
In return, his family received a significant tax credit and partial payment for development rights they gave up. Both will help them continue farming, and they can still pass the land on to future generations.

Bovender has entered into a conservation agreement with Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina, ensuring that one-third of his 935-acre farm will remain as open space, used only for agriculture. In return, his family received a significant tax credit and partial payment for development rights they gave up. Both will help them continue farming, and they can still pass the land on to future generations. Bovender is shown here on his farm with the Conservancy’s Land Protection Director, Tom Kenney.

Foothills Conservancy received a grant this year to work with other landowners in Rutherford and McDowell counties on a “working forests” land conservation program that provides private forestland and timberland owners an economically viable alternative to selling their property. Landowners continue to work the land and responsibly harvest timber while protecting water quality of streams and wildlife habitat, benefiting the local economy and preserving a dying way of life in our rural communities.
Enhancing the Environment
$725,623

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: $405,452
Competitive Grants: $320,171

Altapass Foundation - $7,000 for a computerized membership database that will help preserve the history, heritage and culture of the Orchard at Altapass. (OG)

Appalachian State University $7,000 to support outreach and technical assistance to WNC farmers interested in adopting renewable energy systems that will minimize energy costs and reduce dependence on fossil fuels. (OG)

Clean Water for North Carolina $7,660 for a website designed to educate the public and increase volunteer monitoring of regional water quality. (PRF)

Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina - $25,000 to initiate a working forest land conservation program for landowners in Rutherford and McDowell counties. (SG)

Francine Delaney New School for Children - $5,500 for equipment to teach children about water quality issues. (PRF)

Friends of the Blue Ridge Parkway $7,000 for a part-time volunteer coordinator who will recruit and work with youth. (OG)

Haywood Community College $5,000 for a landscaping project that will capture and reuse excess rainwater runoff from a new children’s center. (PRF)

Haywood County Schools Foundation $29,600 to provide teacher training and development of water quality curriculum for students. (PRF)

Haywood Waterways Association $39,500 to support a county-wide cooperative initiative that educates the public about water quality issues and helps implement projects under the Haywood Watershed Action Plan. (PRF)

Highlands Biological Foundation $6,700 toward improvements at the Botanical Gardens that will complement educational programming about native plants. (OG)

North Carolina Arboretum - $15,000 toward construction, monitoring and demonstration of a rain garden capable of capturing and cleansing stormwater runoff. (PRF)

NC Cooperative Extension Buncombe County - $32,656 to assist farmers with sustainable agricultural production and enhanced farmland preservation, thereby protecting land and water resources. (PRF)

NC Cooperative Extension Haywood County - $12,000 for public education activities related to water quality issues and a stream restoration project on Richland Creek in Waynesville. (PRF)

NC Rural Communities Assistance Project - $7,000 to help eliminate improper residential wastewater disposal, or straight-piping, in rural WNC. (OG)

NC Rural Communities Assistance Project - $7,500 to support volunteer work crews as they replace failing septic systems for disadvantaged homeowners in Madison and Buncombe counties. (PRF)

Quality Forward - $15,000 toward a demonstration stream bank restoration project at the Big Ivy Community Center in Barnardsville. (PRF)

Rutherford County Animal Protection Alliance - $7,000 to fund part-time staff for the county’s animal rescue and adoption program. (OG)

Southern Appalachian Forest Coalition $5,600 to document and map old growth forests, aiding in protection, restoration and forest planning efforts of public lands in WNC. (OG)

Southern Appalachian Forest Coalition $5,000 (OD)

Southwestern NC RC&D Council $39,305 toward a collaborative approach to planning subdivisions and mountainside developments in Haywood County that will protect water quality, public safety and the natural environment. (PRF)

Town of Black Mountain - $25,000 for final engineering and educational signage for streambank improvements along Flat Creek. (PRF)

Warren Wilson College’s Environmental Leadership Center $9,150 to support a pilot program introducing water quality education to third grade students in Haywood County. (PRF)
Diabetes is a metabolic disorder in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin, a hormone needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy. Diabetes can lead to other major health problems, including cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney failure and stroke.
Although there is no cure, diabetes can be controlled with exercise, diet and medication. Transylvania County Volunteers in Medicine has launched a program in Brevard to provide ongoing education and counseling support to uninsured citizens with limited incomes. This organization, staffed largely by volunteer physicians and nurses, is using a grant from the Transylvania Endowment and The Community Foundation to provide free integrated diabetes services, including office visits, medication, testing supplies and a telephone hotline for patients to get answers to their questions and concerns.

Pictured left, Jacqueline Griffin is evaluated by Dr. Fred Jones at a free metabolic clinic that is offered monthly.

Promoting Quality Health
$1,624,883

Donor Advised and Designated Contributions: $1,421,645
Competitive Grants: $203,238

ABCCM - $5,500 to cover prescription costs for low-income clients. (JFM)

All Souls Counseling Center - $23,390 to add group mental health counseling services that address issues such as depression and surviving abuse. (SG)

All Souls Counseling Center - $4,000 to provide mental health treatment to clients in the Enka/Candler community. (BL)

Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project - $24,200 for local chefs to promote healthy cooking classes to children in Buncombe County elementary schools. (SG)

Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project - $7,000 for a program that encourages children participating in Head Start to eat nutritious foods. (SG)

Arts for Life - $20,000 to teach visual arts and music to young patients coping with serious illnesses at Mission Hospitals. (SG)

Baptist Children’s Homes of NC - $10,000 to teach nutrition, fitness and healthy life skills to children at this Haywood County facility. (SG)

CarePartners Foundation - $5,500 to provide medications and services to those whose financial resources have been exhausted due to medical expenses. (JMF)

CarePartners Foundation - Mountain Area Hospice - $5,500 toward supplies and staffing of the children's grief program. (JMF)

Community Care Clinic of Highlands Cashiers - $5,000 (OD)

CooperRils - $2,765 to establish a therapeutic drumming program at this healing farm community in Polk County that serves individuals coping with mental illness or emotional distress. (OG)

Hiwassee Valley Recreation Committee - $7,000 to purchase furnishings and equipment for a new wellness center in Cherokee County. (OG)

Hospice of McDowell County - $5,000 (OD)

Mimosa Christian Counseling Center - $7,000 to increase staff, expanding mental health services to people in Burke County. (OG)

Mission Healthcare Foundation, Inc. - $5,500 to provide mammograms to women who cannot afford them. (JFM)

North Carolina Mental Hope - $6,818 to increase the knowledge and understanding of mental illness, encourage advocacy and generate support. (OG)

Rutherford Hospital - $7,000 to provide screenings to low-income women at risk of developing breast or cervical cancer. (OG)

Toe River Health District - $23,465 to implement a comprehensive nutrition and physical activity program for overweight students in Yancey County. (SG)

Transylvania County Volunteers in Medicine - $21,600 for patient education and counseling support that will help people successfully manage their diabetes. (SG)

Yokefellow Service Center - $7,000 to provide medication assistance to uninsured Rutherford County residents with limited access to mental health services. (OG)
Women’s Philanthropy

The power of collective giving to inspire hope and possibility for women in need
**Women for Women** is celebrating its second year of grantmaking, awarding $270,000 in grants to nonprofits and public agencies that provide for the basic needs of women in Western North Carolina. This giving circle began in 2005 as a way for women to join together, combine their resources and support programs that improve the lives of women and girls in our mountains.

Membership in **Women for Women** is comprised of women who make a tax-deductible gift of $1,100 each year for three years. Because women have many demands on their time, each member may be as involved in activities as she chooses. For this year’s grant cycle, members awarded grants ranging from $35,000 to more than $70,000 to five organizations in our region. From helping daycare providers improve their financial stability to providing a safe haven for women who are homeless or abused, these grants are made possible through the combined giving power of women. Now with more than 300 members, **Women for Women** will continue to make grants to inspire hope and possibility for less fortunate women across our 18-county region.

In addition to substantial membership gifts, **Women for Women** is also inspiring individual philanthropy among its participants. This year, one member was moved to give over $20,000 in additional funding to some of the nonprofits receiving grants from **Women for Women**. Both collectively and individually, women are making a difference in Western North Carolina.

**The Women’s Fund**

Created in 2005, The Women’s Fund of The Community Foundation is a permanent endowment and additional source of funding for programs that address the unmet needs of women and girls in our mountains. A tax-deductible gift of any size to this fund will provide support to effective programs that address some of the most pressing needs facing women and girls in Western North Carolina.

**Women’s Conversations**

These small informal gatherings are designed to create a space where women can talk freely about money, philanthropy and the legacies they want to create. Women’s Conversations are open to all interested women, and are a wonderful way for women to begin or continue aligning financial and charitable planning with their values and passions. Group sessions are held periodically and members of the CFWNC staff are always available for private one-on-one conversations. Contact us to learn more.

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Gail Wilkinson
Ellen Williams
Mary Williams
Sheryl Williams
Rosalind Willis
Cindy
Winkenwerder
Anne Winner
Harriette Winner
Mary Bruce Woody
Dianne Worley
Diana Wortham
Donna Wright
Carrie Zahn
Lisa Ziemer
and two anonymous members
The third annual Power of the Purse Luncheon, held June 7 at the Grove Park Inn Resort & Spa, attracted more than 500 guests. The event included an auction and raised more than $56,000 for The Women’s Fund.

Top left: Kim Hewitt shares a success story from a Women for Women grant recipient. Top right: Carol Deutsch (L) and Barbara Lewin admire one of the handmade necklaces up for auction. Bottom left: Anita King (L) and Tammy Jones catch up during the event. Bottom right: Betty Jo Rost entertains the idea of bidding for a pair of handmade earrings.
Women for Women
Homeward Bound — Transitioning Women in Crisis into More Permanent Housing

After an unbearably hot August day, 19-year-old “Brandi” crawls into bed exhausted. She’s five months pregnant, and the morning sickness isn’t helping. Cinderblock walls surround the lone mattress on the floor, and her possessions are scattered around it: stuffed animals, clothing, books and a few toiletry items.
Women for Women funded a grant this year to help women in crisis transition from this temporary shelter into more permanent housing, with individualized case management designed to help women become self-sufficient and live independently.

This is where Brandi will sleep as part of Homeward Bound’s “Room in the Inn” project, which gives homeless women in Asheville food and evening shelter in area churches. Although it may seem bleak to an outsider, she and the other women participating in the program aren’t complaining; on the contrary, they are grateful to find safe sanctuary — tonight at First Congregational United Church of Christ — in beds of their own.

Women for Women funded a grant this year to help women in crisis transition from this temporary shelter into more permanent housing with individualized case management designed to help women become self-sufficient and live independently. These services include mental health counseling, substance abuse recovery programs and job skills training.

Women for Women Grants

Five grants totaling $270,000 have been awarded to the following organizations:

Henderson County Public Schools/Coalition for Family Literacy - $66,667 for education services benefiting teen mothers, encouraging them to graduate from high school and learn job skills. The grant will also be used to teach English to Latina mothers.

Homeward Bound of Asheville
$40,000 to transition homeless women from the “Room in the Inn” temporary shelter program into permanent, supportive housing.

OnTrack Financial Education and Counseling (formerly Consumer Credit Counseling Service of WNC) - $35,000 to provide financial counseling to child care workers in Buncombe County, teaching them how to better manage their money, increase take-home pay and decrease dependence on predatory lenders.

REACH of Macon County - $54,810 to help women escaping domestic violence or recovering from sexual assault move from crisis intervention to increased self-sufficiency and economic independence.

Transylvania Christian Ministries
$73,523 to create a transitional housing program for homeless women and their children.
The Community Foundation manages more than 750 funds, each created by an individual or family to support their favorite nonprofit organizations or areas of interest. Funds created this year are listed in bold.
Unrestricted Endowment Funds

The funds offer broad flexibility for addressing the region’s changing needs.

Joseph and Barbara Bailey Charitable Fund
Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund
J. W. and Rose B. Byers Endowment Fund
Cashiers Community Fund
Foundation Builders Fund
John and Elizabeth Gile Fund
The Fund for Haywood County
Highlands Community Foundation
William A. H. Howland Family Charitable Fund
Raymond A. Hust Memorial Fund
Elsie Ann Long Fund
The McDowell Foundation
Foundation for Mitchell County

Donald E. Novy, Sr. and Doris A. Novy Charitable Fund
Rutherford County Foundation
W. C. Shuey Family Endowment
Steele-Reese Foundation Fund
Simone J. and Ernst Tanner Memorial Fund
Paul F. Toebke Fund
Transylvania Endowment
Trinity Episcopal Church Charitable Fund
Thomas J. Troup Charitable Fund
The Fund for Western North Carolina
Yancey Foundation

Field of Interest Funds

These funds support broadly defined areas of charitable interest.

The Fund for the Arts
Francine Bowman Endowment Fund
David and Ann Burchfield Charitable Fund
Cashiers Community Gift Fund
Central Asheville Association, Inc. Endowment Fund
Disaster Relief Fund

Early Childhood Education and Child Care Fund
Supports grants to build the capacity of nonprofit organizations providing early childhood education

The Fund for Education
The Fund for the Environment
Ben W. and Dixie Glenn Farthing Charitable Endowment
Nelle Crowell Fletcher and G. L. Crowell Fund
Mildred Miller Fort Charitable Fund
Margaret Westmoreland Gibson Memorial Fund
The Fund for Health

A. C. Hogan Family Fund
Benefits nonprofit organizations in McDowell County

Jones/Richardson Charitable Fund
Lake Toxaway Charities Endowment Fund
Toby Mitchell Fund
Joseph F. Mongovis Charitable Fund
Patricia Nevin Fund
Normac Endowment Fund
Organizational Development Grant Fund
Ruth Paddison Charitable Fund
The Fund for People in Need
Pigeon River Fund
J. Aaron and Adora H. Prevost Endowment Fund
Sapphire Lakes Charitable Fund

The Fund for Scholarships
Supports scholarship awards for deserving students across Western North Carolina

Southern Living Fund of the Roger J. McGuire Memorial Endowment
The Fund for Strong Communities
Summertime Kids Fund
Transylvania Directors’ Fund
Women for Women Fund
The Women’s Fund
Clyde and Mildred Wright Endowment Fund

Donor Advised Endowed Funds

These permanent funds facilitate philanthropy with a high level of donor involvement and support broad charitable purposes specified by the donor.

Nine Anonymous Funds
Dorel A. Abbott Charitable Fund
Richard G. Adamson Memorial Fund
Adonal Fund
Allen Family Charitable Fund
Tony and Allison Amatangelo Charitable Fund
Ashville Merchants Fund
Albert L. Balestiere Charitable Fund
Luther and Ruth Barnhardt Charitable Fund

Biltmore Estate Charitable Fund
Biltmore Lake Charitable Fund
Sam and Janet Bingham Fund
Black Mountain Rotary Endowment Fund
Board Fund

Brame Family Foundation
Wilburn and Grace Brazil Family Fund

Broadwell Evergreen Charitable Endowment
David and Lin Brown Charitable Fund
Brown Family Endowment
Brown Family Fund
Buckner Family Endowment Fund
BuildYourLeaders Fund
Buncombe County Medical Society & Alliance Fund
Burgin Family Fund
Margaret L. Butler Endowment Fund
Butterfly Endowment Fund
Frances and Abraham Carp Memorial Fund
Cashiers Historical Society Fund
Cashiers Valley Rotary Club Scholarship Fund
Betty Lou Chubb Charitable Endowment Fund
Nicholas C. Chubb, M.D. Charitable Endowment Fund
JoVon Coli Endowment Fund
Connestee Falls Endowment Fund
Anni, Johanna, and Henry Conrad Endowment Fund
Donald and Lisbeth Cooper Charitable Fund
Coxe Family Fund
Jane S. Craig Charitable Endowment Fund
Crews Family Fund
John D. and Myriam Crosby Memorial Fund
De Land Family Fund
Deutsch Family Endowment Fund
Dogwood Charitable Endowment Fund
Dolson Fund
William E. Dover Endowment Fund
Tom and Wendy Dowden Fund
Duncan-Bicknell Endowment Fund
Jim and Sally Duyck Charitable Fund
Ek-Partin Charitable Endowment Fund
Bruce Elliston Charitable Fund
Leon Elliston Charitable Fund
M.B. and Margaret Elliston
Endowment Fund
M.B. and Margaret Elliston Endowment for the Seventh Day Adventists
Roger Elliston Charitable Fund
Enigma (1998) Charitable Fund
Iris and Durward Everett Endowment Fund
Tom Fazio Charities Fund
Festiva Resorts Charitable Fund
Lloyd G. and Mary Kathryn Fisher Family Endowment Fund
Charles Frederick Family Charitable Fund
Martha L. Gentry Endowment Fund
Grace Fund
Greenmead Fund
Fred and Cindy Groce Charitable Fund
Mr. Kim Gruelle Creative Arts Endowment Fund
Hamill Family Endowment Fund
Haywood Rotary Club Community Service Fund
Fund for the Hearing Impaired Herrmann Memorial Learning Fund
Hertwig Fund
Hickory Nut Gorge Foundation Fund
Highlands School Booster Club Athletic Endowment
Edward C. Hildreth, Jr. Endowment Fund for Haywood County
Holden Family Foundation Fund
Mary and Bill Hollins Charitable Fund
Lyn K. Holloway Memorial Fund
Lawrence S. Holt, Jr. Fund
The Douglas & Sallie Craig Huber Fund
Huggins Family Fund
Suzanne and Ed Inman Charitable Fund
Luevnia Holloway Johnson Charitable Fund
Barbara Cassat Keleher and Michael Francis Keleher Endowment Fund
Patti Kerns Fund
Kimmel Charitable Fund
King Family Charitable Fund
Ladyslipper Fund
Larsen Family Fund
Al and Polly LeFaire Endowment Fund
Lenoci Family Fund
Levine Family Charitable Fund
Liden Family Endowment Fund
Virginia Liles Charitable Endowment Fund
Little Acorn Endowment Fund
Louis and Marilyn Fund
Leon C. and Grace E. Luther Foundation Fund
Main Street Charitable Fund
Matthews Family Endowment Fund
The May Family Fund
The McClay Family Fund
Susan and Raymond McClinton Charitable Fund
James G. K. McClure Educational & Development Fund
McCullough Endowment Fund
Anne and William McKee Fund
Will and Becky McKee Fund
Melvin R. Lane Fund
Midland Fund
Jennifer Morgan Charitable Fund
The Mark and Teresa Muir Charitable Fund
John and Virginia Noland Charitable Fund
North Buncombe Kiwanis Club Scholarship Fund
Oak Tree Fund
Eleanor and Charles D. Owen, III Family Endowment Fund
Penny Fund
Peterson Endowment Fund
Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity (Gamma Alpha Chapter) Educational Fund
PKL Fund
Pot of Gold Endowment Fund
R & R Endowment Fund
The Ramble Charitable Fund
Read Cunningham Family Fund
Helen Tarasov Reed Memorial Fund
The Reynolds Family Fund
Drs. Winston and Merrell Riddle Fund
Katherine C. and Brainard B. Rorison Fund
Sherrod and Margaret Salsbury Foundation Fund
Sue Gowen Samson Endowment Fund
Alexander and Laurinda Schenck Fund
Searles Family Endowment Fund
Shainberg Lawson Fund
Ivy and Bob Sharbaugh Fund
Lori C. Shook Charitable Fund
Shorkey - Warden Charitable Fund
Kenneth and Christine Siegfried Endowment Fund
Phil and Pat Smith Charitable Fund
Spruce Pine Rotary Club Endowment Fund
Dana and Jana Stonestreet Fund
Summersong Charitable Endowment Fund
Taylor Family Fund
Taylor Harris Charitable Fund
Trillium Endowment Fund
Don and Karen Walker Charitable Fund
Robertson and Jane Wall Family Fund
Walnut Fund
Wasson - Stowe Charitable Fund
Watson Family Charitable Fund
Weeds/Hoskins Fund
Lucretia T. Weiler Endowment Fund for Caring for Children
Debra Wilfong-Hughes Fund
Jay “Skip” Wilson, Carol P. Wilson and Jay M. Wilson, II Family Charitable Fund
Diana Wortham Endowment Fund
J. J. and Lynne Wortman Fund
Greta K. Yager Charitable Fund
Yanik Family Charitable Fund
Donor Advised Non-Endowed Funds
These funds facilitate current philanthropy with a high level of donor involvement and support broad charitable purposes specified by the donor.

16 Anonymous Funds
Marla and Joel Adams Fund
Aero Care Fund
AGAPE FUND
Katharine and Blair Aldridge Fund
America's Heroes Fund
Thomas C. and Genevieve H. Arnold Fund
Ann McKee Austin Charitable Fund
B and J J Fund
Carter and Beverly Bagley Fund
Baird Family Fund
Mason and Jim Barrett Charitable Fund
Leland and Mary Bartholomew Fund
Gretchen Batra Fund
Bayer Family Charitable Fund
John A. Bell and Judy Whisnant Fund
Bette's Bread Fund
George W. Beverly, Jr. and Sandra M. Beverly Charitable Fund
Blibrey Family Charitable Fund
Biltmore Benefits Fund
Louis and Sara Bisette Charitable Fund
Dr. and Mrs. B. Keith Black Fund
Ed and Anne Blyenat Charitable Fund
Blue Ridge Bone and Joint Fund
Bohan Family Charitable Fund
Erma and James Bond Fund
David and Laura Bourne Charitable Fund
Kyle and Martha Boyd Donor Advised Fund
Bart and Elaine Boyer Fund
James A. and Anna S. Shivers Charitable Fund
Clarke Davis Skelton Fund
SLP Charitable Fund
Canie B. Smith Fund
John J. and Yvonne M. Smith Fund
Source Fund
Kathy Spencer Fund
Genevieve and Howard Spiltt Charitable Fund
Tom and Bonnie Spradling Fund
Hal and Alberta Starnes Fund
Louise M. Stelling Charitable Fund
Dr. and Mrs. Irby Stephens Fund
Andrea Stolz Charitable Fund
Sylvia and Karl H. Straus Fund
Andrew and Holly Strauss Charitable Fund
David C. and Nancy C. Swann Fund
Sycamore Fund
Charlie and Dottie Sykes Charitable Fund
James T. Tanner and Ellyn P. Tanner Charitable Fund
Dr. and Mrs. Robert B. Taylor Fund
Templeaar-Lietz Charitable Fund
Rita G. and Luther B. Thigpen Fund
Betty E. Thum Fund
Timber Park Homeowners Fund
Trillium Fund
Randall and Patricia Vanderbeek Fund
Vanderkwaak Family Fund
Jon and Patricia Vannice Fund
Virgil and Margaret Wagner Charitable Fund
Elaine and Bob Walker Fund
Jane B. Weis Fund
Widman Family Fund
G. Wallace Wilcox, Jr. Fund
Glenn W. Wilcox Sr. Fund
Karen Wilde Memorial Fund for Brevard Police Department
Dick and Martha Wilkins Charitable Fund
Vance and Willis Willey Charitable Fund
David M. and Betsey C. Willis Fund
Doris G. Wilson Charitable Fund
Maurice H. and Virginia Winger Charitable Fund
Anne Winner Charitable Fund
Harriette Winner Charitable Fund
Larry Winner Charitable Fund
Richard A. Wood, Jr. Charitable Fund
Christy Sloan Memorial Award at Asheville Christian Academy
Asheville Civitan: Foundation Special Fund
Scholarship and Education Endowment Fund
Asheville Community Theatre Endowment Fund
Asheville Symphony: Companion Endowment Fund
Payne Fund
Lucia Ward Memorial Fund
Big Brothers Big Sisters of WNC
Endowment Fund
Blue Mountain Center for the Arts
Endowment Fund
Black Mountain Foundation:
Elspeth and James McClure Clarke Fund
Imerys K-T Endowment Fund
Houck and K.B. Medford Fund
Museum of North Carolina Minerals Endowment Fund
ZAP Fitness Endowment for Moses H. Cone Memorial Park
Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County Endowment Fund
Brevard Chamber Orchestra Endowment Fund
Brevard Little Theatre Building Fund
Beth and Baxter Butler Memorial Fund
Supports the grounds and cemetery at Providence United Methodist Church in Forest City
Jean Bates Dunagan Cagle Fund
Caring for Children Endowment Fund
Carolina High Country Section 1103 of the American Society for Quality Education Endowment Fund
Cherokee County Schools Foundation Endowment Fund
Children First - Anderson/Longstreet Fund
Colburn Earth Science Museum Endowment Fund
Communities in Schools of Rutherford County Endowment Fund
Community and Economic Development Alliance Fund
Supports the collaborative work of ashevilleHUB - an initiative of public, private, and nonprofit participants to create sustainable strategies for the City of Asheville and Buncombe County
Congregation Beth Israel:
General Endowment Fund
Slosman Endowment Fund
Solvio Endowment Fund
Conservation Trust for North Carolina:
Blue Ridge Parkway Land Protection Fund
North Carolina Land Trust Endowment Fund
CooperRiis Endowment Fund
Nancy Crosby Endowment for Literacy
Richard (Yogi) Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund
Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community Residency Fund
Eblen Foundation Endowment Fund
Eliada Foundation Endowment Fund
First Baptist Church Endowment Fund
First Baptist Church of Waynesville Housing Trust Fund
Organ Maintenance Fund (for First Presbyterian Church of Highlands)
First Presbyterian Church of Swannanoa Cemetery Fund
Four Seasons Hospice Chaplaincy Endowment Fund
French Broad River Foundation Fund
French Broad River/Steen Fund

Agency & Designated Endowment Funds

These funds benefit one or more named charities for a designated period or in perpetuity.

Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry (ABCCM):
Building Maintenance Fund
Christian Ministry Endowment Fund
Urgent Needs Fund
Friends of the Albert Carlton-Cashiers Community Library
Endowment Fund
Ralph Neely Fund for Albert Carlton-Cashiers Community Library Periodicals
Arc of Buncombe County Endowment Fund
Arthur Morgan School Endowment Fund
Asheville Area Center for the Performing Arts:
Legacy Fund
Margarete W. Moon Charitable Fund
Asheville Art Museum Endowment Fund
Asheville Bravo Concerts:
Endowment Fund
Payne Fund
Asheville-Buncombe Library System Trust Fund
Asheville Chamber Music Endowment Fund

Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation:
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First Presbyterian Church of Swannanoa Cemetery Fund
Four Seasons Hospice Chaplaincy Endowment Fund
French Broad River Foundation Fund
French Broad River/Steen Fund
Arthur J. Fryar Charitable Fund
Supports Diana Wortham Center and MANNA FoodBank for Loving Food Resources
Dorothy Brown Gowen Scholarship Fund
Wilford Hayes Gowen Scholarship Fund
Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church: Building Endowment Fund
Mitchell Carlisle Memorial Fund
Hungry Children’s Fund
Lecture Series Endowment Fund
Scholarship Endowment Fund
Unrestricted Endowment Fund
Scholarship Endowment Fund
Lecture Series Endowment Fund
Hungry Children’s Fund
Mitchell Carlisle Memorial Fund
Building Endowment Fund
William R. Phillips Endowment Fund for Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church: Gwynn Valley Campership Foundation
Green River Preserve
Clementine Gregory Designated Fund
Jane Guy Endowment Fund
Gwynn Valley Campership Foundation
John D. Crosby, Jr. Fund for Habitat for Humanity
Evan James Moseley Endowment Fund
(for Hampton School)
HandMade in America Endowment Fund
Haywood Animal Welfare Association Endowment Fund
Haywood County Arts Endowment Fund
Haywood County Public Library Trust Fund Endowment
Haywood Waterways Association Endowment Fund
The Health Adventure Endowment Fund
Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival Endowment
William R. Phillips Endowment for the Hinton Rural Life Center
Hopkins Chapel AME Zion Church Endowment
Hospice House Foundation of WNC Endowment Fund
Industrial Opportunities Endowment Fund
Rex Moseley and Irene Wortham Center Endowment Fund
Bill and Sue Ives Scholarship Fund
Provides campserships to Transylvania County children
Jewish Community Center Endowment
Joanna Cornerstone Ministries:
Mike Godfrey Memorial Scholarship
Leroy Ripper Scholarship Fund
Junior Achievement of Western North Carolina Endowment Fund
Junior League of Asheville Endowment Fund
Kiwanis Club of Black Mountain - Swannanoa Foundation:
Ernest S. DeWick Memorial General Charities Fund
Ernest S. DeWick Memorial Scholarship Fund
Lake Logan Episcopal Center Endowment Fund
Lake Toxaway Charities Legacy Endowment Fund
Lake Toxaway United Methodist Church Endowment
Little Mountaineer Scholarship Fund
Lou Pollock Memorial Park Fund
MANNA FoodBank: W. Earl Mitchell Endowment Endowment in Memory of Don Schaller
Mayland Community College Foundation Endowment
McDowell Arts & Crafts Association Endowment Fund
Public Schools of McDowell County: Virginia Staples Blanton Scholarship
Boldon Family Scholarship Endowment Fund
Nebo Elementary School Fund
New Century Scholars Scholarship Fund
Meals On Wheels of Buncombe County Endowment Fund
Mebane Memorial Endowment Fund
Mediation Center Endowment Fund
MemoryCare:
Endowment Fund
Noel Family Fund
Mental Health Association in Yancey County Endowment Fund
Mills Memorial Fund
Mitchell County Schools Endowment Fund
Montford Park Players Endowment Fund
Hollie and Sherman Morris Endowment Fund
Mount Zion Community Development Inc. Endowment Fund
Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church of Asheville Endowment Fund
Mountain Area Child and Family Center:
Kristina and Savannah Keels Scholarship Fund
Martha Lauderbaugh Robbins Endowment Fund
Danny Verner Scholarship Fund
Diana Wortham Endowment Fund
Mountain Area Hospice Foundation Fund
Mountain BizWorks Endowment
Mountain Housing Opportunities Endowment
Elizabeth Chambers Endowment Fund for Mountain Youth Resources
J. L. Murray Endowment Fund
Cherie Roth Nate Scholarship Fund
Fay Coker Walker Endowment Fund (for Neighbors in Ministry)
Mary Louise and Richard E. Nelson, Jr. Endowment Fund
Newland Presbyterian Church Endowment Fund
Newton Academy Cemetery Fund
Zelfie and Arch Nichols Fund
On Stage Fund
Optimist Santa Pal Club of Asheville/Florence Jarrett Memorial Endowment Fund
Pack Place Education, Arts and Science Center: Capital Endowment Fund
Roger J. McGuire Memorial Endowment
Permanent Endowment Fund
Repair Reserve Fund
Lewis Rathbun Legacy Fund (for Pathways - Life After Cancer)
Pisgah Legal Services Endowment Fund
Preservation North Carolina: Endowment Fund
Publication Endowment
Preservation Society of Asheville & Buncombe County Fund
Rainbow Mountain Foundation Fund
Gertrude W. Ramsey Fund for Children
Ratcliffe Cove Cemetery Endowment Fund
Rotary Club of Asheville Charitable Needs Endowment
Susan H. Rozelle Fund
Robert and Lucy Schell Designated Fund
Sharing House Endowment Fund
Supports Transylvania Christian Ministry, Inc.
Smith-McDowell House Endowment Fund
Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy: Endowment Fund
Highlands Fund
Land and Conservation Easement Acquisition Fund
Land and Conservation Easement Stewardship Endowment
Southern Dharma Retreat Center Endowment Fund
St. Matthias Scholarship Fund
Jenkins Episcopal Church Cemetery Endowment Fund (for St. Phillip’s Episcopal Church, Brevard)
Wildlife Rehabilitation Endowment Fund (for Wildlife Care Center of the Blue Ridge)

**WNC AIDS Project Endowment**
WNC Communities: Endowment Fund
Dairy Commission Endowment Fund
David H. Levitch Memorial Endowment for W.N.C. Housing, Inc.
WNC Medical Peer Review Foundation Physicians’ Endowment Fund
WNC Partners for Nonprofit Success Fund
WNC Public Radio: McGuire Program Fund
Unrestricted Fund
Laurie Robeson Wright Charitable Fund
YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly Endowment Fund
YMCA of Western North Carolina Endowment Fund
YWCA Endowment Fund

**Scholarship Funds**

These funds provide assistance to students pursuing their higher education.

Richard M. Arnold Scholarship Fund
Asalome-O’Connor Foundation Fund
Asheville Wilbert Vault Service Scholarship Fund
Asheville Young Woman Leadership Award Fund
William Bradley Ayers Memorial Scholarship Fund
Alan Bruckner Young Life Scholarship Fund
J. Jerry Cabe Dental Scholarship Fund
Camp High Rocks Campership Fund
John Francis Amherst Cecil Foundation Fund
Chattanooga Club Employee Scholarship Endowment Fund
Harry W. Clarke Scholarship Endowment Fund
Phyllis Crain Scholarship Fund for Avery County
Nelle Crowell Fletcher & G.L. Crowell Fund
Emily Davidson Memorial Music Scholarship Fund
Mike Davis Team Spirit Award Fund
Jim Dujck Memorial Scholarship Fund for Mountain Youth Baseball, Inc.
Johnneen Roth Epstein Scholarship Fund
Newton Academy-William Forster, Jr. & Nancy Forster Stevens Scholarship Fund
Londell J. Foster-Thomas Scholarship Fund
Captain John G. Gardner, USMC, Viet Nam Veterans Memorial Scholarship Fund
R. Walker Geibert, III Scholarship Fund
Martha Guy Educational Fund
Margie McClune Hayrick Nursing Scholarship Fund
Wellington Hayrick Scholarship Fund
Chuck D. Hargrove Memorial Scholarship Fund
Heffington Scholarship Fund
A. Joe Hemphill, Jr. Scholarship Fund
Mary R. Hemphill Scholarship Fund
Highlands Falls Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund
Yates L. and Louise D. Holland Scholarship Fund
Walter “Pop” Jarvis Scholarship Fund
Journey Endowment Funds
Kimmel and Associates Scholarship for Students in Construction Fund
Lucius Lanier Memorial Fund
James G.K. McClure Educational and Development Fund
McDowell Medical Associates, P.A., Scholarship Fund
Gene and Lee Meyer Scholarship Fund
Brandon F. Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund
Roger W. Morrison Scholarship Fund
NC Alpha Epsilon Memorial Scholarship Fund
NC Association of Electrical Contractors Cal and Carol Peddy Memorial Fund
Elda C. Penny-Graham Co. Woman’s Club Scholarship Fund
Irving Jacob Reuter Award Fund
S. Hayes Robinson Memorial Dance Scholarship Fund
Rotary Club of Asheville Fund/Morrill Fund
Rotary Club of Asheville/West Scholarship Fund
Salsbury Scholarship Fund
Charlie R. & Charles J. Silver Family Scholarship Fund
Lynn Brown Slater Memorial Scholarship Fund
Murice C. Talley Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund
Transylvania County New Century Scholars Fund
Transylvania Excellence in Education/Chamber of Commerce Award Fund
Transylvania Excellence in Education/Excellence Award Fund
Transylvania Excellence in Education/Holbrook-Nichols Achievement Award Fund
Wildcat Cliffs Country Club Employee Scholarship Fund
Clyde and Mildred Wright Endowment Fund
Affiliate Funds

Nine affiliates across our region are building endowments for their communities. The Community Foundation supports and encourages the growth of these funds by providing investment, accounting, grantmaking and administrative services.

Volunteer boards, made up of local community members, lead each affiliate and develop strategies for building resources that allow these local funds to meet important community needs now and in the future.

Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund
With new gifts and pledges to the fund, the Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund’s increased assets are providing additional income for grants to local nonprofit organizations. The Board is working to build awareness of the fund and is seeking to support the strongest proposals that meet a variety of needs in their community.

Board members: James A. Buckner and Robert N. Headley, Co-Chairs; William Michael Begley, Treasurer; Judith D. Mayer, Secretary; Cecelia Adams, Tony Amatangelo, Julia A. Capps, Scott Counce, Lynn Deese, Emily Ferguson, Jerome C. Herrig, William G. Hollins, Jim Lenhart, Gerald Le Van, Charles E. Reiley, Frances B. Roberts and Letta Jean Taylor.

» Established in 1999
» $406,809 in assets
» 2006-2007 Grant Recipients: Black Mountain Center for the Arts Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry WCQS Public Radio
» Total Grants: $21,000*

Cashiers Community Fund
The Cashiers Community Fund reaches out to full and part-time residents to raise awareness of the impact their grants are having in the community. The “Campaign for Cashiers” was launched this year in response to a generous challenge grant. The goal of the campaign is to build more than $2 million in assets, enabling the fund to support important projects that address critical community needs.

Board members: David S. Dimling, Chair; Peggy Warner, Vice-Chair; Jessica J. Connor, Secretary; Pat Alders, Albert L. Balestiere, Sandra Bash, Joan Berryhill, Sanford P. Bishop, Patrick Carlton, Kimberly Coward, Robert L. Dew, Wendy Dowden, Louis Freeman, William F. Law, Jr., Becky McKee, Edward G. Michaels, II, Cynthia Turoff, R. Preston Wailes, Eleanor Welling and Sharon Wiggins.

» Established in 1994
» $179,569 in assets
» 2006-2007 Grant Recipients: Baptist Children’s Homes of NC Haywood Baptist Association LifeSpan NC International Folk Festival REACH of Haywood County
» Total Grants: $46,000

The Fund For Haywood County
The Fund for Haywood County fully funded all the grants awarded in their community this fiscal year. The fund supported a variety of organizations and projects, such as equipment to increase a local nonprofit’s efficiency and a health and wellness program for youth at risk of obesity.


» Established in 1999
» $816,865 in assets and pledges
» 2006-2007 Grant Recipients: The Bascom-Louise Gallery Fibber Magee’s Closet Highlands Biological Station Highlands Community Child Development Center Highlands Emergency Council Highlands Historical Society Literacy Council of Highlands
» Total Grants: $63,700*

**The Highlands Community Foundation Board is also the advisor to the Mildred Miller Fort Fund and the Hertwig Gift Fund.

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Board members: Willis H. Willey, Chair; T. Wood Lovell, Vice-Chair; W. Jack Brinson, Treasurer; Judy Michaud, Secretary; Wayne C. Beckner, Dee Carnes, Rick Demetriou, Beverly Ellars, Robert W. Fisher, Richard W. Freeman, Cris Hayes, Samuel B. Hollis, Suzanne Inman, Judy Kight, George Maloney, William H. Martin, Mark Meadows, George A. Pettway and Emily “Mimi” W. Tynes.

» Established in 1996
» $161,865 in assets and pledges
» 2006-2007 Grant Recipients: The Cashiers Community Fund
» Total Grants: $25,000*

Highlands Community Foundation
Combining generous gifts, bequests and pledges, the Highlands Community Foundation exceeds $1 million dollars in assets.**

This fund continues to make much-needed grants to local nonprofit organizations from both its endowment and Gift Fund.

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» $816,865 in assets and pledges
» 2006-2007 Grant Recipients: The Bascom-Louise Gallery Fibber Magee’s Closet Highlands Biological Station Highlands Community Child Development Center Highlands Emergency Council Highlands Historical Society Literacy Council of Highlands
» Total Grants: $63,700*

**The Highlands Community Foundation Board is also the advisor to the Mildred Miller Fort Fund and the Hertwig Gift Fund, which also support grantmaking in Highlands.

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The McDowell Foundation

The McDowell Foundation continues to cultivate charitable assets they will put to work in their community. Board members hosted a breakfast for professional advisors this year in an effort to build awareness of the unique benefits The McDowell Foundation offers both donors and nonprofits in their county.

Board members: Sharon L. Parker, Chair; W. Hill Evans, Vice-Chair; Laura Dover Doran, Secretary; Ellen “Bunnie” S. Burgin, G. Simeon Butler, Rebecca B. Cross, Simeon R. Cross, Barbara W. Dark, Amy England, Jim Gibson, Albert C. Hogan and Joy Shuford.

- Established in 1995
- $334,219 in assets
- 2006-2007 Grant Recipients:
  - Altapass Foundation
  - Foothills Conservancy
  - Gouge Primary School
  - Mitchell County Development Foundation
  - Penland School of Crafts

- Total Grants: $64,000*

Rutherford County Foundation

The Rutherford County Foundation (RCF) is the honored recipient of the largest, single gift ever made to an affiliate. In July of 2007, the Centura/First Savings Foundation decided to terminate independent operations and transferred their assets to the Rutherford County Foundation. With these increased assets, the RCF will play a significant role in assisting nonprofits and public agencies in their community.

Board members: Phil de Montmollin, Chair; Mike Gavin, Vice-Chair; Peggy Jaski, Secretary; Al Adams, Dean Backstrom, Doris Crute, Lucille H. Dalton, Joe B. Godfrey, Dee B. Griffith, Katy Hunt, Lesley Koonce, Sally Lesher, Al Lovelace, Beth Miller, Juanita Newton, Fred Noble, Jim Robbins, Michael Tanner, Claudia Wilkins, Faye Wilson and Midge Yelton.

- Established in 1995
- $147,617 in assets
- 2006-2007 Grant Recipients:
  - Altapass Foundation
  - Gouge Primary School
  - Mitchell County Development Foundation
  - Penland School of Crafts

- Total Grants: $64,000*

Yancey Foundation

The Yancey Foundation strives to build awareness of the fund in their community. A variety of projects received support this year, including resources for a local school to offer hands-on learning experiences and the purchase of several pieces of equipment that will allow nonprofits to work more efficiently.

Board members: Peter Stephens, Chair; William O. Cullom, Vice-Chair; Neal Culver, Treasurer; JoAnn Collins, Secretary; Patricia Bennett, Peter Bobbe, Dottie Buler, Paul “Bubba” Crutchfield, James M. Floyd, Becky Gillespie, George Gowen, Robert Howell, Lynda Kinnane, Richard L. Muri, Ron Powell, Wanda Proffitt, Martin Webster, Carol Wilson and Carol Woodard.

- Established in 1998
- $258,609 in assets
- 2006-2007 Grant Recipients:
  - Altapass Foundation
  - Foothills Conservancy
  - Gouge Primary School
  - Mitchell County Development Foundation
  - Penland School of Crafts

- Total Grants: $54,297*

Foundation For Mitchell County

The Foundation for Mitchell County is committed to supporting projects that enhance their community. This year they substantially invested in projects that protect both their natural and cultural resources. Thanks to support from the Foundation for Mitchell County, the “Home of the Perfect Christmas Tree” project has continued to gain momentum and was the proud provider of hundreds of handmade ornaments for the White House.

Board members: Cynthia G. Nash, Chair; Gina Phillips, Vice-Chair; Doug Sudduth, Secretary; Bill Carson, Phillip Frye, Libby McKinney, Ronald B. McKinney, Sallie McKinney, Jean McLaughlin, Anne Rhine, Lelind Riddle, Kate Vogel and Bill Weeks.

- Established in 1999
- $693,725 in assets (before merger)
- 2006-2007 Grant Recipients:
  - Foothills Conservancy
  - Gouge Primary School
  - KidSenses Children’s InterACTIVE Museum
  - Penland School of Crafts

- Total Grants: $83,400*

Transylvania Endowment

The Transylvania Endowment featured grants made to local nonprofit organizations through presentations by grant recipients to board members and supporters at their annual meeting. Their grantmaking continues to address community needs in a myriad of ways, including chronic illness care and prevention, and financial literacy to youth and their families.


- Established in 1996
- $540,591 in assets**
- 2006-2007 Grant Recipients:
  - Foothills Conservancy
  - Gouge Primary School
  - KidSenses Children’s InterACTIVE Museum
  - Penland School of Crafts

- Total Grants: $54,297*

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**The Transylvania Endowment Board is also the advisor to the Transylvania Directors’ Fund, Lake Toxaway Charities Endowment Fund and Sapphire Lakes Charitable Fund, which support grantmaking in Transylvania County.
The Hust Society

The Hust Society, named for our founder Ray Hust, recognizes and honors those who have established permanent endowment funds at The Community Foundation. Their commitment of charitable resources benefits our region now and will endure for generations to come.

Annie Clarke Ager
John Curtis Ager
Brent Aikman
Sheryl Aikman
Richard C. Allen
Tony and Allison Amatangelo
The Arnold Family
Fred and Marcia Ayers
John Bernhardt
John W. Bicknell
Mary D. Bicknell
Donna A. Broadwell
Ed Broadwell
Christopher Brookhouse
David G. Brown
Ida Brown
Lin Brown
Kenneth Brown
Frank and Susan Bruckner
Donna D. Buckner
James A. Buckner
David and Ann Burchfield
Margaret L. Butler
Dr. and Mrs. Nicholas C. Chubb
Don and Lisbeth Cooper
Kay and Denny Crews
E. Brown Crosby
Nancy Crosby
George and Pat Davis
Madeline and Roy Davis
Cornelia C. De Land
Gerald R. De Land
Carol and Bob Deutsch
Mildred Matthews Dillard
Laura Dover Doran
Tom and Wendy Dowden
James and Susan Dunn
Sally Duyck
Dr. Louis K. Dwarshuis
Iris and Durward Everett
Amelia B. Fisher
Arthur G. Fisher
Lloyd and Mary Kathryn Fisher
Lyn Fozzard
Martha L. Gentry
Paul O. Germann, Jr.
James S. Gibson
Thomas F. Gibson
Thomas P. Gibson
Melanie Dover Goodson
Fred and Cindy Groce
Mr. Kim Gruelle
Martha Guy
Judith and Corwith Hamill
Susan T. Harris
Arthur Joe Hemphill, Jr.
Mary R. Hemphill
Elizabeth W. Holden
Mary and Bill Hollins
John R. Hoskins, IV and
Laura A. Webb
Katherine (Kitty) H. Hoyle
William and Dorothy Hussey
Suzanne and Ed Inman
Barbara C. Keleher
Patricia Kerns
Dr. Marilyn Kolton-Dwarshuis
Joe and Wendy Kotowski
Al and Polly LeFaivre
June and Bill Lenoci
Mardi Dover Letson
Grace E. Luther
The McClinton Family
Shirley Anne and
Charlie McCullough
Anne and William Mckee
Will and Becky Mckee
Suzanne and Charles C.* McKinney
Houck and K.B. Medford
Gene Meyer
Lee Meyer
Margaret G. Montgomery
Jennifer Morgan
Jerry Newbold, Jr.
Gregory Olson and Rosalind Willis
Eleanor and Charlie Owen
Ken and Emily Partin
Robert Peterson
Anne Ponder
Jeannie G. Porter
Micah Pulley
Rob Pulley
The children of Hal and Helen Reed
— Claudette, Ron and Andy
Bob and Kathy Riddle
John LeRoy Robinson
Raymond Eley Robinson
Katherine C. Rorison
Sherrod and Margaret Salsbury
Sue Gowen Samson
Lucy Sandidge
Alexander L. Schenck
Laurinda C. Schenck
Michael Weldon Schenck
Ivy G. Sharbaugh*
H. Robert Sharbaugh
Lori C. Shook
Carolyn A. Shorkey
Randy Siegel
Christine Siegfried
Kenneth Siegfried
Phil and Pat Smith
Wm. Taylor Sword
William C. Sword
Mrs. Murice C. Talley
Robbin R. Visceglia
Milton J. Warden
Kate and Mitchell Watson
Robert K. Weiler
Carol P. Wilson
Deborah Robinson Wilson
Jay “Skip” Wilson
Jay M. Wilson, II
Diana G. Wortham
Leigh W. Young

*deceased
The Legacy Society

The Legacy Society honors a special group of individuals who have arranged for a future gift to The Community Foundation by bequest, charitable remainder trust, charitable gift annuity, retirement assets, life insurance, life estate or other deferred contribution. We celebrate these charitable legacies, which will carry on donors’ generous spirit.

Sheryl Aikman  
Nancy M. Anthony  
Marcia and Fred Ayers  
Jim* and Mason Barrett  
Charlotte Lunsford Berry  
George and Sandra Beverly  
C. Beau Bobbitt  
Howard and Betty Boyd  
Mr. and Mrs. G. Waring Boys  
Joe C. Brumit II and Janice W. Brumit  
Robert E. and Shirley A.* Burns  
Richard L. Bury and Ann R. Bury  
Mrs. Charles M. Butler  
Ms. Nancy Sales Cash  
Mrs. Gran P. Childress  
Betty Lou Chubb  
Nicholas C. Chubb, M.D.  
Ray A. Clarke  
Mr. Charles F. Cole  
Dr. and Mrs. John Coli  
Donald R. Cooper  
Lisbeth Riis Cooper  
Elizabeth R. Craig  
William R. and Jane S. Craig  
Nancy S. Crosby  
Jerome Dave  
Lynne Diehl  
David D. and Phoebe H. Duncan  
Denise Stevens Dvoretz  
Bruce and Judy Elliston  
Bob and Iris Eskew  
Benn Edney Fass  
Mr. and Mrs. Lester E. Forbes  
Arthur J. Fryar*  
Paul O. Germann, Jr.  
William Goacher  
Fred Jerry Grant & Jane Barber Grant  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Gray  
Bruce E. Greene  
Martha Guy  
Dorothy B. Hamill  
William and Marcia Harper  
Jill Hartmann and Bonnie Schwartz  
Dr. and Mrs. John Hazlehurst  
Sara Hill  
Brock and Cathy Himan  
Jean B. Hoefner  
Bill and Marilyn Hubbard  
Mrs. Frances C. Jennings  
Mr. Richard G. Jennings, Jr.  
Richard Joel  
Barbara C. Keleher  
Alice A. Krutulis  
Walter and Marietta Lacyk  
Wayne and Phyllis Lang  
Bill Lee  
Mr. and Mrs. John D. Link  
Tom and Betsy Little  
Mrs. Leon C. Luther  
Peter Malieit  
Raymond and Susan McClinton  
Camilla W. McConnell  
Walter and Nancy McConnell  
Walter R.* and Kathryn G. McGuire  
Suzanne and Charles C.* McKinney  
Ann and Ernest Merklein  
Bill and Mary Metts  
Gene and Lee Meyer  
Catherine Morton  
Karen Elizabeth Moss  
Mr. Richard P. Mueller  
William A. and Lee T. Mynatt  
Joe and Karen Narsavage  
Paua O’Hara  
James and Patricia Paal  
Mary Linda Parker  
Mrs. Robert S. Peckham  
SharonAnn and Bob Philip  
Anne Barwick Comfort Phillips  
Gina A. Phillips  
Mrs. Joe Popplewell  
Gail Ensinger-Porter & Richard Porter  
Helen A. Powers  
Rob Pulleyn  
Michelle Rippon  
Betty Ann Roberson  
Kay E. Rouse  
Will Ruggles and Douglass Rankin  
Sue Gowen Samson  
Carla Dimmitt Schell  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Schwarzkopf  
Barbara and Robert Seiler  
Dick and Nancy Sennett  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Shields  
Bretny and Coleman Smith  
Phil and Pat Smith  
O. E. and Lida M. Starnes  
David W. Stewart  
Susan L. Stone  
David and Nancy Swann  
Wanda Van Goor  
Dr. Hugh D. and Margaret O. (Danny) Verner  
Robert Wallace, Jr.  
Carolyn Shorkey and Milton Warden  
Alice Elizabeth White  
Tom and Linda Wilson  
Jay “Skip” Wilson, Carol P. Wilson,  
Jay M. Wilson, II  
Richard A. Wood, Jr.  
Mrs. K. Lee Scott Wright

Legacies Designated to a Foundation Affiliate

Black Mountain Community Endowment Fund
James A. and Donna D. Buckner  
Thomas R. and Katharine W. (Scottie) Cannon  
Henry and Barbara Griffin

Cashiers Community Fund
Vesta and Albert Balestiere  
Ann and Mitchell Betty  
Vanna Montgomery Cameron  
Dr. Barbara Carlton  
Ann McKee Austin  
Kate and Mitchell Watson

The Fund for Haywood County
Rolf Kaufman  
Melissa Van Noppen  
Billie and Bob Venner

The McDowell Foundation
Larry and Pat Brown  
John M. Cross  
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cross and Family  
R. Marshall Dark, Jr. and Barbara W. Dark  
Nancy C. Greenlee  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Hogan & Vickie  
Dr. and Mrs. Michael A. McCall

Rutherford County Foundation
Katherine Philbeck  
Mr. and Mrs. James T. Tanner  
Lynne and Mike Tanner  
Dick and Martha Wilkins

Transylvania Endowment
Mary Elizabeth Bailey  
Ann and David Burchfield  
William R. and Sherry G. Minnich  
John and Isabel Nichols  
David W. and Sara B. Sowersby  
Aleen Steinberg

Yancey Foundation
Peg and George Emerson

*deceased
How to Give

Since 1978, Western North Carolinians have relied on The Community Foundation to help them turn their charitable passions into meaningful and effective philanthropy. Philanthropy is our business – our only business. We are here to help you create and sustain giving that supports the causes and institutions that are important to you and your family now, and years from now.

Here are answers to a few of our most frequently asked questions:

Q. How do I get started?
A. You can create your own fund at the Foundation with an irrevocable gift and choose the fund’s name and its purpose. The Foundation staff will prepare a fund agreement that incorporates your charitable wishes.

Q. What is the most popular giving option?
A. A donor advised fund allows you and your family to be actively involved in recommending grants from your fund to support the causes and charities important to you. You also have the option of participating in the Foundation’s grantmaking through our “Partners in Giving” program. Other options are noted below.

Q. What will the Foundation do for me once I set up a fund?
A. We will work personally with you to meet your specific needs, provide expert advice on community issues and the organizations addressing them, take care of the administrative work associated with charitable giving, and, if you desire, carry out your legacy of giving forever, through an endowed fund.

Q. How are funds invested?
A. Endowments are pooled for investment but managed individually. We offer a range of investment choices, including a socially responsible option. Every portfolio is professionally managed and overseen by our Investment Committee.

Q. Isn’t a fund at the Foundation just for the very wealthy?
A. You can establish your own named fund with a gift of $10,000 or more. You can make that gift during your lifetime or through your estate plan. You can also make a gift of any size to the Fund for Western North Carolina, one of our affiliate or field of interest funds, or to one of more than 100 endowments we hold for local nonprofit organizations.

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Q. How do I receive more information?
A. Contact us at (828) 254-4960 or visit www.cfwnc.org to learn more.

Giving Now
There are many different options for establishing a fund at The Community Foundation. We’ll work with you to choose the type of fund that best fits your needs and interests. You can use your fund to support charities here in the mountains or anywhere in the country, all with a single tax-efficient gift. A fund can be established in your name, anonymously, or in the name of a loved one whom you wish to honor or memorialize.

Giving Later
Through your estate plan, you can provide resources that will support community needs for generations to come. We are happy to work with you and your professional advisors to identify tax-efficient gift vehicles that will serve your financial and philanthropic goals.
Charitable Funds

Donor Advised Fund
Recommend grants to qualified nonprofits of your choice. This is your most flexible option. Some advantages:
» It’s easy. There are no legal costs and no annual tax returns. You can add to your fund any time.
» Receive maximum tax benefits because The Community Foundation is a public charity.
» Access learning opportunities, on-line giving tools and our expert staff.

Unrestricted Fund
Create a fund that will support promising, effective and creative approaches to meeting our region’s most urgent needs. Funds are distributed through the Foundation’s grantmaking programs, or you can actively participate in grantmaking.

Field of Interest Fund
Designate an interest area for your gifts such as the arts, environment or to benefit your county or community in our region. Participate in grantmaking with our staff who will identify organizations performing the most effective work in the field you specify, or simply direct your gift to serve pressing needs in your area of interest.

Designated Fund
Provide permanent support for one or more of your favorite charitable organizations (a cultural institution, a nonprofit helping people in need or virtually any qualified nonprofit organization). The organization(s) you select will receive annual grants in your fund’s name in perpetuity or for a designated period of time.

Scholarship Fund
Inspire young people with support for their educational goals. Make a gift in any amount to The Fund for Scholarships, establish a named fund with a gift of $25,000 or more, or create a customized scholarship award with a gift of $100,000 or more.

Give Wisely
The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina accepts most types of assets. Because we are a public charity, your gifts can usually be deducted at their fair market value. Although most donors contribute cash or publicly traded stock, we also accept:

- Closely-held stock
- Real estate
- Qualified retirement plan assets or IRAs
- Tangible personal property
- Assets of other trusts or of a private foundation
- Life insurance
- Stock options or founder’s stock
- Limited liability partnership units

Deferred Gifts

Bequest
Specify a gift in your will or revocable trust. You retain all assets during your lifetime, and the gift will be made upon your death. Your estate may receive an estate tax deduction for your bequest.

Charitable Gift Annuity
In exchange for a charitable gift of $10,000 or more, you’ll receive a guaranteed stream of income for life (or the lifetimes of up to two people). Part of the annuity payments may even be tax free.

Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT)
Create a CRT with $50,000 or more and receive an immediate tax deduction. Receive income from the gift for life or for a specified number of years, after which your fund receives the remaining assets.

Charitable Lead Trust (CLT)
Provide income to a designated charitable fund for a period of years, then direct the remaining – often appreciated – assets back to you or your beneficiary(ies). A CLT allows you to pass assets on to your children or grandchildren while minimizing gift and estate tax liability.
Financial Information

Stewardship of Community Assets
The thoughtful stewardship of The Community Foundation’s assets is a critical responsibility of the Board of Directors. The Foundation’s investment program utilizes multiple levels of oversight in managing assets for the benefit of Western North Carolina.

The Foundation’s Investment Committee, comprised of local professionals with investment and financial expertise, has responsibility for all aspects of investment activities, including investment policy, asset allocation and performance review. An investment consulting firm strengthens and informs the work of the Investment Committee through analytical studies, manager searches and the compilation of performance data. Multiple investment managers provide value to the Foundation’s investment process through the application of their knowledge and experience in portfolio management.

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina has a sustained record of managing prudent investment strategies. The Foundation offers donors and nonprofit organizations access to institutional investment strategies and management normally available only to large investors. Donors and nonprofit organizations can capitalize on the benefits of this multi-manager, diversified approach by working with The Community Foundation.

The Community Foundation allows fundholders to recommend an investment option from among multiple portfolios under the oversight of the Investment Committee. For funds not otherwise recommended by donors, the Foundation invests in a broadly diversified portfolio that provides strategic allocations to equity investments, fixed income investments and alternative investments.

Annual Investment Returns Through 6/30/07

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<td>One Year</td>
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*The benchmark used is 60% S&P 500, 40% Lehman Brothers Government/Corporate Index.

Investment returns are reported net of investment expenses.

Asset Allocation as of 6/30/07

- Domestic Equity: 46%
- International Equity: 12%
- Fixed Income: 29%
- Alternative Investments: 8%
- Real Estate: 5%

Total: 100%
### Statement of Financial Position

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<td>$2,544,182</td>
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<td>23,699</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
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<td>Property and equipment, net</td>
<td>61,215</td>
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<td>12,069,388</td>
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<td>491,048</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenues and Other Support</strong></td>
<td><strong>29,554,153</strong></td>
<td><strong>19,897,577</strong></td>
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<th>Expenses</th>
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<td>Program services</td>
<td>9,904,536</td>
<td>7,839,855</td>
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<td>Supporting services</td>
<td>882,128</td>
<td>701,474</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>10,786,664</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,541,329</strong></td>
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<th>Increase in net assets</th>
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<td>Prior period adjustment</td>
<td>(2,454,207)</td>
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<td><strong>Net assets, beginning of year, as previously reported</strong></td>
<td>111,066,814</td>
<td>99,710,562</td>
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<th><strong>Net assets, beginning of year, as restated</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Net Assets, End of Year</strong></td>
<td><strong>$127,380,096</strong></td>
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In response to the Pension Protection Act of 2006, which provided definition to classifications of funds commonly held by community foundations, management determined that certain funds were more appropriately classified as endowments or agency endowments. The prior period adjustment for the year ended June 30, 2006 recognizes this reclassification accordingly.

Note: Standards of financial accounting for nonprofit organizations affect the reporting of charitable remainder trusts and certain endowment funds managed by The Community Foundation for other nonprofit organizations. On the Statement of Activities, among the categories of revenue and expense impacted by these reporting requirements are Contributions and Program Services, which includes grant distributions.

References to Contributions and Grants in other parts of this annual report reflect total contributions received and total grants disbursed.

The audited financial statements of The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina are available for inspection at the Foundation office, Suite 1600, the BB&T Building, One West Pack Square, Asheville, NC 28801.
Standing (L-R): Virginia Dollar, Program Administrator; Tim Richards, Senior Program Officer; Spencer Butler, Donor Services Associate; Diane Crisp, Office Manager; Angie Newsome, Communications Associate; Maria Juarez, Scholarship Officer; Janet Sharp, Staff Accountant; Evie Sandlin, Communications Director; Beth Semadeni, Receptionist; Naomi Davis, Accounting Associate; Susan Russo, Donor Relations Director; Sally Weldon, Director of Information Technology; Beth Maczka, Program Officer; Bob Wagner, VP, Programs.

Seated (L-R): Tara Scholtz, Affiliate & Development Officer; Lisa Forehand, Program Officer; Becky Davis, Development Officer; Graham Keefer, VP, Finance and Administration; Pat Smith, President; Sheryl Aikman, VP, Development.

Foundation Staff
About the Artist and this Report
Shana Greger’s stylized waterfall paintings distill the components of a complex cosmography—water, rocks and trees—abstracting the organic forms found in nature to create evocative work inspired by the energy of renewal. Relocating from the desert Southwest to Asheville, she found herself drawn to waterfalls and wet rocks, seeing in them a representation of solidity balancing fluidity, contradiction in harmony and cosmos from chaos. Greger received her BFA degree from Massachusetts College of Art. Her work has been exhibited at New Britain Youth Museum and is in the collections of Children’s Hospital (MA), Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities (Jordan) and Greensboro Public Library. She also has illustrated several children’s books. Her paintings are represented by Blue Spiral 1 in Asheville.

Paintings Shown
Front Cover: Linville Falls #5
Page 10: Linville Gorge #1
Page 30: Crabtree Falls #4
Page 36: Crabtree Falls #2
Above: Rainbow Falls #4

Concept and Design
This annual report was concepted and designed by Design One, an Asheville-based graphic design and communications firm.

Photography
Profile photography by Evie Sandlin White. Staff photos, along with the photo of Bubba Crutchfield and Pat Smith, were taken at The North Carolina Arboretum by Blake Madden. Blake Madden also photographed Jack and George Cecil at Enka Middle School and the Power of the Purse event.