

Ottawa County Community Foundation
Celebrating Our Tenth Year
Summer 2010 Newsletter



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FOREVER.**

The Ottawa County Community Foundation was established in 1999 as a **public** charitable organization created by the citizens of our community to improve the quality of life for those who live and work in the Ottawa County area.

2010 Community Grants

For the fifth consecutive year, the Foundation awarded grants in education, social services, health, natural resources, positive learning environment and the arts. Qualified charitable organizations serving Ottawa County submitted proposals by the March 15 deadline and the OCCF Board of Trustees approved the following grants.



2010 Grant Recipients

- * AIDS Resource Center of Ohio - \$800 for HIV counseling, testing, and referral services in Ottawa County.
- * American Red Cross - \$2,000 to provide babysitter training for 75 young people.
- * Benton-Carroll-Salem Schools - \$500 to provide materials for math teachers for enhancing higher level thinking.
- * Black Swamp Bird Observatory - \$500 for marketing and promotion of the "Biggest Week in American Birding."
- * Black Swamp Conservancy - \$750 to purchase nets for bird banding projects.
- * CASA - \$575 for printed materials for public awareness and program implementation.
- * Child Abuse Prevention - \$1,000 to address child abuse/
- * Joyful Connections - \$1,000 for client transportation .
- * Lutheran Homes Society - \$500 for exercise equipment at Covenant Harbor.
- * Main Street Port Clinton - \$400 for holiday décor for downtown historic Port Clinton.
- * Musical Arts Series at Firelands - \$1,000 for concerts at Ottawa County senior citizens facilities.
- * Oak Harbor Public Library - \$1,500 to purchase a micro-film reader/scanner.
- * Ottawa County Historical Museum - \$750 for exhibit featuring Ottawa County citizens' contribution to U.S. military history.
- * Ottawa County Historical Society Keeper's House - \$750 for computer software.
- * Port Clinton Friends of the Cemetery - \$1,000 for landscaping entrance to Riverview Cemetery.
- * Riverview Industries - \$2,000 to replace network server, printing system and computers.
- * St. Boniface Support Group - \$1,500 for new playground equipment.
- * Salvation Army - \$2,500 to provide school supplies to low-income, at risk students.
- * Terra College Foundation - \$500 to sponsor guest artists and scholarships for Ottawa County Performing Arts Series.
- * United Way - \$5,000 for neighborhood revitalization

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* Child Assault Prevention - \$1996 to address child abuse/neglect through education and awareness.

*Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Division - \$1,000 to provide incentives for participants of the HOPE program.

*Friends of Port Clinton Parks - \$1,000 for sidewalk construction.

* Habitat for Humanity - \$1,000 for construction of a home in Ottawa County.

* Heartbeat Pregnancy Center - \$800 to establish locations in western Ottawa County to provide education and services.

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<u>Year</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>
2006	15	\$23,000	\$1,533
2007	12	\$22,842	\$1,900
2008	19	\$32,317	\$1,700
2009	23	\$31,050	\$1,350
2010	24	\$29,321	\$1,222

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10th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, September 19, 2010, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Schedel Arboretum and Gardens

19255 W. Portage River S. Rd., Elmore, Ohio

The purpose of this 10th anniversary celebration is to thank and honor those who have made the **Ottawa County Community Foundation** possible. Also, special recognition and appreciation will be given to **Fund Donors** who are “**Doing Good. Forever.**” in Ottawa County. A new video that outlines the Foundation’s history, progress and accomplishments has been created and will have its premier showing at the event.

This celebration is not the end of the Foundation’s work. It is merely a milestone along the way as the Foundation continues to grow and benefit Ottawa County in a multitude of ways. Special invitations will be sent out in August. Your invitation will serve as your admission to this gala event.

Second Scholarship Raffle

Have a child or grandchild contemplating further education? Do you know of someone who would like to go back to school? OCCF has begun their second annual Scholarship Raffle. Tickets are available for a \$1,000 scholarship for the pursuit of any higher or continuing education at an accredited school. Don’t know a young person right now who is considering further education? You could even allow a local high school to designate a recipient for you. This is a great way to help a student and the OCCF as well.

Proceeds will be used for our operating costs such as this newsletter, other mailings and miscellaneous expenses. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available from any board member. The winner will be drawn at the 2011 Grant Awards Presentation in June. Please help us to continue **Doing Good. Forever.**

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As the years have passed and the OCCF has grown, more and more people have benefited from the scholarships and grants administered by the foundation. For several years the Red Cross and Salvation Army have applied for and received grants which have had far reaching benefit in Ottawa County.

The Red Cross, for several years, has provided child care training for youth from low income families. This training enables these young people to be more helpful and responsible at home with younger siblings. It also enables them to earn income by being qualified to babysit for other families. An ongoing program of the Salvation Army is to provide book bags and school supplies for those in need as they begin school in the fall.

These are just two examples of how the OCCF is **“Doing Good. Forever.”** Let us know what ideas you have so that the Foundation can help you accomplish your goals.

Foundation Facts: We exist to facilitate and promote local philanthropy. Community Foundation donors enjoy the maximum tax advantages allowed by law.