THE LEGACY FOUNDATION 2013 GRANTS & FINANCIAL REPORT FIRM

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THE LEGACY FOUNDATION supports programs and projects in the areas of health, education, recreation, human and social services, aging, and the arts in Tompkins County. Support is also given to requests for capital expenditures and "seed" money for new or innovative projects or programs.

Grants are restricted to charitable and philanthropic activities within Tompkins County and are not made for on-going operating budgets, endowments, for sectarian purposes or for loans or assistance to individuals. All grant requests are carefully screened to ensure that the grants distributed make maximum use of Legacy Foundation funds.

Legacy Foundation receives many more requests for grants annually than its endowment can support. The board of directors has developed a priority rating system that each director employs in making his or her decision on the quality of life impact of each potential grant. A consensus is reached on the most positive impact grants at the grant review meeting in the spring and fall.

Legacy Foundation also provides endowment funds for two award programs. One was established by Tompkins Trust Company to identify and reward excellence in volunteering within Tompkins County. The other was established by Tompkins Trust Company in the name of its former President and CEO, Raymond Van Houtte, to identify and reward outstanding teachers and other employees of Tompkins County schools. A separate awards committee makes the selection from nominated community members and the cash awards are made annually to be given to a deserving organization of the awarded choice.

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HEALTH AND PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

CAYUGA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

The Nurse Case Manager Program at Titus Towers serves 30 frail, elderly men and women residents by providing ongoing care, health assessments and assistance. Program evaluation has shown that this assistance, education and ongoing support will allow 60% of these elders to maintain a significant level of independence and dignity of life. \$4,000 was awarded to support this program.

ITHACA HEALTH ALLIANCE:

The IHA Diagnostic Grants Program provides full payment of lab charges for a limited number of established free clinic patients with chronic conditions allowing them appropriate diagnosis of their conditions. \$7,500 was granted to the Ithaca Health Fund, part of IHA, to support diagnostic testing.

HUMAN SERVICES COALITION:

The 2-1-1 Information and Referral service provides for health and human services needs for Tompkins County residents. To remain effective and reliable this service requires upgraded computer equipment and emergency power capability. \$6,200 was awarded to accomplish these needs.

UNITY HOUSE:

The New York State Nurse Practice Act now requires unlicensed staff serving people with mental illness and/or developmental disabilities to be certified in defined areas of service. Unity House initiated a program of independent study using modules from Bethesda Institute and the Missouri Institute of Mental Health. \$1,600 was awarded to purchase two sets of appropriate training materials from these sources.



Cayuga Housing Development Corporation's Titus Towers



Unity House's Personalized Recovery Oriented Services (PROS) class in session.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY

FRANZISKA RACKER CENTERS:

A portion of the individuals who reside in the center's Residential Program require wheelchairs and are not able to move on their own from bed to a seated position. A plan to purchase a portable freestanding lift system was initiated for this program. The selected lift will provide more efficient handling of these individuals and provide lower costs in the process. \$5,525 was awarded for the purchase of the designated lift system.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL:

Low-income families served frequently require child and infant supplies and consumables to provide basic health and safety needs. The council maintains funds to purchase such items as required by the families served. \$2,500 was awarded to be used for this purpose.

DOWNTOWN ITHACA CHLDREN'S CENTER:

Over 50% of the children served have been exposed to violence and abuse in their homes and therefore demonstrate aggressive behavior at the center. Center teachers have been trained to control these situations. Best practices have proven that video cameras can be beneficial in such instructional situations. A request for \$2,024 to purchase video cameras for instruction purposes as well as enhanced center security was approved.

ALTERNATIVES IMPACT:

The Student Credit Union program created a pilot program called "College Saver's Club". It is intended to provide a means by which elementary school students from low-income families can begin to save money for future education opportunity. \$5,000 was awarded as "seed" money for the creation of this project.

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES:

PLANNED PARENTHOOD:

Child psychiatry services demand has continued to grow in Tompkins County. The agency is the only one locally that provides such services to children under 5 and the largest provider to children from 5 to 17. \$5,000 was awarded to assist in funding services to meet this increasing demand.

A \$5.2 million capital campaign to construct a green,

raised before the public campaign begins in late 2013.

16,000 SF Health and Education Center in Ithaca is underway. Over 70% of the total is planned to be

\$25,000 to be paid over two years was approved.

THE LEARNING WEB:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has recently mandated some reporting regarding services provided to the homeless. The existing data systems of this agency cannot interface with the necessary databases to comply with the mandates. \$3,720 was approved to purchase a HUD client database software license and to provide for an interface to allow the mandated reporting.

SPCA:

A summer camp program for children from 9-12 began in 2006 and has been growing annually. The curriculum includes time spent with agency and visiting veterinarians, visits from local agencies and field trips to local and regional animal and nature parks and facilities. \$2,500 was awarded to offset growing expenses and keep from increasing tuition fees.



Franziska Racker Center's portable freestanding lift system.

EDUCATION, ARTS AND HUMANITIES

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES:

This organization provides academic help through tutoring and mentoring of elementary and middle school children who are performing below grade level in the Ithaca City School District. It is unique in that the volunteers providing the assistance stay connected with the students through several years. A grant of \$5,000 was awarded to assist in funding the growing demand.

CLOSE TO HOME PRODUCTIONS:

Constance Cook, an Ithaca resident, spent 14 years in the New York State Assembly representing Tompkins County at a time when there were only two other women representatives. She pioneered legislation concerning broad-based public control of education and the decriminalization of abortion. \$5,000 was contributed for the production of a half-hour documentary on her life.

YMCA:

Programs of the YMCA are made available to all county residents, regardless of their financial capability, through the establishment and management of a scholarship fund. The 2013 scholarship fund was augmented with a \$5,000 grant award.

HANGAR THEATRE:

Theatre management defined a need to update software that will enhance fund raising and donor management and additional needs for lighting and sound equipment that will lower year round operational costs. \$9,000 was awarded to be used to assist in the accomplishment of these needs.

HISTORIC ITHACA:

Significant Elements, a division of Historic Ithaca operates a building materials reuse operation that includes job training for low-income youth. As this operation has grown, the need for a larger vehicle to pick-up and deliver donated waste building materials was defined. \$5,000 was awarded to assist in the purchase of a 12' box truck with lift.

PALEONTOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTION:

In 2013 PRI initiated a fund raising campaign titled Rock the Future: Inspiring the Earth Scientists of Tomorrow. It encompasses several initiatives to introduce young children to earth science concepts and teach the public about climate change and its impact on our planet. \$7,500 was awarded to partially fund the "Our Dynamic Climate" portion of the campaign.

SCIENCENTER:

The Curiosity Corner, a renovation and expansion of the existing early childhood space is planned as part of the construction of the Family Learning Area at the center. It will provide well-researched activities for parents and children to do together. An award of \$20,000 to be paid over two years was made for this project.

DISCOVERY TRAIL:

The Kids Discover the Trail! Program is planned to be expanded in the 2013-2014 school year to include one grade level from each of the Dryden, Groton, Lansing, and Newfield school districts. \$5,000 was awarded to contribute to the program implementation.

AMERICAN RED CROSS:

The Collegiate Leadership Institute of the Red Cross provides specialized training to selected college and university students in Red Cross core services, leadership development and International Humanitarian Law. \$3,000 was contributed to assist the funding of the institute session, the first of its kind in Central New York State.

Museum of the Earth's new immersive ice cave display.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

ITHACA NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES:

INHS has initiated a capital project to construct an 800 SF addition to add five new offices and accomplish a deep energy retrofit of the complete building. Housing affordability is a serious challenge in Tompkins County and this agency has increased its capacity to serve middle and low-income families with their efforts to find suitable rental and purchase property. \$7,000 was awarded to support this facility renovation.

FRIENDS OF STEWART PARK:

Funds for the construction of the Stewart Park Trailhead, a part of the Cayuga Waterfront Trail Initiative, are needed to bring the initiative to completion. This portion of the project is estimated to cost \$20,000. \$7,500 was awarded to assist in its successful implementation.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF TOMPKINS COUNTY:

A capital campaign was initiated to continue to enhance 4-H Acres, a ten-acre parcel of land and buildings for use by persons and organizations within Tompkins County. Most of the enhancements will provide for year round use of the space, including handicap access. Education space, some dormitory space, commercial kitchen facility and public office availability define some uses. Users will include middle and high school youth, adults and organizations. \$15,000 was awarded to support the campaign to be paid over two years.



The Cayuga Waterfront Trail.



Cornell Cooperative Extention's enhanced education, dormitory space, commercial kitchen facility and public office.

FINANCIAL DATA (DECEMBER 31, 2013)

| | 2012 | 2013 |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Assets | \$2,241,090 | \$2,730,757 |
| Gifts & Bequests | \$52,018 | \$373,485 |
| Grants & Awards | \$156,407 | \$163,169 |
| Operating Expenses | \$39,682 | \$45,204 |

SUMMARY OF FUND ACCOUNTS

ENDOWMENT ACCOUNTS

Unrestricted: **\$2,533,035**; income for grant awards

Catherwood: \$15,751; income to United Way of Tompkins County

Sciencenter: \$33,304; income to Sciencenter

Tompkins Trust Company: \$118,107; income to TTC Awards for Excellence

Van Houtte: \$30,561; income to Raymond Van Houtte Educations Awards

GENERAL TRUST INCOME

Jewell: \$6,097 to grant awards

Strong: \$15,009 to grant awards

Smith: \$25,899 to grant awards



Camp SPCA students examining a kitten



Summer camp at the SPCA

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