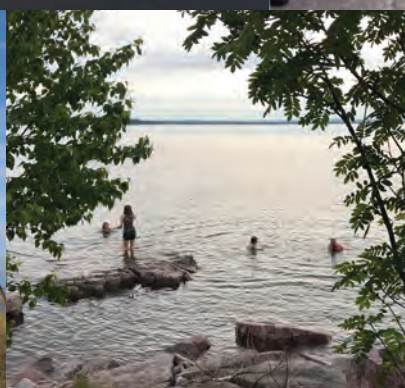





Keweenaw
 COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
 For good. For ever.®

2019 ANNUAL REPORT





We are a community foundation
whose purpose is to strengthen
all aspects of the Keweenaw and
assist our donors in achieving
their philanthropic goals.

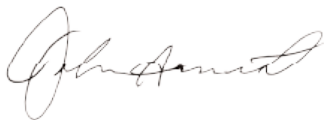
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A LETTER TO OUR COMMUNITY

The Keweenaw Community Foundation – 25 years of giving back!

Thank you for being a part of our successful history. The Keweenaw Community Foundation has been the conduit for allowing so many to give back so much over the years. Our donors trust in us to make the most of their charitable gifts by matching personal philanthropy with community needs. Giving back with the desire to make our community even a better place to live is fulfilling. Assuring that we meet each donor's charitable intentions is what has brought lasting support.

As Board Chair, it is my honor to serve on a board with so many great people. All of us on the board and staff feel privileged to work for you, our donors, to help make this community better. We welcome you as a partner as we continue to grow and serve this great community. On behalf of all of us at the Keweenaw Community Foundation, thank you for making a difference.



John B. Sanregret, *Board Chair*



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FOLLOW OUR 25 YEAR JOURNEY SO FAR...

1994

Greater Keweenaw Community Foundation is incorporated

1995

GKCF becomes affiliated with UP Community Foundation Alliance

WHO WE ARE

Established in 1994, the Keweenaw Community Foundation serves as a catalyst for change, a partner for other local organizations, and a resource for solutions to emerging community needs.



WHAT WE DO

We provide sustainable financial support to organizations for projects aimed at solving problems and enhancing life in our community.

GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE

When you give through the Keweenaw Community Foundation, your gift can enrich our community now and for many generations to come. Together we can set up funds that help you invest in the causes that you care about most.

1997
Doug Stuart appointed volunteer Executive Director
The Kellogg Foundation offers to match the funds raised by
GKCF and its Youth Advisory Committee

1998
GKCF achieves interim goal of \$500,000
GKCF receives State of Michigan certification

1996

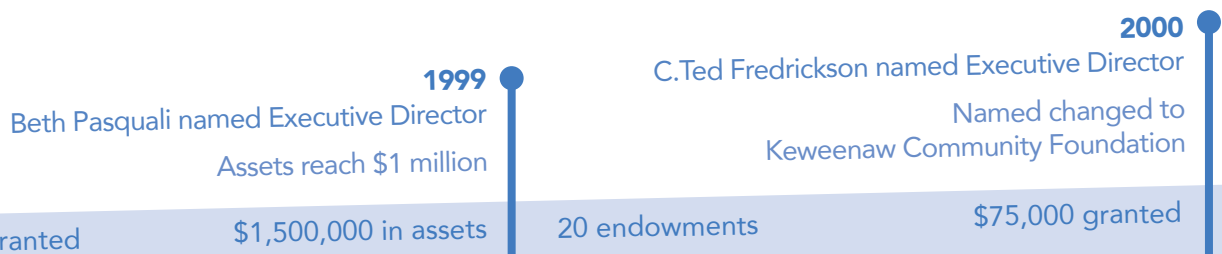
\$750,000 in assets

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

We couldn't do this without you!

Over the past year we had a record 1,620 donors contribute \$771,224 in support of a number of organizations and causes throughout Houghton and Keweenaw county. One of the most trying moments was the Father's Day floods, which tested the resiliency of our community. You all responded in a huge way, helping your neighbors get back on their feet and back into their homes through an unprecedented donation of funds and volunteer hours.

The number of KCF funds grew to 114, encompassing a variety of organizations and initiatives. \$212,584 was granted to 42 organizations, 6 scholarships, and 9 Youth Advisory Council grants. It was an incredible year of giving back to the community. On this 25th Anniversary milestone we recognize the roll our donors have had in strengthening all aspects of the Keweenaw and we look forward to your support over the next 25 years and beyond. Once again, **thank you!**





2001
Phase II of Capital Campaign begins

2002
Mary Sue Hyslop named Executive Director
Assets reach \$1.9 million

\$1,900,000 in assets

\$101,000 granted

36 endowments

STUDENT LEADERSHIP ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE KEWEENAW

Student Leadership Advisory Council of the Keweenaw (SLACK) is part of the Keweenaw Community Foundation. Their purpose is to address youth needs in Houghton and Keweenaw counties.

MISSION STATEMENT

Bridging gaps between Keweenaw communities by engaging in youth philanthropy and developing student leadership.

GOALS

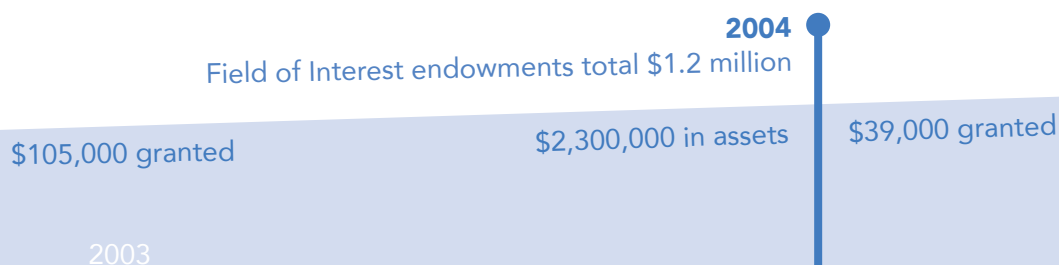
- Engage youth in philanthropy
- Engage youth in addressing the needs of local youth
- Engage youth in community service
- Engage youth in promoting leadership

HISTORY

In 1992, the trustees of the Community Foundation for Keweenaw and Houghton Counties created the Youth Advisory Committee in response to a challenge issued by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The Kellogg Foundation contributed \$500,000 to the Keweenaw Community Foundation to create an endowment to be managed for and by youth in Houghton and Keweenaw Counties.

Today, there are over 1,500 young people serving on 86 youth grantmaking committees statewide. Endowment fund assets exceed \$62 million and collectively give \$1.5 million in grants per year. Our youth council alone has granted nearly \$150,000 in funds since its inception.

In 2019 the YAC program improved its student and community outreach by working with the Copper Country ISD Student Leadership Council (SLC). Together the students decided rename the joint council SLACK (Student Leadership Advisory Council of the Keweenaw) in September of 2019.





DISASTER RELIEF AFTER THE FLOODS

A community coming together, showing its resiliency

The Keweenaw Community Foundation and a number of partnering organizations worked with our community to recover from the Father's Day Floods of 2018. The donations that were entrusted to the KCF were utilized to support the flood relief efforts and victims. Over \$350,000 was utilized for assisting those affected by the floods by helping them getting back in their homes; temporary housing; transportation; mold abatement; and more. 109 families applied for and received help in the first two phases of the recovery process, receiving assistance immediately after the floods. The KCF wishes to acknowledge the people and businesses within our community and further afield who contributed to relief efforts through individual fundraising initiatives and contributions to the Disaster Relief fund.

Over the course of the recovery and relief process, we worked with community agencies and United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) in assisting those affected through the disaster case managers funded by UMCOR.

Moving forward into the future, the Keweenaw Community Foundation is working with other organizations and granting agencies to further efforts in making sure our infrastructure, environment, and recovery processes are more resilient.

2005

Assets reach \$2.4 million

37 endowments

\$29,000 granted

2006

Barb Rose named Executive Director

\$1 million Herman Gundlach Donor Advised Fund established

41 endowments

\$55,000 granted



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2007

Copper Country Humane Society Endowment established with \$250,000 anonymous Donation

\$4,000,000 in assets

\$72,000 granted

2009

Funds held with KCF now total 52

\$41,000 granted

2008

A WEALTH OF ENERGY

We partnered with New Power Tours Inc. on a Clean Energy Initiative grant received from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation. Through this initiative, the project enabled seven local 501(c)3 organizations to replace their incandescent lighting with LEDs; replace 7 pumps in heating systems with electronically commutated motor units (ECM's); and replaced the local thrift store's washer and dryer with energy-efficient commercial models. In addition to the energy efficiency support, the project hosted an Energy Summit and worked throughout the year winterizing the homes of Copper Country low-income, ALICE, and elderly residents. The organizations who sent representatives to the Energy Summit were:

- Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region
- Keweenaw Economic Development Alliance
- Michigan Technological University – School of Forestry, School of Business & Economics, and Sustainable Futures Institute
- Houghton County Board of Commissioners
- FinnZone
- Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
- Michigan Association of Conservation Districts
- Michigan Saves
- 7 area business owners

25 YEAR CELEBRATION

This year's annual "Keweenaw Gold" event highlighted our 25th Anniversary. Over 80 attendees came out to the Miscowaubik Club in Calumet to celebrate and support the foundation's past, present, and future. It was a special evening with many community members from across the Keweenaw coming together to enjoy good food and company, and to help raise funds for our community foundation.

Multiple awards were presented at the event. Robert Maatta received the Herman "Winks" Gundlach Award for the greatest contribution to a KCF fund over the past financial year. The Volunteer of the Year Award—normally presented to an individual who has made numerous volunteer efforts to make our community a better place—was presented to all the Father's Day Flood volunteers. The Community Impact Award went to the Portage Health Foundation who also greatly helped the community in the immediate aftermath of the Father's Day Floods. The Martha and Floyd Heart & Hands Society was awarded to Carol Ekstrom, a passionate and active environmentalist and organizer.



2010

Inaugural Keweenaw Brewfest

CLK Youth Hockey Fund established

\$4,700,000 in assets

\$51,000 granted

2011

\$100,000 granted from various funds

\$5,300,000 in assets

57 endowments

\$100,000 granted

10TH ANNUAL BREWFEST

A great time for a great cause!

Our annual Keweenaw Brewfest event raises a significant amount of funds to keep the KCF operations moving along smoothly and sustainably. All proceeds raised during the event go towards promoting our mission to inspire giving that invests in our community's quality of life. Thanks again to all the attendees, volunteers, sponsors, and vendors for making it such a successful event.

BREWFEST IN NUMBERS

- Over 1100 people attended the event
- Approximately 17,568 craft brew samples were poured
- 60 breweries serving 238 different brews
- Over 70 sponsors helped make it possible
- Approximately 90 volunteers helped the event run smoothly
- Over 200 commemorative t-shirts, koozies, and prints sold
- Over 300 stickers given away
- Approximately 50 classic rock songs performed
- Countless delicious meals served

Check out some of the limited-edition Brewfest items we have available, and find out about our 11th Annual Keweenaw Brewfest at:

keweenawbrewfest.org



2012

Endowments now total 61
\$128,500 granted

2013

Assets reach \$6 million
\$102,000 granted

LEAVING YOUR LEGACY

You don't have to have extraordinary wealth to make a planned gift. Even a small amount can have a **big impact** over time.

Are you looking for ways to support the causes you care about? Are you looking for ways to save on your taxes this year through charitable giving? Would you like to avoid capital gains tax on the sale of appreciated assets? Are you interested in ideas to help you plan and save for the future? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, a planned gift can help you achieve your goals.

Planned Giving provides many benefits. There are ways to increase your income now or in the future *and* save you money on taxes. With a planned gift, you can also create your legacy while furthering our charitable mission. There a number of options available for **Planned Giving** including:

CHARITABLE
GIFT
ANNUITIES

CHARITABLE
REMAINDER
TRUST

BEQUEST
BY WILL

We are happy to help you develop a plan for giving and leaving a legacy for your community. Give us a call to learn more about **Planned Giving** or view more information and download a customized guide at:

keweenawlegacy.org

2014

Jim Vivian named Executive Director
\$6,900,000 in assets
\$211,000 granted

2015

Assets reach \$7.2 million
\$167,400 granted

OUR FUNDS

DESIGNATED ENDOWMENTS

A. E. Seaman Mineral Museum
Agnes & Elmo Negro Fund — Calumet Skating Club
Barbara Kettle Gundlach Shelter
Boy Scouts of America, Bay Lakes Council
Calumet Theatre Company
Carnegie Museum
CLK Youth Hockey Fund
Copper Country Autism Awareness
Copper Country Catholic Churches
Copper Country Community Arts Council
Copper Country Habitat for Humanity
Copper Country Humane Society
Copper Country Ski Tigers
Copper Country Suzuki Association
Copper Harbor Improvement Association
Copper Harbor Trails Club
Dial Help
Don't Do It Yourself (D.D.I.Y.)
Faith Lutheran Educational Resource
Glad Tidings
Gratiot Lake Conservancy
Houghton High School Alumni Association
Isle Royale and Keweenaw Parks Association
John M. & Clara B. Wagner Memorial Fund
Kenneth Ryan Clark Memorial Fund
Keweenaw Community Foundation
Keweenaw County Historical Society
Keweenaw Economic Development Alliance
Keweenaw Family Resource Center
Keweenaw Heritage Center at St. Anne's
Keweenaw Land Trust
Keweenaw Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Kiwanis – Nailbenders
Lake Superior Stewardship Initiative
Life Outreach Center
Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly
Martha & Floyd Memorial Heart & Hands Society
Michigan Nature Association
Mont Ripley National Ski Patrol
North Woods Conservancy
Omega House
Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church
Portage Lake District Library
Portage Lake Little League
Portage Lake United Church
Richard and Ann Tieder Memorial Fund
Richard and June Ross Genealogy Fund

Robert W. Maatta Charitable Fund
Ruth L. Sablich Charitable Fund
Simple Kindness for Youth (SKY)
St. Vincent DePaul Friends-in-Need Fund
Swedetown Trails Club
U.P. Kids
U.P. Wildlife Habitat Fund
Wetland Mitigation Stewardship Fund

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS

Alec Fisher Scholarship
Bernard F. Gaffney Memorial Scholarship
Faith Lutheran Church Scholarship
Houghton Rotary Scholarship
Anthony and Patricia Stark Scholarship
Jack Eberhard Memorial Scholarship
Richard & Clara Fedewa Scholarship
Ronald and Lou Ellyn Helman Scholarship
Sean M. Williams Memorial Scholarship

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Funding Youth Initiatives
Herman Gundlach Fund
Zutter Family Fund

FIELD OF INTEREST ENDOWMENTS

Copper Country Youth Hockey
Environmental
Houghton County Historical Preservation
Joe Freed Empowerment Fund
Kellogg Youth Fund (SLACK)
Keweenaw Cross Country Skiing
PHF Community Wellness & Outdoor Recreation
Portage Lake Youth

SPECIAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Alive Inside
Brick Paver – Paving the Way
Camp 911
City of Hancock – City Parks
Great Lakes One Water Partnership
Houghton Energy Efficiency Team
KCF Community Impact
KCF Operations
KCF Youth Operations
Keweenaw Community Critical Stress Management
Old Copper Complex

2016

Endowed funds now total 62

\$208,000 granted

2017

Assets reach
\$7.7 million

69 endowments

\$287,000 granted

2018

Assets reach \$8.5 million

74 endowments

\$250,000 granted

THIS YEAR IN NUMBERS

114

Active Funds

85 of which are
endowed funds

\$771,224
IN DONATIONS

1,620
DONORS

\$212,584
Granted

42 Organizations

6 Scholarships

9 YAC Grants

\$9M
IN TOTAL ASSETS

All data is for the 2019 Financial Year
(April 1st, 2018–March 31st, 2019).
Finances have not yet been audited.

FROM THE LAST 25 YEARS
TO THE NEXT 25 AND BEYOND...
HELP US CONTINUE TO GROW AND STRENGTHEN
THE KEWEENAW COMMUNITY LONG INTO THE FUTURE.

MAKE YOUR DONATION TODAY



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

With over 100 funds there are a number of organizations and initiatives in Keweenaw and Houghton county that you can contribute to. Supporting their programs and projects make a difference in your community. Please fill out the included form to designate the fund of your choice and return the enclosed envelope with your contribution.

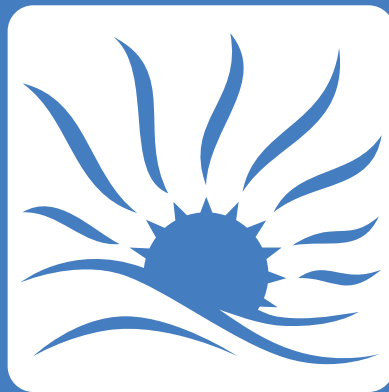
Thank you for your contribution!

OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

There are a number of ways you can get involved with your local community foundation. Some options include donating online, opening an endowment, exploring planned giving, volunteering at one of our events, serving on a committee, or simply stopping by our office.

Give us a call to find out how easy it is, or learn more at

www.keweenawgives.org



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