# Building Community THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS



MID-SHORE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
2015 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

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### From the Chairman

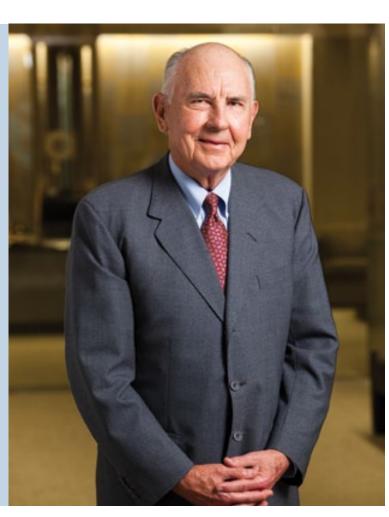
Over the years, the Foundation has benefited from the extraordinary philanthropic support of this community. Early in our history, A. James Clark, together with other philanthropists, made a very generous gift of the historic Bullitt House to provide a permanent home for the Foundation. Since that gift in 2002, Jim continued to provide ongoing support to the work of MSCF, and he continued to provide philanthropic support to many key initiatives in this community, including the YMCA and the A. James Clark North Easton Sports Complex.

We lost an exceptional individual in Jim Clark in 2015. Over the last 30 years I came to know Jim and his commitment to this community. He had an exceptional patriotic belief that you give back to where you made your money. He also cared deeply about the needs of children and education.

Thanks to Jim Clark's support of our mission and to so many others like him in this community, the Foundation continues to benefit from a high level of community support. This past fiscal year has been no exception with total contributions to MSCF of \$6,620,514. These assets are used to support our children and education, as well as many other causes thanks to the hard work of our board, community volunteers, and staff.

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W. Moorhead Vermilye, Chairman



A. James Clark 1927-2015

FOUNDER AND
PRESIDENT
CLARK ENTERPRISES,
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### MSCF welcomes new board members



Susan (Suze) Chaffinch was born and raised on the Eastern Shore and resides in Caroline County. After her retirement from teaching, she has been a volunteer with Rebuilding Together Caroline County, the Children's Home Foundation, and has served as a Court Appointed Special Advocate.

Ken Kozel is the President and CEO of Shore Regional Health. He has been a board member of the Maryland Association of Health Care

Executives and has served on the Council on Clinical and Quality Issues at the Maryland Hospital Association. Ken is a native of Maryland, has two children and resides in Talbot County.



Richard Scobey is the Deputy Director General of the Independent Evaluation Group at the World Bank. His Mid-Shore community work includes service as a board member at the Academy Art Museum, the Pickering Creek Audubon Center, and the Frederick Douglass Honor Society, and volunteer service for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Building African-American Minds, and the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. Rick resides in Talbot County.

### **MSCF Annual Meeting**

For the first time in the history of MSCF, the annual meeting was held at a luncheon at Chesapeake College in November. Board members, volunteers, grant recipients, scholarship recipients, and non-profit leaders from throughout the Mid-Shore gathered to hear the annual Report to the Community, and honor the community leaders recognized in the presentation of the 2015 MSCF Awards.



Board Chairman Moorhead Vermilye opens Annual Meeting with Report to Community.



President Buck Duncan thanks retiring board member Elizabeth Brice for her service to the Foundation.



Treasurer David Nagel outlines audit report and another outstanding financial year at MSCF.







### **2015 MSCF AWARDS**



### J. McKinney Willis, Jr. Community Service

Award Presented to a nonprofit organization that has made significant contributions to our region and to the volunteer who has been instrumental in the organization's success.

Estate Treasures / Compass Regional Hospice and volunteers Kathy Ciambruschini, Linda Sheets & Renie Madonna were recognized for their extraordinary success in fundraising through their upscale retail shop to offset unfunded hospice care and grief support.

The Town
Watch Society
Presented to a
community volunteer
in recognition of their
leadership and service.

Merrill Morgan & Glen Plutschak were



recognized for their leadership in establishing South Caroline County Youth Basketball and creating on ongoing organization to sustain funding for the program.

Golden Key Society Presented to a professional advisor who has made a significant impact on philanthropy.

Estate Attorney Kathleen Wootton
Hurd, Rasin, Wootton,
Hurd LLC, was recognized for her leadership
in estate planning and
community philanthropy.





# 2009 MSCF Steele Scholar Named 2015 Rookie Teacher of the Year for Queen Anne's County Public Schools

Meghan McArdle knew exactly what she wanted to do with her life when she applied to the Foundation for a scholarship in 2009. In that application she stated that her goal was to pursue a teaching degree at Towson University so that she could return to Queen Anne's County as a middle school teacher. Five years later, after earning a 3.9 GPA at Towson University and a degree in Elementary Education, Meghan received an appointment to begin her career in education at Stevensville Middle School in Queen Anne's County. At the end of her second year as a teacher, Meghan was presented with the 2015 Rookie Teacher of the Year Award by Dr. Carol Williamson. Superintendent of Schools.

Meghan's exceptional academic success at Towson was foreshadowed by an equally impressive record at Queen Anne's County High School—a 4.27 weighted GPA! Because of that record and her extensive work in the Maryland Service Learning Program as an ambassador with Youth Rise, and her remarkable rise from beginning student in Karate to a black belt head instructor in 10 years, Meghan was selected among all the applicants from Queen Anne's County to receive a \$25,000 Austin and Martha Steele Scholarship.

That extraordinary scholarship was made possible by two career educators—Austin and Martha Steele. They left their substantial estate with MSCF to endow a scholarship program that would enable students in the Mid-Shore area to pursue their educational goals without being burdened with extensive debt after graduation. Together with a scholarship from Queen Anne's County Public Schools, Meghan was able to do just that. While at Towson, Meghan did not have to take a job, or take out a loan. She explains, "Because of the scholarship, I could continue my commitment to service as a student at Towson: as a junior I joined Students Helping Honduras." That service commitment continues today as Meghan spent most of this past summer as a volunteer in a bilingual camp in Honduras.



Because of the generosity and commitment of Austin and Martha Steele, Meghan was able to start her career without debt. She lives on her own on Kent Island and takes the time to be involved in the community. She tries to attend her students' athletic events and otherwise connects with her students and parents outside of the classroom. However, Meghan finds the demands of teaching leave very little time for other aspects of her life and she is still working to find a balance.

Needless to say, Meghan has certainly found the right focus in her classroom. At the award ceremony where she was presented as the 2015 Rookie Teacher of the Year, her principal, Kevin Kintop, noted that she was an "absolute gem in the classroom." She greets each of her students as they enter her classes and always encourages respectful conversation in the classroom. Outside the classroom, she is the official DJ for school dances and plays with the jazz band.

Meghan exemplifies the very best as a teacher. She also exemplifies what an impact a donor can have on the students they support. The Steeles would certainly celebrate the success of Meghan McArdle.



L-R, Aubrey Biddle (Caroline County), Sawyer Cornelius (Kent County), Gabe Guzman (Dorchester County), Alexandra Satchell (Talbot County), Jessica Stershic (Queen Anne's County)

# ► For information on scholarships at MSCF and online application instructions visit www.mscf.org, or call Robbin Hill, 410-820-8175.

### Roberta B. Holt Scholars







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J'Zhane Dobson



Sawyer Scott

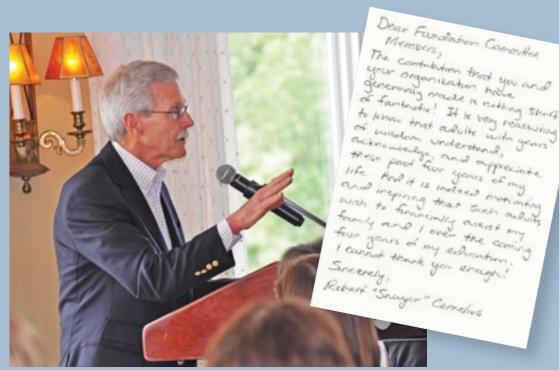


Tori Shul



Haines Holt, brother of the late Roberta B. Holt, joins with new Holt scholar Tori Shull and continuing Holt Scholar, Garrett Shull

# Annual Scholarship Breakfast features \$469,194 in Awards—another record year for the Foundation







## Scholarship Initiatives in 2015

- George B. Todd Fund awarded a new \$25,000 scholarship for a Career and Technology student attending Dorchester County Public Schools.
- \$69,450 in dual enrollment scholarships were awarded to Caroline and Dorchester County public school students; a new dual enrollment scholarship program was established for Queen Anne's County students.
- Arthur H. Kudner Jr. Fund established an annual need-based scholarship of \$25,000 for a student enrolled at Wye River Upper School.
- Two new memorial scholarships were established to honor the late Dr. Michael Judd, a beloved local physician and Colt Abbott, a student-athlete at Cambridge South-Dorchester High School.

### 2015 MSCF Scholarship Recipients

### American Legion, Blake-Blackston Post #77 Scholarship

Cara Clay Quanesha Miller Khiara Macelree Kabrea Hayman

Jessica Thomas

**Colt Abbott Scholarship** 

Ahmad Dajani

B.A.A.M. Scholarship Jaelon Moaney Will Thomas

### Nicholas E. Bramble "Ironman" **Scholarship**

Ashleigh Kerrigan Louis Risher Katie Claggett Ian Godlee Alyson Farnell

**Chestertown Wildlife Scholarship** Carissa Arillo

**Cold Day Scholarship** Jeremy Brandow

Marci Bee Dayton Memorial **Scholarship** Lida Allen

**Dorchester Heritage Museum/ Dale Price Memorial Scholarship** Devante Ralph

**Margaret Ferree Memorial Scholarship** Ashleigh Kerrigan

Dr. Elizabeth P. Hagen - Centreville **High School Alumni Association Memorial Scholarship** Carissa Arillo

**Dr. Jay Harper Memorial Scholarship** Gavin Burton

**Grover Bert Hastings and Bernice Wooters Hastings Scholarship** Karisha Patel

**Carter and Marion Hickman Memorial Scholarship** Rachel Poad

### Roberta B. Holt Scholarship

**Josh Becker** J'Zhane Dobson Michelle Benton Devon Bordonaro Max Grable Madison Parks Haley Reed Sawyer Scott Garrett Shull Tori Shull Matt Smith Megan Smith Samantha Stelz

Kashia Adams

Horizons of Kent County -**Lauralee T. Goodall Memorial Scholarship** 

liordan Carter

Tom Tyler Mitchell Wilson

**Jody Hyde Scholarship Fund** 

Dr. Michael Judd Health **Professions Scholarship** Michael Foster

**Timothy Kern Memorial Scholarship** Courtney Baker

**Dick Kleen Award** Kendall Kiley

**Lewin/Kent Island High School Theatre Award Robert Branning** 

**Medical Auxiliary Scholarship** Jordan Wright

**Moton High School Alumni Association Scholarship** Avonshae Rounds

Andrew M. Radcliffe Scholarship Allesha Cureton-Wongus

Saint James School Scholarship **Emily Teale** 

### Dr. Harold & Marjorie Shirk

**Scholarship** Ikeah Bell Erica Breeding La'Tiasha Carter George Dulin Shannon Gavin Thomas Hill Kristina Jones Brianna Rogers Jessica Thompson Ashley Vandruff Monica Cornish Sharonda Butler Amy Jo Welch Michelle Galloway Carena Schmidt **Amber Davis** Waynisha Johns

### Pauline and Shirley T. Smith

Dillon Davis

**Scholarship** Allyson Adams Manar Dajani Aine Dowdall **Bradley Garton** Mieassa Greene-Thomas John Handley Sarah Jessee Casey Joseph **Taylor Layton** Laura LeCates Cynthia Link Genine Meekins Cassidy Mister Tina Morris **Jamel Pinder** Jennifer Pulliam

Khadijah Sampson **Bethany Shaw** Victoria Shull Renah Sowers

Amanda Ward Christopher Warfield

**Nick Spry Award** 

### Joshua Elburn **Austin & Martha Steele**

**Scholarship** Aubrey Biddle Sawyer Cornelius Gabe Guzman Alexandra Satchell Jessie Stershic

### **George B. Todd Trades Scholarship**

Benjamin T. Colman

**Robert F. Walls Memorial** Scholarship Cicely Hobson

**Washington College Arts Scholarship** 

Sarah H. Willis Scholarship Gabrielle Leach

Daniel H. and G. Ruth Wright **Memorial Scholarship** 

Devante Ralph



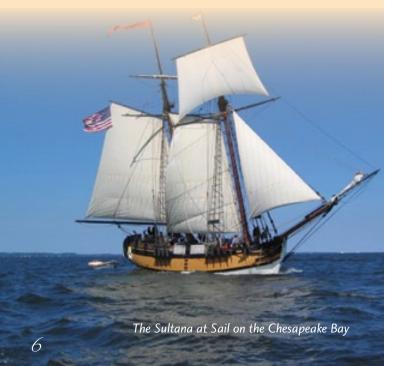






# Arthur H. Kudner, Jr. Fund Awards \$170,000 to Mid-Shore Charities

- \$50,000 to support hospice programs
- \$60,000 to Chesapeake Culinary Center
- \$25,000 to Chesapeake College Capital Campaign
- \$10,00 to Talisman Therapeutic Riding
- \$25,000 in matching grant to Sultana



# Funds at MSCF join in Support of For All Seasons

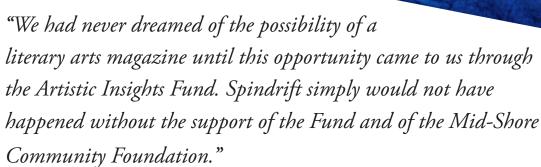
Multiple funds contribute \$82,600 in operating support, and join in matching grant from Dock Street Foundation, to help underwrite the critical work of the Behavioral Health and Rape Crisis Center at For All Seasons.

### Edmund Lindemuth and Melvyn Schofield Endowment Awards First Grants

- \$11,000 awarded to Kent County Humane Society to improve adoption program
- \$1,000 granted to KART, Kent Association of Riding Therapy, to support therapeutic riding program

# Artistic Insights Fund Underwrites New Literary Arts Magazine for TCPS

Spindrift, the Literary Arts Magazine for Talbot County Public Schools, was an initiative of the Artistic Insights Fund at MSCF. The Artistic Insights Fund seeks to support the arts in the Mid-Shore by providing access and awareness to visual, literary, performing and experimental arts. The fund advisors also established a new \$200,000 endowment for an arts scholarship beginning in 2016.



— Kathy Dill, Fine Arts Supervisor, Talbot County Public Schools

# George B. Todd Fund Grants \$60,000 to Dorchester County YMCA

- Building improvements to gymnasium
- Enhancement of Summer Camps





# \$1,889,725 in Grants to Charities in 2015

Abraham Fund, \$2,500 Academy Art Museum, \$15,950 ACE Mentor Program of MD's Eastern Shore, \$27,715 ACLU Foundation, \$795 Adas Israel Congregation, \$1,200 Adkins Arboretum, \$8,500 Air.C, \$5,000 All Faith Chapel, \$19,000 Allegheny Cemetery Historical Association, \$89 American Cancer Society, \$500

American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, \$500

American Jewish Congress, \$100 American Junior Golf Association, \$500 American Legion Auxiliary Caroline Unit, \$275

Amnesty International USA, \$424 Animal Resource Foundation, \$3,000

Anne Arundel County Public Library Foundation, \$1,000

Antique Airplane Association, \$1,000 AOPA Air Safety Foundation, \$1,000 Araminta Freedom Initiative, \$16,000

Asbury United Methodist Church, \$3,865

The Aspen Institute, \$1,000

Associazione Imparare Giocando Onlus, \$15,000

Avalon Foundation, \$10,464

B.A.A.M., \$138

Baywater Animal Rescue, \$3,250 Benedictine Foundation, \$5,698

Bridgewater College, \$1,000

Betterton Community Development Corporation, \$1,000 Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Eastern Shore, \$2,000

Brighter Christmas Fund, \$1,000 Brown Box Theatre Project, \$1,000 Building African American Minds, \$5,000

Calvary Asbury Methodist Church, \$1,000

Cambridge South Dorchester High School Sports,

Camp Possibilities, \$3,250 Career Gear, \$2,500

Carolina Community Care, \$500

Caroline County Commissioners, \$8,300

Caroline County Council of Arts, \$250

Caroline County Department of Social Services, \$200

Caroline County Health Department, \$750

Caroline County Historical Society, \$500

Caroline County Humane Society, \$12,129

Caroline County Public Library, \$1,000

Caroline Foundation for Mental Health, \$200

Caroline Hospice Foundation, \$300

CASA of Caroline, \$500

CASA of the Mid-Shore, \$12,600

Channel Marker, \$750

Character Counts! Kent County, \$6,109

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, \$100

Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, \$4,226

Chesapeake Center, \$500

Chesapeake Chamber Music, \$15,520

Chesapeake College Foundation, \$56,500

Chesapeake Culinary Center, \$61,000

Chesapeake Film Festival, \$993

Chesapeake Life Center, \$1,800

Chesapeake Multicultural Resource Center, \$9,680

Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage, \$50 Chester River Association, \$1,826 Chester River Chorale, \$350

Chester River Health Foundation, \$550

Chester Valley Ministers' Association, \$200

Chestertown Christian Academy, \$217

Chestertown Havurah, \$100

Chestertown RiverArts, \$321

Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company, \$300

Chesterwye Center, \$1,000

The Children's Home Foundation of the Eastern Shore,

Choices Pregnancy Help and Resource Center, \$1,000

Christ Church Day School, \$558

Christ Church Episcopal School, \$1,000

Christian Camps dba Deerfoot Lodge, \$2,500 Church Hill Theatre, \$3,300

Classic Motor Museum of St. Michaels, \$7,017

Clemson IPTAY Club, \$10,500

Clemson University, \$5,000

Community Civic League of Federalsburg, \$500 Community Food Pantry, \$700

Community Preservation & Stewardship Corporation, \$100

Compass Regional Hospice, \$48,000

Corsica Mental Health Services, \$2,000

The Country School, \$21,454

Critchlow Adkins Children's Center, \$9,197

Crossroads Community, \$6,060

Cru, \$4,000

Crumpton Cemetery Association, \$200

Crumpton Volunteer Fire Company, \$1,000

\$30,540 \$50,860 **ANIMALS ENVIRONMENT** 1.3% 2.1% \$168,143 ARTS/CULTURE 6.9% \$298,923 **HUMAN SVCS** \$1,092,655 12.3% **EDUCATION/** YOUTH \$311,249 **DEVELOPMENT HEALTH/DIS** 45.1% 12.9% \$469,194 **SCHOLARSHIPS** 19.4%

### **2015 GRANTS BY CATEGORY**

Deck House School, \$1,000 Delmarva Community Services, \$37,000 Del-Mar-Va Council Boy Scouts of America, \$1,069 Denton Child Development Center, \$250

Destined to Rise Coalition, \$2,000 The Dixon House, \$2,118

Doctors Without Borders, USA, \$350

Dorchester Center for the Arts. \$4.500 Dorchester County Community Service Providers,

Dorchester County Historical Society, \$10,000

Dorchester YMCA, \$60,000

EAA Vintage Aircraft Association, \$1,000 Easter Seals, \$5,000

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, \$14,225

Eastern Shore of Maryland Educational Consortium,

Eastern Shore Veteran's Cemetery Committee, \$1,000

Easton Choral Arts Society, \$6,690

Easton High School, \$500

Easton High School - After Graduation Party, \$500

Easton Little League, \$400 Easton Middle School, \$250

Easton Volunteer Fire Dept., \$979

Echo Hill Outdoor School, \$3,639

Emmanuel Episcopal Church, \$9,000

Faithful Advocates for Catholic Education, \$242,422 First Tee of Baltimore, \$300

For All Seasons, \$83,800

Foundation for Financial Education, \$20,000 Foundation for the Kent County Public Library, \$524

Freedom Rowers, \$1,500

Friends of Eastern Neck, \$50

Friends of Quiet Waters Park, \$1,000

GALA Hispanic Theatre, \$1,000

Garden Club of the Eastern Shore, \$7,500 Garfield Center Foundation, \$5,950

Garrison Forest School Annual Fund, \$2,558

Gideons International, \$20,000

Good Neighbor Fund, \$400 Gospel Volunteers, \$4,000

Grace Episcopal Church, \$200

The Gunston School, \$12,000

Habitat for Humanity Choptank, \$7,510

Haverford School, \$200

Healthy Families Mid-Shore, \$3,500 Heron Point of Chestertown, \$600

Hiram College, \$300

Historical Society of Kent County, \$200 Historical Society of Talbot County, \$2,000

Homeports, \$700 The Patricia H. Hopkins Scholarship Fund, \$1,000

Horizons of Kent and Queen Anne's, \$6,000

Howard Hospital Foundation, \$1,000

The Humane Society of Kent County, \$12,161

Hurlock Volunteer Fire Company, \$7,828 Imagination Library of Talbot County , \$3,750

Immanual Lutheran Church, \$150

Jacob Tome Institute, \$500

Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington, \$2,500

Johns Hopkins Children's Center, \$2,232

Johns Hopkins Hospital Endowment Fund, \$1,000 The Judy Center Partnership

of Queen Anne's County, \$3,750

Junior Achievement of Central Maryland, \$500 Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore, \$2,500 Justice at Stake, \$100

Keep Kent Scenic, \$1,000

Kent Association of Riding Therapy, \$2,250

Kent Center, \$1,050

Kent County High School, \$750

Kent County Medical Adult Day Care, \$1,000 Kent County Middle School, \$244

Kent County Public Library, \$8,779

Kent County Public Schools, \$40,759

Kent School, \$160

Key School, \$30,000

Ladies of Nia, \$3,500 The League of Women Voters of Kent County, \$4,000 League of Women Voters of the Mid-Shore, \$200

The Light House, \$1,000

Linkwood-Salem Volunteer Fire Company, \$500 Lloyds Volunteer Fire Department, \$1,000

Lymphoma Research Foundation, \$1,000

Main Street Housing, \$5,000

The Mainstay, \$1,000 Mary Anne Hatcher Scholarships, \$2,284

Maryland 4-H Foundation, \$400

Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities, \$505

Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, \$1,000 Maryland Public Television, \$500

Masorti Foundation for Conservative Judaism, \$250

Massey Air Museum, \$5,000 Mauldin Rotary Club Foundation, \$1,000

MD Center for Veteran's Education & Training, \$1,000 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, \$12,000

Men for Change, \$1,000 Mental Health Association in Talbot County, \$6,750

Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra, \$1,000 Mid-Shore Board of Realtors Essay Contest, \$600

Mid-Shore Council On Family Violence, \$1,000 Mid-Shore Early Learning Center, \$5,000

Mid-Shore Mental Health Systems, \$2,647

Mid-Shore Pro Bono, \$200

Midshore Riverkeeper Conservancy, \$4,802

Miles River Yacht Club Foundation, \$8,500 Millington Volunteer Fire Company, \$1,000

Millington Youth Baseball Association, \$500 Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance, \$10,000

NARAL Pro-Choice America Foundation, \$100

Narramore Christian Foundation, \$250 National Multiple Sclerosis Society, \$200

National Music Festival, \$2,750 National Organization for Women, \$100

Neighborhood Service Center, \$31,665

New Israel Fund, \$4,000

North Caroline Clergy Association, \$3,500 North Dorchester African & All Americans Independent Growth Alliance, \$10,000

North Dorchester High School, \$5,000 Oasis Covenant Fellowship, \$500

Open Bible Church & Academy, \$250 Oxford Community Center, \$1,500

Old Wye Church, \$15,643

Oxford Day Incorporated, \$1,666 P E F Israel Endowment Funds, \$2,250

Partners in Care Maryland, \$5,250 The Peace Center Foundation, \$10,000 Peninsula Delaware Conference, \$250 Peninsula-Delaware Conference of the United Methodist

Phillips Wharf Environmental Center, \$10,707

Physicians for Human Rights-Israel, \$500 Pickering Creek Audubon Center, \$900

Planned Parenthood of Maryland, \$50

Presbyterian Church of Easton, \$2,665

Queen Anne's County (CARE) Child Abuse Response and

Evaluation Center, \$5,989

Queen Anne's County Arts Council, \$3,500

The Rabbinical Assembly, \$100 Radcliffe Creek School, \$6,124

Rebuilding Together Caroline County, \$6,500

Rebuilding Together Kent County, \$4,700 Rebuilding Together Queen Anne's County, \$3,000

Richardson Men's Bible Class of St. Paul, \$2,000 Rotary 7750 Charities, \$500

Saint Martin's Ministries, \$12,000 Salvation Army, \$15,250

Samaritan Group, \$200

Sandy Hill Elementary School, \$2,500

Scotts United Methodist Church, \$2,665

Shore Medical Center of Chestertown, \$500 Short Wing Piper Education Foundation, \$1,000 Sigma Phi Epsilon Educational Foundation, \$10,000

Smith College - Alumni Relations, \$20,000

SOAR in the Saddle, \$1,750 Society for the Study of Culture and Psychiatry, \$500

Southern Poverty Law Center, \$695 Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, \$1,000

St. Luke's Chapel, \$6,026 St. Michaels Volunteer Fire Co., \$1,000

St. Michaels Community Center, \$500 St. Michaels Community Food Pantry, \$2,665

St. Michaels Middle/High School, \$6,000 St. Paul's Episcopal Church, \$1,450

St. Vincent dePaul Society, \$2,665 Sudlersville Cemetery Association, \$200

Sudlersville Community Betterment Club, \$5,029 Sudlersville Memorial Library, \$1,500

Sudlersville Volunteer Fire Company, \$500 Sultana Education Foundation, \$40,300

SVARA: A Traditionally Radical Yeshiva, \$860 Talbot Community Connections, \$5,000

Talbot County Arts Council, \$9,842 Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation, \$10.100

Talbot County Garden Club, \$100 Talbot County Public Schools, \$8,272

Talbot County Sheriff's Office, \$10,000 Talbot Hospice Foundation, \$63,500

Talbot Interfaith Shelter, \$3,069

Talbot Lacrosse Association, \$3,284 Talbot Mentors, \$11,943

Talbot Partnership, \$5,736

Talbot Special Riders, \$1,250 Talisman Therapeutic Riding, \$10,000

Temple Beth El, \$250

Third Haven Friends Meeting, \$19,000 Tilghman Area Youth Association, \$5,000

Tilghman United Methodist Church, \$2,665 Town of Hurlock, \$500

The Trinity Forum, \$500 Trust for the National Mall, \$1,000

Union United Methodist Church, \$2,665 Unitarian Universalists of the Chester River, \$500

United Fund of Talbot County, \$19,849 United States Golf Association, \$125

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, \$200 United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, \$236

United Way of Caroline County, \$88 United Way of Kent County, \$2,221

University of Maryland Memorial Hospital Foundation, \$11,000 University of Richmond, \$1,500

VA Medical Center, \$2,000 The Vestry of Wye Parish, \$100

Upper Shore Aging, \$250

Wakefield Educational Foundation, \$100

Washington College, \$3,900 Washington College 1782 Society, \$2,500

Waugh Chapel United Methodist Church, \$11,000

Woodrow Wilson High School Alumni Association, \$150

Wikimedia Foundation, \$250

Wye River Upper School, \$31,500

WYPR - Your Public Radio Corporation, \$250 Yachad a/k/a Yachad Washington, DC, \$250

Yale University, \$250 YMCA of the Chesapeake, \$37,000

Young Audiences Arts for Learning, \$15,760 Young Life Service Center, \$1,500



### The Women and Girls Fund ... an ongoing partnership with MSCF



Left to Right, Alice Ryan and Board Chair Paige Evans

Alice Ryan, board member and chair of the Foundation's Scholarship Committee, recalls the events that led to the creation of the Women and Girls Fund at MSCF in 2002,

I was introduced to Mike Rawl, the President of the Foundation, in search of some grant money for another organization. In my meeting with Mike, he mentioned an initiative at another foundation to establish a giving circle whose focus was on the needs of women and I knew immediately that we needed something similar on the Mid-Shore.

Creating a community of donors committed to the establishment of a permanent fund to support the needs of women and girls fits perfectly with my philosophy of philanthropy. The Foundation was the ideal partner in this effort with its expertise in endowment management and grantmaking. Within six months, the structure for the fund was established and the first gift was received from Carolyn Thornton, who shared our vision of the power of pooled resources.

In 13 years, the Women and Girls Fund has been extraordinarily successful—the endowment has grown to almost \$800,000, closing in on our initial goal to establish a permanent fund of \$1 million. More impressively, through the efforts of the board and the work of a committed group of grant readers, approximately \$426,000 in grants have been awarded throughout the Mid-Shore responding to the needs of women and girls, and the organizations that support the mission of the fund.

Current board chair Paige Evans explains the success of the fund in this way:

We've had exceptional leadership from the beginning and an incredibly engaged and committed community of volunteers and donors. Our goal is to get even more women involved, particularly younger women, to ensure a source of leadership in the future.

Another goal is to educate youth about philanthropy through an initiative to encourage the creation of Daisy Funds - funds that would eventually grow into endowments named for children and grandchildren of donors. These future generations would be engaged in the grantmaking process for these funds and through that experience learn about the importance of philanthropy. Five of these funds have already been established the Allie Marriott Fund, the Lauren Westrick Fund, the McKenna and Alexa Fund, the Maxine Johnson Fund, and the Tessa Hillenmeyer Fund.

More information on the Women and Girls Fund can be found at www.womenandgirlsfund.org

### Fiscal Sponsorship of Community Initiatives

11 New Fiscal Sponsorships were established in 2015 to support various community initiatives. MSCF serves as the charitable sponsor and provides fiscal and administrative support.

Chestertown Harry Potter Festival Fund Dancing for the Future Fund Eastern Shore Experiential Learning Fund Good Samaritan Fund Kent Island Sailing Team Fund Mariah's Mission Fund Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra Society, Inc. Fund Rock Hall 4th of July Fireworks Fund Shore Shakespeare Company Fund TalleyWags Films Fund Village Exploratory Committee Fund

### **Endowment Support Through Agency Funds**

3 New Agency Funds were created to build permanent assets to support the mission of local charities.

Old Growth Forest Network Fund St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Fund Wye River Upper School Harry R. Hughes Environmental Studies Endowment Fund

**Eventful Giving** 

**Good Samaritan** 

### Non-Profit Partners

Academy Art Museum ACE Mentor Program of Maryland's Eastern Shore Bay Hundred Community Pool Boy Scouts of America, Del-Mar-Va Council

Caroline Hospice

CASA of the Mid-Shore

Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

Channel Marker

Chesapeake Chamber Music

Chesapeake College Foundation

Chesterwye Center

Church Hill Theatre

Compass Regional Hospice

Crossroads Community

Chesapeake Culinary Center **Delmarva Community Services** 

**Dorchester County Historical Society** 

Easton Choral Arts Society

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Habitat for Humanity Choptank

Historical Society of Talbot County Horizons of Kent County Caroline Human Services Council

Mid-Shore Mental Health Systems Mid-Shore Riverkeeper Conservancy Old Growth Forest Network Oxford Community Center Pickering Creek Audubon Center Queen Anne's County Art Resource Trust Radcliffe Creek School Richardson Maritime Museum Salisbury University Foundation St. Luke's Chapel St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Sultana Education Foundation **Talbot Hospice Talbot Mentors** Talbot Optimist Club Talbot Partnership United Fund of Talbot County **Upper Shore Aging** United Way of Kent County Waterfowl Festival Old Wye Church Friends of Wye Mill Wye River Upper School

Foundation for Kent County Public Library

### **Fundraising/Program Partners**

Bellevue Royal Oak Cemetery Association Bells of the Bay Gilbert Byron Fund CarePacks Talbot County Carpe Diem Arts Outreach Chestertown Harry Potter Festival Chestertown Book Festival Community Newspaper Project Cover Your Chin for Charity Dancing for the Future Eastern Shore Experiential Learning Frederick Douglass Day **Easton Airport Day** Easton Business Alliance **Empty Bowls Dorchester Empty Bowls Talbot** 



Imagination Library Talbot County Kent Forward Kent Island Sailing Team Lunar New Year, Mid-Shore Mariah's Mission Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra Society Mid-Shore Aquatics Mid-Shore Community Band Mid-Shore Recovering Veterans Group Nick Spry Memorial Fund **Operation Christmas Spirit** Richards Memorial Park Rock Hall 4th of July Fireworks Saint Michaels After School Help "SMASH" Shore Shakespeare South Caroline Basketball Talbot County Youth Livestock TalleyWags Films Village Exploratory Committee Wings & Wheels Dorchester

### **Grantmaking Funds at MSCF**

American Legion Post 192 Foundation

American Legion, Blake-Blackston Post #77 Fund

**Andrew Family Foundation** 

Blenda W. and Bruce C. Armistead Fund

**Artistic Insights Fund** 

Lloyd Lowndes Beatty, Sr. Fund

**Breezy Point Fund** 

**Bryan Brothers Foundation** 

Critchlow Adkins Childrens' Centers Endowment Fund

CTC Family Fund

Fund for Caroline County

Chestertown Library Preservation Foundation

Chestertown Library Preservation Foundation - Paca Fund

The Clifton Fund

Cold Day Fund

Reade W. and Mary P. Corr Fund

C. Paul Cox Family Fund

Daisy Fund

Damon/Sherry Family Fund

Marci Bee Dayton Memorial Fund

**Fund for Dorchester County** 

The Draut Fund

Elm Street Development Eastern Shore Community Fund

**Elsberg Family Fund** 

Easton Volunteer Fire Department

Ferree Fund

Founders' Fund

Granville Fund

Gratitude Fund

Groundhog Day Fund

Dave Haslup/Lou Gehrig Athletic Scholarship Foundation

Jane and Robert Hellawell Foundation

Margaret Herring Fund

Bonnie Hilghman Cancer Fund

Roberta B. Holt Fund

Mary Louise Inkell Youth Fund

Community Investment Fund

Jabez Fund

Katra Fund

Kent County Public Schools Technology Fund

Fund for Kent County

Timothy Kern Memorial Fund

Michael D. Kilgus Dollars Fore Scholars Foundation

Arthur H. Kudner, Jr. Fund

Alice Bartlett Lane Fund

for the benefit of The Dixon House

Frederick N. and Phyllis H. Leonard Fund

Hope Fulton and Joel C. Leuchter Philanthropic Fund

Edmund Lindemuth and Melvyn Schofield

**Endowment Fund** 

Col. Edgar & Catherine Linthicum Fund

Friends of the Little Red Schoolhouse

Richard Lockhart Fund

for the benefit of the Benedictine School

Joseph S. Mansfield, Sr. Memorial Fund

Merriewold Trust

Bill and Judy Munn Family Fund

Nagel Family Fund

David A. Nagey Foundation

for Perinatal Education and Research

John M. Nashold Fund f/b/o Caroline County Humane

Next 50 Years Fund

for Saints Peter and Paul High School

Friends of the North Easton Sports Complex fund

Partners for Paws Animal Fund

Thomas Perrin Smith Fund

Audrey B. Pierce Fund

Marie Harkowa Patients in Need Fund

PNC Fund for Caroline County

PNC Fund for Kent County

PNC Fund for Queen Anne's County

PNC Fund for Talbot County

Fund for Queen Anne's County

Queen Anne's County Dual Enrollment Fund

Mid-Shore Realtors Foundation

Reynolds/Cristiano Fund

Harry C. and Creighton J. Rhodes Fund

Thomas E. and Alice B. Robinson Fund

Sener/Johnston Family Fund

Jason Weldon Sherertz Memorial Fund

Springbrook Fund

Spring Hill Cemetery Fund

Roberta Hall Stephens Memorial Altar Flowers Fund

Frances Stevens Fund

The Talbot Twelve Foundation Fund

Fund for Talbot County

Talbot Community Connections Fund

Doris R. Thompson Activities Fund

Charles H. Thornton Family Fund

George B. Todd Fund

Two Feet on the Ground Fund

Clifton F. West, Jr. Fund

Women & Girls Fund

Wilke Fund

J. McKenny Willis, Jr. Award Fund

William L. & Bonnie B. Wilson Fund

Wolin Family Tzedakah Fund

Wye Institute Fund

Wolin Fund for Youth in Foster Care

Woman's Club of Denton Fund

### New Inini Zar Foundation for Animal Welfare Established with CGAs

Over the years, the late Inini Zar Wilford established 2 Charitable Gift Annuities with MSCF that have now matured to create the Inini Zar Foundation for Animal Welfare. Distributions from this new designated fund will benefit Talbot Humane in perpetuity.

> Volunteer Inini Zar Wilford with Talbot Humane staff Member



### **5 NEW FUNDS JOIN IN** GRANTMAKING AT MSCF

Inini Zar Foundation for Animal Welfare

Mariah's Mission Endowment Fund

Roberta Hall Stephens Memorial Altar Flowers Fund

Queen Anne's County Dual Enrollment

**Endowment Fund** 

Kent County Public Schools Technology Fund

# How can you contribute?

### Give to the Founders' Fund of the Mid-Shore **Community Foundation**

Make a gift to our permanent endowment, and enable us to address the current and future needs and opportunities of our region, and its people. Gifts can also be targeted to one of the five Mid-Shore counties—Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, and Talbot, and at certain levels, be used to established as named funds.

# 🖊 , Open a Fund

Establish a new fund at MSCF to address specific areas of interest within the community, to provide scholarships and educational grants for future leaders, or to support a specific charity. New funds can be created with an initial investment of at least \$10,000.

# Volunteer

Join your colleagues and friends within the community as a volunteer on one of MSCF's advisory committees, or in support of one or more of our nonprofit partners.

# Leave a Legacy

Plan a gift with MSCF to address the causes you care about and to reflect how you would like to be remembered within your community. We have a number of planned giving options.

Visit us at www.mscf.org to learn how you can support this community by becoming a donor.

### Non-Profit Resource Center at MSCF





### Center Sponsors Workshop Series in Partnership with Maryland Non-Profits

- Fundraising Regulations: What You Need to Know
- Effective Board Meetings and Board Operations

# **The Foundation Center Sponsored** for Area Non-Profits

MSCF sponsors access to the Foundation Center's Foundation Directory Online, the nation's leading online funding research tool at Chesapeake College's Learning Resource Center. The fully searchable database details profiles of more than 100,000 grantmakers nationwide.







# MSCF meets national standards of excellence

The National Standards Seal by our name indicates official confirmation from

the Community Foundations National Standards
Board that we have met

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### Financial Performance In 2015

As our board chairman, Moorhead Vermilye, noted in his comments on page 2 of this report, the Foundation has enjoyed extraordinary donor support throughout our history, but 2015 was certainly an extraordinary year by any measure. Thanks to the sup-



port of our professional advisors throughout the Mid-Shore, and to the hard work of our staff, MSCF received \$6.6 million in donor contributions in 2015! This represented a \$4.3 million increase over a very good year in 2014.

As is typical of a community foundation, most of these contributions came from estates in settlement. These assets, together with an additional \$1.1 million from investment earnings, brought our total assets in 2015 to \$56.8 million, an 8% increase in spite of an uneven investment market.

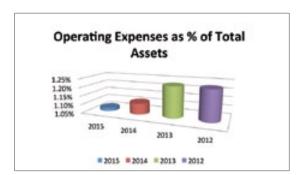
These pooled investment assets are not important in and of themselves. They are significant in the impact these assets have on the Mid-Shore community through the grantmaking in each of the funds at the Foundation. Last year we noted the exceptional growth in value of grants and related charitable expenses and that growth has continued this year. In 2015, we had over \$2.99 million in grants and charitable expenses, a 14% increase over last year.

Importantly, you will be impressed that even with this continued growth in assets and in grant allocations at the Foundation, we have kept our operating expenses at a remarkable 1.1% of Total Assets. Overall, our operating expenses totaled \$642,801, a 3% increase over 2014, even as we experienced significant increases in medical insurance expenses for our staff.

Again, I want to thank our exceptional board, our volunteers who serve on a variety of committees in support of our grantmaking, and of course our staff whose commitment to MSCF is truly extraordinary.

W. W. "Buck" Duncan, President





Statement of Financial Position	<b>2014</b> Audited	<b>2015</b> Unaudited
Assets		
Cash	1,127,215	138,828
Receivables from Estates in Settlement	1,405,221	2,583,573
Grants Receivable	-	-
Investments	47,668,592	51,623,351
Property and Equipment, net of Depreciation	1,807,978	1,773,729
Other Assets	619,041	646,790
Total Assets	52,628,047	56,766,271
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Accounts Payable	89,300	105,901
Grants Payable	1,098,350	1,295,711
Charitable Gift Annuity Obligations	895,861	834,329
Agency Payables	2,302,191	2,486,573
Net Assets	48,242,345	52,043,756
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	52,628,047	56,766,271
Statement of Activities		
Support and Revenue		
Donor Contributions	2,307,123	6,620,514
Investment Results	6,638,014	1,122,071
Change in Value - split interest agreements	(23,341)	2,175
Rental Income	25,925	28,050
Total Support and Revenue	8,947,721	7,772,810
Grants and Expenses		
Grants and Charitable Expenses	2,627,214	2,993,408
Operating Expenses	622,391	642,801
Total Grants and Expenses	3,249,605	3,636,209

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