



# 2024-25 DONOR YEARBOOK & ANNUAL REPORT



# About This Publication

We hope you enjoy the 2024–2025 Yearbook and Annual Report for Humboldt Area Foundation + Wild Rivers Community Foundation (HAF+WRCF). This edition showcases a year of impact, innovation, and growth—from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

Inside, you’ll find powerful stories of community partnerships, growing initiatives, and grantmaking that continue to uplift and empower our region.

As we deepen our roots and broaden our reach, we remain committed to building a more just, thriving, healthy, and equitable community. Thank you for being part of this journey, and for your continued support.

## On the Cover

Community members ride across the Kaleidoscope Crossing during the opening celebration of the Humboldt Bay Trail South, organized by a coalition of community groups. This year also marks the tenth anniversary of the Humboldt Bay Trail Fund held at HAF+WRCF. Established in 2015 to provide a mechanism for donors to assist in the continued development of the Humboldt Bay Trail, the fund supports trail maintenance and emergency repair, trail amenities, projects involving community volunteers, and cost-shares with state or federal grant funds for project development.

“The Humboldt Bay Trail Fund is really an important piece of how we maintain these trails into the future. Unless we have a plan for how we maintain them, we’re not going to be able to create any more,” says Carol Vander Meer, Project Coordinator for the Redwood Community Action Agency.

The fund is governed by the Humboldt Bay Trail Committee, which is composed of three community representatives at large, one member from the Humboldt Bay Trails Council, and representatives from the City of Arcata, the City of Eureka, and the Humboldt County Public Works Department.

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Dear Friends,

Looking back over the past year, I’m continually inspired by the generosity and resilience that define our region. In March, I had the honor of stepping into the role of Chief Executive Officer at the Foundation. Since then, I’ve had the privilege of meeting many of you—listening to your thoughts, concerns, and ideas for strengthening our community. These conversations have been a powerful reminder of the deep commitment we all share to care for one another and the place we call home.

In the pages ahead, you'll read about long-standing programs continue to offer steady support, while new initiatives are rising to meet today's challenges. Each reflects our commitment to community-led solutions. These efforts are made possible by generous donors.

You'll find stories about scholarships, donor advised and designated grants, and other annual programs that demonstrate how community contributions help the Foundation respond to needs across every corner of our community. You'll also find examples of investments made possible by generous philanthropic partners: The Klamath River Fund (pg.20) has awarded \$1.57 million in grants and sponsorships to support post-dam removal recovery in the Klamath River Basin. Meanwhile, the Redwood Region Climate and Community Resilience Hub (pg. 30) launched the \$3.3 million Tribal Climate Action Fund to help our region’s Tribal Nations address the effects of climate change and build long-term resilience.

On behalf of all of us at HAF+WRCF, we extend our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make this an impactful and meaningful year. We truly appreciate your partnership and look forward to continuing our work together as we embrace the challenges and opportunities ahead.

With deep gratitude,



Sara Dronkers  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

# Native Land Acknowledgment

The HAF+WRCF service region includes the unceded lands of many Indigenous peoples.

<b>Chetco</b>	<b>Lassik</b>	<b>Tututni</b>
<b>Chilula</b>	<b>Nomlaki</b>	<b>Wailaki</b>
<b>Chimariko</b>	<b>Nongatl</b>	<b>Whilkut</b>
<b>Coquille</b>	<b>Sinkyone</b>	<b>Wintu</b>
<b>Hupa</b>	<b>Tolowa</b>	<b>Wiyot</b>
<b>Karuk</b>	<b>Tsnungwe</b>	<b>Yurok</b>

We share a deep gratitude and respect for our Indigenous communities. We acknowledge these 18 Indigenous peoples and the federally and non-federally recognized nations that represent them.

As part of our commitment to pairing our land acknowledgment with action, and in recognition of the fact that our properties sit on the unceded homelands of the Tolowa and Wiyot peoples, HAF+WRCF pays a voluntary honor tax to the Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation and the Wiyot Honor Tax Fund.

Learn more at [honortax.org](http://honortax.org).

## Our Service Region

The Humboldt Area Foundation and Wild Rivers Community Foundation serves the residents of Humboldt, Del Norte, and Trinity counties in California and Curry County in Oregon, including the region’s Tribal Nations and historically Indigenous territories.



Our Mission

The Humboldt Area Foundation + Wild Rivers Community Foundation's mission is to promote and encourage generosity, leadership, and inclusion to strengthen our communities.

Our Vision

We have a vision of a Thriving, Just, Healthy, and Equitable Region. The goals of this four-part vision will define the course of our work through 2030.

Racial Equity

Transforming our institutions and structures to address the outcome gaps across every indicator of success, from infant mortality to life expectancy, that have been created by hundreds of years of racial oppression.

Thriving Youth & Families

Investing in the future by creating a safe, healthy place where generations of families can grow and have the chance to succeed—where everyone has the chance to experience support and success in their community and reach their greatest potential.

Healthy Ecosystems & Environments

Using traditional knowledge and cutting-edge science to clean our water, purify our air, maintain our soil, adapt to a changing climate, and provide sustainable sources of food, energy, water, and transportation.

A Just Economy & Economic Development

Bolstering economic development and creating opportunities to provide every person in our region with the chance to pursue a dignified, productive, and creative life, unencumbered by poverty or exploitation.

Investments & Financials

Statement of Financial Position

(As of 6/30/2025)

Cash & Investments . . . . .	\$196,387,059
Other Assets . . . . .	\$4,449,072
Total Assets . . . . .	\$200,836,131
Liabilities . . . . .	\$45,542,358
Net Assets . . . . .	\$155,293,773
Net Assets & Liabilities . . . . .	\$200,836,131

Investment Performance

Thousands of people across Humboldt, Trinity, Del Norte, and Curry counties choose to make a difference by investing in their communities through HAF+WRCF. Local nonprofits also entrust us with their endowments and reserves. The confidence that they place in us stems from our 50 years of experience in stewarding funds to deliver healthy, sustainable growth.

Our pooled investment program gives all funds—large or small—the advantage of a professionally managed, diversified portfolio. It's just one of the ways we help amplify the impact of every dollar entrusted to us.

Mid-term Pool Total . . . . .	\$4,758,105
Mid-term Pool Return Rate . . . . .	11.70%
Long-term Pool Total . . . . .	\$174,708,968
Long-term Pool Return Rate. . . . .	12.20%

Investments & Financials

Statement of Activities

(7/01/2024 to 6/30/2025)

Income

Contributions . . . . .	\$4,966,584
Fee Income . . . . .	\$2,578,920
Grant Income . . . . .	\$6,985,445
Investment Income . . . . .	\$20,588,635
Other Income . . . . .	\$2,690,448

Total Income . . . . . \$37,810,032

Expense

Operating Expenses . . . . .	\$4,154,099
Grantmaking & Programmatic Expenses . . . . .	\$22,498,126

Total Expenses . . . . . \$26,652,225

Change in Net Assets. . . . . \$11,157,808

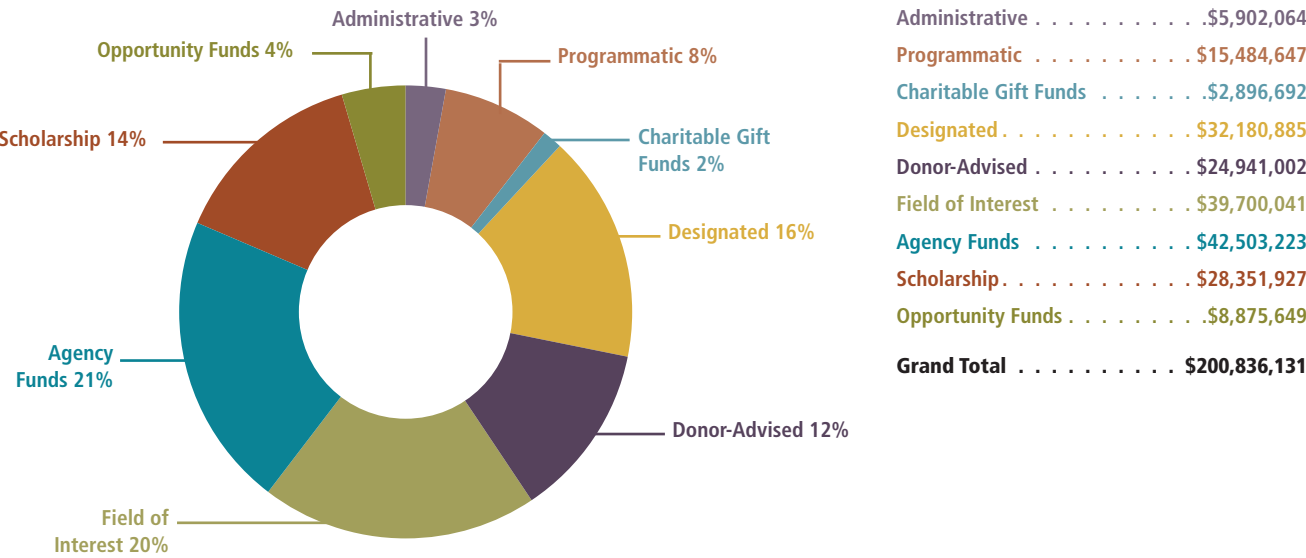
These abbreviated financial reports are unaudited. The complete 2024-25 fiscal year audit will be available on our website by March 2026. Head to hafoundation.org/audit to view our audited financial statements from prior years.

Assets by Fund Type

The Foundation manages \$200M in assets, thanks to the donors and partners whose support continues to build this resource for our community.

Design and oversight of our investment program is managed by our finance staff, Outsourced Chief Investment Officer (OCIO) Angeles Investments, our Board of Directors, and the Investment Committee. By partnering with HAF+WRCF, donors gain access to world-class investment services—empowering us all to create the greatest possible impact in our communities.

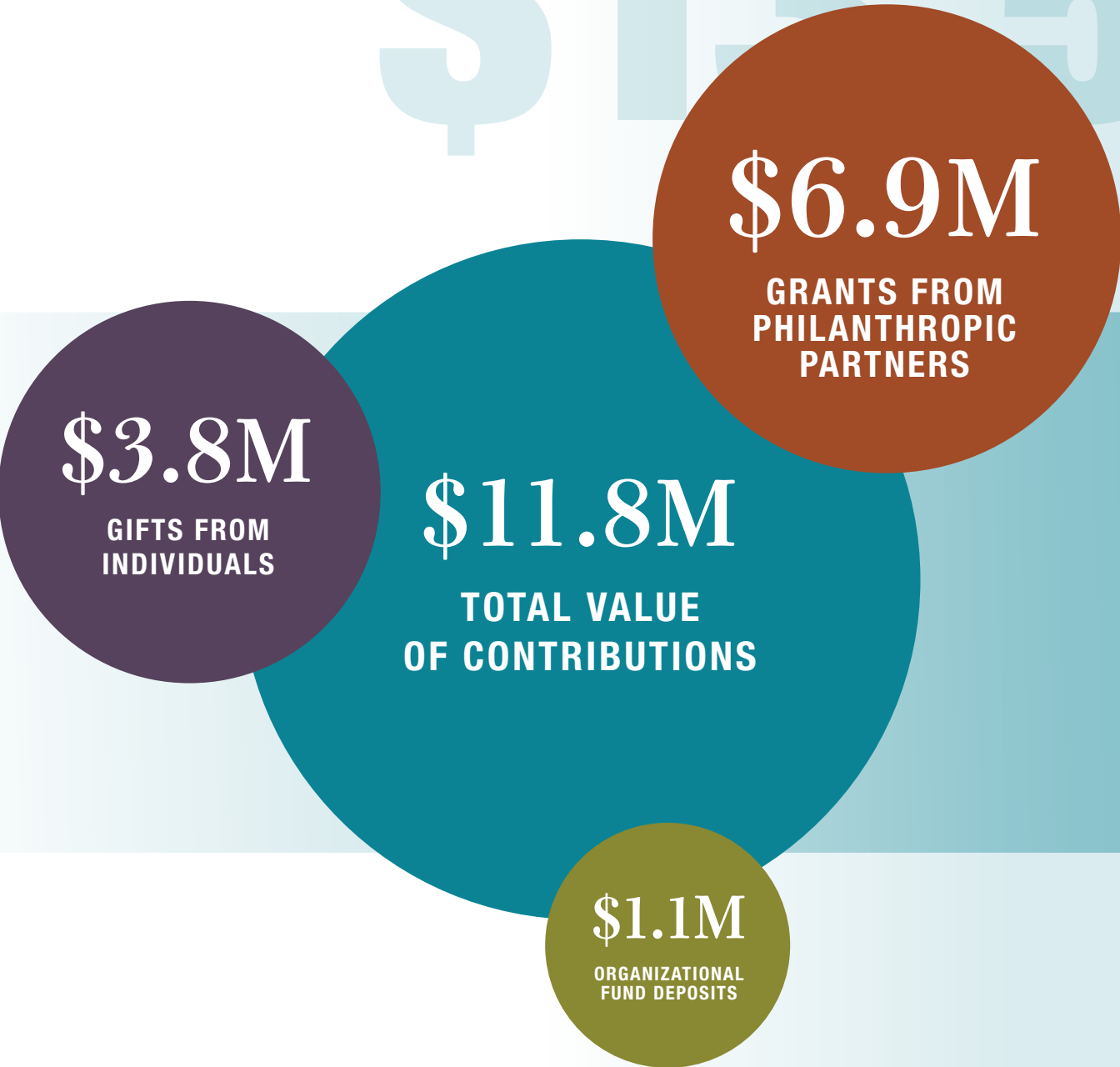
The chart below illustrates the distribution of assets across fund types.



# Philanthropy Report

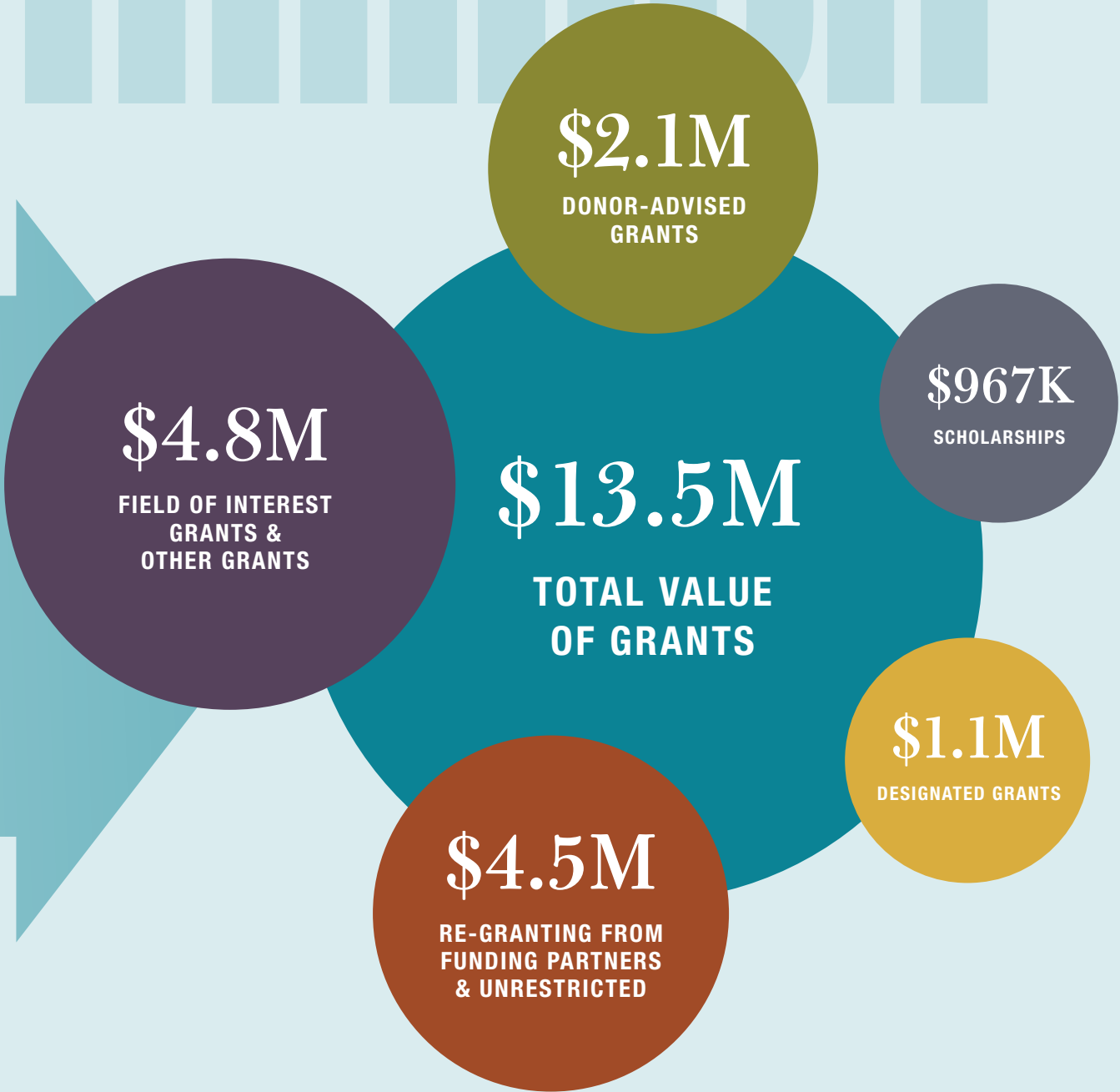
In fiscal year 2024-2025, a diverse array of generous donors made contributions, including individuals, families, businesses, nonprofits, clubs, and foundations. These gifts strengthened both our emerging work and our long-established funds, furthering our shared commitment to community and building upon the long-term vision of our founder, Vera Vietor.

## Income Streams



# Grants & Scholarships

Thanks to the continued generosity of our donors and funders, grants and scholarships distributed to the community grew to **\$13.5 million** in fiscal year 2024–2025. That’s an increase of nearly \$4.8 million over the previous year. This increase is due in part to the Blue Lake Rancheria assuming stewardship of the Leavey Ranch, which represents a one-time real property grant of \$3.6 million. See page 14 for more details. Since 1972, the Foundation has distributed a total of \$136 million to support our rural communities.





\$1.1M

DESIGNATED GRANTS

## Grantees Receiving Highest Designated Distributions in FY 2024-2025

American Cancer Society  
Food For People Inc  
Glen Paul School  
Hospice of Humboldt  
Humboldt County Library  
Humboldt Senior Resource Center  
Leavey Ranch, LLC  
Planned Parenthood Northern California  
Redwoods Monastery  
Sequoia Humane Society



Jenifer Nunnemaker

## Annual, Dedicated Grants Provide Organizations with \$1.1 million in Reliable Funding

At HAF+WRCF, Designated Funds are an enduring way to invest in the strength and well-being of our region. Generated through 129 funds, these grants provide annual designated support to the organizations that keep our communities vibrant—schools, senior centers, art programs, libraries, health clinics, and many more.

This year, HAF+WRCF distributed over \$1.1 million through distributions from Designated Funds to more than 110 nonprofit organizations across Humboldt, Del Norte, Curry, and Trinity counties. Each grant is rooted in donors' charitable vision and is guided by local need, offering reliable funding that helps organizations plan for the future, adapt to changing circumstances, and grow their impact over time.

These funds are a reflection of the deep commitment donors have made to the causes and institutions they care about. In rural and historically under-resourced areas, this steady support often provides the margin of sustainability that can help vital programs to thrive. ♦

### FUND HIGHLIGHT: The Jenifer Foundation

Jenifer Nunnemaker was born and raised in Fortuna and attended Fortuna Union High School, where she excelled in athletics, participated in student government, and was recognized for her participation in youth leadership programs. In 1981, she was diagnosed with an aggressive cancer that would take her life later that same year at just 16 years old. As one of her last acts of leadership and care for her community, she used her savings to create The Jenifer Foundation to provide scholarships to students graduating from Fortuna High.

In 2017, her parents Fred and Marnie Nunnemaker decided to change the fund to a Designated Fund to provide reliable, annual support to the Fortuna High JV Girls basketball and girls track teams. All these years later, Fred and Marnie continue to be amazed by the outpouring of support from community members who have donated to the Jenifer Foundation and by the impact Jenifer's idea has had.

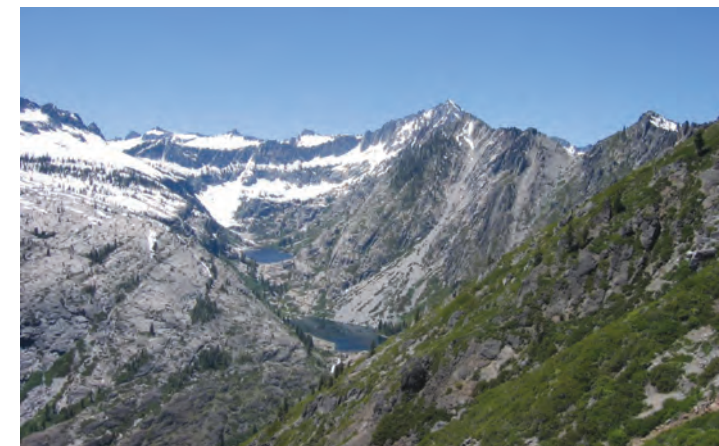
As of 2025, the Jenifer Foundation fund has shared over \$113,800 in scholarships and grants to support Fortuna High students. Mike Benbow, Athletic Director at Fortuna High, shared that "Jenifer's passion for sports lives on as her foundation supports our JV Girls Basketball and Track programs—providing uniforms, equipment, travel opportunities and resources that help our athletes compete, grow, and become better people. We appreciate the support."

We're sure that Jenifer would be just as amazed to see how her legacy and the foundation she started continue to make a difference for the students of Fortuna High.

## Donor-Advised Grantmaking Fuels Programs Across Region

In the last fiscal year, \$2.1M was disbursed from Donor-Advised Funds at the Foundation, in the form of 571 grants to 333 organizations throughout our community and beyond. These grants were all made at the recommendation of individuals, families, community groups, and businesses dedicated to improving the well-being of our region and its residents. With an average grant amount of just over \$3,500, Donor-Advised Grants support organizations large and small, from national and international organizations to grassroots local groups and everything in between, across all sectors of nonprofit organizations and civic groups. While some funding was for specific programs or projects, the majority—75% in FY 2024-2025—provided flexible, unrestricted support through general operating grants.

The long list of Donor-Advised Grants is not just about the numbers—it is evidence that people are participating in and strengthening our community. Each grant represents people coming together—on sports fields, at festivals and events, in schools, out in nature, at animal shelters—to experience art and music, to celebrate culture, organize, and help those in need. These activities take time, energy, ideas, and often money, which community members have established these funds to provide. ♦



Several Donor-Advised Funds contributed to the Wilderness Land Trust project to acquire the Emerald Lake/Morris Meadows properties, private holdings in the Trinity Alps Wilderness along the Stuart Fork Trail. The acquisition of the properties will prevent future private uses, such as recreational development and logging, while securing public trail access and protecting the lakes and river that provide support for people, wildlife, and steelhead and salmon spawning. PHOTO COURTESY WILDERNESS LAND TRUST.

\$2.1M

DONOR-ADVISED GRANTS



The Del Norte Area Fund and Del Norte Area Youth Fund supported the Redwood Coast Football Club with funding to support equipment and volunteer expenses. The contributions helped provide a soccer program to 525 youth. SUBMITTED PHOTO.



Local youth, ages 0 through 5, can enroll to receive a free, high-quality age-appropriate book each month through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program, run by the Bridgeville Community Center. The program is supported by community donations, including several Donor-Advised Funds at HAF+WRCF. SUBMITTED PHOTO.





## Scholarships Empower Tomorrow's Leaders

The Foundation's Scholarship Program continues to celebrate and invest in the incredible talent of students across our four-county region. For the 2024–2025 fiscal year, 363 students were awarded a total of \$967,000 through 514 scholarships. These scholarships reflect not just financial support, but also a powerful vote of confidence in the dreams and goals of the young people who are shaping the future of our rural communities.

Our region is rich with students whose ambitions span medicine, the arts, science, education, and countless other fields. Many are the first in their families to pursue higher education, carrying forward a legacy of curiosity and leadership. In fact, 63 percent of recipients are first-generation students. In working to realize their highest aspirations, they embody the determination to chart new paths. More than half of this year's scholars (55 percent) identify as students of color, reflecting the deep diversity that strengthens and enriches our communities.

The program itself is growing right alongside these aspirations. HAF+WRCF has continued to expand the number of scholarships offered, with this year marking record levels of applications and available opportunities. Applications increased by 14.2 percent from last year, and have grown by 41 percent since 2022—a continued sign of the momentum among students in our region as they reach their educational goals.

On average, each recipient received more than \$2,000 in support. While the dollar amount is meaningful, the deeper impact lies in the way scholarships unlock possibilities: creating space for students to focus on their studies, explore their passions, and lead with confidence. These scholarships are possible thanks to the generosity of donors and the enduring commitment of our communities to invest in their young people. ♦



### SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHT: Fortuna High Grad Awarded Two Scholarships In Pursuit of Higher-Ed Goals



Samantha Camacho

Among this year's recipients of the David J. and Elizabeth (Betsy) K. Somerville Scholarship, as well as the William Tamo Memorial Scholarship.

Samantha Camacho, an aspiring pre-med student, is among this year's recipients of the David J. and Elizabeth (Betsy) K. Somerville Scholarship, as well as the William Tamo Memorial Scholarship, which supports nursing students who graduate from Fortuna High. "I've always been really interested in the medical field and helping others. I love anything hands-on helping people, so that's where I see my future," says Samantha.

Beyond her academic goals, Samantha's wide-ranging involvement in school and community life has given her experiences she'll carry into her future. She reflects that serving as Senior Class President honed her leadership and organizational skills, while volunteering with Fortuna Creeks Club, Teen Court, and the local fire department taught her determination, integrity, and a deep sense of service. She shares that these opportunities have shaped her into someone who can communicate, lead, and make thoughtful decisions, and that she'll carry those skills into her future career.

Samantha comments that tools like the Foundation's Universal Application and Scholarship Finder alleviate potential financial hardships as well as application fatigue when applying for school. "Sometimes it can be overwhelming because there's so many different scholarships," says Camacho. "Programs like Scholarship Finder have helped me a bunch, and it helps many of my friends. I'm glad there are these opportunities because it really helps me get to where I want to be in the future and have an opportunity to pursue higher education."

## Strengthening Our Region Through Shared Purpose

By sharing our region's leadership and perspectives with philanthropic partners beyond our rural and Tribal lands, we cultivate powerful relationships that enable us to bring more resources to our local communities. The following pages include stories about the re-granting and pass-through dollars made possible by those valued funders, allowing us to act as a conduit for external support while ensuring those funds are deployed with regional insight and impact. A list of philanthropic partners can be found on page 34.

“... honoring donor vision while responding to the evolving needs of our region.”

Additionally, this section encompasses grants made from Field of Interest Funds and Unrestricted Funds. These resources are entrusted to us by donors who believe in the power of caring, strategic, and trust-based philanthropy to shape a stronger, more resilient community. Whether focused on animal welfare, arts and culture, or broad community well-being, these funds are granted with intention—honoring donor vision while responding to the evolving needs of our region.

Grants in this category are distributed through a variety of processes. Each grant represents a shared investment in the future of our region and a testament to the generosity and foresight of those who make this work possible. ♦



# Inaugural Just Futures Grantees Amplify and Elevate Communities



## 2025 Just Futures Grantees:

**Aunties on the River**

McKinleyville Family Resource Center

**Black Humboldt**

**Centro del Pueblo Movimiento Indigena Migrante**

**Earth Equity**

**English Express**

Ink People Center for the Arts

**Healing and Community Black Music and Arts Association**

Ink People Center for the Arts

**Hmong Cultural Center of Del Norte County**

**Humboldt Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity (HAPI)**

**Karuk Tribe**

Department of Natural Resources

**Northwest American Indian Coalition, Inc.**

**Queer Humboldt**

**South Coast Health Equity Coalition**

United Way of Southwest Oregon

**Warrior Institute**

Social Good Fund

Thirteen organizations are the first recipients of the Foundation’s inaugural Just Futures Grants. The grants provided general operating support to organizations that amplify, elevate, and serve Indigenous and Black communities, queer communities, immigrants, and more throughout our region.

"These grants are more than just financial support; they are an investment in the power and resilience of BIPOC communities," says Sara Dronkers, CEO. "The Just Futures Grants are part of our commitment to fostering a more equitable and just region for all."

### GRANT RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT: Aunties on the River



One recipient is Aunties on the River (AOTR), an Indigenous doula collective launched in

2024. Comprised of Native aunties with deep familial ties to the rivers of Northern California, AOTR is addressing a critical need for Indigenous-focused birthing care.

AOTR provides full-spectrum doula care, kinship support circles, grief support, and postpartum support, with a strong emphasis on nourishing traditional foods and community connections. They collaborate with the Rou Dalagurr Food Sovereignty Lab at Cal Poly Humboldt and the McKinleyville Family Resource Center to help families reconnect with traditional Indigenous lifeways.

"The story of this collective, like the river, is long and free flowing," states AOTR on their Instagram page ([instagram.com/auntiesontheriver](https://www.instagram.com/auntiesontheriver)). "Our elders, the original Aunties, have been tending to our birthing

families for years—from the coast to the valley, and up the river. Over the past few years there has been a resurgence of energy and interest in rekindling our connections to this knowledge as it helps us tend to birthing people around us. Through various cultural gatherings, community collaborations, professional trainings, and personal experiences, our passion to come together as a collective has grown."

"This funding will support our capacity as an organization to honor some of the time and commitment our Collective dedicates to serving our local Native birthing families, strengthening our infrastructure as we grow. Having the flexibility of this type of funding helps ensure that birthing families have access to the quality of care they deserve," says Danielle Reed, Director of Operations for AOTR.

"Aunties on the River exemplifies the spirit of the Just Futures Grants," says Rachel Montgomery, Program Officer. "We are honored to support community-led initiatives that are deeply rooted in cultural wisdom and address vital community needs." ♦

# Grants Support a Thriving Future for Families

The Foundation proudly champions charitable efforts that pave the way for a brighter future by fostering safe and healthy communities, in which families thrive across generations. In addition to other programs and grant rounds that support thriving families in our region, we launched the new Together We Thrive Program, which focuses on emerging needs identified by the community and supports those areas with various funding sources and programs, including funds established over the years by generous community members to provide support for youth and families.

Over the past year, grants were awarded across sectors to support initiatives that help youth and families thrive. Examples of this work included the following:

## Food Security in Del Norte and Tribal Lands

The Del Norte and Tribal Lands Food Council received Foundation funding to support a summer-to-fall 2025 initiative advancing upstream food security, nutrition education, and healthy food access for at-risk youth and low-income families. This project helped expand Downtown Crescent City Farmers’ Market programs, including securing market match dollars for WIC participants and launching the Power of Produce (POP) Club. The Food Council’s broader goal is to build a vibrant, community-centered market where families can easily access a range of healthy food supports. In addition to EBT and WIC acceptance, the market also honors Open Door Community Health Center’s "Rx" vouchers, a produce prescription program supporting patients' nutritional health, and senior market vouchers through the Area 1 Agency on Aging. Further, the Downtown Crescent City Farmers’ Market partners with the Del Norte Unified School District through the Seamless Summer Meals program, offering free bagged school breakfasts and lunches to market participants under 18. ♦

## Mental Health Services for Youth

Sorrel Leaf Healing Center is dedicated to providing mental health crisis services for youth ages 7–17 on California’s North Coast, with a strong emphasis on serving historically underserved and disadvantaged communities. HAF+WRCF supported their efforts to establish the first Children’s Crisis Residential Program (CCRP) of its kind in Northern California. CCRPs represent a new model of youth mental health care recently introduced in California, and currently, none are operational in the region. The facility will break from the traditional, highly clinical and restrictive hospital-based models by offering a more supportive, therapeutic, and community-centered approach to care. ♦

“... families thrive across generations.”







# Communities Make Critical Improvements with Disaster Response & Resilience Funds

This past year, the Foundation’s Disaster Response & Resilience Fund deployed over \$600,000 to support 24 organizations across the region. The majority of these funds were directed toward recovery and resilience efforts.

According to the Center for Disaster Philanthropy, **“Every \$1 invested in preparedness and resilience can save up to \$13 in economic impact and disaster recovery costs.”** Reflecting this principle, grants funded a range of preparedness initiatives, including:

- Emergency fire and medical equipment
- Community resilience centers
- Emergency food systems
- Disaster and emergency preparedness training

A notable previous recipient, the Hayfork Fire Protection District (Hayfork FPD), received \$24,000 in 2024 to upgrade its digital communications system. These enhancements improved digital

compliance, expanded range, and increased compatibility with other fire response agencies. The new system proved valuable when Hayfork FPD was deployed to the Palisades Fire during the January 2025 Los Angeles wildfires.

“The communications upgrade, along with other changes in our department, have allowed us to integrate with large and small agencies alike and become a valuable yet small piece of the puzzle during events such as Palisades,” says Hayfork FPD Chief Leroy Washawer. “The ability to have up-to-date, functional communications on such a dynamic and severe incident cannot be overstated.”

The fund supports the region during current and future disasters, including public health emergencies, fires, earthquakes, flooding, and other natural disasters. Grants are made to nonprofit agencies, public benefit organizations, charitable organizations, and groups with qualified fiscal sponsors. ♦



# MMIP Crisis Action Fund Focuses on Root Causes

Thanks to the generous support of our funders, the Pacific Redwoods Missing & Murdered Indigenous People’s Crisis Action Fund awarded five grants last year to hardworking organizations that are addressing opportunities for Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) response and prevention through their dedication, collaboration, and steadfast leadership. Grants prioritized prevention, reflecting a growing understanding of the complex challenges that contribute to MMIP cases.

The Tribally led program adapts its grantmaking strategy to support organizations that make a meaningful difference during moments of greatest adversity. The staff and the advisory committee listen closely to the families of missing Indigenous people, many of whom shared that their loved ones were navigating significant life challenges at the time they disappeared. These might include mental health struggles, domestic violence, substance use, or housing insecurity—factors that increase vulnerability and risk.

One grantee, A Mother’s Village, offers free mental, spiritual, and health support to local mothers. The founders shared the transformative impact of the grant:

“Your grant touched us deeply. Since receiving it, we’ve been actively meeting with Native leaders to explore how we can better

serve Indigenous women and children who come to our village. This is only the beginning.”

We remain committed to elevating MMIP issues in every space we can, and continue to seek support for this vital work. We are grateful for all the support the fund has received since its inception in 2022 that has allowed us to support these response and resilience efforts. ♦

## This year’s grant recipients include:

- Instinctive Motherhood - A Mother’s Village
- K’ima:w Medical Center - Medication-Assisted Treatment Program
- North Coast Rape Crisis Team
- Redwood Teen Challenge - Women’s Center Staff
- Yurok Tribe - 2025 MMIP Tribal Policy Summit



## Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe Becomes Next Steward of the Leavey Ranch

The 2024-2025 fiscal year included a unique and unprecedented grant of a historic 240-acre property to the Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe (BLR). The Leavey Ranch was entrusted to the HAF+WRCF through Joseph “Jim” Leavey’s estate and was managed by the Foundation from 2014 to 2024. It was transferred to the Tribe in March 2025 following a rigorous Request for Proposal process to ensure the selection was based on merit and aligned with Mr. Leavey’s intent to support agriculture, ecological preservation, and education.

The Leavey Ranch was purchased in 1912 by Michael Leavey as part of the family’s dairy operation. The Leavey family played a significant role in shaping the West End and the wider agricultural community through their land stewardship and civic engagement. Jim Leavey—Michael’s grandson—continued in this tradition through his own conservation work.

The Tribe plans to continue to maintain Leavey Ranch as a working cattle ranch while integrating the property into its Food Sovereignty Program. This program focuses on the production and distribution of traditional and fresh foods to elders, children, and underserved communities. In July, the Tribe hosted a cultural burn on the property as part of its commitment to restoring traditional land management practices and enhancing habitat for native species.



“Stewarding Leavey Ranch is both an honor and a responsibility, and we are deeply grateful for the trust placed in us to uphold its legacy. This land represents an opportunity to strengthen sustainable agriculture, expand educational programs, and enhance ecological preservation for future generations. Through collaboration and careful stewardship, we look forward to ensuring that Leavey Ranch remains a thriving resource for the community and a model for regenerative land management,” said Jason Ramos, Tribal Chairperson, Blue Lake Rancheria, in a press release from March.

“The transfer of the Leavey Ranch marks a new chapter for this special place, one in which we are proud to have played a role. Jim Leavey felt strongly that the ranch should not be developed and that it should provide opportunities for conservation and education. Blue Lake Rancheria shares that vision, and it’s exciting to see the work that has already begun in honoring his intent,” said Sara Dronkers, CEO. “The Rancheria and HAF+WRCF have shared goals and values,

particularly in their desire to strengthen food sovereignty and disaster resilience, to restore Indigenous ownership, access, and management of land, and to include the input and leadership of community partners. We look forward to seeing what comes next.”

Since receiving the land, the Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe has built a greenhouse and established a native plant nursery to help restore the local ecosystems and preserve indigenous plant species. In June, the Rancheria also hosted its third annual Cultural Burn Seminar in conjunction with Yurok Fire, BLR Fire, CAL Fire, Cal Poly Humboldt, the U.S. Forest Service, and the County of Humboldt. ♦

## Mission Lending: Investing in Community-Led Solutions

The Foundation’s Mission Lending program continues to be a powerful tool for advancing equity, sustainability, and economic opportunity across our region. Through flexible, values-aligned local loans, the Foundation supports projects that deliver both financial and social returns—strengthening communities while fostering long-term sustainability.

**Since 2013, HAF+WRCF has deployed over \$11.3 million** in mission loans to Tribal nations, nonprofits, municipalities, and local enterprises. These investments have supported the Foundation’s strategic priorities, which include racial equity, thriving youth and families, healthy ecosystems, and a just economy.

Notable projects funded in 2025, but not completed, include K’ima:w Medical Center, which will expand healthcare access in Hoopa, and Life Plan Humboldt, a resident-led senior living community designed to meet local needs with dignity and sustainability. We should see these projects completed in the next five years. We at the Foundation consider ourselves fortunate to be able to support their launch. Prior mission lending in Southern Humboldt helped SoHum Health provide critical health care services, while the Hoopa Shopping Center has been part of revitalizing local commerce and creating jobs.

To date, the Foundation has issued over 50 loans, with an average interest rate of 3.75%. As of June 2025, \$3.25 million remained available for deployment, offering continued opportunities for community-led initiatives to access capital.

Learn more at [hafoundation.org/lending](https://hafoundation.org/lending)



# Victor Thomas Jacoby Awards Recognize Four Artists with Diverse Visions



The 2024 Victor Thomas Jacoby Award winners were, from left, Malia Matsumoto, Angie Tustison, Samantha Biasca, and Beau Saunders.

Local artists **Malia Matsumoto, Angie Tustison, Samantha Biasca, and Beau Saunders** were the winners of the 2024 Victor Thomas Jacoby Award, presented by HAF+WRCF.

The Eureka-based artists were selected for their artistic vision and creativity. Each recipient was awarded \$10,000 to support their work. With this year’s awards, the fund has surpassed \$500,000 in support to local artists since the inaugural award in 1998. The four winning artists were recognized during the Victor Thomas Jacoby Award Reception in December at the Morris Graves Museum of Art.

Every fall, local artists are encouraged to apply for the Victor Thomas Jacoby Award by submitting examples of their work and sharing their visions for innovation and for the progression of their art to the next level.

The award’s focus changes periodically, with the award being open to Humboldt County-based artists most years, whereas once every five years, submissions are open only to Eureka-based artists or artists working in textiles. Information on eligibility and applying is posted in the Foundation’s Grants Portal at [hafoundation.org/apply](https://hafoundation.org/apply) in early fall.

## About Victor Thomas Jacoby



Textile artist Victor Jacoby

Victor Jacoby, an internationally recognized Eureka visual artist whose chosen medium was French tapestry, established the Victor Thomas Jacoby Fund with HAF+WRCF before his death in 1997 at age 52. The fund is dedicated to supporting Humboldt County visual artists and craftspeople and encourages exploring new ideas, materials, techniques, and mediums by making annual cash awards to local artists or craftspeople selected by a review panel of leading arts representatives. Victor’s vision inspired his friend Dr. Rosalind Novick to make an additional gift to the fund and expand his dream of supporting local artists by providing the financial support to take a class, buy tools and supplies, and provide whatever else they may need to expand their artistic horizons—without having to worry about paying the bills.

# 2025 Summer Youth Partnership

During the summer, the Summer Youth Partnership supports youth-serving organizations in Curry, Del Norte, and Humboldt counties, providing safe, engaging, and enriching experiences for young people during out-of-school months. Activities included arts, sports, outdoor exploration, and academic support. The Trinity Trust stewards a similar program for Trinity County residents (see page 29 for more). This funding was made possible through contributions from the McLean Foundation, the Patricia D. & William B. Smullin Foundation, the Providence Community Health Investment, HAF+WRCF, and generous donors.

A total of \$30,550 was granted to 25 organizations throughout Humboldt, Del Norte, and Curry counties. Grant recipients include organizations offering programs focusing on water safety, food distribution, and literacy, as well as a variety of enriching recreational opportunities. Priority was given to youth programming offered at low or no cost to participants.

### Curry County

- Brookings Harbor Community Helpers: Youth Snack Pack Program
- Gold Beach Rotary Foundation: Party in the Park
- Port Orford Public Library Foundation: Summer Reading
- Rotary Club of Brookings-Harbor: Rotary Water Safety – Education AND Fun for All
- South Coast Community Aquatics: Brookings City Pool Youth & Family Access Program

### Del Norte County

- California Tribal TANF Partnership – Del Norte: Summer Cultural Camp
- Del Norte and Tribal Lands Community Food Council: Summer Garden Camp
- Del Norte Safe and Sober: Sober Grad Night
- The Friends of the Coast Guard Auxiliary: Kids Don’t Float
- Northern California Indian Development Council – Del Norte Indian Education Center: Summer Program

### Humboldt County

- 4-H Trail: Equine Therapy and Recreation
- Black Humboldt: Little Global Dragonflies
- Blue Lake Parks & Recreation Department: Camp Perigot
- Chopp Academy: Summer Youth Basketball Camp
- Humboldt County Library: Summer Reading Program (Level Up at Your Library)
- CUMBRE Humboldt
- Dream Quest – Willow Creek Partnership: Summer Youth Wellness
- Friends of the Lost Coast: Summer Adventure Camp
- Ink People Center for the Arts: Media Arts Resource Zone (MARZ) Summer Youth Programming
- Mattole Valley Resource Center: Soccer Camp
- Mid Klamath Watershed Council: Klamath-Siskiyou Outdoor School
- Playhouse Arts
- Redwood Community Action Agency: Splash into Summer
- Redwood Discovery Museum: Pal Camp
- Southern Humboldt Family Resource Center: Southern Humboldt Teen Summer Camp

## Working Together to Bolster Families

The North Coast Grantmaking Partnership (NCGP) is a regional collaboration of funders and community leaders working together to strengthen equity and well-being across the North Coast. Partners include HAF+WRCF, McLean Foundation, Patricia D. & William B. Smullin Foundation, Providence Community Health Investment, First 5 Humboldt, Vesper Society, and the College of the Redwoods Foundation. While all partners collaborate to contribute insight and help our efforts align with shared priorities, financial support for the Holiday Funding and Summer Youth programs comes from McLean, Smullin, Providence, and HAF+WRCF, with HAF+WRCF also providing administrative coordination.

For these programs, decisions were guided by community advisory committees made up of local residents with regional expertise, ensuring the funding reflects on-the-ground knowledge and community priorities. This participatory approach is core to the NCGP’s collaborative model, which centers collective impact, community leadership, and shared responsibility.



# Holiday Partnerships Fuel Community Well-being Across Four Counties

## 2024 Holiday Funding Partnership

Each winter, the Holiday Funding Partnership distributes grants to nonprofit and community organizations across Del Norte, Curry, Humboldt, and Trinity counties, helping meet increased seasonal needs—such as food security, warm clothing, and family support. In winter 2024, over \$73,000 was distributed to 65 organizations throughout the region. Funding was made possible by HAF+WRCF, McLean Foundation, Patricia D. and William B. Smullin Foundation, the Providence Community Health Investment, and generous donors.

Grantee	Program Name
2-1-1 Humboldt Information and Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Meals & Toys
Affordable Homeless Housing Alternatives . . . . .	Ponchos, a Gift for the Holidays
Arcata Family Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Program Support
Arcata House Partnership . . . . .	Holiday Fund for People in Homeless Shelters
Arcata Presbyterian Church . . . . .	Holiday Basket Program
Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks #1934 . . . . .	Christmas Food Basket Program
Bicoastal Media . . . . .	Coats for Kids
Black Humboldt . . . . .	Home Away Project
Bridgeville Community Center . . . . .	Community Social Outreach and Holiday Food Boxes
Brookings Church of the Nazarene . . . . .	Thanksgiving Food Distribution 2024
Brookings Harbor Community Helpers/Brookings Harbor Food Bank . . . . .	Youth Snack Pack Program
California Tribal TANF Partnership - Del Norte . . . . .	Winter Food Baskets
California Tribal TANF Partnership - Humboldt . . . . .	Holiday Gift Cards
California Tribal TANF Partnership - Trinity . . . . .	Winter Food Gift Cards
CASA of Del Norte . . . . .	Holiday Gift Giving
Centro del Pueblo . . . . .	Winter Drive
Chetco Activity Center . . . . .	Meals-on-Wheels and Holiday Smiles
Court Appointed Special Advocates of Humboldt . . . . .	CASA of Humboldt Holiday Program
Cumbre Humboldt . . . . .	Comida Navideña
CUNA (Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata) . . . . .	CUNA - Holiday Grocery Gift Cards
Curry Child Abuse Intervention Center - Wally's House . . . . .	Holiday Grocery Gift Cards for Families
Curry County Juvenile Department . . . . .	Holiday for Homeless Youth
Curry Public Library District . . . . .	2nd Annual ASCEND Holiday Family Night
Del Norte Mission Possible . . . . .	Christmas for All
Eureka Rescue Mission . . . . .	Holiday Funding
Food For People . . . . .	Eureka Choice Pantry Holiday Food Distribution
Fortuna Volunteer Fire Department . . . . .	Santa's Sleigh
Free to Fly Foundation . . . . .	2024 Holiday Christmas Party for Single Moms and their Children
Garberville Veterans Association . . . . .	Community Holiday Dinners 2024
God-Snacked Outreach Ministry . . . . .	Holidays for the Unhoused
Grace Good Shepherd Church . . . . .	Holiday Food Gift Card Program
Healy Senior Center . . . . .	Senior Holiday Meals
HIV Alliance . . . . .	Holiday Assistance for people living with and at-risk for HIV in Curry County
Hmong Cultural Center of Del Norte County . . . . .	Christmas Wishes Program
Humboldt Senior Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Cheer for Humboldt Seniors
Hupa Family Resource Center . . . . .	Hupa Family Resource Center Holiday Assistance
Let Go and Soar Ministries . . . . .	Trinity County Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner
Loyal Order of Moose Lewiston Lodge #1850 . . . . .	Family Center Annual Children's Christmas Festival

The Volunteers for Noel for Neighbors program was one of several community groups that received support from the Holiday Funding Partnership. Photo courtesy Noel for Neighbors.



Grantee	Program Name
Manila Community Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Program Support
Marshall Family Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Program Support
Mateel Community Center . . . . .	Community Holiday Meal Program in Southern Humboldt 24
Mattole Valley Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Food Baskets 2024
McKinleyville Family Resource Center . . . . .	2024 Holiday Assistance
Nation's Finest . . . . .	Holiday Outreach and Meals
North Coast Growers Association . . . . .	Holiday Harvest Boxes
Northcoast Children's Services . . . . .	Holiday Assistance, Shoes
Northern United Charter Schools . . . . .	Family Holiday Basket Program
Pine Hill South Bay Family Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Program Support
Playhouse Arts . . . . .	Our Space
Redwood Community Action Agency . . . . .	Food, Fun, and Festivities
Redwood Teen Challenge . . . . .	Student Christmas Party
Rotary Club of Brookings Harbor . . . . .	BootMates Help Make Wintertime Warmer
Rotary Club of Ferndale Foundation . . . . .	Noel For Neighbors
Seventh Day Adventist Church . . . . .	Third Street Community Food Bank
Southern Humboldt Family Resource Center . . . . .	Holiday Food Support
St. Joseph's Pantry . . . . .	Holiday Pantry Food Gift
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church . . . . .	Holiday Program 2024
St. Vincent de Paul . . . . .	Holiday Meals 2024
The Common Good, Inc. . . . .	Holiday Funding 2024
Toys for Tots - Marine Corps League #578 . . . . .	Marine Corps Reserves Toys for Tots
Trinity Community Food Outreach . . . . .	Christmas Dinner
Trinity Congregational UCC Church/Weaverville Community Food Cupboard . . . . .	Hams for the Holidays
United Indian Health Services . . . . .	Holiday Program Support
Willow Creek Youth Partnership - Dream Quest . . . . .	Dream Quest Holiday Giving 2024
WISH (Women & Children's Crisis Shelter in Southern Humboldt) . . . . .	Holiday Meal Program

To read more about the 2025 Holiday Funding Partnership, visit our website at [hafoundation.org](https://hafoundation.org)



28  
GRANTS & SPONSORSHIPS  
TOTALING  
\$1.57M



The keystone effort of the world's largest salmon restoration project was the successful removal of the lower four dams on the Klamath River. Despite the enormous benefits of dam removal, many more restoration actions are necessary to take full advantage of the opportunity to recover fisheries, improve water quality, and benefit the Basin's diverse rural communities. The Klamath River Fund was established here at HAF+WRCF to support these community-led efforts throughout the watershed.

The fund was launched with \$10 million in seed funding from The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, with additional support from John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Meyer Memorial Trust, Roundhouse Foundation, Tamalpais Trust, The California Endowment, The James Irvine Foundation, The Jubitz Family Foundation, and an anonymous funder. The pooled fund now totals nearly \$14 million and counting. Through the Klamath Philanthropic Funder Collaborative, the fund also brings together aligned funders to increase our collective impact in the basin.



## Our Approach

The Klamath River Fund embraces a community-based approach in its work. By traveling throughout the basin, building and deepening relationships, and spending time listening to community leaders, we're honored to have supported several organizations with over \$1.57 million in grants last year, and \$1.9 million since the fund's inception.

Through the innovative Klamath Philanthropic Funder Collaborative, we invite additional funders to join us in supporting the health and healing of the Klamath Basin. By helping all funders work together to understand the region's needs, the Collaborative maximizes the impact of our shared philanthropic support.



## Our Work

We support Tribes, nonprofits, and community organizations throughout the Klamath Basin through relationship building, grantmaking, technical assistance, fundraising, and storytelling. The fund offers two types of grant opportunities. Catalyst Grants are designed to be responsive to community needs that would not otherwise be fulfilled by a traditional grant. They are smaller (\$10,000 or less) and can be applied for at any time. Community Impact Grants are larger in scope and focus on areas like community-led climate resilience, restorative justice work, and more. Following the unprecedented dam removal in 2023 and 2024, the Foundation has been using these grants to amplify restoration and revitalization efforts in the entire Klamath River Basin throughout the next decade.

## Our Reach

The **Upper Klamath Basin Ag Collaborative (UKBAC)** is a community-led effort to address water quality and quantity challenges in the upper reaches of the Klamath Basin. Formed in 2022, UKBAC is a voluntary coalition of ranchers, Tribal members, conservationists, and community leaders located on the Sprague River in Southern Oregon. Before the dams, the Sprague provided spawning and rearing habitats for salmon. In the mid-20th century, the Army Corps of Engineers made matters worse when it straightened and diked much of the Sprague, disconnecting it from wetlands and floodplains, with the result that today, it is a primary source of phosphorus pollution in the Upper Klamath Lake. UKBAC's mission is to forge sustainable solutions that bolster agricultural resilience while restoring the ecological integrity of the Sprague and provide habitat for endangered suckers and newly arriving salmon.

This collaborative approach acknowledges that the health of the land, water, and our communities are all deeply interconnected. UKBAC's initiatives are not just about environmental restoration; they're also about community empowerment. By fostering partnerships and facilitating access to resources, UKBAC is helping local ranchers and farmers adapt to environmental challenges, ensuring that agricultural traditions can continue sustainably for generations to come. The fund proudly supports UKBAC's efforts.

"Sustainable agriculture is one of our focus areas," says Senior Program Officer Holly Hensher. "UKBAC is addressing fundamental ecological issues while supporting more resilient farming and ranching practices."

## Save California Salmon

Save California Salmon (SCS) was awarded a general operating grant to help the organization expand its work with Klamath River Communities as they address climate change, restore and reconnect watersheds and lands, advocate for land return, host community youth events and field trips, and train and mentor Native youth and families to create policy change.

"We focus on fighting for a healthy environment and empowering education systems, because they are related," explains Regina Chichizola, executive director of SCS. "Our families and youth are responsible for fixing a world they did not damage and fighting harmful projects that will not benefit them. This is why it is exciting to have an example to share of what communities can accomplish when they work together across generations and divides."

Most importantly, SCS has shown a generation of young people what can happen when you show up, organize, and advocate—in this case, it's resulted in the largest river restoration project in the world!

"It's really powerful for Indigenous youth to have been there during deconstruction and all the way to post-dam removal and return of the salmon," says Senior Program Officer Holly Hensher. "Exposure to this type of work provides them with a model for achieving extraordinary things."

The team will continue to work with Klamath Basin communities from the headwaters to the sea to help connect the Klamath.

## Our Impact

In the last year, the fund supported community efforts with more than \$1.57 million in grants and sponsorships. The funding went toward locally driven restoration projects that make the region more resilient in the face of climate change, collaborations between agricultural- and fish-dependent communities, and community education. The fund also supported youth-focused organizations, Tribes, and community celebrations.



Learn more about the Klamath River Fund by visiting [hafoundation.org/klamath](https://hafoundation.org/klamath).





The mission of Humboldt Health Foundation (formerly the Union Labor Health Foundation), a supporting organization of HAF+WRCF, is to improve the health and well-being of the residents and communities of Humboldt County.

## Our History

In Humboldt County during the early 1900s, workers who were injured on the job found the costs of care at local private hospitals financially devastating. By 1906, the newly unionized timber and mill workers of Eureka decided to start a hospital of their own; The Union Labor Hospital, a nonprofit organization which began in 1908 and later became General Hospital.

In 1997, the Union Labor Hospital Association sold the hospital and established the Union Labor Health Foundation, which has since awarded over \$5 million to support community health efforts through organizational grants, funding partnerships, nursing scholarships and assistance to individuals for health and dental care. In 2018, we officially changed our name to the Humboldt Health Foundation.

The Board of Directors of the Humboldt Health Foundation is proud to carry on the tradition of helping people in our communities become healthier.



The original Union Labor Hospital, later known as General Hospital, was established in Eureka in 1906 by newly unionized timber and mill workers as a charitable nonprofit organization.

250  
GRANTS TOTALING  
\$242K

## Our Approach

The Humboldt Health Foundation's giving strategy supports several grant opportunities each year, including:

### The Angel Fund

The Angel Fund provides fast financial assistance to Humboldt County families for health and medical needs. One hundred percent of donations made to this fund directly assist community members in need.

The Angel Fund Committee meets weekly to consider grant requests made on behalf of an individual or family, serving all ages, from infants to seniors.

### The Children's Dental Angel Fund

Donations made to this fund help Humboldt County children ages 0–19 receive sorely needed dental care. The fund assists children who are in pain due to dental decay, who are uninsured or can't afford dental care, or who may need to travel out of the area to receive care from a dental specialist.

### Community Health Grants

The Humboldt Health Foundation's annual Community Health Grant supports programs and projects that enhance the physical and mental well-being of Humboldt County residents, improve the health of those who have experienced social or economic disadvantages, and create or support access and/or service delivery for under served and marginalized populations.

Committees for each grant round include dedicated board members, local health professionals, and community members, and are supported by HAF+WRCF staff.

## Our Work & Impact

The Humboldt Health Foundation creates access to wellness and supports innovative local solutions to make Humboldt healthier. HHF has awarded over \$5 million in grants to charitable organizations and projects, to nursing scholarships, and in assistance to community members for health and dental care since 1997.



Sanctuary Garden

## Our Reach

### Sanctuary Gardens Provide Nourishment, Medicinal Foods

Centro del Pueblo was the recipient of the 2024 Community Health Grant for their “Sanctuary Gardens” project. In the garden, they are growing healthy foods and medicinal plants to support the physical health of the Latinx and Indigenous migrant community and beyond. They also create opportunities for cultural exchange, expanding diversity, creating inclusivity, and above all, taking steps towards realizing a true sanctuary: a place of refuge for vulnerable communities in our region.

### Culturally Centered Healthcare for Indigenous Youth and Families

A contribution was made to Two Feathers Native American Family Services in early 2025. This Tribally chartered nonprofit of Big Lagoon Rancheria provides comprehensive behavioral health services that affirm Native cultural practices through mental health counseling, substance use treatment, crisis intervention services, and youth leadership development and job readiness. All programs center on (re)connection to cultural knowledge and teachings as a crucial component of Indigenous wellness, with services available to all Native American youth and their families in Humboldt County. All programming is designed to fulfill their mission: “To empower Native American youth and their families to achieve their full potential by offering culturally affirming mental health and wellness programs in Humboldt County.”

Learn more about the Humboldt Health Foundation by visiting [hafoundation.org/HHF](https://hafoundation.org/HHF).

## Humboldt Health Foundation Board

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## Supporting California Indian culture bearers, artists, lifeways, and knowledge transmission

A vision of Northern California Native leaders since the 1990s, the Native Cultures Fund (NCF) has supported more than 400 artists, culture bearers, and tribal researchers, sharing over \$3 million through grants to Native communities and individuals over its past 25 years of community work.

NCF has three main areas of focus: grantmaking and scholarships, programming, and relationship- and field-building. Grants are used for the preservation, revitalization, and perpetuation of the rich California Tribal cultures across NCF's service region. Initiated and led by Native peoples, NCF is a partnership between Native communities, HAF+WRCE, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, and other donors. Since 2002, NCF has been housed at HAF+WRCE.

## Our Approach

### Led by Native Peoples

All grant and scholarship recommendations are made by committees of Native culture bearers, scholars, and elders from across our regions, with committees changing each fall and spring. To honor the tradition of reciprocity, we also invite past recipients to join our review committees. In addition, we look to cultural leaders to help provide guidance and leadership in developing ongoing strategies and priorities for the fund.

## Our Work

### Funding

Nationally, less than .04% of philanthropic dollars go to Native causes and organizations, with an even smaller percentage supporting projects that focus on cultural sovereignty and the transmission of traditional values. NCF is working to change this and is honored to share resources with Native communities. NCF is often the first introduction to philanthropy for many of these grassroots organizations and communities.

### Relationship- & Field-Building

NCF works to bolster the field of philanthropy, increasing the capacity of national and statewide philanthropic partners to better serve Native peoples through education, advocacy, collaborative funding, and coaching. Concurrently, we offer services to Native organizations and communities through one-on-one consulting, grant-writing assistance, and networking opportunities.



## Programs

In partnership with community leaders, we create and sustain programming that offers culture bearers, language revivalists, and Native educators the space to build community, share best practices, and strengthen the cultural renaissance in California. NCF also supports programs to promote widespread understanding of Native cultures and history.

## Our Impact

NCF has continued to build upon the insights gained from its 2019 Program Evaluation to strengthen how we serve our communities. One way we do this is by maintaining a built-in feedback loop with the communities we support, ensuring their voices guide and inform our work. We recognize that cultural communities throughout the state are dynamic, living, breathing societies that are in constant movement. As such, we continue to listen, evolve, and develop new ways to support cultural revitalization in Native California.

## Our Reach

NCF is honored to have engaged in this community work for over 25 years. Because of our deeply rooted, multi-generational relationships with the many communities across our service region, we have been able to witness firsthand the healing journeys of these communities. We have seen the reclamation and revitalization of California's First Peoples and are honored to be small part of these stories.



Tomol, traditional Chumash vessel

### CURRENT PROJECT HIGHLIGHT:

## Tomol Build, Barbareno Chumash Tribal Council

The Chumash are a maritime culture and have been working to continue reclaiming their cultural heritage and rights to their ancestral lands and waterways. For the last 20 years, Chumash peoples have sailed four vessels to bring the Chumash people together for ceremony and healing. They revitalized the tradition of navigating across the channel to Limuw Island in their traditional vessel, the tomol.

As two of the original vessels are no longer seaworthy, the Tribe has worked with elder Chumash builders, who built the tomols in the 1970s, to complete a new tomol for their annual journey in August of 2025. This presented an opportunity to introduce youth to a traditional practice and its related skillsets, furthering this knowledge among a new generation of Chumash peoples.

To complete this vessel, the Chumash worked with community folks in the north of the state to secure the redwood needed to build the tomol. In addition to supporting the tomol-building tradition, the project also highlighted and demonstrated the connection between Tribal people all along the California coastline; it also reinforced the awareness of longstanding trade routes and practices of cultural sharing.

“... an opportunity to introduce youth to a traditional practice and its related skillsets, furthering this knowledge among a new generation of Chumash peoples. ”



### The Jack Montoya Memorial Scholarship

The Jack Montoya Memorial Scholarship was created in 2016 by the estate of the late Eunice Nielsen. Former Native Cultures Fund (NCF) director Chag Lowry traveled to the Bay Area, along with local community members Pimm Tripp-Allen, Leo Canez, and the late Amos Tripp. During the journey, they all got to know Eunice.

As they got to know each other, Eunice was very impressed by Amos Tripp. Amos, one of the first California Indian Attorneys, was deeply rooted in his role as a Karuk dance leader. He played an essential part in the cultural revitalization and communal healing that took place along the North Coast. Amos was a mentor for countless generations across the community. He radiated a joy and light that impacted all who were fortunate enough to know him. Once, Eunice asked Amos how she could support more students so that they might grow up to be like him. He shared that children who grow up in families who practice their culture understand the importance of providing for and giving back to their communities. Eunice created this scholarship to support those students and named it after a mentor in her life, Jack Montoya.

Each year NCF shares up to \$150,000 with culturally active Native students across the state. These students are enhancing their knowledge and are committed to returning to share it with the communities that raised them. This scholarship is creating its own network of scholars, and we are proud to witness our graduates return home and live out their commitments to community.

This year, we are excited to announce that we have now shared over one million dollars in total with our scholars across the state. NCF is honored to be the home of the Jack Montoya Memorial Scholarship, and we look forward to seeing the continued work of all our Montoya Scholars.



JACK MONTOYA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND  
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NCF Native Cultures Fund  
Humboldt Area Foundation  
Wild Rivers Community Foundation

Learn more about the Native Cultures Fund by visiting [nativeculturesfund.org](https://nativeculturesfund.org).



The Trinity Trust is a collection of funds created by Trinity County residents, for Trinity County residents. The Trust works to improve the quality of life in Trinity County through community giving and strategic grantmaking. An advisory committee of Trinity County residents stewards the funds that make up the Trinity Trust, in partnership with HAF+WRCF.



### Our Approach

The Trinity Trust offers several grants and scholarships each year. Twice annually, Community Response Grants are offered to respond to urgent, unexpected, or one-time needs in instances when a small investment can make a lasting difference to the community.

Annual Summer Youth Grants support nonprofit programs for youth to learn, play, and develop in safe, productive settings. In addition, the committee reviews annual scholarships for Trinity students.

### Our Impact

Since 1998, the Trinity Trust has granted a total of \$3.1 million to 119 unique grantees, some of whom have received multiple grants over the years. The committee has utilized funds established by generous community members to support Trinity County, including the Gates Family Endowment Fund, the Giles F. Horney Endowment Fund, and the Trinity Trust Endowment Fund.

The active funds stewarded by the committee have issued 630 grants, 435 of which were Summer Youth Grants, reflecting the Trinity Trust's long commitment to Trinity youth. In addition, Community Grants were deployed to address urgent and unexpected needs impacting the community. Recently, the committee prioritized disaster response and resilience grants to address the increasing frequency of local disasters.

### Our Reach

Trinity Trust activities in 2024-2025 included deploying over **\$132,000 to 33 organizations**. Highlights include:

#### Trinity Animal Shelter Auxiliary

Created in 1993, the Trinity Animal Shelter Auxiliary (TASA) supports crucial animal welfare efforts in Trinity County: spay/neuter services, emergency procedures, and more. In response to budget needs, the volunteer organization worked with the Board of Supervisors and the County to keep shelter services available. Trinity Trust provided a grant continuing "Spay and Neuter Initiative" services.

#### Trinity County Friends of the Library

This hardworking nonprofit began in 1986, when community volunteers committed to supporting the Trinity County Library. Last fall, against the backdrop of rising costs and uncertain federal funding, Friends of the Library worked with Trinity County to ensure that libraries stayed open. Trinity Trust was honored to support the Friends' efforts with a grant to "Save the Libraries."

Learn more about the Trinity Trust by visiting [hafoundation.org/trinity](https://hafoundation.org/trinity).



LEFT: A full house at the Kimtu Cookhouse cheers on the Dream Quest Drama Club's performance of *And Then There Was One, Too*.

RIGHT: DeMarcus Busby flashes a high-five as his team competes in a brownie bake-off at the Dream Quest Youth Center. Dream Quest is among several organizations supported by the Trinity Trust Summer Youth Program, which funds initiatives that help children and youth learn, play, and grow in safe, productive settings.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF SARAH LIPARI, DREAM QUEST YOUTH CENTER



# COREHub

## Redwood Region Climate and Community Resilience Hub

Since its founding in 2021, the Redwood Region Climate and Community Resilience Hub has become a catalyst for grassroots climate justice solutions in the HAF+WRCF service region—places too often overlooked in traditional climate planning.

An incubated program of the Foundation, CORE Hub invests in deep community engagement, expert technical and legal assistance, and individual and collective resilience capacity. CORE Hub’s efforts are grounded in the belief that the people most affected by climate change are best suited to solve it.

In the last year, the CORE Hub and its network of partners played a pivotal role in shaping regional policy and infrastructure with equity at the center. This included engaging Tribal leaders, local advocates, legal experts, and environmental scientists to respond to one of the largest proposed industrial developments in the region: the offshore wind industry cluster.

## Our Approach

CORE Hub's mission is to transition to a climate resilient and decarbonized future while prioritizing equity and justice by ensuring benefits accrue to underrepresented, historically and currently marginalized communities first and to the greatest extent.

This work is made possible by generous support from The James Irvine Foundation, The California Endowment, the William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, the S.H. Cowell Foundation, the California Coastal Program of Resources Legacy Fund, and an anonymous funder.

## Our Work

CORE Hub focuses on two major areas of work: building and supporting the Tribal Climate Resilience Network composed of ten federally-recognized Tribes in Northern California and engaging with the emerging offshore wind industry through the Offshore Wind Community Benefit Network, convened by CORE Hub. The community benefits network, alongside partners throughout the state, advocates for issues that impact communities along California's coast.

Some topics CORE Hub and partners advocate for include:

- Respecting Tribal sovereignty and prioritizing Tribal leadership, partnership, and co-management.
- Zero-emission port development along with long-term plans to phase out fossil fuel infrastructure to improve air quality and the life expectancy in surrounding communities.
- Monitor impacts and implement strong mitigation measures to ensure marine and coastal ecosystems/animals thrive during and after offshore wind development and deployment.
- Inclusive workforce practices.

CORE Hub's roles include convening community and industry members, sharing information, providing technical assistance to partners, making grants to strengthen community decision making and response, advocating for community benefits, engaging with national philanthropic partners, and growing relationships among communities and businesses.

## Our Impact

This year, the CORE Hub awarded multiple rounds of grants from its new Tribal Climate Action Fund. The \$3.3 million fund provides up to three years of support for federally recognized Tribal nations in the HAF+WRCF service region to address new and emerging climate-related challenges. CORE Hub also gathered members of the Tribal Climate Resilience Network to convene around key priorities and grow a collective understanding around key areas of interest, like energy independence, carbon-mitigating projects, and the need for technical assistance.

“CORE Hub’s efforts are grounded in the belief that the people most affected by climate change are best suited to solve it.”

## Our Reach

Over the past year, CORE Hub advanced climate resilience across the state through efforts such as:

- Supporting regional partners' participation and engagement in statewide offshore wind dialogue at the Pacific Offshore Wind Conference in Sacramento, a key convening that was focused on the evolving offshore wind sector.
- Convening and strategizing around aligned priorities with communities impacted by potential offshore wind port development in Long Beach.
- Helping state-wide renewable energy advocates understand regional needs by hosting them in the region.
- Shaping state policy by organizing regional response during multiple advocacy opportunities around port development, tribal energy resilience planning, and workforce development.

## Grants Support Tribal Climate Resilience Network

Eight Tribes have received a total of \$800,000 in grants from the CORE Hub's inaugural round of funding from the Tribal Climate Action Fund. "These grants support tribal capacity to help them advance their environmental resilience and decarbonization projects," says Katerina Oskarsson, Executive in Residence for the CORE Hub.

The grants will support projects focused on climate resilience, decarbonization, staff development, and long-term sustainability planning.

## TERAS Project Helps Keep Rural and Remote Tribes Connected with Grid Innovations

CORE Hub invested \$250,000 in the Tribal Energy Resilience and Sovereignty Project (TERAS) to help improve energy delivery to rural and remote Tribes. TERAS is a collaborative effort led by the Blue Lake Rancheria, Hoopa, and Yurok Tribes, the Schatz Energy Research Center, Pacific Gas & Electric, and the Redwood Coast Energy Authority. It aims to

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Humboldt Bay

stabilize energy delivery along the 142-mile "Hoopa 1101" corridor, which experiences some of California's longest and most frequent power outages.

*In October 2025, the Federal Administration canceled support for the TERAS project as part of the rescission of \$7.5 billion in previously approved funding for green energy projects across the country. The CORE Hub remains committed to supporting Tribal Nations in their efforts to implement sustainable energy projects.*



Learn more about the Redwood CORE Hub by visiting [redwoodcorehub.org](https://redwoodcorehub.org).



# Requesting Support

## Grant Opportunities

Grant opportunities are made possible by the generosity of donors, fund holders, funders, and partners. The Foundation’s goals and our donors’ charitable visions drive our resource allocation. The team is honored to work in close collaboration with advisors, committees, community partners, and many others to deploy resources across our rural and Tribal Lands. Visit us online or reach out using the contacts below to learn more about the wide range of funding resources available.

Visit [hafoundation.org/grants](https://hafoundation.org/grants)  
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Meredith Knowles, Grantmaking Director

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Every year, the Foundation supports hundreds of students with scholarships for their pursuits for higher education. Scholarships are offered to students pursuing any form of postsecondary education, including associate degrees, bachelor’s degrees, and master’s degrees, as well as degrees and certifications from career, vocational, or technical schools.

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## Local Lending

The Foundation provides loans to support nonprofit organizations, Tribal projects, and municipalities in order to enhance the impact of our grantmaking and capacity building. These investments balance both financial returns and social returns and are aligned with the Foundation’s values and strategies.

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## Program Officers

Program Officers support community partners through deep listening, collaboration, community engagement, resource deployment, and management of ongoing programs and projects. The team works to connect partners to the appropriate blend of resources—from skills to funding—and/or act as a conduit to other resources and partners. Visit the link below to learn more about each Program Officer’s portfolio.

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# Join Our Donor Community

As a community foundation, we represent decades of collective generosity from residents who believe in giving back to the community they love. Thousands of individuals, families, businesses, nonprofits, civic groups, and others have contributed by establishing a fund, donating to an existing fund, or leaving a legacy gift—all with the goal of making the world, and our region, a better place.

With decades of grantmaking experience, relationships with local nonprofits, knowledge of community needs, and expertise in philanthropy and charitable giving, our team is available to support you in joining our community of donors that are making a difference in our region:

## Start a Fund

We are available to support you and your family, business, or nonprofit organization in establishing a fund that serves your philanthropic goals. From scholarships to Donor-Advised Funds, our knowledgeable staff will help you explore your goals and create a fund that works best to support your charitable intent and the needs of our community.

## Make a Gift

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- Cash
- Publicly Traded Securities
- IRA (Qualified Charitable Distribution/QCD)

## Leave a Legacy

Making a gift through your will or trust is a wonderful way to establish a fund or add to an existing one. Our Donor Relations team will explain charitable giving options for your will or trust and will work with you, your attorney, and other professional advisors to structure a planned gift that supports the place you love after your lifetime, whether that is through a general gift to support the Foundation’s charitable work or to benefit the specific organizations and causes that you care most about.

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Learn more at [hafoundation.org/giving](https://hafoundation.org/giving)

## Why Choose a Community Foundation?

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Danny Lee Kantz &  
Nancy Darlene Kantz  
Guy Kuttner  
Dr. Jerome Lengyel  
Clarence E. Leppek  
Colin Levasy  
Robert M. Lochtie  
John Lyons  
Gary Madsen  
John "Moose" Mason

Mary Virginia McIntosh-Mangham  
Aaron McKay  
Linda "Lin" Moore  
Jean Mullan  
Matthew Mullen  
Helen Nicolas  
Noni the Bear  
Peter Eric Palmquist  
Joy Pastori  
Jake Pauli  
Nancy Lou Quintrell  
Burt Rees  
Mr. Bob Robertson  
Philip Sadlier  
Peter Schmidt  
David "Davey" Somerville  
Ben Spini  
Myrna Stickling  
Sumo the Red Panda  
Woody Svarvari  
Vivian Turner  
David Twaddell  
Aiko Uyeki  
Agustin Valdez  
Helen Vatcher  
William "Sonny" Viggers  
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Members of the Legacy Society are those who have generously included a charitable gift to HAF+WRCF in their estate plans. This list represents Legacy Society members as of June 30, 2025 who have chosen to be listed publicly. We are honored to recognize those listed below for their generosity, and to recognize the significant role their future gifts will play in strengthening our community for generations to come.

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Lynn McKenna	Hank & Sharon Toborg
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# Meet Our Board

Since the Foundation's beginnings, dedicated community members have volunteered their services to the HAF+WRCF Board of Directors. With the benefit of governance and guidance from a board that truly reflects its communities, the Foundation is empowered to continue its mission of growing a thriving, just, equitable, and healthy region.



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# New Funds

Funds listed on these pages were established between July 1, 2024, and June 30, 2025, and represent the hopes and dreams of community members working to make the world a better place. Along with these new funds, organizations and individuals have established over 900 funds that, together, reflect our community’s vision of a positive future.

### Rose Baker Scholarship Fund

Rose E. Baker is a biological mother of one, adoptive mother of six, grandmother to more than 150, and foster parent to over 500 children and teens. Since 1982, she has dedicated her life to helping youth who have endured abuse, neglect, failed adoptions, and multiple diagnoses. She has collaborated with leaders in child psychology including Jim Fay (Love and Logic), Nancy Thomas (When Love Is Not Enough), and Bryan Post (From Fear to Love). Rose is a certified From Fear to Love instructor and offers specialized parenting classes that equip families to connect, heal, and thrive. As founder of YouthAbility, Inc., the R.E.Y. (Resilient Empowered Youth) Center, and Parents in Training, Inc., she provides job training, youth programs, and parenting education. A long-time commissioner and advocate, Rose has received numerous honors, including California State Foster Parent of the Year, Humboldt County Peacemaker, and the State Farm Good Neighbor Award. (2025)

### Assemblywoman Patty Berg & William Patrick Murphy, M.D. Scholarship for Women



Patty Berg was a social worker, community organizer, and a politician devoted to women's issues throughout her professional career. Throughout her lifetime she served her community in many ways including as an educator, the founding Executive Director of the Area 1 Agency on Aging, the State Assemblywoman for the 1st District, and as a lifelong volunteer. She created this scholarship by bequest to honor her husband Patrick, a local, beloved and well-known physician, and to support women who are determined to complete their education. The intent of the scholarship is to provide the necessary financial support to ensure the recipient can concentrate fully on her studies and become a contributing member to society. (2023)

### Hughes-Uyeki Family Fund



The Hughes-Uyeki Family Fund is our way of supporting initiatives in our community that make this a better place to live, work, and learn. Although we have committed much of our energy in support of the cultural and social justice work of Humboldt Asians and Pacific Islanders (HAPI) in Solidarity and in advocating for and maintaining local trails, we also believe in the value of public libraries, reproductive rights, food security and housing, responsible land use and preservation, accessible art education and the importance of volunteerism. (2025)

### Pam and David Largent Scholarship Fund



David Largent was born in San Jose in 1937 and raised in San Francisco. His interest in nature was developed with summer walks with his father while a young teenager in Camp Meeker. In 1959, He took a Cryptogamic Botany course at San Francisco College and found all spore producing organisms absolutely fascinating. In 1968, he received a Ph.D. with a Botany major, a Minor in Algology (algae) and Plant Morphology, and multiple courses in fungi, a course in Bryophytes (Mosses and Liverworts), and a course in Lichens. He therefore found his life’s work. He went on to teach at Humboldt State University (Cal Poly Humboldt) for 33 years. During this time, he taught 100s of students (undergraduate and graduate) every year and thoroughly enjoyed teaching the students about Fungi and Cryptogamic Botany. In 1970, He met and married his wife Pamela who is a fourth generation Eureka. Her constant companionship at home and in the field as well as her calm demeanor and practical attitude is the primary reason for whatever David Largent has accomplished. Pamela and David are offering this Scholarship for the love of Fungi and Cryptogamic Botany. (2025)

### Gary Madsen Trade School Scholarship Fund



Gary Madsen was a multi-talented man who possessed a natural curiosity of how things worked and the world around him. Gary combined skills in multiple trades to provide for his family and his community in Willow Creek and Hoopa. Gary loved to teach others so that they, in turn, could become self-reliant. As a small business owner, his shop was his classroom. As an extension of his faith, Gary empowered others, so they'd have the dignity that comes from solving their own problems. Gary was a critical thinker and experiential learner; he gained insight from his interactions with his three older brothers, his time in the military, and on-the-job training. To honor Gary, his creative energy and generosity with his time and resources, his family established the scholarship to enable youth to pursue a career in the trades. (2024)

### Maternal Support Fund



The Maternal Support Fund supports projects that expand the availability of and access to labor and delivery choices in Humboldt County, as well as opportunities for prenatal and postpartum support. (2025)

### McKinleyville Community Forest Fund



The McKinleyville Community Forest Fund supports the stewardship, restoration, and public enjoyment of the McKinleyville Community Forest. Managed by the McKinleyville Community Services District, this fund helps develop trails and other infrastructure, improve forest health and watershed restoration, support environmental education, and ensure long-term community access to this treasured public resource. Your tax-deductible donation will directly benefit local conservation efforts and enhance outdoor recreation opportunities for generations to come. Together, we can protect and grow a Community Forest legacy for McKinleyville. (2025)

### Moskowitz Charitable Fund



We support environmental issues, environmental education programs, and mathematics education programs. We seek to foster the notion that recreational mathematics is not an oxymoron and encourage lovers of mathematics to become teachers.

### Lee and Jody Rusconi Canine and Wildlife Welfare Fund



Throughout our lives we have been blessed with the unqualified love and companionship of dogs. Their happiness, companionship, and joyful antics are truly priceless. We have

established this fund to help with medical bills at our local shelter and support an organization that works tirelessly to save dogs from euthanasia by transporting them to new homes. The fund also supports an organization that pairs veterans in trouble with a trained shelter dog, a new life at both ends of the leash. Having both worked with wildlife in various capacities, we are permanently bonded to the natural work around us. Without the wildlife that surrounds us, the world would be a very different and sterile place. The fund also supports organizations that work tirelessly to protect and defend our precious wildlife through habitat protection and restoration, endangered species protection, and litigation when necessary. (2025)

### Sattler Family Scholarship Fund



The Sattler Family Scholarship Fund honors the family's passions for higher education, serving the community and pursuing a personal

“path with heart”. Dr. Scott Sattler and Kathy Sattler (Schettino) NP, dedicated their careers and lives to serving the Humboldt County community. After moving to the Hoopa Indian Reservation in 1974 for a 10-month assignment, they spent nearly 8 years working at Hoopa’s Humboldt Medical Center. In 1982 they moved into “town” (Eureka) where they continued practicing family medicine together and started their family. They raised two daughters, Amelia and Shanti, in Eureka. Scott passed away in 2021, leaving behind a legacy of love for Humboldt, its people and its natural beauty. Through this fund, the Sattler family supports graduating high school seniors to pursue meaningful, productive careers and empowers them to follow their personal “path with heart” by providing financial assistance to attend an accredited community college, university, or trade school. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Animal Enrichment Fund



Animal Enrichment Fund supports the Zoo’s animal enrichment program and includes funding for social, nutritional, sensory, occupational, and physical enrichment that stimulates and encourages natural behaviors. Animal Enrichment Fund supports our animals’ wellbeing, health, and wellness and may include puzzle and timed feeders, food and treats, materials and supplies, species-specific “toys” and “play” structures, modifications to a habitat, and other animal enrichment items. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Condor Care Fund



Condor Care Fund supports the Sequoia Park Zoo's care for wild California condors and may include chelation and medical treatments, maintenance and improvements to the Zoo's Condor Care Center, transportation of condors to other facilities and sites, equipment and staff trainings, and other necessary condor care items. (2025)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Fund



Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Fund supports conservation-related programs, projects, events, and activities that advance and promote the Zoo’s mission and conservation initiatives. Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Fund includes funding for the Zoo’s annual Conservation Lecture Series, conservation grant awards, mission-based events, habitat research and restoration activities, and carefully selected conservation organizations, animal rehabilitation facilities, and conservation programs that conned to the animals in our care. Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Fund has supported the Native Plants Initiative, Party for the Planet, Red Panda Network, Lake Tahoe Wildlife Care, and AZA's Saving Animals From Extinction (SAFE). (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Everyone’s Zoo Fund



Everyone’s Zoo Fund supports the equitable access programs at Sequoia Park Zoo. Everyone’s Zoo Fund includes funding for the Everyone’s Zoo Library Program, in which family passes to Sequoia Park Zoo are made available for “check out” at Humboldt County library branches. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Fund



Sequoia Park Zoo Fund supports the operations, programs, projects, and initiatives of the Sequoia Park Zoo. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Hilfiker & Nicholson Aviary Fund



Sequoia Park Zoo Hilfiker & Nicholson Aviary Fund supports the care and maintenance of, and renovations to, the Zoo’s freeflight Nancy Hilfiker Aviary. The Nancy Hilfiker free-flight aviary invites

guests to observe and learn about some of the amazing birds that call Sequoia Park Zoo home. The Nancy Hilfiker Aviary houses a diverse population of birds from across the globe, including the African gray parrot, spotted whistling duck, white-crested laughing thrush, scarlet ibis, golden pheasant, and more. Keen observers might even catch a glimpse of the cotton-top tamarins enjoying their special outdoor patio attached to the Aviary. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Red Panda Fund



Red Panda Improvement Project Fund supports construction and renovations to the Sequoia Park Zoo’s red panda and Indian

muntjac habitat that will increase habitat size, improve guest experience and animal visibility, and allow the Sequoia Park Zoo to care for a breeding pair and cubs, as determined by the AZA and the Species Survival Plan. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Redwood Exploration Center Campaign Fund



Coast Redwood Exploration Center Campaign Fund supports the research, planning, development, and construction of the Coast Redwood Exploration

Center at Sequoia Park Zoo and includes all components of the project. (2024)

### Sequoia Park Zoo Redwood Skywalk Fund



Redwood Sky Walk Everlasting Fund supports the care and maintenance of the Redwood Sky Walk

and may include improvements and repairs, inspectors and arborists, interpretive elements and signage, and all components of the structure including trees, bridges, platforms, railing, decking, netting, and hardware. (2024)



# Opportunity Funds


Opportunity Funds provide unrestricted support, empowering HAF+WRCF to respond to the constantly shifting needs in our region and ensure the long-term sustainability of our organization. These funds are set up by living donors or through contributions from a donor's estate. All contributions support discretionary needs within the Foundation and our community. Unrestricted gifts, such as those made through opportunity funds, are one of the best ways to ensure a fund will remain relevant and impactful many years into the future, even as community priorities change. We are grateful to those who have placed such trust in HAF+WRCF to care for their gift among our Opportunity Funds.

### Don & Bettie Albright Endowment Fund




Don grew up in Fresno, CA. He enlisted in the marines, serving as flight engineer on a PBY. Upon his discharge he worked for PG&E for 43 years. Don was a mover and a shaker of the community, serving as president of Eureka Chamber of Commerce, United Way, Humboldt Economic Development and West Coast Alliance, as well as on the boards of Humboldt Area Foundation, Humboldt Taxpayers League, City of Eureka Visitors & Convention Bureau, Eureka Historical Society, Boy Scouts, Ingomar Club, and as a member of Eureka Downtown Rotary, Northcoast Vintage Aviation, and Marine Corps League. Don & Bettie served together on the first jazz festival committee of Eureka. Don loved woodworking as a hobby. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Don passed away on March 5, 2008. He and Bettie had a wonderful life together and wanted to share this discretionary fund with others. (2008)

### Laurence & Elaine Allen Memorial Fund



Laurence N. Allen, a native of Nova Scotia, Canada, moved to Arcata at age 6 and died in 1992 at the age of 87. He was a member of the Arcata City Council and a longtime Arcata businessman. He was a member of the Arcata Lodge No. 106, Free and Accepted Masons, the Oakland Scottish Rite of Eureka, the Aahmes Redwood Shrine of Eureka, the Arcata Kiwanis Club, the Ingomar Club, and the Baywood Country Club. Elaine Allen, born in Arcata, died in 1997 at the age of 92. She attended Arcata schools, graduating from Arcata High School. She was a member of Eastern Star and the First Presbyterian Church of Arcata. This is an unrestricted gift to the Foundation. (1999)

### Rayner C. & Winifred W. Burke Memorial Fund




Ray and Winnie Burke were active members of the Eureka community from their arrival in 1961 until their deaths, Ray in 1988 and Winnie in 1991. Ray participated in Kiwanis and Navy League, and Winnie was a member of American Association of University Women, the Humane Society of Humboldt County, and the Humboldt County Historical Society. Grants from this unrestricted fund meet current and future needs of the community. (1992)

### John Ellis & Linda S. Burman Memorial Fund



John Ellis and Linda Burman were married 19 years when John was tragically killed in a car accident. Linda served on the St. Joseph Hospital Advisory Board, the boards of directors of the YWCA and the Senior Citizens Foundation, and was active in other community activities. Linda left a portion of her estate to establish this endowment fund with income available for discretionary purposes. (1991)


### Bruce Cameron Memorial Fund



Bruce Cameron believed that "people should do good things for each other" and throughout his life, he lived that intention. An adventurer and sailor from the beginning, Bruce explored many parts of the world before settling in Arcata. During his life he kayaked the Amazon, spent months in the Malaysian jungles as well as extensive time in Peru,

hunting for a lost city. But more than an ordinary traveler, Bruce was foremost a humanitarian, helping to build a school and hospital on the remote islands of Tonga. The people there remembered Bruce years later and welcomed his boat as he pulled onto the beach with great celebration. Bruce passed away in 2009. Because Bruce loved his life, his home and family, and his natural surroundings, he demonstrated that love by making a last and lasting gift from his estate to support the work of the community through Humboldt Area Foundation. (2010)

### Dorothy Coeur Memorial Fund



Dorothy K. Coeur impacted many people in her lifetime with her bright smile, warm heart, and willingness to lend a helping hand to young and old alike. Income from this fund is available for humanitarian, cultural, educational, and charitable purposes. (1988)


### Helen Davis Memorial Fund



Helen was born on November 15, 1900, on a farm in Illinois. Her family later moved to the "wild west," a town called Round Up in Montana where she married Dave Davis in 1926. Eventually the couple found their way to Arcata where Dave operated a barbershop and served on the city council. Helen became a Campfire Girls leader, inviting as many as 60 girls a week into her home. She also invited the boys who lived at the Presbyterian rooming house to her home for dinner once a month. At age 76, Helen began volunteering at the Presbyterian Thrift Shop, continuing until age 92. Declining health finally restricted Helen to her home where she died on June 2, 2003, leaving behind many grateful friends and admirers.


Humboldt Area Foundation established this fund to thank and honor Helen for her gift to the Foundation. Grants will be made to a variety of charitable causes. (2004)

### Dorothy Egan Memorial Fund



Dorothy Mae Egan was born and raised in Scotia. Dorothy met and married Victor Egan. Together they built a home and settled in Eureka. Her greatest joy came from taking care of their home. If you were to walk by, you would find Dorothy working tirelessly in her yard. It was Dorothy's wish that her estate be given to Humboldt Area Foundation to be used to benefit the people and needs of Humboldt County. (2010)

### Curtis Gillis Trust




A published author, songwriter, and musician, Curtis Gillis died in 1981, leaving the residue of his estate to Humboldt Area Foundation as a discretionary fund. A copy of his book, 'Stories From Life,' is available at Humboldt Area Foundation. (1983)

### Arlene J. & Richard D. Hess Fund


Created by Richard D. Hess & Arlene J. Hess in memory of their parents, John Henry & Evelyn Ruth Hess and Velna T. & William T. Donaldson. (2020)

### Ivy Erene Hughes & Carl G. Lundgren Fund



Ivy and her brother Carl were born in Eureka to Swedish immigrants. After their parents' early death, 13-year-old Carl left school to support himself and Ivy. Carl paid Ivy's tuition and was very proud when she graduated from Humboldt State College in 1923. Ivy taught school in the Fortuna area for more than 40 years before retiring to travel, play bridge, and garden. Carl owned City Meat Market and then Redwood Meat Co. After his retirement in 1948 he moved to his ranch in Kneeland and then to Santa Barbara. He died in August 1981 and Ivy, in May of 1996. The fund is unrestricted. (1997)

### Ingebritson Discretionary Fund



This remarkably generous and modest couple created a scholarship fund with Humboldt Area Foundation in 1989 during their lifetime together. Later they left significant gifts to several local organizations from their estate, including a second fund with HAF to be used at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors. Dr. Ingebritson died in 2000 and Mrs. Ingebritson died in 2006. (2007)

### William F. & Ruby M. Kennedy Fund




William "Bill" Kennedy grew up in Samoa where he rode a paddle-wheeler across Humboldt Bay every morning for school in Eureka. Bill graduated from Eureka High School, attended Armstrong Business College, and went to work in Saudi Arabia for Standard Oil Company when oil fields were being pioneered. He served as a naval aviator for two tours during WWII. Ruby grew up in the Arcata bottoms and graduated from Arcata High School with a certificate of achievement in bookkeeping. She lived in San Francisco before moving back to Eureka and working as bookkeeper. Bill returned to Humboldt County, met Ruby, and they married in 1953. Together they established Kennedy's Office Supply that celebrated 43 years of business. Bill's lifelong interest in fly fishing and their mutual love of the outdoors took Bill and Ruby to many special places. This fund will be used at the Foundation's discretion. (2009)

### Kokatat Fund




Kokatat has been manufacturing paddling gear in Arcata, California since 1971. At a time when many technical apparel brands were moving manufacturing offshore, Kokatat continued to invest in infrastructure in the US. Kokatat is proud of our contribution to the local Humboldt County economy. More than 90% of Kokatat's global sales are generated from apparel and accessories manufactured in Arcata, CA. This fund was established to promote the mission of Humboldt Area Foundation and to encourage discretionary giving to support strategic community work. (2011)

### Marian Coffman Larson Fund




Marian Coffman Larson, born in Jacksonville, TX in 1930, came to Humboldt County with her family as a young girl. She graduated from Humboldt State University with a BA degree and an elementary school teaching credential. Marian taught school in Humboldt County for 24 years, including 19 years in the Cutten Elementary School District. Marian devoted her time and efforts to the improvement of the education of young elementary school students. She was a member of the California Teachers Association and the Eureka Church of Religious Science. Marian is survived by her husband, Garth Larson. The fund is used for discretionary purposes of the Foundation. (1998)

### Robert & Carol Lorensen Fund




Carol Lorensen, a resident of Humboldt County for nearly 50 years, retired from HSU as secretary to the vice president of university relations. Bob, a native of Eureka, retired as chief technologist of Humboldt Central Lab in 1991, having been employed by St. Joseph's Hospital for 50 years. Both Bob and Carol were graduates of HSU and together had eight children. Bob and Carol have made gifts including their life insurance policies, the death benefits of which support the needs of Humboldt County and give something back to the community from which they have received so much. Carol passed away on December 1, 2007. Robert passed away on July 9, 2018. (1993)

### Essie Mathews Memorial Fund



This unrestricted fund was established by the family of longtime Eureka resident Essie Mathews. Grants from this fund allow the Foundation to address a variety of community needs. (1992)

### Mary Virginia McIntosh-Mangham Memorial Fund



Mary, a second generation Eureka, was a resident of Oakland when she died in 1987. Her beloved husband, James Mangham, established this fund to benefit her native community. (1987)


### Morris-DeMotte Heritage Fund

This fund is a living memorial in perpetuity to William Loren DeMotte (1891–1957) and Jessie Belle Mastin Morris (1883–1964). The fund was established by Wava Ella DeMotte to celebrate their shared desire to lend a helping hand. Mrs. DeMotte died in 1991. The income from this fund is for discretionary purposes. (1986)

### James A. & Geneva Nealis Memorial Fund

Believing strongly that people should contribute actively to the community in which they live, the Nealis worked with many organizations and on many area projects. Geneva, who died in June 1996, established this fund to honor her husband James. (1990)

### Carl Nielsen Memorial Fund



Carl Nielsen, a lifelong Arcata resident, was a graduate of Arcata High and had a 43-year career with Seely & Titlow Company. From 1943 to 1946, he served in the army as an army engineer





# HAF+WRCF Opportunity Fund

We created the Opportunity Fund to provide the Foundation with the flexibility to respond quickly to local opportunities and changing needs as they arise. Every dime of these unrestricted funds is used to improve our economy, develop the next generation of leaders, and build our communities’ capacity to advance equity and social justice. Find out how to make a gift to the Opportunity Fund at [hafoundation.org/opportunity](http://hafoundation.org/opportunity).

in France and the Philippines. Carl's beloved mother, Emma, granddaughter of pioneer William Burrill (for whom Burrill Peak, near Weitchpec, is named), was the daughter of Hans Knudsen, whose family-owned ranches at Orleans and Somes Bar. Carl spent a lot of time on these ranches, developing an avid interest in the history and customs of the early European settlers and his Indian forebears. He became known as an authority on those subjects, as well as a collector of artifacts from that period. He was recognized as an accomplished woodworker and gunsmith, specializing in early techniques. He was appreciated for his generosity in sharing his knowledge and skills. This is a discretionary fund. (1997)

## Sterling F. Paddock Memorial Fund



Sterling Fulmore Paddock was born at home in Eureka on April 11, 1910, weighing just over two pounds. His grandmother's wedding ring fit over his thigh. He was put in a shoe box in the woodstove

warming oven, but he was not expected to survive. He passed away 44 days before his 98th birthday on February 27, 2008. He spent his youth working on ranches in Humboldt and Siskiyou counties and enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, and collecting rocks and petrified wood. Later in life, he helped local ranchers by taking care of animals, making wood, or house-sitting for them while they were on vacation. Sterling was a reliable, quiet, and private individual who lived in his own home until a brief stay at St. Luke Manor. In addition to other gifts to organizations he admired, Sterling left this fund to be spent at the discretion of HAF to meet local community needs. (2009)

## Don F. & Fay M. Quinn Memorial Fund



Don F. Quinn, a native of Eureka, was very active in the community. He had a positive attitude toward life and a sincere desire to help others. Born on October 4, 1920, he died July 29,

1983. Fund income is distributed at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors. Fay Quinn passed away on December 22, 1997. (1983)

## James & Elva Shaw Memorial Fund



James was born and raised in Kneeland and was a Eureka High School graduate. He was a WWI veteran, a member of the Army Corps of Engineers for

33 years, and a 60-year member of the Arcata American Legion and Knights of Pythias. Elva Murray Shaw was raised in the Ft. Bragg area, and after marrying Jim, she was a schoolteacher for a number of years. This is a discretionary fund. (1993)

## Vera & Lynn Vietor Fund



Vera Perrott Vietor, a native of Humboldt County, was married to Lynn A. Vietor, who owned and operated

Eureka Boiler Works and Acme Foundry Co. After his death in 1972, Mrs. Vietor established the Humboldt Area Foundation. Later in 1972, at the time of her death, she left the family home in Bayside to be used as the Foundation office and headquarters. The Foundation office was opened in June of 1974. The surrounding real property was dedicated in memory of her husband. The Lynn Vietor Nature Trail was completed and opened to the public in 1995. She also bequeathed \$2,400,000 in trust for the benefit of the Foundation. Income is available for discretionary purposes. (1972)

## Julie Willows Memorial Fund



Julie Mae Willows was born in Maine on June 17, 1912. After her father and sister died in 1918 during the flu epidemic, Julie moved to New York to live with her aunt, as her mother

didn't have the means to raise four children. Julie went to church with a neighbor and Christian Science became her way of life. Julie met Chet Willows and they married in 1935. Chet, an ex-marine, served in the air force in WWII. After the war, they opened a restaurant called Julie's in Carmichael, California. In 1959, they bought the Hartsook Inn in Piercy, enduring the 1964 flood and a fire. Julie was a member of the 1st Church of Christian Science and Soroptimist International of the Redwoods in Garberville. Chet died in 1973 and Julie operated the Hartsook Inn until 1984. She moved to Eureka in May 2009 and died March 7, 2011. (2011)

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# Funds

Vera Vietor's vision to establish Humboldt Area Foundation in 1972 has inspired community members to create more than 900 funds enriching the quality of education, health, the arts, the environment, humane animal care, and other causes in our region. The following pages tell of the vision and values of these community members, and the creative solutions made possible through their generous contributions. Funds listed here are those that have chosen to be listed publicly.



## Rose Abrahamson Trust Fund



Rose Abrahamson passed away on January 19, 2005, just five days before her 92nd birthday. She was born in Eureka with her twin brother Ralph to California pioneers Charles and Edith (Evans)

Boydston. Her father hiked from Chico to Salyer for a mill job, then to Korbel where he found work with the Northern Redwood Lumber Co. There he met and married her mother, the assistant postmistress in Blue Lake. Rose grew up in Eureka and graduated from Eureka High School in 1932. She married Einar Abrahamson on October 20, 1947, and lived in his family home which later became Sherwood Forest Nursery. She spent 25 years as a secretary and probation officer for Humboldt County. They moved to Willow Creek in 1972 and resided there until 2002. This fund provides scholarships for the Willow Creek Christian School and support for the Eureka Rescue Mission to help people in need. (2006)

## Accessibility Fund

This fund was created by a gift from Dolph Fursee to assist adults with disabilities with transportation and mobility. (1983)

## Wendell Adams Memorial Fund



Wendell Adams, former owner-manager of KINS Radio, was active in broadcasting associations and volunteered in a leadership capacity for local service and fraternal organizations. The

income from this fund is used for Eureka Rotary Club exchange students. (1986)

## Eugenio & Maria Adorni Memorial Fund

Harry Adorni made a \$50,000 bequest to the Foundation as a memorial to his parents. Concerned with support of the terminally ill, Harry Adorni directed that income from this fund benefit Hospice of Humboldt. (1988)

## Harry J. & Hazel S. Adorni Memorial Fund

Harry Adorni bequeathed \$50,000 in memory of himself and his deceased wife Hazel. The income is designated for the benefit of homeless or injured cats, preferably through the Humane Society. (1988)

## Adult Day Health Care of Mad River/Wellington Fund



Adult Day Health Care of Mad River is a nonprofit

organization established in 1985 for the purpose of providing care for frail elders and those 18 years or older who are dependent on others for their care. Adult Day Health Care participants receive individualized health care along with personal rehabilitation, planned activities, and involvement in numerous social events. The program provides respite for many families and caregivers. Jean Wellington was a volunteer at Adult Day Health Care of Mad River for 15 years. He is remembered as a kind, gentle man with a great sense of humor. Jean's passion for his fellow man is evidenced by his generous contribution given to Adult Day Health Care of Mad River, which will help fund various special projects and scholarships. (2010)

## Advocacy for Elders Fund

The purpose of this fund is to educate and support families in choosing a long-term elder care facility and to keep elders safe once they are living in the care facility. (2017)

## Les & Frances Alexander's Blessings Fund



Les Alexander met his bride Frances L. Archer when he returned home to Klamath Falls, OR from military service in the European Theater in September of 1945. They have two children, four

grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren (and counting). The family formed a logging firm known as L.R. Alexander Logging, a business that brought them to Fort Seward, Humboldt County in 1955 and flourished in various parts of the county until 1978. The Alexanders were instrumental in forming the Associated California Loggers and Women in Timber in support of the timber industry. In 1974 they formed the Mad River Hardwood Company, a wood chip mill that produced wood chips for use by the pulp mills and for export to Japan. They retired in 1986 and resided in Freshwater. This fund supports charitable work with children and health. (2006)

## Joe Alexandre Memorial Family Fund



The Alexandre family established this fund to support a variety of charitable purposes in honor and memory of Joe Alexandre. Born on the Azores Island of Terceira on May 14,

1937, Joe came to America with his mother, Eva Rocha, as a 12-year-old boy knowing not a word of English. In 1960 he married Loretta Trutalli. They established and operated the Alexandre Dairy in Ferndale while raising three children, Renae, Blake, and Kristina. A progressive dairyman, Joe enjoyed improving his business. He served as a director on the Humboldt Creamery Board and as president of the local Portuguese Association. After he retired, he and three partners purchased a restaurant and card room in Ferndale, Poppa Joe's. He loved to entertain and have a party, and he never met a stranger. "You may be gone from this earth, but you will always be remembered by the friends and family who loved and respected you." (2004)



### All Children Read and Succeed Fund



The All Children Read and Succeed Fund, established in 2012 by Jim and Gail Griggs, supports early childhood literacy in Del Norte County. The vision and inspiration is that every child in Del Norte County will be a proficient reader. The fund targets tutoring programs to all children who are not at proficient levels for English Language Arts in the first, second, and third grades. (2012)

### Thomas H. Allen Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Thomas H. Allen Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by Roberta Allen in memory of her husband. The fund supports students graduating from McKinleyville High School, where Mr. Allen served as principal. (2024)

### Curtis R. & Helen M. Anderson Scholarship Fund



Curt and Helen Anderson, both native to Humboldt County, chose Eureka as their lifelong home. Curt was the son of a Norwegian sea captain who sailed the lumber trade for the Carson Lumber Company. During WWII, Curt held to his seafaring tradition by sailing in the US Merchant Marines. He ended his working career still involved with the sea as an employee of Westfall Stevedore Company. Helen M. (Aitken) Anderson, born in Fields Landing, was also of Danish and Norwegian heritage. Throughout their lifetimes they celebrated their heritage with active participation in the Sons of Norway Lodge. Both also shared a deep appreciation for Humboldt Bay's cultural diversity, its richness of personal histories, and its abundance of good friends and family. They were pleased to leave a lasting legacy, a small return for the abundance that Humboldt County provided them during their lifetimes. (2011)

### David Riley Anderson Memorial Fund



David Anderson, a Times-Standard veteran reporter and community activist, passed away in January of 2002 at the early age of 61. David's newspaper career stretched over three decades. During that time, he acquired a reputation as an eloquent commentator on Humboldt County news issues. He also had true passion for the theater and bird watching, and he helped pioneer the Pacific Arts Center Theater. David acted in several Shakespeare plays and had a natural stage presence with his New England-tinged, maple-thick baritone, his Falstaff beard, and his mountainous figure. Friends of

David considered him to be a true gentleman, an incredibly knowledgeable and gentle person who cared deeply. David's family from the East Coast established this fund to purchase a bench at the Arcata Marsh in his memory and to award an annual scholarship to a student studying creative writing. (2002)

### Arcata Educational Endowment Fund



This endowment fund was established to promote and enhance the quality of education in Arcata's public schools by supporting educational projects not currently funded by school district general and categorical funds. Funded projects will represent extensions of teaching that challenge, inspire, and excite students at Arcata High School, Sunnybrae Middle School, Arcata Elementary School, and Pacific Union Elementary School. (1992)

### Arcata Forest Fund

The Arcata Forest Fund provides a source for private donations to assist the city of Arcata in purchasing forest lands to be added to the Arcata Community Forest, the Sunny Brae Forest, and the Jacoby Creek Forest. Donations to this fund will go only towards the purchase and restoration of forest lands, and it will help the city leverage state and federal grants. Forest lands purchased through these funds preserve and expand open space around the city, and they will be managed for recreation, watershed and habitat protection, carbon sequestration, and sustainable forestry use. (2002)

### Arcata Foundation Fund



The Arcata Foundation Fund, established in 1987, is dedicated to the enhancement of community life in Arcata. The Arcata Foundation facilitates charitable giving and raises funds to support work in the areas of human services, education for all ages, art, culture, local history, healthful recreation, peace, and enhancement of local natural surroundings. (1995)

### Arcata High '50s Fund

Grants from this Fund will be directed to Arcata High School for the exclusive use of the Fine Arts and/or the Liberal Arts programs. These Funds will provide support for services or activities that extend learning beyond the classroom to benefit groups of students in the program. (2024)

### Arcata High Baseball Fund



The fund supports athletics at Arcata High School with an emphasis on facilities construction and maintenance, and other needs as they arise, for the Arcata High School baseball team. (2021)

### Arcata House Endowment Fund



The mission of Arcata House is to support people experiencing homelessness while they build a more stable life, to educate the community about housing issues, and to advocate on behalf of homeless people. The vision of Arcata House is a community where everyone has a safe and affordable place to live. Arcata House currently provides transitional housing to families and permanent supportive housing to individuals who are chronically homeless and disabled. The Arcata House Board of Directors opened this organizational endowment fund with a generous gift from Alex Stillman. It will eventually provide additional income for the important work of this nonprofit. (2008)

### Arcata Marsh Community Fund



The Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Community Endowment Fund provides a source for community donations to assist the city of Arcata in the preservation, restoration,

wildlife conservation, expansion, public access, and trail-maintenance of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. The endowment will serve to protect the natural beauty, habitats, walking trails, and environmental health of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary for the enjoyment of all creatures, great and small. Funded projects may include but are not limited to: wetlands and riparian habitat restoration, trail maintenance, land purchase for marsh and trail expansion, climate change adaptation, required environmental appraisals, permits and reviews, or other projects which promote and protect the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. Ongoing stewardship and oversight for the fund will be provided by the city of Arcata Environmental Services Department, Natural Services Division. (2017)

### Arcata Presbyterian Building Preservation Fund



This fund was created by the Arcata Presbyterian Church to renovate and preserve the historic structures built and dedicated in 1917, at 11th and G Streets in Arcata. The Church, founded in 1861, has served the community for more than 150 years. Today, it is used by local community groups for meetings, yoga, dancing, martial arts and as a regular rehearsal and performance space for the Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir. The building and its grounds provide for a neighborhood garden, a weekly homeless lunch program, thrift shop and an extreme weather shelter. Whether you're attending an AA meeting, utilizing our indoor gym, worshiping, singing in the Gospel Choir, or taking children to Sunday school, the Church wants to provide an environment that is welcoming and encourages people to create community. Contributions go to maintaining the historic structures, keeping it open and available to all people as part of the organization's mission and service. (2019)

### Arcata Tigers, Inc. Scholarship Fund



The income from this fund is used to supplement annual awards given to an Arcata High School graduate to further his or her education and to make school improvements. (2022)

### Area 1 Agency on Aging Senior Services Fund



Area 1 Agency on Aging provides leadership and services that support older persons and those with disabilities through education, programs, advocacy, and volunteerism. Donations to this fund help support independence and quality of life for a growing population of local seniors, ensuring quality senior services for generations to come. (1997)

### John Ash Sustainability Fund

John Ash created this fund to encourage exploration of the natural beauty on the North Coast and to make remote areas more accessible to a variety of groups. (2001)



### Bancroft Scholarship Fund



This fund honors Dwight and Lavina Bancroft. Because of Dwight's involvement in music and the couple's shared commitment to business, scholarships are available to local students majoring in business administration or music at Humboldt State University. Lavina established this fund in 1985 in Dwight's memory. With Lavina's death in 1995, the fund now honors both Dwight and Lavina. (1985)

### Matthew David Barnes Memorial Fund



Matthew D. Barnes was born in Arcata in 1977 and died suddenly from heart complications at age 29. He was a top scholar at Arcata High School, a champion showman for 4-H and FFA, and a decorated athlete in soccer and wrestling. Matt was an avid golfer, and loved the SF Giants and 49ers. Matt graduated from Cal Poly-SLO with a degree in Agriculture Engineering and worked for the John Deere Company. He was devoted to his career. Matt had a passion for agriculture, sports,

hard work, and his family and friends. This fund was established in Matt's name to benefit students wishing to pursue a four-year education in agriculture or engineering. Consideration is given to students who have actively shown livestock or dairy at the Redwood Acres or Humboldt County fairs, who are high academic achievers, and who have shown extra-curricular and community involvement. (2006)

### Tom & Marilyn Stand Down Fund



As a member of "the greatest generation," Tom was proud to serve with the Army during WWII. After the war, he felt a special compassion for fellow veterans. Tom's family created this fund to honor him by supporting the annual North Coast Stand Down event which provides much needed help for local veterans of all wars, especially the homeless and their families. After his Army years, Tom graduated from Cal Berkeley, became an optometrist, married Marilyn, and was blessed to have four children, five grandchildren, and a host of friends. Tom loved the North Coast area's opportunities to hunt, fish, play tennis, ski, and travel to other parts of the world. For years, he and his father, as veterans, helped to place small American flags on the graves of each local serviceman or woman to celebrate Memorial Day. Thomas Bernard Bartlett died on Memorial Day, May 28, 2007. (2007)

### O.H. Bass Memorial Fund



O.H. was a popular restaurateur and longtime supporter of local athletic activities. Income benefits the Sequoia Humane Society and Miranda's Rescue. (1986)

### Bauriedel Family Fund



John Bauriedel was a highly respected teacher at Eureka High School, as well as a successful businessman. John's wife Phyllis passed away on August 20, 2006. Fund income enriches programs offered to children at the Humboldt County Library in Eureka. (1983)

### Beal Family Scholarship Fund

The Beal Family Scholarship was established by William and Angelica Beal in memory of four young people who lost their lives that same year. The Beal family intends to give \$1,000 to a graduating Ferndale High School senior each year to help that student achieve their college education goals. (2008)

### Robert Raymond Bean Memorial Fund



Vern R. and Gail Edeline Bean established this memorial fund for their youngest son Bob who died of a malignant brain tumor on October 5, 2000, at age 34. He left his wife

of 14 years—Pamela Tompkins Bean—and his four children—Nathan, Erica, Matthew, and Jessica. He also left his sisters—Caren Campbell, Rosanne Gephart, Diane Holsworth—and his brother Edward Bean. While growing up in Eureka, Bob was active in school bands and orchestras. After moving to El Cajon, CA in 1981, he became a member of the Grossmont High School marching band and the Red Robe Choir, which was chosen to perform at the Vienna Music Festival in 1983. Bob had fond memories of these music programs and often spoke of the enrichment they brought to his life. To celebrate Bob's love of music, this fund provides scholarships to outstanding music students furthering their music education. (2007)

### Julia Bednar Art and Animals Memorial Fund



Julia was 4 years old when she received a coloring book and Crayons for her birthday. Shortly after, she adopted a little orange stray kitten. This was the beginning of a lifelong passion for art and animals. Julia has been active in the art community, both as an artist and a volunteer. For years, she has served on the board of directors of the Redwood Art Association and the Humboldt Arts Council. Her volunteer work has extended to many art groups and endeavors as well. Animals have always been part of Julia's life. She served on the board of directors of the Sequoia Humane Society, and as a volunteer, she has supported numerous animal causes. She has adopted more than fifty stray cats, who came to her doorstep for help and found refuge in her home and heart. This memorial fund is intended to support art organizations and animal groups in Humboldt County, dedicated to services for enrichment of the community and for the welfare of animals. (2018)

### Julia Bednar & Irene Finney Rescued Animal Care Fund

Julia and Irene became close friends during the years they worked together on the board of directors of the Humane Society of Humboldt County (now known as the Sequoia Humane Society). They shared a deep concern for the welfare of stray, abandoned, or homeless animals. They also recognized the financial hardship incurred by an individual who, by rescuing a stray injured animal and taking it to a veterinary hospital, became responsible for the medical costs involved. This fund is intended to pay a portion of the costs of medical care and treatment of stray injured animals rescued and brought to a veterinary hospital in Humboldt County by a nonowner. (2010)

### Beginnings Incorporated Fund



Education and community are important and synonymous with Beginnings Inc. This fund was established to continue the mission of supporting educational opportunities and encouraging community services. Beginnings is community based



and guided by its membership. This fund will support the ongoing use and maintenance of the buildings and property and the long-range planning and organizational objectives. (2015)

**Albert & Irene Benzinger Memorial Scholarship Fund**



Albert was born in 1903, the third generation of his family in Humboldt County. Active in high school sports, he graduated from Eureka High

School in 1921 and from UC Berkeley in 1926. His creative work in electrical engineering was cut short by the Depression and he returned to Eureka, eventually operating a radio and TV service business until retirement in 1968. In 1941, Albert married Irene Potter, a self-taught artist. In addition to painting, gardening, and politics, she loved sketching plans for compact and efficient houses. This scholarship, established by the Benzinger family, will recognize students eligible for membership in the Humboldt Pioneers Society who are graduates of Eureka High School and majoring or prepared to major in a field related to electronics or architecture. (2000)

**Christine & Jalmer Berg Foundation Fund**



The Berg Foundation is a charitable corporation devoted to providing, at the discretion of its board of trustees, funds to organizations or

individuals nationwide for medical research, and on a local level to those dealing with the welfare of needy people and animals. (2017)

**Archie Bernardi Memorial Fund**



Arcata Fire Chief Archie Bernardi spent more than six decades devoted to the Arcata Fire Protection District, right up to his passing on December 22, 2007, at the age of 93.

According to District Chief John McFarland, "Archie was the Grandfather of CPR in all of Northern California, changing prior practices...that were primitive and totally ineffective." Because of Bernardi's leadership, Arcata was also the first fire district in the county to have rescue saws and Jaws of Life. Archie's sons, Mark and Gary, recall their father cooking for his family and the fire department volunteers. He grew in his garden many of the ingredients in his secret recipe for raviolis, and he also kept his favorite blackberry patch—the source for his famous blackberry pies—a secret. In addition to other gifts, Chief Bernardi created this fund by bequest for the protection and conservation of wildlife in Humboldt County. (2008)

**Anthony Joseph Bessette Memorial Fund**



The family of Anthony Bessette established this fund to support a variety of charitable purposes in his honor and memory. Born in Eureka, CA, his life of 18 years was shared with friends and

family, and his smile and warm personality left an imprint on the hearts of all who knew him. He lived life on his own terms and followed a unique path that valued friendship. He had talent for computer applications that amazed everyone. He was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, attended local schools, and obtained his GED in 2007. The income from this fund shall be used to support youth programs that promote positive experiences for teens and encourage the celebration of life. (2008)

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of the North Coast Endowment Fund**



Big Brothers Big Sisters of the North Coast (BBBSNC) was founded in 1969 as a nonprofit organization with the purpose of forming meaningful one-to-one relationships between caring, responsible adults and children facing adversity. Since that time, BBBSNC has served thousands of youth between the ages of 6 and 18 as the premier mentoring organization in Humboldt County. The vision of BBBSNC is that all children can achieve success in life. The income from this fund is used as a sustainable resource to create and support quality "Big-Little" matches on the North Coast. (1997)

**Louis A. & Alice M. Blaser Educational Fund**



This fund was planned for years before Alice's death in 2006 as a way for Alice and Lou to "give something back," and to help provide for ongoing quality in the professions of their choice.

Alice graduated from Eastern Oregon University in 1954 with a degree in Education and a teaching certificate. She taught for the next 28 years, was a master teacher, and was highly respected by peers and students alike. After serving in the military during the Korean War, Lou graduated from Oregon State University in 1957 with a degree in forest engineering. He spent the next 34 years in various logging and land management positions with Simpson Timber Company, as Simpson's California Timberlands Manager, retiring in 1991. The fund provides annual grants to the School of Education at Eastern Oregon University and the School of Forestry at Oregon State University to provide scholarships and maintain their excellent educational programs. (2007)

**Blue Lake Education Foundation Fund**



The Blue Lake Education Foundation's mission is to help support critical

education programs for the children attending Blue Lake Elementary, including sports, music, languages, and arts. These programs, although not mandated by the state, are essential to a well-rounded education for our children. Due to the ongoing budget crisis facing this small community school, these programs are no longer paid for through the general fund, and the school is in jeopardy of losing them altogether. To fight these cuts, Blue Lake Education Foundation (BLEF) was founded by concerned parents and family members. The BLEF goal, through ongoing fundraising events and donations, is to reach \$150,000 and maintain this minimum amount so that these essential programs can be sustained for years to come to help enrich local children's lives. All donations and/or bequests to this fund will support BLEF in this endeavor. (2016)

**Peggy June Boedecker Memorial Scholarship Fund**



This fund was established to commemorate the life of Peggy June Boedecker, who had a career-long involvement in California's community colleges. Proceeds from this fund provide financial assistance to women

who transfer from College of the Redwoods to a four-year college or university. (2011)

**Humboldt Botanical Garden Foundation Fund**



The Humboldt Botanical Garden Foundation was started 27 years ago by a group of dreamers and forward thinkers who wanted to create a local educational botanical garden. The Garden is

now a 44.5 acre oasis composed of many smaller gardens and The Butterfly House. It is located south of Eureka, near Humboldt Bay, and adjacent to the College of the Redwoods. The Garden is supported by more than 1,100 members, over 100 active volunteers, three paid staff and dedicated curators. The Garden sponsors many programs throughout the year, including a summer music series, education program, a Christmas Candlelight Walk, guided tours for adult and children groups and a docent program. As the annual number of visitors grow, the Garden plans to grow too. Your gift will help the Garden in its mission to Inspire, Educate and Grow! (2019)

**K. Dean & Mary Ann Bottini Scholarship Fund**

Dean Bottini had a full life. As a boy, he had a brief movie career, dancing in the Shirley Temple movie Heidi. Later, he was student body president at Sturges Junior High and San Bernardino Valley College. Before graduating, Dean enlisted in the army during WWII and was assigned to the 89th Infantry, stationed in

Europe. Dean's company faced frequent combat and was able to liberate the Ohrdruf concentration camp. Upon discharge, Dean graduated from Valley College, attended University of Redlands, and had a 35-year career with the Division of Highways, retiring as the district personnel administrator in 1984. Though his career was important to Dean, family and home were his top priorities. He was survived by his wife of nearly 61 years, Mary Ann, and their two daughters, Peggy and Janet. This scholarship fund benefits Eureka students with high academic achievement studying teaching or civil engineering. (2008)

**Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods Endowment Fund**



The Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods offers safe, structured, and fun activities to children ages 6-18 who live in Humboldt County.

Its mission enhances the quality of life for boys and girls as participating members of a richly diverse society, strives to achieve equal opportunity, and fosters respect for human dignity for all youth. In addition, the fund initiates and promotes services that enhance the quality of life for all youth, and it strengthens the club's role as an advocate for youth. This fund serves as a sustainable resource to assist youth in delinquency prevention activities. The organization will continue to offer after-school activities, community service projects, sports leagues, and leadership clubs. The T-Ball league also encourages youth participation throughout the community in baseball skills training. (1990)

**Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods Building Improvement Fund**



The Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods Building Improvement Fund was established to ensure that the quality of the environment in which our youth learn and recreate is equal to the quality

of the staff and volunteers who provide it. Gifts made to this fund are used for any necessary amelioration and renovation efforts. (2013)

**Dr. Halvor J. Braafladt Memorial Fund**



Halvor John Braafladt was born in Tsinan, China on June 4, 1926, to medical missionary parents. He served in the US Navy in the Philippines during WWII. In 1957, Hal came to Eureka to practice family medicine and surgery.

He enjoyed interacting with patients of all ages and especially the many babies he delivered. He retired in 2002 after 45 years of practice. His community service and professional accomplishments were many: former president of the Humboldt-Del Norte Medical Society, chief of staff of General Hospital, and vice chief of staff of St. Joseph Hospital. He was a founder of the local Rhododendron Society and chairman of the Boy Scouts of America. He was actively involved in the ULHF Angel

Fund, which is a beneficiary of this donor-advised fund, along with the Humboldt Senior Resource Alzheimer's Center and Hospice of Humboldt. Halvor passed away on April 3, 2014. (2014)

**Michael Bradbury Memorial Scholarship Fund**

Supports high school students in Humboldt County, with a priority for those attending Northern Humboldt Union High School District, wishing to attend college who have financial need and have shown commitment and dedication to athletics. (2022)

**James & Donna Brantly Memorial Fund**



James and Donna Brantly were married August 25, 1953. They had been married over 54 years at the time of the car accident that claimed Jim's life and disabled Donna on Dec. 29, 2007, on Hwy 299 in Trinity

County. They met in Long Beach, CA while Jim was on shore leave from the Navy during the Korean War and Donna was on a vacation from Arizona with her best friend. Two years of letter-writing later, they married, and raised two daughters, Cheryl and Susan. James Phillip Brantly was born January 16, 1932, in Lake Providence, LA. After leaving the U.S. Navy, he studied engineering, then worked for the US Border Patrol Agency for 25 years. James received citations from President Kennedy and Attorney General Robert Kennedy for his assistance during the Oxford riots when the University of Mississippi enrolled the first black student, James Meredith, and from President Johnson for bravery during the Watts riots. He also received the Commissioner's Meritorious Achievement Award for rescuing an injured woman. Jim was a member of the Murrieta United Methodist Church for 50 years and a Life Member of the VFW. He enjoyed duck hunting, fishing, and telling stories. Donna JoAnn Stevens was born in Salina, Kansas on March 11, 1933. Following in the footsteps of her accountant father, Donna studied business at Bethany College before marriage. She retired from the Murrieta United School District in 1990 after nearly 30 years as the Asst. Superintendent of Business Services after overseeing the district's first growth spurt from one K-8 school into six elementary, 3 middle schools and 1 high school. In addition to being the treasurer and auditor for the Murrieta United Method Church, she was active in the United Methodist Women and was the Community Leader for the local 4-H club for more than 5 years. Donna enjoyed writing for local newspapers, scrapbooking, and travel. She passed away May 16, 2022. This fund is for non-profit rural search and rescue organizations and first responders. (2022)

**Brattain Family Student Enrichment Fund**



The Brattain Family Student Enrichment fund is intended for K-12 public school students in Curry and Del

Norte counties. The fund objective is to supplement a student's school-sponsored activities by assisting with the payment of fees and costs. The target student is one with the desire to excel in a school program or activity, but who does not have the financial means to participate. Examples of this could be fees or uniform costs for a sport activity; travel expenses for a school-sponsored event that the student is involved in; fees for additional educational materials to enrich the student's knowledge and education, etc. (2007)



### Ed & Barbara Brattain Memorial Fund



Ed and Barbara believed that sometimes a little financial help can assist someone to achieve a life-changing goal that will enrich their life or improve their personal or family's well-being. Thus, this fund is intended to benefit those in Curry and Del Norte counties who may need that little extra amount to successfully complete a goal and is specifically for those who demonstrate that they have worked hard and are committed to obtaining their specific goal, but who need extra support to successfully accomplish it. (2010)

### Bridgeville Endowment Fund

This fund was established to promote the health and quality of life for the children, families, and senior citizens of this rural, 500-square-mile Bridgeville School District, and residents served by the Bridgeville Community Center. Local residents built the Bridgeville Community Center with funding from the state's Healthy Start initiative. It became a nonprofit in 2001, coordinating year-round medical and dental care, emergency food, clothing, senior citizen services, transportation, youth activities, and family resource services using grants, donations, newsletter sponsorships, and proceeds from the annual Bridgefest Celebration. The board of directors disburses funds in accordance with their mission statement. If anyone would care to start a separate scholarship fund for graduating children, it would be greatly appreciated as an incentive for a child to get a college education. Individuals, families, and other funds may add to the fund at any time by donation. (2002)

### Vernon & Grace Brightman Memorial Fund



Vernon and Grace Brightman graduated together from Ferndale High School in the late 1920s. They married in 1935 and lived on their Blocksburg ranch. An accomplished musician, Grace played first trumpet at HSU. For many years, Vern played the drums in a quartet that entertained St. Luke's Manor residents regularly. Vern died in 2001. Income from this endowment fund is used to support the music program at Bridgeville School District. (1996)

### Mike Brixey Memorial Scholarship Fund



Mike, a lifelong resident of Del Norte County of 63 years, was a man of many talents including Tree Climbing, Construction, Farming and then Concrete Finishing. Mike was known for his dependability, loyalty, punctuality, and great work ethic. He would always say "No need to brag on a job well done, as the right people will notice!" Mike loved to help and support the younger generation to obtain new talents and skills

while helping them with projects. His love for his family and community ran deep, but his passion was hunting, fishing and running his dogs with his boys. Mike had a great sense of humor that made everyone laugh and feel like part of his family. Mike's stories were legendary and kept you in your seat for hours. This fund will support youth that have an aspiration for a Career in Technical Education. (2023)

### Toni Brixey Memorial Scholarship Fund



A lifelong resident of Del Norte County and a 30-year employee of Seaside and Sutter Coast Hospitals in nursing and administration, Toni Brixey was passionate about making a difference in the lives of others. She had an uncanny ability to make every situation better and to inspire others to do the same. When she unexpectedly passed away in 2010, her family, friends, coworkers and community were able to channel the love she had engendered in the community by establishing a memorial fund in her honor. Toni's memory will live on forever, supporting the region's health. (2011)

### Brockhoff Family Fund



Harry L. Olden was a respected Cincinnati philanthropist. During his lifetime and afterwards, his daughter Pat and her husband Bill Whiting followed suit. Three generations later, their daughter Cara and her husband Jerry Brockhoff continue the family tradition of supporting their communities with funds originating from Cara's grandfather. As owners of northcoastgreyhounds.net, beneficiaries of the Brockhoff Family Fund are largely animal rescue organizations both locally and nationally. That will surely change, however, as the fourth generation, sons Tucker and Bailey Brockhoff, become directors in future years and their sons in the even more distant future. All thanks to "Poppy" Olden, an inspiration to us all. (2001)

### Brookings Harbor Community Helpers Food Bank Fund



The Brookings Harbor Community Helpers Food Bank, DBA: Brookings Harbor Food Bank serves the residents of Curry

County from the Oregon-California border north to Pistol River. Food boxes, available once a month for individuals and families, are provided in a "shopping style" format that encourages clients to select items that will provide balanced meals and eliminate potential food waste. Also available five days a week are "daily supplements" to help reduce hunger. The number of individuals and families within the community that have to make difficult choices about how to allocate their limited funds for food, shelter,

and other necessities is very high. The efforts of the food bank's volunteers, supported by the generous donations by the Brookings Harbor community, are helping reduce food insecurity. (2015)

### Conrad and Olga Brosek Trust



Conrad and Olga were married in 1956 in Pasadena, CA. They moved to Humboldt County in 1987 and built their home in McKinleyville. They loved their life in Humboldt and enjoyed more than 20 years in the area. They are survived by 13 nieces and nephews who visited them regularly and loved them dearly. The Broseks created this endowed designated fund by bequest to assist children who need surgery or other assistance to overcome a physical deformity. (2008)

### John Anderson Brown & Dorothy Eileen Wells Brown Memorial Fund



John and Dorothy were married on July 12, 1927, and were married 61 years. They lived in Eureka for 45 years. Dorothy was active in the First Methodist Church and numerous charitable organizations in the community. John worked for the California Division of Highways for 40 years. He was honored in the California Highways Magazine for his beautification along the state's highways and freeways and was dubbed "Johnny Lupine-seed." This fund was established by their children and grandchildren. Income is used for the beautification of parks and schools, the purchase of playground and physical fitness equipment, and the support of physical fitness programs. (1988)

### David E. Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund



David Brown grew up in Cincinnati, enlisted in the marines just out of high school, and traveled the world. Upon his discharge, he moved to Florida, eventually settling in California. After receiving his associate of arts degree from College of the Redwoods, he spent his life's work in electronic technology and management. "Life is full of choices," David was fond of saying, "and everything that happens is a result of the choices you make." With this in mind, David's daughter Kristin created a scholarship fund in his memory for a Fortuna Union High School graduate enrolling in any college or university. The application includes an essay about choices, asking students to reflect on the choices they have made and are making and how the consequences of those decisions will have the power to guide the direction of their lives. (2006)

### Grace & Jim Brown Memorial Fund



Reverend James "Jim" M. Brown emigrated from Northern Ireland at age 21. He graduated from Seattle Pacific University and San Francisco Theological Seminary and was ordained as a Presbyterian minister in

1946. Jim served congregations in Oregon, Washington, South Dakota, and Humboldt County. He also attended law school and worked for 17 years as a volunteer for the Humboldt County Public Defender and the Superior Court of California. He contributed his time as well to KEET-TV, the SPCA, General Hospital, Mitchell-Redner Society, and as an ombudsman at the Humboldt County Jail. He was active in ecumenical work with St. Bernard's Catholic church and Temple Beth'el and helped organize the Presbyterian churches of McKinleyville and Fortuna. Jim died on June 13, 1998, at the age of 84. Grace died on December 1, 2007, at the age of 86. They are survived by their two daughters, Mildred and Alice Mae. This fund provides scholarships for local students. (1998)

### James T. Brown Forestry Scholarship Fund



Green Diamond Resource Company established this fund to honor its president Jim Brown who retired in 2006. Jim started his career with Arcata Redwood Company, acquired by Simpson in 1988. He began working on a logging crew in 1975 and held several increasingly responsible positions during his 31 years with the company, becoming president in 2004. Jim garnered broad respect throughout California's forest products industry, serving as president of the Redwood Region Logging Conference, the California Forest Products Commission, and California Redwood Association. A graduate of Venice High School, he holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Humboldt State College and a Master of Science degree in civil engineering from San Jose State University. Jim was a lecturer in the Humboldt State College forestry department and is a past recipient of the Humboldt State University Distinguished Alumni Award. This fund provides scholarships to forestry students at Humboldt State University. (2006)

### Dr. Francis Marion & Lela Moore Bruner Memorial Scholarship Fund



Born in Monmouth, IL in 1865 and a graduate of the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor Medical School and Bellevue Hospital in NY, Francis Marion Bruner moved to Ferndale from Loleta in 1911 to help found the first Ferndale Hospital, located on Washington Street. That hospital was moved to the Hart House in 1913 where Francis and Lela also raised their family. Lela Moore Worthington Bruner, born in Maple Creek

in 1879 and raised in Blue Lake, graduated in nursing from the Union Labor Hospital in Eureka. Dr. and Mrs. Bruner frequently treated patients who could not pay and accepted whatever the patient might offer in trade for medical care. Lela Bruner often stayed with families when the entire family was too ill to fend for themselves. She was known as "Lady Bruner" for her kind disposition and generosity. Francis and Lela worked tirelessly for their community, emphasizing medicine, education, and music. (2013)

### Gary J. Brusca Memorial Scholarship Fund



This scholarship is in honor of Dr. Gary J. Brusca, a longtime professor of zoology and marine biology at Humboldt State University. Dr. Brusca was also an avid fly fisherman and for decades fished the Trinity River through the Hoopa Valley. In the early 1970s, Dr. Brusca and a few other fishermen began camping and fishing in the Hoopa Valley, and the tradition of that fishing trip continues to the present day. This scholarship is funded by Dr. Brusca's former fishing partners and friends to benefit a worthy graduate of Hoopa Valley High School who wishes to pursue a higher education in the fields of the biological sciences, fisheries, or wildlife management. (2013)

### Clarence Bugenig Memorial Fund

Wayne Vickers established this fund in 1986 to honor his longtime friend and business partner Clarence Bugenig. Fund income provides awards to high scoring 4-H and FFA members in the beef cattle and sheep departments at the Redwood Acres Fair. (1986)

### Building Up Down Syndrome (B.U.D.S.) Fund

The Building Up Down Syndrome (B.U.D.S.) Fund was established by B.U.D.S. of the Redwoods, Inc. to provide enrichment activities for people with Down Syndrome who reside in Humboldt, Del Norte, Trinity or Curry counties. Eligible expenses may include but are not limited to: transportation/travel, technology purchases, event tickets, private lessons/classes, music & art supplies, etc. Individuals are eligible to receive a grant once every five years. Applications must be made through a qualified sponsor, such as a teacher, employer, social services agency, or a nonprofit organization. This sponsor will help to administer the funds that are granted. Questions about the application process or release of funds should be directed to Humboldt Area Foundation at (707) 442-2993. You can also email inquiries to Grants@hafoundation.org (2024)

### Ralph E. Bumpus Scholarship Fund



This scholarship was created to honor Ralph E. Bumpus, a longtime educator in Eureka. Ralph developed the automotive programs at both Eureka High School and College of the Redwoods. He was instrumental

in designing the automotive technology buildings at both schools. He taught at each school for 13 years, spending 4 years in between coordinating the trade and vocational education classes. This fund furnishes scholarships for Eureka High School graduates intending to study automotive technology. (1986)

### Arthur John Burman & Mildred S. Burman Memorial Fund



Art and Millie Burman met while students at Eureka High School and enjoyed almost half a century of marriage together. They raised two daughters and also shared in the ownership and operation of John Burman & Sons General Contractors, specializing in heavy road construction for state, county, and private enterprises until their retirement in 1978. Millie passed away in August of 1985 and Art in January of 2007. This fund was established by their daughters, Deanna Pawlus and Brenda Jones, to honor their parents. The income from this fund provides an annual scholarship to a high school graduate from Humboldt or Del Norte counties who is pursuing a degree in civil engineering. (2007)

### Helen Keesee Bushnell Fund



Remembering and honoring those who have passed was important to Helen and Don Bushnell. They established this fund to provide a space for anyone to memorialize a

loved one in the Community Memorial Garden of the Community Presbyterian Church of Garberville. This garden is open to all. A memorial wall displays the names, and date of birth and death of those remembered. Helen Keesee Bushnell passed away January 29, 2014, leaving behind her husband of 60 years, 6 children, 11 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. This fund supports the ongoing maintenance and improvement of the garden. (2011)

### Butler Valley Fund



Butler Valley, Inc., is a nonprofit corporation established in our community by Francis and Carole Carrington to ensure a normalized living environment for adults with developmental disabilities. Butler Valley's mission is dedicated to affirming the sacredness of the human person and to create, establish, and provide a place on California's North Coast to allow adults with developmental disabilities to reside in a safe and caring community setting, to enhance their quality of life, and to participate in community programs, including Butler Valley's Day Care and Active Treatment Program. (1999)





Mr. C Memorial Wrestling Fund

Working with an advisory committee, Bert Van Duzer, retired coach of the Arcata High School wrestling team and the Burly Redwood Stickers, helped establish this fund in 1990 to honor Mr. Paul Conner. “Mr. C” was a retired vice principal and counselor from Arcata High who was an important part of the local wrestling program for many years. Mr. C passed away on January 4, 2008. Income from the fund is used to promote and support wrestling on the North Coast. (1990)

Paul & Elaine Cacci Scholarship Fund



Born in 1930, Paul Cacci was a well-known Humboldt County native and Rio Dell resident. He actively participated in sports throughout his school years at Rio Dell Elementary and Fortuna High. Paul and his wife

Elaine owned and operated Cacci’s Market in Rio Dell for 21 years. Paul spent the next 19 years as a beverage salesman, winning top honors for salesmanship in the western United States and Canada. Later in life, Paul helped his daughter and son-in-law with their catering business at CC Market. Paul loved horse races. He sold Sam’s Card, a horse race tip sheet, at the Humboldt County Fair for 28 years. Paul also was a member of the Elks Lodge, Redwood Grange #504, Redwood League Old Timers’ Baseball Team, and an honorary member of the Rio Dell Fire Department. This fund, established by his wife Elaine Curless Cacci in 1999, provides scholarships to Fortuna High graduates interested in sports. (1999)

Mada Huggins Caldwell Fund



The Mada Huggins Caldwell Fund was established to assist youth between the ages of 10 and 18 who have been affected by violent crime. The fund was established by JoAnn Caldwell Sapper in memory of her mother, Mada Huggins Caldwell, who was kidnapped while working at a small country grocery store and later killed by her kidnapper. Mada was a loving, devoted Christian wife and mother of four children. In addition, she was a creative and talented individual who contributed greatly to her church and community. This advised fund is used to assist youth to attend Christian activities including summer camps and other healing activities. (2003)

California Retired Teachers Association #27 Scholarship Fund



The California Retired Teachers Association (CRTA) created this fund to provide annual

scholarships to HSU students during their student teaching year, and to CR students enrolled in the AmeriCorps or early childhood education programs. These scholarships are awarded to students who have demonstrated academic excellence, have financial need, and are pursuing a career in teaching. Students must also be graduates of a Humboldt or Del Norte County high school. The purposes of the North Coast Division #27 of the CRTA are to support public education, promote the professional interest of public-school teachers, encourage the participation of retired teachers in community services endeavors, and provide a continuing statewide and local scholarship program. (1997)

Caldwell & Sund Family Trust



Kevin Caldwell and Donna Sund-Caldwell moved to Crescent City from Southern California in 1984. Both family physicians, they decided that Del Norte County was a great place to live and to raise their three children, Marisa, Dylan, and Connor, who have now all successfully moved on to college educations. Kevin and Donna continue to operate their own family medicine practice, Redwood Medical Offices. Throughout the years, they have been involved in the local community in innumerable ways, with a focus on providing cultural and academic opportunities that create a nurturing environment for their own children, as well as all children of the area. This endowment has been created to ensure financial stability in this continuing community participation and enrichment. (2006)

The Wayne Caldwell, CFP/Premier Philanthropic Scholarship Fund



The Wayne Caldwell, CFP®, Financial Literacy Scholarship Fund was established by Wayne Caldwell, who is one of the founders and current chairman of the board of Premier Financial Group. Wayne also leads Premier Philanthropic, established to inspire thriving communities and support Premier’s Healthcare Peace of Mind Initiative. This scholarship fund was created to support education for our nurses and first responders, with a preference for veterans, to emphasize the importance of achieving financial independence and peace of mind. Applicants who plan to attend college

with a long-term plan to work locally in the medical field, law enforcement, EMT, and fire are required to submit a short essay on the importance of saving and investing for the future and planning for retirement. For more than 25 years, Premier Financial Group has been helping local families and businesses manage their investments and prepare for retirement. For students entering college, retirement probably seems too far in the future to address now. However, Premier understands the benefits of pairing financial literacy with a long-term horizon and is committed to promoting these benefits to our local professionals and our community. (2009)

James V. Callison Memorial Fund



James Callison was born in Eureka. After attending local schools and Oregon State University, he graduated from Humboldt State University in 1958. He worked with his father in the family business,

Callison Truck Lines, until it was sold to Nielson Freight Lines. Jim worked for Nielson Freight Lines until the time of his death in 1986. A very active businessman, he was past president of the Rotary Club of Eureka, a member of the Ingomar Club Board of Directors, and past president of the Eureka Chamber of Commerce. In 1967, he served on the Grand Jury. Proceeds from this fund are used to benefit the Redwood Empire Scouting program. (1986)

CA Faculty Association Scholarship Fund-Humboldt Chapter



The Humboldt chapter of the California Faculty Association established this expendable

organizational fund to provide for the organization’s charitable giving and to buffer unusual circumstances that may befall union members. The fund supports a variety of union activities as determined by the organization’s current executive board. Examples include, but are not limited to, scholarships for relatives of union members, disaster relief for union members, and strike fund support. (2004)

Cal-Ore Life Flight N661TC Flight Team Memorial Scholarship Fund



On July 29, 2016, a Cal-Ore Life Flight air medical plane crashed in northern California while transporting a patient to care. There were no survivors. In addition to the patient, there were three Cal-Ore Life Flight personnel on board: Pilot Larry Mills, Flight Nurse Deborah Kroon, RN, CCRN, and Certified Flight Paramedic Michelle Tarwater, FP-C, NREMT-P. To honor the fallen crew members who gave their lives being of service to others, a memorial scholarship fund has been

established to support education for aviation, flight nursing, and flight paramedics in Curry and Del Norte counties. (2016)

Care for All Fund



The Care for All Fund, a Saint Joseph Health-Budget Philosophy Grant, currently provides access to cancer diagnosis testing after careful, in-depth eligibility screening. Individuals should not be eligible for any other programs to be able to access this grant. This grant serves low income, uninsured/underinsured individuals. Through this project, we extend Jesus’ ministry to those who have fallen in the cracks of the system and who have found themselves isolated without a helping hand. This grant advocates for the needs of those at a disadvantage who otherwise remain underserved and ignored in our community. This fund is one of our commitments to extending the healing ministry of Jesus in the tradition of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange. Care for All was created by the Healthy Kids Humboldt program after an extensive search for cancer screening services was conducted and no resources were found. (2016)

Donald A. & Inez H. Carranza Scholarship Fund



Don and Inez were part of a partnership that founded Commercial Radio & Electronics Co. in 1948, pioneering two-way radio communications and marine electronics in Humboldt and Del

Norte counties. Inez also taught school in the Eureka City School system for over 20 years. Don explained, “This area has been so good to us, we decided to give back a little of our wealth in the form of scholarships to local students.” A minimum of five scholarships provide annual financial support to graduates of Humboldt or Del Norte high schools interested in the sciences and/or teaching. An additional scholarship at Cal Poly in honor of Don’s father and himself supports an undergraduate student majoring in either electrical engineering or electronics. A final scholarship assists a teaching student at Inez’s alma mater, Texas State University in San Marcos, TX. Don died on December 17, 1998. Inez died on August 21, 2000. (1997)

Sarah Carter Scholarship Fund



The Sarah Carter Scholarship Fund is for Eureka High School seniors who wish to continue their education in the arts and humanities. The first scholarship was granted in 2000 at Eureka High

School’s 50th year reunion of the class of 1950. Mrs. Carter was a highly respected and successful teacher who, as a young woman, received a gift that allowed her to obtain a master’s degree at UC Berkeley. An active

member of the community, she was a consulting member of the Eureka Library Board, a publications editor for the League of Women Voters, a charter member of the Humboldt Branch of the American Association of University Women, and active in Delta Kappa Gamma, a national association of women teachers. Mrs. Carter was a board member of the California Teachers Association for 12 years and became president of the CTA in 1960. In 1963 she moved to Redwood City, CA and taught for 6 years at Sequoia High School, retiring in 1968. Sarah Carter turned 100 on December 15, 2004, and she passed away on August 28, 2005. (1997)

Barb & John Cary Family Fund



John and Barbara Cary moved to Curry County from Southern California in 2000 for work. They met in their sophomore year of college at Northern

Illinois University in DeKalb, IL. Both were working in food service at the time. Coming full circle upon retirement, both became active volunteers addressing food insecurity within the community. Food insecurity affects people of all ages - from children, to working families, to seniors. Barb is an OSU accredited Master Gardener who has applied her training and knowledge related to vegetable gardening to various growing and nutrition initiatives. She is most proud of her ongoing summer “hands on” vegetable growing and education program for local pre-school children. The Cary Family Fund is established to support charitable organizations within Curry County with an emphasis on food insecurity. (2015)

CASA of Del Norte Endowment Fund



Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Del Norte was established as an independent program in

2002 to be a powerful voice for the abused and neglected children of Del Norte County. Their mission is to support and assist children in the juvenile dependency program by providing well-trained volunteers to advocate objectively in the child’s best interest. CASA advocates provide a consistent and important one-on-one advocacy, which can make a lifetime difference to each child. CASA advocates work with the child, the family, juvenile court, and supporting agencies to ensure each child is placed in a safe, permanent, and loving home where they have the opportunity to fulfill their potential. In 2005, CASA of Del Norte received an anonymous donation to open an endowment fund. The purpose of the fund is to support ongoing recruitment, screening, and operation in the form of daily support to the CASA volunteer advocates. (2005)

CASA of Humboldt Fund in Memory of Jessie Hansen



Corinne “Corky” Nordstrom established this fund to honor her mother Jessie, “a courageous woman” born in 1891 who experienced the San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906.

Jessie graduated from San Francisco State Normal School and accepted a teaching position at a one-room school in Siskiyou County. While there, she lost an eye in a horse and buggy accident. Jessie never complained about her loss and never considered herself handicapped. She went on to teach the first special education classes in Berkeley before marrying Walter Nelson Hansen in 1921. They moved to Willow Creek during the 1940s and operated the Hansen Lumber Company until it was destroyed in the 1964 flood. Throughout her life, Jessie was involved with her family, her garden, and her volunteer activities, including the PTA, the Red Cross, and later, the Eureka Women’s Club. The purpose of the fund is to support the work of CASA in Humboldt County. (1999)

CASA of Humboldt Endowment Fund



The Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program was established in Humboldt County in 1991 to be a powerful voice for the community’s abused, neglected, and abandoned

children. CASA’s trained volunteers provide one-on-one advocacy to prevent these children from falling through the cracks. Advocates work with the child, child’s family, juvenile court, and supporting agencies to ensure that each child is placed in a permanent, safe, and loving home where they can live without fear. The endowment is used to provide ongoing support to CASA volunteer advocates and the children they serve. (1999)

Cascade Fund

The Cascade Fund is a memorial fund to honor a teen’s passion for a more loving world through making support available to those who want it. Funds raised will be used to facilitate effective support for LGBTQ+ individuals. This will include community building work as well as meeting individual physical and mental health needs. (2022)

Kay Gott Chaffey Jacoby Book Fund



The Kay Gott Chaffey Jacoby Book Fund was established to remember and honor Victor Jacoby. The Victor Thomas Jacoby Fund supports Humboldt

County visual artists and craftspeople and encourages the exploration of new ideas, materials, techniques, and promotes excellence. Kay Gott Chaffey created this fund to carry Victor Jacoby’s legacy forward through the printing of a book that highlights the artists who are selected each December to receive this prestigious





award. The book was lovingly compiled by Kay Gott Chaffey, Bob Doran, Alan Sanborn, and Gary Bloomfield, and it is updated annually through this fund. (2014)

### David Nathan “Gypsy” Chain Memorial Scholarship Fund



David Nathan Chain was a young forest activist killed in 1998 while trying to prevent illegal logging in an Earth First! action near Grizzly Creek in the Van Duzen River valley. Childhood friends in Texas remember David as a gentle, loving man who considered becoming a chiropractor. Traveling to Humboldt County in the midst of the timber controversy, David learned tree-climbing and nonviolent protest tactics; he took the wood's name "Gypsy." The story of his vibrant life and tragic death at 24 is documented in 'A Good Forest For Dying,' by Patrick Beach (2004). On the 20th anniversary of Gypsy's death,

community leaders, friends, and fellow activists established this fund to provide an annual scholarship for a local high school senior or first year student at Humboldt State University or College of the Redwoods who has demonstrated commitment to issues of forest ecology through volunteer and/or academic projects. (2018)

### Changing Tides Family Services Fund



Each day, Changing Tides Family Services makes it possible for thousands of children, youth, families, and individuals to enhance their physical, emotional, or developmental well-being. Formerly the Humboldt Child Care Council, Changing Tides Family Services was established in 1975 by local residents with a focus on providing childcare services to enable parents to work. Since then, numerous programs have been added to address unmet needs of families and the community. Some of these include nutrition services, mental health services, information and referrals, and supportive programs for individuals who have developmental disabilities. Changing Tides Family Services is forward thinking and responsive, and it will continue to help improve the health and wellness of the community in the years to come. (2013)

### Betty Chinn Fund for the Homeless



Betty grew up homeless in China, but for the past 25 years she has been a tireless advocate and caretaker to Humboldt County's homeless and underserved populations. Twice a day, nearly 365 days a year, Betty delivers meals and coffee to hundreds of people. Betty also provides toiletries, clothing, phone cards, bus tickets, blankets, and a host of other items. In addition, Betty supports the St. Vincent de Paul-Betty Chinn public showers and is currently focusing on developing Betty's Place: a community center where the homeless can find comfort and connect to community. In 2008, California First Lady Maria Shriver presented Betty with the prestigious Minerva Award. In 2010, President Obama gave Betty the second highest civilian honor in the US, the Presidential Citizens Medal. Betty will be the first to say that it is the generous community that enables her outreach. All funds go directly to serving those in need. Visit [bettysblueangel.com](http://bettysblueangel.com). (2008)

### Frances & Raleigh Christopher Memorial Fund



Family and religion were lifetime passions for Eileen Christopher. She established this fund in memory of her loving parents Rollie and Frances Christopher. Eileen attended St. Bernard's Academy and Eureka Junior and Senior High. She excelled in clerical and business classes. Eileen enjoyed traveling with friends and spending time with her niece and nephew, Sharon and Dennis Christopher. Eileen was a loyal and devoted lifetime member of the Young Ladies

Institute of St. Bernard's Parish. She spent her entire life in her family home in Eureka, and passed away five months after celebrating her 98th birthday. This fund benefits St. Bernard's Catholic Elementary School students through two scholarships. One scholarship is awarded to a graduating student who achieves the highest grades in the subject of religion. The other is awarded to the student who is at the top of the class academically. (2012)

### Leslie Christopherson Memorial Fund

Leslie "Les" L. Christopherson was born and raised in the Blue Lake area. He lived at the family's ranch on West End Road all his life. He spoke of riding the wagon into the Blue Lake train station as a child to pick up an order for his mother from Sears arriving by rail. Les spent his working career as the "store keeper" for Simpson Timber Company at the Korbel plant. During his tenure, he made many lifetime friends and formed the Bug Creek Recreational Club. He was a long-time member of the Polled Hereford Association. Les was in the army during the Korean War, stationed in Germany. Les was a 50-year member of the Six Rivers Masonic Lodge. He was also a member of the Scottish Rites Society, the IOOF, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Les passed away on April 3, 2005. This fund provides scholarships. (2007)

### Circle of Change Endowment Fund



Women of the Wild Rivers region have come together to form a giving circle with combined resources in order to support local charitable causes and enrich the lives of the members of our community by contributing funds to build and grow cultural, economic, and educational programs within the region. The endowment fund is intended to provide a perpetual annual gift to the region for various projects and programs including those providing support to women, children, seniors, the arts, and economic development. (2008)

### Dr. J. William & Martha Clague Fund



Bill and Martha moved to Eureka in 1958. Bill practiced general thoracic and vascular surgery for over 30 years. Their five children grew up here. Dr. Clague passed away on August 29, 2006. This fund is for a variety of charitable purposes. (1997)

### Patrick Cleary & Cat Koshkin Fund for Positive Change



Just like the music they play together, Cat Koshkin and Patrick Cleary love Humboldt County and feel blessed to call this place home. Cat is a retired estate planning attorney. Over her career she helped many

clients with charitable giving. She is also a skilled horseperson and animal rights activist. Patrick is the former executive director of Humboldt Area Foundation and continues to work here. He has had a long business career, first on Wall Street and locally in radio and media, as well as a management professional and advisor helping business turnarounds. Both have served on the boards of many nonprofit organizations and as volunteers. Cat and Patrick established this fund to facilitate giving during their lifetime and as a gift for future generations. The fund's purpose is to support animal causes, music education, and the Opportunity Fund. (2017)

### The Coastal Grove Charter School Pioneer Class Scholarship Fund



Fulfilling a lifelong vision of founder Bettina Eipper, Waldorf methods-inspired Coastal Grove Charter School opened its doors to its first class of kindergarten students in a single room on the campus of Sunset School in September of 2002. The majority of this extraordinary Pioneer Class, as it came to be known, remained at Coastal Grove under the guidance of their teacher Carlotta Clark until their eighth grade graduation in June of 2011, when the school had grown to a full K–8 located on the former Bloomfield campus. This fund was established by Lisa McCombs, whose daughter Morgan Brown is a member of the Pioneer Class, to coincide with the class's high school graduation in 2015. The scholarship is awarded annually to high school seniors who graduate from Coastal Grove and who demonstrate leadership in the school's principles of "Head, Heart, Hands." (2015)

### Coastal Grove Class of 2020 College Scholarship Legacy Fund

Established by the Coastal Grove Charter School class of 2020 to support graduates of Coastal Grove Charter School to pursue their educational goals at a university, college or trade school. (2020)

### Madeline Rose Coker Memorial Scholarship Fund



Madeline Rose Coker, born on May 8, 1987, enjoyed life with her parents, Rebecca Coker and Arlen "Shag" Coker, and her many friends until her time was cut short in a tragic car accident on June 22, 2006. Maddie touched the lives of many people, living in the present moment and delighting in making others laugh. She was generous and kind-hearted, a defender of those in the position of the underdog, a true friend to her friends, a lover of people, animals, music, and team sports. Maddie loved to create scrapbooks, collages, and journals, saving reminders of special times in photos and words. She wrote once: "I always knew one day I'd look back and laugh at the things that made me cry. I never knew I'd also cry one day at the things that had made me laugh." Her friends and family remember Maddie with the creation of two funds: one to support a

variety of charitable purposes in southern Humboldt and the second to provide a scholarship to graduates of South Fork High School. (2006)

### Cole Family Fund



This fund was established by Donn and Judy Cole and Mick and Janice (Cole) Miller to honor our parents G. Milton (Coley) and Gladys Cole, and our grandparents George Jacob and Edith Cole, and William and Georgiana Allen, pioneers of our area. The purpose of the fund is to support the efforts of CASA in Humboldt County. (2017)

### College of the Redwoods Foundation Investment Fund



The mission of the College of the Redwoods Foundation is to support the educational programs of the Redwoods Community College District by soliciting and receiving gifts, dispensing funds to assist students, and promoting the general welfare of the college. The foundation supports the college by managing endowments and scholarship funds for the benefit of the college and its students. (2015)

### Community Assistance League Community Health Fund

Supports organizations that benefit the health of the citizens of Del Norte County. (2021)

### Patricia Condon Seal Memorial Fund

This fund was established by the estate of William and Evelyn Condon in memory of their daughter Patricia. It is for the benefit the work of Heart of the Redwoods Community Hospice. (2018)

### Paul Conner Memorial Fund



This scholarship was established to honor the life of Paul M. Conner, a Humboldt County resident since 1922 who worked for 25 years at Arcata High School as counselor, coach, and later as vice principal. Paul also acted in sixteen plays and was an extra in four movies. He devoted himself to the physical and mental development of the Arcata wrestling team and was inducted into the California Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2005 for his years of service to the Arcata wrestling team. In appreciation for Paul's kindness, advocacy, insight, and respect for students during his career at Arcata High School, this scholarship will be awarded to a graduating Arcata High School senior who submits a supplementary essay demonstrating their breadth, potential, and courage to contribute uniquely. This fund hopes to encourage students who, when faced with divergent paths, seek to follow the path less traveled to make a difference. (2017)

### Conservation Unlimited Internship Fund



The Conservation Unlimited Student Internship will annually support a Cal Poly Humboldt undergraduate student as a summer biological intern stationed at the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge. The selected intern will assist refuge staff during biological monitoring, wetland management activities and will collaborate with other refuge interns on conservation-oriented projects. Conservation Unlimited Alumni Association (CUAA) has established this student internship in memory of Dr. Stanley "Doc" Harris. As a renowned ornithologist and professor at Cal Poly Humboldt, Doc was a legendary mentor for generations of wildlife students who are now leaders in natural resource conservation throughout the United States. This internship not only commemorates Doc's legacy but also advances his vision of providing undergraduates with immersive, hands-on learning experiences. (2023)

### Cooperative Community Fund



The Cooperative Community Fund (CCF) is a permanent endowment established and directed by members of the North Coast Cooperative, which awards grants to support projects and the work of community organizations in Humboldt County. Through collaborative grantmaking, the fund seeks to strengthen the community by emphasizing projects and activities that promote democratic cooperative principles, community development, and food security. (1990)

### Corbett Student Leadership Award



This annual award established by Kathryn L. Corbett is to recognize outstanding contributions of student leaders to the quality of community life in Humboldt and Del Norte. Enrolled students at accredited Humboldt County and Del Norte County high schools, College of the Redwoods, and Humboldt State University are eligible. Recognition of leadership contributions that enrich the community and its people is the aim of the award. Community may consist of school, neighborhood, city, town, or county. Kathryn Corbett passed away in January of 2016 at the age of 99. (2007)

### Sandra Nancy Corcoran Memorial Fund



Sandra Corcoran, a community leader, beloved friend of many, and an inveterate Democrat, helped shape the political landscape of the region throughout the 1980s and 1990s. She held a degree in geography from HSU and maintained a lifelong passion for travel and world history. She worked with Assemblyman Dan Hauser, held elected office in McKinleyville, and dedicated herself to many projects that improved the lives of those less fortunate. She had a quiet countenance and extraordinary ability to engage in interesting conversations with everyone she



met. She was a voracious reader and an ardent collector of antique glass, political ephemera, and many other treasures. It was her desire that her estate, including her valuable collections, benefit the community she loved. This fund was established by Sandra to benefit Humboldt Library Foundation, Northcoast Environmental Center, Clarke Museum, Redwood Community Action Agency Trails Program, and local organizations that support animal rescue and shelter. (2011)

### Cottrell Family Memorial Scholarship Fund



C. Graham Cottrell was raised with his two younger sisters on the Cottrell Ranch in Bridgeville, Humboldt County. While growing up there, he learned a respect for the beauty of the land and the abundance of natural resources available. The Cottrell family established this fund at the request of C. Graham Cottrell as a memorial honoring their parents—Everett M. Cottrell and Barbara G. Cottrell—and their aunt—Helen Cottrell Larson—for their love and generosity. Funds were contributed by the estates of C. Graham Cottrell (deceased on October 23, 2014), Carolyn Cottrell Willits (deceased January 12, 2012), Cynthia Cottrell Rees, and a number of caring friends of Graham. It was Graham's wish that any student receiving a scholarship from this fund keep in mind the importance of protecting our natural resources while working in harmony with landowners who strive to do the same. (2014)

### Coulson Family Fund



The Coulson Family Fund was established in 2013 by Betty and Walter Coulson and their children. Walter got his start in logging and loved the industry. The Coulson Family Fund supports charitable work in our region by addressing changing needs as they arise. (2013)

### Crescent City Historical Preservation Cemetery Fund



Our county's citizens are getting older and their loved ones want a beautiful resting place for them. The Crescent City Cemetery has at times been in disrepair due to poor funding for maintenance. There are currently four organizations operating at the cemetery: Catholic Church, Odd Fellows, Masonic Lodge, and the Del Norte Veterans. All donations go toward maintaining the appearance of the whole cemetery as needed. (2016)

### Helen G. Crozier Scholarship Fund

Originally from Montana, Helen Crozier came to Fortuna as a young adult to teach math at Fortuna High School for more than 30 years. Helen loved playing Scrabble, completing jigsaw puzzles, and watching college basketball. Her love of music led to providing piano lessons for many students, playing as an organist at

several churches, and being actively involved in the umboldt County Community Concert Series. Most of all, Helen loved to travel, keeping track of her trips on a wall map with pins marking the many places she visited. Helen stayed in touch with many of her students and enjoyed their visits and letters after her retirement. This endowment fund will provide a scholarship for graduates of Fortuna High as they continue their education. (2002)

### Joseph P. Cruz Memorial Fund



Anne Souza Cruz, upon her passing on January 15, 2004, established this fund in memory of her late husband, Joseph P. Cruz. Joseph and Anne were totally devoted to the Little League Baseball program. Income from this fund is used for the support and betterment of the Arcata Little League. (2005)

### Cultural Heritage Fund

This donor-advised fund supports arts and culture through community organizations such as libraries, museums, and art centers. (2013)

### Ernie Cunningham Memorial Scholarship Fund



Ernie Cunningham became one of the first teachers and the first athletic coach at St. Bernard's High School. Ernie was a Humboldt County native and graduated from Eureka High School and HSU, where he played basketball and earned a master's degree. His career included St. Bernard's and Arcata high schools, where he was an English teacher, varsity basketball and football coach, school counselor, and dean of students. Ernie later became an administrator for the Eureka City Schools. He was elected to the halls of fame at St. Bernard's and Arcata high schools, as well as at HSU. During his coaching career, his teams won 20 CIF championships, of which 10 were undefeated. Ernie touched the lives of many students and athletes by setting an example as a kind, fair, and understanding teacher and coach. His family established this scholarship to be awarded to an incoming freshman at St. Bernard's High School. (2009)

### Curry Health Network Equipment Fund



Curry Health Network consists of their hospital, Curry General Hospital, and a series of clinics in Brookings, Gold Beach, and Port Orford, OR. It also includes their well-equipped new clinic setting at Curry Medical Center in Brookings. This fund has been set up to support the procurement of new equipment for the hospital and its outlying clinics. (2012)

### Richard Hanson & Bonnie Cushman Memorial Fund



Richard Hanson and his sister Bonnie (Hanson) Cushman were lifelong residents of Fort Dick. They both loved people and served the community in their own ways. Bonnie was always very proud of Richard's many years of service as chief of the Fort Dick Volunteer Fire Department. This fund was set up in their honor to continue lifting up the community they loved by supporting the bravery and dedication of the Fort Dick Volunteer Fire Department. The fund will aid them in acquiring new machinery and equipment, maintaining their buildings, and other such needs that arise. (2016)



### Nelo Dal Porto Memorial Fund



Nelo was born in Arcata. He was a businessman who owned and operated North Town 5 & 10 Cent Store, Hutchins Grocery, and 4th Street Market & Deli. He loved the San Francisco Giants and the 49ers. He also enjoyed going to the Ferndale Fair and the horse races. He loved his place in Willow Creek with his family and many friends. He belonged to St. Mary's Church, Sons of Italy, and the Italian Catholic Federation. He belonged to the North Arcata Kiwanis Club for 25 years. On January 6, 1940, he married the love of his life, Lena, at St. Peter and Paul church in North Beach, San Francisco. He was married close to 67 years. Nelo had 2 children, Michael and Diana, 8 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. He served in the navy in WWII from 1944 to 1946 in the Pacific Theater. (2007)

### Dalianes Kids 'n' Cancer Fund



Thanos "Art" and Marguerite Dalianes established this fund in memory of Thanos' parents. His father Gust Dalianes was a native of Greece and a 38-year resident of Humboldt County. His mother Eugenia was born in Asia Minor and passed away in May of 1997. This fund supports Camp for Kids 'n' Cancer and the All Saints Orthodox Camp in Arizona and is under the auspices of the Greek Orthodox Church. (1983)

### Marguerite L. "Tini" & General William T. Daly Funds



Marguerite L. "Tini" and General William T. Daly established three funds to provide perpetual support of institutions to which they have been committed throughout their years together in Humboldt County. These funds are the Tini Daly Humane Society Fund, the Tini Daly Clarke Memorial Museum Fund, and the General William T. Daly HSU Scholarship Fund. Tini Daly passed away on March 3, 2004. General Daly passed away on September 10, 2008. (1994)

### Dancing Yak Fund



The Dancing Yak Fund was established to provide financial support to social service agencies and programs that assist individuals with making meaningful choices in their lives. Every individual regardless of their circumstances should have the right to make important decisions about themselves and about how they live. Sometimes they just need a little help, whether through education, assistance with medical care, housing or food, or any other program that can give them the tools they need to make those important choices. In addition, some funding will be available to assist with providing medical care for companion animals. (2011)

### Joseph E. Davey Memorial Fund



Joseph Davey was a nearly-native of Humboldt County, born in Colorado but residing in Eureka from an early age. He attended St. Bernard schools, College of the Redwoods, and graduated from HSU. Joe enjoyed watching and playing several sports. In his young adulthood, he discovered soccer and it became his passion. He played in co-ed adult leagues for many years and, when his children came of soccer-playing age, he coached. After his sons moved on to advanced levels of play, Joe continued to coach youth teams. Joe was witness to the difference that the team sport experience can make in a child's life and strived to make every child a success. The Joseph E. Davey Memorial Fund provides funding for children whose family financial circumstances make it difficult for them to participate in organized youth soccer. Preference is given to children in foster care. Funds may be used for league fees, equipment, and travel expenses. Joseph Davey passed away from cancer in 2017. (2018)

### David's Haunted Manor Scholarship Fund



David's Haunted Manor Scholarship Fund was created to support education to Del Norte County residents. Many of our volunteers are youth who go on to

higher education. We hope to provide support to anyone in Del Norte who is trying to further their education. (2023)

### James C. & June L. Gonion Davis Memorial Fund



Jim Davis was born in Brainerd, MN, but grew up in Blue Lake and Eureka, CA. He graduated from Eureka High School and served in the WWII US Army Air Corps. He was a hairstylist/barber from 1947 to 1985. He enjoyed many friends and customers over the years. This fund was established by Jim's wife, June Gonion Davis, retired high school English teacher and exercise instructor of 35 years for Eureka Adult School. This fund is to be used for Companion Animals and Bless the Beasts, as well as other deserving animal shelters. (2011)

### Mary Davison Memorial Fund



Mary Davison was born on October 1, 1893, in Denmark. When she was 12 years old her family immigrated to the Eureka area. She married John W. Davison of Orick on January 3, 1916. They had one child, Marian. Except for a few years in Orick, the family lived in Eureka where Mary devoted her life to her family and her home. She loved her garden and was a talented artist. Mary also had a great love for children, and the neighborhood children were all her friends. When Mary died on February 21, 1985, at the age of 92, her daughter Marian established this fund in her memory to benefit youth. (1985)

### Don & Susan Dean Scholarship Fund



Susan was a loving wife, mother, teacher, and friend. She taught kindergarten and first grade at Hydesville School for over 30 years. Susan's friendly smile and demeanor were her trademark. She always modeled the highest standards whether in or out of the classroom. Her contributions to her family, friends, school, and community will continue to be an inspiration to all who had the honor and pleasure to know her. Don taught grades 3-8 for 34 years in the McKinleyville Union School District. He enjoyed his contact and interaction with the students and staff throughout his teaching career. Don desires to give back recognition to the students of MUSD. (2024)

### William Foley DeBoice Memorial Fund



This fund is to provide books on CD, tape, large print books, and other resources for the visually challenged, and in particular, resources in the field of US History, Abraham Lincoln, and the Civil War. It was established

by family and friends to remember Bill, an avid history buff who pursued his interests throughout his life in spite of failing eyesight. He was born in Clinton, IL, grew up in Springfield, IL, and served in China during WWII. After the war he graduated from the University of Illinois and moved from Illinois to Southern California where he worked in electronics and was part of the early development of today's microprocessors. He moved to McKinleyville when he retired and spent the remainder of his life pursuing his interests in history, politics, and gardening. (2004)

### Tony Del Grande Memorial Scholarship Fund



After graduating from HSU and receiving his teaching credential in 1967, Tony was hired to teach social studies at Zoe Barnum High School in Eureka, his career home for the next 37 years. Through generations of students, Tony was a constant. Tony's love and respect for his students showed in all he did. He endeavored to guide them as he did his own daughters. He believed in the right of all students to a quality education. When they left his class each knew that they would always be in his heart. Tony received numerous awards including the Jean Olsen Career Achievement Award, Teacher of the Year, the Humboldt County Excellence in Teaching Award, and the Outstanding Teacher Award. Charles Anthony "Tony" Del Grande passed away on April 9, 2004, at age 61. This scholarship was established to honor Tony's life and to continue his efforts on behalf of Zoe Barnum students. (2004)

### Del Norte Area Fund

Del Norte Area Fund was established in 1988 with an initial gift provided by the late George and Millie Merriman. It was their hope that a foundation patterned after Humboldt Area Foundation could be established for Del Norte County. Fund income is designated for projects in the Del Norte area. (1988)

### Del Norte Area Youth Fund



This advised endowment fund, a component fund of the Del Norte Area Fund, was established with proceeds from the Kid Town project in Crescent City. It is intended to provide support for projects related to youth throughout Del Norte County. (2001)

### Del Norte Child Care Council Fund



The Del Norte Child Care Council is a private nonprofit corporation established in 1980. Its mission is to provide and support services that promote and encourage quality care, education, and healthy growth and development of all children and families in the Wild Rivers community. The agency provides childcare, referrals to services, childcare training, school age and preschool childcare



centers, traffic safety and car seat training, and supervised visitation and other child abuse prevention activities. The council is governed by a volunteer board of directors and audited annually. Contributions to this fund will assist the council in expanding and supporting its activities and services to the children of the Wild Rivers community. (2005)

Del Norte County Historical Society Fund



Del Norte County Historical Society was established in 1951 by a group of citizens who wanted to record the rich history of Crescent City and Del Norte County. In 1965 the Society opened its museum in downtown Crescent City and took over operation and maintenance of Battery Point Lighthouse for the county through an agreement with the US Coast Guard. The board of the historical society set up a fund with Wild Rivers Community Foundation in 2006 to bolster support for these and related efforts. The fund provides support for the museum’s research facility and the ongoing operations of both the museum and the lighthouse. Other financial support for the Society's efforts comes in the form of volunteer labor, memberships, entrance fees, and sales of books and other items at both facilities. (2006)

Del Norte Physicians’ Recruitment & Retention Fund



This fund was started in 2007 by several community-minded businesses, organizations and individuals. It was established with the goal of promoting health care in Del Norte County by recruiting and ultimately retaining physicians for this area. (2007)

Del Norte County Public Library Discretionary Fund

The Del Norte County Public Library Discretionary Fund provides general support to the library to enhance learning and ensure access to information throughout the library’s service area. This fund was established to enable the board of directors for the library, as fund advisors, to explore new ways to advance the library’s mission. (2006)

Del Norte Library Foundation Fund



The foundation was established in 1997 to ensure that the Del Norte Library will continue to meet the needs of the community in the future. Income from this endowment directly supports the library by purchasing needed items and enhancing library services. (1997)

Del Norte Senior Center Endowment Fund



The Del Norte Senior Center Endowment Fund was established as a means of supplementing the funds received by the Del Norte Senior Center from federal and state grants in order to carry out its programs for Del Norte County seniors. The ultimate goal of the endowment fund is to ensure the long-term continuation and expansion of the many life-enriching and supporting programs for seniors through the senior center. The programs involve the three essential elements of healthy living for seniors: nutrition, health maintenance and socialization. This planned giving program will support the senior center in providing these services for generations to come. (2005)

Delia Scholarship



This scholarship, to be awarded for the first time in 2021, is for Humboldt County high school graduates or continuing college students who are studying poetry, creative writing or the visual arts. Priority is given to Indigenous/Native students and other students of color. (2019)

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Pi Chapter, Scholarship Fund



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honor society of women educators. The society, including the local Epsilon Pi chapter, promotes the professional and personal growth of its members and excellence in education. The purpose of this scholarship fund is to recruit future teachers by awarding scholarships or "recruitment grants" to students who are well advanced in their teacher preparation education. (2000)

Maritess Faith Demoret Memorial Fund



Originally from Pensacola, FL, Tess moved to Gasquet, CA in 2009 with her husband Robert Sewell. A deeply spiritual person, she had a strong connection with the natural world and a profound impact on the lives of the many people who loved her. Tess planned on returning to school to earn her MSW before she passed away in an auto accident at the age of 31. It was her dream to help children who are abused and create a kinder, more loving world. This fund was established to carry on her dreams and protect the children who cannot protect themselves. Please help us honor her memory and carry on her dreams by helping this very righteous cause. (2011)

Dick Denbo & Julia Martin Denbo Memorial Fund



Dick Denbo served 20 years as manager of the Eureka Chamber of Commerce, providing enthusiasm and leadership that encouraged a prosperous economy. Dick can be credited for miles of new highway, the dredging of our harbor, the building of the Samoa Bridge, and the renovation of the Sequoia Park Zoo. Dick served during WWII as a major in the Chaplains Corps 38th Combat Infantry. This is where he met and later married Julia Martin Conroy. Julia was serving in the US Army Nurse Corps, reaching the rank of second lieutenant. At war’s end, Julia launched her brilliant 30-year teaching career with Eureka City Schools. She had a love of teaching. Her ability to connect with students was recognized when she was elected Teacher of the Year. She was an inspirational teacher who will not soon be forgotten. Dick passed in 1980 and Julia passed in 2011. Fund income benefits Hospice of Humboldt. (1980)

Disaster Assistance to Nonprofits Fund



The Humboldt County Disaster Assistance to Nonprofits Fund (DANF) was endorsed by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors on May 29, 2014, as a new administrative structure for receiving and disbursing disaster relief funds at times of declared disasters for Humboldt County’s nonprofit organizations. This fund was originally called the Disaster Relief Fund, created by the Board of Supervisors after the 1992 earthquakes. Four local organizations—Humboldt Area Foundation, United Way of the Wine Country, Humboldt County Administrative Office, and the Sheriff’s Office of Emergency Services—have been working together to create the new Disaster Assistance for Nonprofits Fund (DANF). DANF provides a way to accept a large volume of donations from the local community and afar to support local organizations, such as Humboldt Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, with their critical response efforts. (2014)

Disc Golf Development Fund



The Disc Golf Development Fund was created by Par Infinity Disc Golf Club to promote and cultivate the sport of disc golf in Humboldt County. Disc golf is a sport that can be enjoyed by a wide variety of people. As the popularity of the sport grows worldwide we will continue its growth locally as well. In doing so, the bounty of free and accessible recreational opportunities in the county will increase. This will be accomplished through the three goals of the fund: 1. Promote and create youth disc golf programs and events. 2. Encourage and fund local course development. 3. Purchase property for a disc golf course/complex. (2013)

Donor Circle Fund



The Donor Circle is an anonymous gathering of residents with an above average ability to give. We are dedicated to exploring responsible philanthropy in a world of widening racial, gender, and economic inequities. We are also dedicated to using our collectively donated funds to more effectively impact the root causes of poverty, hunger, and lack of opportunity for children, families, and elders in Humboldt County. (2018)

L.R. “Doc” Douglas Scholarship Fund

The family of retired veterinarian Dr. Leslie R. Douglas, DVM started this fund in his honor as he completed his term as president of the Ingomar Club. The fund will give scholarships to local students who plan to study veterinary medicine, agriculture, or a related field. Doc Douglas passed away on June 19, 2008. (2005)

Travis McKinley Dow Memorial Scholarship Fund



Travis started his first band The River while at HSU. Graduating in 1994 he married his college sweetheart at Fieldbrook Winery in a storybook wedding. Inspired by the beauty of the area he began writing songs. A prolific and talented singer-songwriter, he won multiple awards, fronted five bands, signed a contract with Jericho Records for his San Francisco band Cal Hollow, and recorded three albums with the Katie Todd Band in Chicago and several original CDs. Travis co-created and penned two albums with Portland’s Concrete Cowboys and wrote the musical theatre piece, Fate of Dreams, with Will Foreman, sharing his creative quest with others. Cancer took his life on his forty-first birthday. The scholarship enables students to fulfill their dreams of a career in the arts. "Something unique happens when songwriters collaborate—their souls touch, changing things from the ordinary to the sublime." –Travis Dow www.reverbnation.com/travisdow http://www.syntropix.net/travis-dow-a-life-in-music/ (2013)

Dow’s Prairie Educational Foundation



The Dow’s Prairie Educational Foundation was established in 1998 by parents and teachers at Dow’s Prairie School in McKinleyville. The purpose of the foundation is to enhance in-depth study of fine arts, sciences, mathematics, social sciences, language arts, and technology at the school. (1998)

Ron Duffy Fund in Memory of Wynston Ashley Jones

Ron’s best friend Wynston of almost 50 years was diagnosed with kidney cancer, and he needed a medical flight from Humboldt to the Stanford Medical Center in Palo Alto for treatment. He could not afford the flight. He looked for financial assistance but was unable to find

any help. After Wynston died in the hospital, Ron made a promise to set up a fund to help others who are in a similar situation. Ron hoped that this fund will help in some small way people who need a medical flight from Humboldt County to medical facilities outside of the area. (2020)

Michael W. Dunkelberger Science Scholarship



The Michael W. Dunkelberger Science Scholarship will support students pursuing a degree in science, with a preference for those studying biology, zoology, herpetology or geology, and/or an interest in teaching science. Open to undergraduate and graduate students who graduated from high school or got their GED in the HAF+WRCF service region. (2023)

Steve Duscha & Wanda Lee Graves

Supports charitable work, including the performing arts, in HAF+WRCF’s four-county region and beyond. (2020)

Ardyce Dysert Memorial Fund



Ardyce "Ardy" Nadeen Dysert was born December 4, 1929, in Eureka, spending her childhood there, graduating from Eureka High School in 1946, and then marrying George Dysert. Together they had five daughters. In 1965, Ardy left Eureka for Chico and Kneeland before settling in Fortuna and spending 20 years working at Fortuna High School. She developed many meaningful relationships over the years with staff and students, all based on mutual love and respect. Ardy was known for her strength of character and ability to rise above adversity. She was proud of her Norwegian heritage, an avid reader and bridge player, and a lifetime fan of both the Giants and the Rams. This fund was created to honor Ardy at the time of her death on September 2, 2006. It provides scholarships to students graduating from Fortuna High School and an annual grant for students who need season soccer passes and soccer equipment. (2006)

Sylvia East Memorial Fund



This fund has been established in memory of Sylvia East by her family to be used to support things that Sylvia loved. (2018)

George Eastman & Hally F. Pixley Trust

George Eastman created an endowment fund with a testamentary gift as a way to remember his loving mother Hally F. Pixley and to leave his own memorial as well. Each year, grants are made from this fund to Hospice, American Cancer Society, St. Joseph’s Heart Institute, Vector Rehabilitation, and Miranda’s Rescue. George Eastman was born in Eureka on April 16, 1933, to Hally and Phillip Eastman. He graduated from Eureka High School and Humboldt State University in 1955. George taught for six years at McKinleyville and Morris elementary schools and taught math at Jacobs Junior High and Eureka High until 1988. He retired to take care of his mother until she passed away on November 1, 1995. George loved teaching math and his years of teaching and community life left him with many close friends, students, and neighbors. He passed away on October 23, 2002. (2004)

Kevin Ebbert Memorial Fund



Kevin R. Ebbert was born in 1980 and grew up in Arcata. As a boy he loved backpacking, rafting, and drawing. As a young adult he played Ultimate Frisbee, was an accomplished musician, loved learning and was an avid reader. Kevin grew into a caring man who practiced his values, lived by his ideals, and was committed to helping others. Kevin graduated from Arcata High School, received a Bachelor’s degree in music from UC Santa Cruz, and became an active-duty U.S. Navy SEAL and corpsman/medic. He hoped to build on his medical training to pursue a career as a physician. Kevin married Ursula (Jansson) Ebbert in 2011. The couple shared a love of the outdoors and enjoyed family gatherings. Kevin was killed in action in Afghanistan in 2012 while protecting his teammates from an ambush. Funds given in honor of Kevin are donated to We Are Up, an inclusive community offering secure housing, income opportunities and mutual support systems focused on adults living with disabilities, seniors and those providing support services. Inclusive within the We Are Up property are long- and short-term housing for medical professionals that provide services for these underserved populations. This was one of Kevin’s specific desires to support. (2012)

Eco-Cultural Revitalization Fund



This fund is dedicated to program support for Tribal partnerships focusing on eco-cultural revitalization activities. Its focus is to reconnect the hearts, hands, and minds of people to the natural environment. The cultural relationships of indigenous peoples with their ancestral homeland environments are becoming more imperiled with each generation. Indigenous knowledge is founded in practice and belief; without being a component of ecosystem process, the functional role of humans is removed from our landscapes.



Traditional Ecological Knowledge, practice, and belief systems can be revitalized, and it may be our best chance at learning to live with fire in our rural communities once again. It is with great hope this fund will grow to support our work in the western Klamath Mountains and beyond. When you think of water, fish, wildlife, plants, and people in partnership with ecosystem processes and functions, please support this endowment fund. (2016)

### EHS Class of '56 Richard Ames Music Scholarship Fund

A group of classmates of the Eureka High School (EHS) Class of 1956 has established this advised endowment fund to honor Richard Ames for his many years of dedication to the welfare of their class. Income from this fund provides an annual scholarship to an outstanding music student at EHS. (2001)

### EHS Classes of 1941 Scholarship Fund

Eureka High School classes of 1941 established a scholarship fund that will assist a deserving student in furthering his or her college education. (1999)

### Ellis Family Fund



Giving back to this community is a value of the Ellis family. They established this expendable donor-advised fund because the family cares about the children of this community. This fund will help to support programs focused on health, youth, and education in our community. Mark Ellis will be the advisor, assisted by his children Steven and Jessica. They are hoping that gifts from the fund will enhance the already wonderful North Coast. (2016)

### Orvamae Emmerson Endowment Fund



Longtime local resident Orvamae Emmerson was born on August 14, 1916. She left her home in Illinois as a young woman and traveled to San Francisco, finding employment with PG&E. There she met R.H. "Curly" Emmerson and eventually married this "handsome man with silver wavy hair." Orvamae moved with Curley to Arcata where he was involved in the lumber industry. She was a member of Humboldt Sponsors, the Ingomar Club, Baywood Golf & Country Club, and the Cattlemen's Association. Orvamae passed away on December 20, 2006, leaving a generous gift of property to further her charitable intentions. The Orvamae Emmerson Room at Humboldt Area Foundation is available for nonprofit use throughout our region. She noted in her trust that she was especially interested in supporting the Arcata Volunteer Fire Department, the Arcata Police Department, and the treatment and prevention of arthritis and heart disease. (2007)

### Fern Wymore Enke Fund



Fern Enke retired in 1982 after working for 50 years with Matthews Machinery Company. During her employment and retirement, she was an incredible volunteer. She served as chairman and life member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board in Eureka; president and life member of the Soroptimist Club of Eureka; president of the Republican Women's Club of Eureka; chairman of the Humboldt County Republican Central Committee; president of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Eureka and Redwood Empire District. Fern also served on the board of directors for the American Cancer Society, Eureka Chamber of Commerce, Humboldt Humane Society, United Way, Junior Achievement, Redwood Region Conservation Council, Crippled Children's Society of Humboldt, and the Eureka Emblem Club. Fern established this fund in 1983 to assist nonprofit organizations of Humboldt County with the purchase of supplies and small items of equipment. She passed away in January of 1997. (1983)

### EPIC Del Norte Chapter Fund



Del Norte County is worth protecting. From the towering redwoods and cold, clean waters of the coast to the dry, serpentine wild lands of the interior, Del Norte County is verdant and teeming with diverse life. The Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC) advocates for the protection and restoration of Northwest California's wild places and wildlife, using an integrated, science-based approach, combining public education, citizen advocacy, and strategic litigation. EPIC's Del Norte Chapter focuses its energy towards building a grassroots environmental community and engaging decision makers to protect this most remote and pristine corner of California. The EPIC Del Norte Chapter Fund was established in 2020 through a generous donation by Eileen Cooper of Crescent City, a lifelong activist who helped to safeguard Del Norte County. (2020)

### Eureka, California—Nelson, New Zealand Sister Cities Program Fund



The Sister City Program between Eureka and Nelson, New Zealand forges an ongoing, collaborative relationship between peoples of the Humboldt Bay and Tasman Bay areas. Both bay regions were settled in the 1840s–1860s. Recently the economic strength of forestry, fishing, and agriculture—in each region—has been shifting toward cultural tourism, specialty manufacturing, and e-commerce. The primary purpose of the Eureka, CA–Nelson, NZ Sister City program is to share concepts and resources for the enhancement of life quality and the strengthening of global ties. Three areas of emphasis include educational exchanges for all age groups, the pursuit of economic development in both regions, and the exchange and sharing of a full

array of the arts, including literary, textile, visual, performing, electronic/digital, and musical arts. Local schools, colleges, community clubs, business groups, chambers of commerce, arts organizations, and others pair with their "sister" counterpart organization for the enrichment of all involved. (2002)

### Eureka City Schools Foundation



Eureka City Schools has established an educational fund to support its mission of "creating partnerships with the community." Donations to the fund are opportunities to invest in student programs and activities that go above and beyond the ability of the schools to support. Parents, current and retired staff, alumni, and community members may make positive investments by helping to expand educational opportunities for the students of Eureka City Schools. Eureka City Schools operates four elementary schools: Alice Birney, Grant, Lafayette, and Washington; two middle schools: Winship and Zane; three high schools: Eureka High, Humboldt Bay, and Zoe Barnum; as well as the Eureka Adult School and Winzler Children's Center. For more information, go to eureka city schools foundation.org. (2006)

### Eureka Symphony Endowment Fund



Founded in 1991, the Eureka Symphony is a community orchestra dedicated to providing high quality music, performed, supported and appreciated by all ages, bringing enrichment to musicians and our community. To provide this music, the Eureka Symphony brings the finest local musicians together to share the joys and rigors of presenting live symphonic music, giving the community the opportunity to join in this life-changing experience. Outstanding guest artists are featured, often including many who began their professional life on the North Coast. The Eureka Symphony also works hand in hand with the Humboldt County Office of Education to bring students to special live symphony performances and sends small ensembles to local schools so that students can experience the musicians and instruments in their own classrooms. Live classical music makes life better, one note at a time; for players and audiences! The Eureka Symphony Endowment Fund was established in the Symphony's silver anniversary year thanks to the generosity of music lovers who wanted part of their legacy to be a thriving, sustainable orchestra for many years to come. While the Eureka Symphony continues to rely upon ticket sales, small donations, fundraisers and grants to cover the expense of running a regional orchestra and providing its unique educational outreach, this Eureka Symphony Endowment Fund will help ensure the long-term viability of the orchestra and help the Eureka Symphony to refine and expand its ability to serve its community of musicians, audiences, youth and seniors. The Eureka Symphony will be forever grateful to the legacy donors contributing to this fund and their love of the symphony. (2022)

### Eureka Theater Buy-a-Seat Fund



In 1939, the Eureka Theater opened its doors to a community enchanted by this ultra-modern movie palace. The Buy-a-Seat Fund supports the restoration of the theater to its Streamline Moderne architectural glory. The theater reopened in 2000 as the Eureka Concert and Film Center, a nonprofit organization run entirely by volunteers dedicated to providing a space for film, live music, and events celebrating local arts and culture. The theater has partnered with local businesses, nonprofit organizations, elementary schools, and community organizations to host a variety of special events. With its spacious auditorium and lively dance floor, the Eureka Theater is an annual venue for the Redwood Coast Music Festival. To top it off, the theater features a monthly program of classic films. This fund supports the revitalization of the historic Eureka Theater. (2014)

### Evergreen Lodge Fund

This fund was established in 1989 to assist with the construction and operation of Evergreen Lodge in Eureka. This facility provides a home away from home for cancer patients and their families or special friends as they undergo extensive medical treatment at local health care facilities. (1989)



### Fern Cottage Fund



Fern Cottage House Museum is our local history museum displaying a collection of artifacts and other objects of artistic, cultural, and historical importance to the Eel River Valley and Humboldt County. Fern Cottage Historic House Museum makes this available for public viewing through permanent or temporary exhibits during regular hours throughout the year. The mission of Fern Cottage Foundation is to provide a solid financial basis to preserve, maintain, and promote Fern Cottage Historic House Museum through expanded community awareness and involvement, increased educational opportunities, and celebration of its historic value. (2017)

### Ferndale Museum Memorial Fund



The purpose of the Ferndale Museum, as an historical and educational museum, is to foster an appreciation and understanding of the culture and heritage of Ferndale, the lower Eel River Valley, and the area as far south as the Mattole River Valley. These

objectives are to be achieved through the collection, preservation, and display of artifacts that pertain to or were used by the residents of the area. The museum will conduct research and publish material of an historical nature for the education and interest of residents and visitors. Memorial and honorary gifts to this discretionary fund are used for special needs such as acquisitions, equipment, or projects. (1998)

### William F. Ferroggiaro, Jr. Fellowship for Teen Leadership



A portion of Humboldt Area Foundation's Scholars' Fund was renamed and redirected to honor William F. Ferroggiaro, Jr., a highly respected and much-loved Superior Court judge who died in 1997. Judge Ferroggiaro worked tirelessly from his position to improve conditions for the less fortunate on the North Coast, most often children and teenagers, demonstrating how the influence and power of the court could contribute to community-wide improvement. His direction and support helped the teen center in Eureka become a reality. A man of tremendous integrity who was into his third term as superior court judge when he died, Judge Ferroggiaro was known as a great humanitarian. His influence was profound and far reaching. The fund's purpose is to support the further development of character and leadership qualities in teens. Grants are awarded to area teens who have provided exceptional service to the community. (1997)

### G. Russell Field Scholarship Trust Fund



G. Russell "Russ" Field, a photographer for the US Navy and a longtime resident of Smith River, died on February 10, 1998, leaving his estate to Humboldt Area Foundation for the creation of the G. Russell Field Scholarship Trust Fund. As a memorial endowment fund, the annual net income provides scholarship awards to graduating seniors of Del Norte High School planning to attend four-year accredited colleges or universities and pursue courses of study in fields other than theology and chiropractic medicine. His trustee, Joan Field, confirmed that Russ denied himself a great deal in order to be able to create this fund to help young people, "our hope for the future." (1999)

### Fieldbrook Educational Foundation Fund



The Fieldbrook Educational Foundation Fund (FEF Fund) is dedicated to enhancing the educational environment of the Fieldbrook School community. The FEF facilitates charitable giving and raises funds to support classroom teachers and their curricula, to supplement existing school programs, to develop and implement plans for playground improvements for school and community use, and to support programs that provide educational enrichment for the residents of Fieldbrook. The FEF Fund continues to grow through generous contributions from parents, teachers, students, friends, and residents of Fieldbrook and through fundraising events and pledge drives. (1996)

### Penny E. Figas Future Physician Scholarship Fund



The Humboldt/Del Norte County Medical Society, component of the California Medical Association, was founded in 1886 to represent physicians on the north coast. The purposes of the Society are to promote the science and art of medicine, the care and well-being of physicians, the protections of the public health, and the interests of the medical profession; to cooperate with other organizations of like purposes; and unite with similar societies in the State of California as component societies of the California Medical Association. Humboldt and Del Norte Counties have always faced issues with recruitment and retention, and is committed to programs that help develop pipelines for future physicians interested in living and working in our beautiful area. Hoping to build this fund into an Endowment Fund and be sustainable into the future, this fund was created as another way physicians and our community can be involved in helping to recruit and retain physicians here on the North Coast. The scholarship was renamed Penny E. Figas Future Physician Scholarship Fund in honor of her 45 ½ years of dedicated service as Executive Director of the Humboldt-Del Norte County Medical Society (1978-2023) and her commitment to physician workforce development. (2023)

### Irene E. Finney Memorial Fund



Irene E. Finney was born in Boston on August 16, 1911, moving to Portland at age 2 and spent most of her younger years in the Northwest. At age 19, she found herself in Eureka, employed as an usherette for the George Mann Theater. During WWII, Irene moved to Long Beach. There she met and married Paul J. Finney. After the war, the couple moved to Eureka, where Irene was employed for 21 years by the Division of Highways, now known as Caltrans. She passed away at age 89 in March of 2001. Because of her love and concern for animals, Irene established this endowment fund with a bequest. Fund income provides ongoing support for the Sequoia Humane Society of Humboldt County, an organization in which Irene was active for more than 25 years. (2001)

### First 5 Humboldt Fund



First 5 Humboldt's mission is to work with families and communities to promote comprehensive, integrated systems to foster secure, healthy and loving children eager to learn and ready to develop their full potential. Our goal is that First 5 Humboldt serve as a catalyst of sustained positive change for children 0-5 and their families into the future. First 5 Humboldt focuses on fostering systems change that integrates principles of primary prevention and early intervention in public policy; family, professional and community capacity to promote the optimal development of children; and the health and well-being of young children and their families. The First 5 Humboldt Fund



will help sustain First 5 Humboldt's work in promoting successful strategies for the benefit of Humboldt's youngest children, their families, and our community. (2007)

### Marjorie Fitzpatrick Cookbook Scholarship Fund

HSU Youth Education Services (YES) has volunteers working in community-based programs that serve local youth, seniors, low-income families, and disabled persons. This fund was established in 1985 by the YES Fiscal Wellness Committee with the publication of 'A Taste of Humboldt,' a cookbook offering local ethnic diversity and historic heritage. Proceeds have created this endowment to provide financial aid to volunteer YES student program directors. (1985)

### 'Aa-wok Troy Fletcher Memorial Scholarship Fund



'Aa-wok Troy Fletcher was a remarkable Yurok leader and champion for causes important to the Yurok people and culture. He filled many roles in his work with the Yurok Tribe, from starting his career as a fisheries biologist counting fish in the Klamath River, to directing the Fisheries Department as it developed the technical and policy expertise to protect Tribal fishing rights, to helping to guide the Tribe through difficult natural resource issues impacting Tribal water and fishing rights, to leading the Tribe as its executive director. His tireless work to restore the Klamath River and its fishery resources, in all of these roles, was an inspiration to all around him. His vision and leadership brought together diverse partners, built new management relationships, and established a bold and innovative vision for Yurok ancestral territory. The purpose of this scholarship is to further 'Aa-wok Troy's vision for the Yurok people: promoting education of Yurok tribal members in the field of natural resources. (2016)

### Flynn Family Fund

Established by Tim Flynn, a member of the St. Bernard's High School class of 1968 and a founder of ValuJet Airlines, this advised fund benefits St. Bernard's High. The board of directors of St. Bernard's High will act as advisors, recommending distributions from this expendable fund. 10% of the fund has been designated specifically for the school's golf and wrestling programs. (1998)

### Follow Your Heart Fund

To follow one's heart is often difficult, terrifying, yet most often, infinitely rewarding. In 1999, Jenna MacFarlane relocated to Humboldt County in search of a hiatus from the fast-paced urban world to pursue personal goals. One of those goals was completion of her baccalaureate degree, which happened by mid-2002. Continuing her education had been a dream since her mid-twenties. MacFarlane wrote, "To interrupt my career, my 'place' in life, took some doing. Challenges aside, the degree has

exponentially enhanced my life and created a yearning to pass along opportunity to other women with a similar dream." Jenna's endowment fund supports female students attending College of the Redwoods who wish to take the grand leap of faith into life's pool of opportunity. (2021)

### Food for People Fund



Food for People is dedicated to eliminating hunger and improving the health and well-being of our community. Food for People reaches 12,000 low-income community members countywide each month through its 18 hunger relief programs that focus on child and senior hunger, food assistance, local food recovery, fresh produce, community education, advocacy, outreach and more. This fund was created to help Food for People attain its vision of a community where no one is hungry and everyone in Humboldt County has access to good quality, nutritious food. Each one of us has a role to play in creating a strong, healthy community. This fund was created by a Food for People board member in honor of all the wonderful Food for People volunteers—volunteers who are creating the change they want to see in the world. (2007)

### Jackie Foote Memorial Fund



Jacalyn (Jackie) Foote was born and raised in Marin County, California. She attended the University of Redlands and graduated cum laude from Boston University in 1970. Highlights of college included a semester abroad in Salzburg, Austria, participating in the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, and achieving finalist's rank in a national Hearst Photojournalism Competition. Jackie married Willard Foote and they moved to Humboldt County in 1980. Besides being a creative and enthusiastic mother to her children Adam and Rachel, Jackie contributed leadership skills to community organizations including the American Association of University Women, League of Women Voters, Arcata Elementary School Board of Trustees, and Humboldt Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. For 14 years, Jackie was involved in Arcata High School's Career and College Center. She treasured the opportunity to assist young people in planning their futures. Jackie passed away on March 22, 2008. This fund supports Arcata High School's Career and College Center. (2008)

### Brayden Allen Ford Foundation



Brayden Allen Ford was blessed to be born in a family full of love. He was a beautiful, innocent baby boy with wispy blond hair, deep brown eyes, and a smile that lit up any room. This irresistible smile was sometimes mischievous, earning him the nickname "Little Monster" as he moved on to make mess after mess! Brayden enjoyed a short but very happy life from October 23, 2007, to September 19, 2008, with an extended family that began with his parents, Travis &

Renee Ford, his brother Jeran, his paternal grandparents La Verne & Tim Ford, and his maternal grandparents, Linda & Fred Sundquist, who created this endowment fund in his memory. Members of the family will serve as advisors to the fund, deciding together which charitable purposes they want to support each year in remembrance of this special little boy. (2008)

### Katherine Lucille Forsyth Ford Memorial Fund



Katherine, a native and lifelong resident of Humboldt County, was a major participant in the family-controlled logging and livestock companies. Established in 1990 by the Ford family. (2024)

### Nancy Forrest Theater Arts Endowment Fund

This fund was created with an initial gift from the MiaBo Foundation Fund to support theater arts activities at local schools. The fund is named in honor of Nancy Forrest, the drama coach and inspirational leader of Equinox School's theater arts program. (1999)

### Fortuna Elementary School District Arts & Music Fund



This fund is to be used for programs, instruction, activities, or field trips that encourage, teach, or explore all areas of the arts: music, dance, drawing, painting, writing and drama. All programs, instruction or field trips supported by this fund are for the enrichment of students enrolled in the Fortuna Elementary School District. These funds are to be used for students enrolled at Ambrosini Elementary, South Fortuna Elementary, Fortuna Middle School and Toddy Thomas Middle School. (2019)

### Fortuna United Methodist Church Endowment Fund



The Fortuna United Methodist Church Endowment Fund was established as a vehicle for members and friends of this church to contribute toward its long-term financial health. Each year the appropriate church committee determines how the interest income from the endowment is used to further the mission of the church. The purpose of the fund is to give the church a continuing source of financial support for activities and projects that are not within the general church budget. Individuals and families may add to the fund at any time by pledge, cash, or inclusion of the fund in their estate plans. (2021)

### Alfred "Al" Foster Memorial Fund



Alfred Andrew Foster was born in Eureka on June 28, 1914, to Andrew and Hilda Foster. Growing up in Eureka and Trinidad with his beloved grandparents Jack and Kitty Jackson, he acquired a lifelong passion for music and dancing. He attended Arcata High School, leaving after his grandfather's death to work at ranches in the area, exposing him to the traditions and foods of Portuguese, Italian, and other cultures. Al worked for Hammond Lumber Company and retired from Simpson Timber Company in 1979. He was a member of the Moose Lodge and the Friendship Circle. "Alfredo," as many friends called him, loved dancing fast to Dixieland jazz and swing. He and his partner Lena enjoyed Dixieland jazz festivals, but appreciated the Eureka Dixieland Jazz Festival most. He enjoyed good food, animals, and the love of many friends. This fund supports Sequoia Humane Society and the Eureka High School music program. (2006)

### Fox Family Fund



Larry and Brooke Fox developed this fund out of appreciation for Christian education and Christian arts. They are thankful for the academic and life skills training their five sons received at Arcata Christian School. As their sons have continued to practice Biblical principles in their adult lives, they have been a blessing in other countries, here in the US, and in their respective communities through their music, good counsel, and example. Larry and Brooke have also seen the value of excellent artistic expression that reflects God and gives glory back to Him. They want to assist programs of excellence, such as the Messiah School of the Arts, that have so positively affected the members of the community, both young and old. (2003)

### John & Barbara Francek Memorial Fund



John and Barbara Francek moved from Manhattan Beach to the banks of the Eel River in Southern Humboldt in 1972. John enjoyed a long career testing aircraft for the Department of Transportation while Barbara traveled as a stewardess for Western Airlines. Lifelong volunteers, the Franceks contributed to their community in a variety of roles, including John's ten years as bookkeeper for the Healy Senior Center. Barbara served for 12 years as a member of the board for Heart of the Redwoods Community Hospice and then as a member of the Cedar Street Senior Apartments, Inc. Board of Directors. Barbara died on April 29, 2001. John died on May 28, 2003. The Francecks created this discretionary field of interest fund with the

remainder from their charitable remainder trust. Income will be used for charitable purposes in Southern Humboldt. (2003)

### Alice Nelson Franks Scholarship Fund

Mrs. Franks established this fund in memory of her parents—A.C. Nelson and Marie Teichgraber Nelson, and her late brothers and sisters—Walter Nelson, Emma Cathey, Frank Nelson, Mabel See, and Anne Sorenson. Scholarships are available to Humboldt County high school seniors and previous graduates who have been away from school for at least five years. Recipients must have a parent or grandparent who attended a Humboldt County high school. (1986)

### Father Eric Freed Peace & Justice Award Fund



The Freed Peace & Justice Award was established to honor the memory and continue the legacy of Father Eric, whose life was dedicated to fostering peace and justice both in the community and in the classroom. Father Eric loved being both priest and scholar, loved the balance of learning and service that it brought to his life. This award is given annually to a graduating religious studies major at HSU who has worked to develop a similar balance by following questions of peace and justice in his or her scholarly life, and by entering into a professionalized life dedicated to the betterment of our world. The goal of the award is to honor Father Eric's immeasurable influence on our community and university by helping young scholars as they work to establish postgraduate lives of thoughtful service. (2016)

### Ernest & May Freeman Trust Fund



May Lizzie Freeman was born on May 17, 1909, at Bald Mountain in Korbelt, CA, the fourth child of Robert and Rachel Carlisle McGaughey who had immigrated from Armagh County in Northern Ireland. May met Ernest David Freeman while attending Eureka Business College. They were married in May of 1932 and founded the Freeman Insurance Agency together. May helped start the local chapter of the Humane Society and was a longtime champion of animal protection. The Freemans created a marital trust to benefit their nephew Marvin McGaughey and his family in appreciation for the care they gave to May during her last years. They also created a fund to be used in perpetuity for the spaying and neutering of Humboldt County cats and dogs. Ernest died on October 15, 1997, and May died on December 30, 2005. (2006)

### Susan Freeman Science Scholarship Fund



Susan Freeman, a well-known local educator, was a graduate of the University of California at Davis. Sue believed in education and had a passion for the sciences. Sue received her master's degree and administrator's credential from Humboldt State University. She was a popular science teacher at Sunnysbrae Middle School for 16 years and was the assistant principal at Zane Middle School for the last two years of her life. During her teaching career, Sue was honored with the Excellence in Education award given to outstanding Humboldt County teachers. She was selected by the National Science Foundation to participate at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts, the Marine Research Field Expedition in





Key Largo, FL, and to work with the Monterey Bay Aquarium doing research in Baja California. Sue was also an athlete, a NCAA tennis champion, and she rode the 100-mile Tour of the Unknown Coast and in the Kinetic Sculpture Race. Hope through science was Sue's philosophy. (2002)

### Margarita M. & Claudio J. Freixas Spanish Scholarship Fund



Margarita M. Freixas was born in Havana, Cuba on March 30, 1924. She worked as a kindergarten teacher for 16 years until she moved to this country on November 1, 1961. Margarita came to Arcata in 1965, where she made her home until her death on December 31, 1992. She taught Spanish at many different levels, from grade school to Humboldt State University. She will always be remembered as a dedicated, warm, and caring instructor. Claudio J. Freixas was a professor emeritus of Humboldt State University. He established this fund in memory of his lovely and loving wife. Dr. Freixas died on October 30, 2001. Income benefits Humboldt County high school graduates studying Spanish. (1993)

### Freshwater Grange Fund



Since 1885, Freshwater Grange Hall has been a vital hub for the Freshwater community, serving as a meeting space, event venue, educational & lecture hall. We are the primary auditorium for Garfield Elementary School, hosting Garfield School plays, graduation ceremonies, concerts, and fundraisers. Freshwater Grange is committed to revitalizing our historic dance hall to preserve its legacy for future generations and to enhance its role as a community asset. Our vision aims to renovate our hall, integrating 21st-century amenities with the building's enduring 19th-century charm. These enhancements will expand the ways in which we are able to serve the community, provide an improved resource for Garfield School students, as well as equip the hall to be a hub for the Freshwater Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.). Freshwater Grange encourages people to come together by providing educational activities, community safety programs, social gatherings, communal meals, and more. We believe that every person should have the opportunity to contribute to and be supported by a strong and vibrant community. We are a nonpartisan, fraternal organization and a member of the CA State Grange.(2024)

### Friel Family Scholarship Fund

The purpose of the Friel Family Scholarship Fund is to recognize an outstanding Eureka High School graduating senior who intends to major in English at University of California or California State University schools. Selection of the award winner is to be made by the chairperson of Eureka High School, along with the support and cooperation of the high school's English

faculty. Preference is given to a student who not only excels in the study of English, but who has also been active in Eureka High School's music program. (2009)

### Friends of the Arcata Marsh Fund



Friends of the Arcata Marsh Fund (FOAM) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1989 to raise funds for the construction of the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center. FOAM continues as an all-volunteer organization dedicated to raising awareness of wetlands, wildlife, and wastewater treatment as seen at the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary. Wastewater treatment was the impetus in the marsh formation in the 1970s, but over time the hiking trails, the 300+ species of birds, the funding of scholarships and research, and the public tours every Saturday at 2pm have all become important parts of this community asset. FOAM has also aided the city of Arcata in invasive plant removal and other projects, such as building an outdoor amphitheater and native plant garden. This fund is dedicated to the long-term health of the natural jewel that is the Arcata Marsh and to people who enjoy interacting with nature. (2016)

### Friends of the Del Norte County Fair Fund



This fund was the long-term vision of community partners and the 41st District Agricultural Association Board. The fund's purpose is to finance special projects which will ultimately enhance the community's overall use of our fairgrounds and support current and future projects and activities at the Del Norte County Fair. (2006)

### Friends of the Dunes Coastal Conservation & Environmental Education Endowment Fund



Friends of the Dunes involves the community in conserving coastal environments through its Bay to Dunes School Education program, weekend guided walks offered to the public at several dune locations, and the Dunes Ecosystem Restoration Team, made up of community volunteers working to restore coastal environments. In addition, Friends of the Dunes is a Land Trust and is able to receive donations of coastal properties and conservation easements in order to ensure that land use is consistent with the ecological values of coastal environments. The purpose of this fund is to provide ongoing support for Friends of the Dunes education, restoration, and land trust programs. (2001)

### Friends of the Eel River Fund



Friends of the Eel River was established in 1995 to recover the Wild and Scenic Eel River, its fisheries, and communities. From its grassroots beginnings, Friends of the Eel River has grown to be a principled organization guided by science and using litigation and

advocacy to accomplish major victories for the river. In pursuit of their mission to recover Eel River fisheries, FOER has programs in various regions of the 3,600 square mile watershed from its headwaters to the estuary. A core organizational focus has always been to remove the dams in the Eel River headwaters and restore fish passage to the hundreds of miles of prime spawning habitat blocked for more than a century. This goal is closer than ever to being realized, and Friends of the Eel River is honored to serve a pivotal role in such monumental change for the river, its native fish, and our community. (2021)

### Friends of the Family Resource Center



The first Family Resource Center (FRC) in Del Norte County was established in Crescent City to provide a warm, inviting, and accessible place where families can enjoy a variety of enriching activities and connect with many support services, from community resource and referral services to school readiness programs. Centrally located in a neighborhood near schools and outdoor play fields, the FRC provides a safe, neutral, and supportive environment that offers family fun activities, birthing classes, playgroups, parent support groups, nutrition education, early developmental screenings, books, games, and resources for check-out, parents and educator trainings, meeting space for partners, a children's garden, story times, movement and music, art and science activities, and parent education classes. The FRC is so valuable that First 5 Del Norte has committed to provide long-term financing to ensure the site is a permanent resource for the community. However, to expand activities and programs to serve more families, and to meet current needs for children and youth, the FRC needs new financial community support. (2015)

### Friends of the Langlois Public Library Fund



The Friends of the Langlois Public Library opened their fund to support the work of the Langlois Public Library. As an organization, they hope to grow their funds and use them for future library construction. This library plays an important role in the small community, providing Langlois with a central meeting place for many. (2011)

### Friends of the Redwood Libraries Fund



This fund was established to support Humboldt County's libraries and to stimulate community interest in the libraries' needs, services, and facilities. Believing that a well-informed populace and the freedom to read are essential to the well-being of our community, the Friends seek gifts, endowments, and memorials to enable the libraries to procure books, manuscripts, and other materials not provided for in the regular budget. (1997)

### Friends of the Wonder Bus



The Wonder Bus is a mobile book and toy lending library. The Wonder Bus travels throughout Del Norte County offering enriching early literacy programs at preschools, apartments, elementary schools, and community events. The Wonder Bus also serves Del Norte's outlying, isolated communities. This collaborative effort provides accessible and responsive library and early literacy programs and services, educational resources for parents, siblings, and caregivers, and skill-building tools to Del Norte's children ages 0–8. First 5 has funded the staffing of the Wonder Bus for many years. However, the current demand exceeds the resources needed to expand programs that help our children prepare for kindergarten and become successful readers in school. With community support of donations to this fund, the Wonder Bus will be able to serve more children and to provide new books and educational programs to Del Norte children. (2014)

### Fulkerson Family Fund

Fulkerson Family members believe that everyone is intrinsically talented. Encouragement comes in many forms and from surprising sources and serendipitous events. Julie Fulkerson and Lynn Evans created this fund to sustain creativity in our communities. Contributions to this fund will be directed to local projects and individuals who promote equality, education, arts, music, theatre, healthy environments, neighborhoods and communities. (2022)

### Ralph & Shirley Fullmer Memorial Fund



Born in Twin Falls, ID in 1921, Ralph Fullmer loved the outdoors. After high school he worked for Lockheed Aircraft and served in the army in the South Pacific during WWII. He and Shirley married in 1943. Following the war, Ralph worked for the Division of Highways (Caltrans). In 1960, Ralph, Shirley, and their three daughters moved to Humboldt County. Shirley worked as a secretary for Eureka City Schools where she enjoyed the students and always hoped for their success. Shirley enjoys the arts, especially tole painting, and is a member of Redwood Decorative Artists. Ralph devoted over 25 years to his projects, including a cabin he built for the family in Trinity Village. Ralph and Shirley enjoyed traveling,

family, and events at the cabin, and truly enjoyed their 70 years together. This fund supports many of the Fullmers' interests, including environmental projects, education, the arts, humane animal care, and search and rescue. (2013)



### Romano Gabriel Sculpture Garden Fund



Romano Gabriel was born in Mura, Italy in about 1887 and worked with his father as a furniture maker before coming to America in 1913. After serving in WWI, he settled in Eureka where he worked as a carpenter and gardener. It took Romano Gabriel nearly three decades to make the hundreds of brilliant and arresting objects with which he filled the front yard of his Pine Street home in Eureka. The garden became a tourist attraction, gaining national and international attention. After the death of the creator, the Ray Vellutini family purchased the wooden garden from the estate, and through the efforts of the Vellutinis, the Eureka Heritage Society, the city of Eureka, and others, a permanent home was created in Eureka's historic Old Town. The sculpture garden was dedicated in April of 1982. The Humboldt Arts Council is the designated caretaker. (1978)

### The Gallon Memorial Scholarship



Frank Gallon was born in Sweden and immigrated to Canada at age 2. He came to Eureka soon after and graduated from Eureka High School. Ruth Gallon (Carlson) was born and raised in Eureka and also attended Eureka High School. They married in 1947 and had three children—Jim, David, and Marsha. They all attended Eureka High School. Jim graduated in 1966, and Marsha and David followed in 1968. Jim died in an accident in 1968 and David passed away from illness in 1980. This memorial scholarship is for graduating seniors of Eureka High School or Fortuna High School, continuing HSU students, and students going into trade schools. (2007)

### Julie Ann Garciacelay Piano Scholarship Fund



Julie began piano lessons at age 6 and studied seriously throughout her lifetime. Thanks to her piano teacher Mrs. Dawson, Julie performed with poise during her childhood at many

piano recitals held at the Stockton Museum. Julie was, in fact, a natural performer, not only at the piano, but also as a dancer in her high school's musical productions. She was also an athlete, active in baseball and swimming and on the golf course, a student of her father's golf instruction. Julie's sisters are Gail Anderson and Lori Garciacelay. Julie's mother Ruth Garciacelay shares her daughter's love for music and recognizes its importance in the world. She also believes in the importance of hard work, follow-through, and living in a civil society. Ruth Garciacelay established this fund with an initial contribution of \$10,000 in her daughter's honor for serious students of the piano at Cal Poly Humboldt who are experiencing financial hardship. One award of \$1,000 is made each year; as of 2025, \$11,000 has been awarded. (2025)

### Sylvia Garvie Memorial Fund



Sylvia Garvie loved to make new friends and was always ready for new experiences such as golf, tennis, gardening, cross-country skiing, organ playing, and travel. This fund was established by her husband Laurence after her death on January 1, 1989. (1989)

### Merv George Memorial Music Fund



Merv was a professional musician and powerful Native American ceremonial singer on and around the North Coast of California for over 60 years of his 74 years of life. Music was a constant, steadying, healing force throughout his life. In his own life, music enabled Merv to overcome bullying, racism, and prejudices he encountered in his journeys. He recognized the therapeutic power it held, so he always made sure his own children and grandchildren and their classmates had access to instruments, music sheets, recorded music lessons, PA systems, and of course live music. To further assist children to learn and enjoy the power of live music, a fund has been set up at Humboldt Area Foundation to continue to overcome obstacles to bring instruments, music instruction and appreciation, to promote live music, and to bring opportunities through music education for schoolchildren pre-K–12 in Humboldt County, primarily in the Hoopa Valley. (2018)

### Toni Marie Gilbert Memorial Fund



Toni Marie, daughter of Pat and Tony Gilbert, passed away in 1985 at the age of 24. Toni loved children and animals. This fund was established in her memory by the Humboldt Hoo Hoo Club, to benefit children. (1985)



### Grant Gilkison & Jordan Allen Memorial Fund for Native Youth



The Grant Gilkison and Jordan Allen Memorial Fund for Native Youth will serve as a means to continue the good work of Grant Gilkison and Jordan Allen by making funds available to Native Youth in the mid-Klamath region (Forks of Salmon, Happy Camp, Somes Bar, Weitchpec, Orleans areas) to support activities such as youth events, field trips, or cultural activities, and for environmental action, emergencies, and other needs as they arise. These grants help put resources back into the hands of Native people and their works in an area where extraction and Native land ownership barriers exist at the highest rates. This was a goal of Grant to help heal and build community. (2021)

### Edward Giuntini Scholarship Fund



Provides scholarships for graduates of Arcata or McKinleyville High School. (2021)

### The Givins Family Fund



The pioneer Givins family has farmed and felled timber, taught school and sold merchandise, tended bar, raced dragsters, fished, fought, and danced through the decades since 1870. This open-ended fund is held by the reins of whimsy and will be used to encourage, educate, spawn, spin, arouse, and update as the family is inspired and can afford. (2000)

### Dr. Ann Lindsay & Dr. Alan Glaseroff Fund



Alan Glaseroff and Ann Lindsay seek to help along local nonprofit organizations working to improve the health of the community and community members. (2016)

### Ralph S. Goddi Memorial Scholarship Fund



Ralph S. Goddi grew up in Rio Dell and attended Arcata High School and Humboldt State University, where he played on the football team. He served in the navy in WWII on the aircraft carrier USS Wasp and was called back to serve in the Korean War. Upon his discharge, Ralph returned with his family to settle in Rio Dell. He worked in the timber industry and sold insurance before establishing his life's work as a real estate broker. He loved helping people buy homes, especially their first home. Ralph served the Rio Dell community as a member of the planning commission, city council, and fire department. He supported athletics at St. Bernard's High School,

where all six of his children graduated. Ralph loved to travel and meet new people. He especially enjoyed visiting his relatives in Italy in 1994. This fund provides scholarships to students in Humboldt County. (2002)

### Hun Kwan Goh Scholarship Fund

Hun Kwan Goh (1899–1959) emigrated from China to Thailand at an early age. Over the years his many business interests expanded to include import-export, rubber plantations, a smoked-rubber assembly plant, tin mining, a winery, and the harvest of birds' nests (from which birds nest soup is made). He was awarded a title from the King of Thailand for his community efforts. Dr. and Mrs. Vis Upatisringa established this fund in 1981 to honor the memory of Vis's father, an active business and community leader in Thailand. Income provides an annual scholarship for a Humboldt County high school graduate of Asian or part-Asian descent for study at an accredited four-year university. (1981)

### Vivian & Leonard Goodwin Endowment Fund



The Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery is a nonprofit ecological project working to increase and perpetuate

the native runs of steelhead and Chinook salmon in the Smith River, which is the last free-flowing river in California. The fish hatchery was built in 1968 entirely with donated funds, labor, and materials. The property was donated and the hatchery sits at the confluence of Dominie and Rowdy creeks. The Vivian & Leonard Goodwin Endowment Fund was established to benefit the Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery. Mr. Goodwin, who founded the fund, passed away on August 16, 2006. He was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Vivian. (2006)

### Great Blue Heron Environmental Fund



On a long ago autumn day in the Chattahoochee National Forest, while resting on a blanket of fallen early October leaves, came a life altering deeper appreciation of a thought by John Muir: "...going out I found I was really going in..." As a result of that moment, this fund is dedicated to the support of the natural environment in the hope that the awakening joy of being with Mother will be honored thus, held sacred for others to share. May the great blue heron always fly our way. Namaste. (2006)

### Great Redwood Trail Alliance Fund



This fund supports charitable work to promote, support, and implement the development and use of the Great Redwood Trail along the north coast counties of Marin, Sonoma, Mendocino and Humboldt. The trail will traverse the entirety of, or portions of, the North Coast Railroad Authority's tracks, rights-of-way and other

properties, taking hikers and bicycle and horseback riders through a stunning North Coast river canyon and old growth redwood forests. Propelled by Senate Bill 1029, which was approved by the California Legislature and Governor and authored by Senator Mike McGuire, the trail corridor stretches 300 miles from San Francisco Bay to Humboldt Bay. Your contributions to this fund will help create a gift to benefit generations to come. (2019)

### Green Diamond Scholarship for Native Youth



The Green Diamond Scholarship for Native Youth will support native youth who are graduating high school seniors or currently enrolled in college/university students who are permanent residents of Humboldt or Del Norte Counties, Or Siskiyou or Trinity County for students attending Hoopa High School. Preferred areas of study include forestry, fisheries, botany, wildlife biology, fire ecology, watershed management, and forest soils. (2022)

### Green Diamond Resource Company Fund



The Green Diamond Resource Company Fund, established in 2005, will consider grant requests for fisheries and wildlife habitat restoration, forestry/habitat education, and research. (2005)

### Greenwood Family Fund



Charlotte Greenwood, the widow of William R. "Bill" Greenwood, a well-known Eureka businessman, established this endowment fund in his memory and in honor of their family. Income from this endowment fund provides an annual scholarship, awarded on the basis of both academic excellence and community service, to a Eureka High School graduate enrolling at Humboldt State University to study business. (1996)

### Robert Fasic & Roy Grieshaber Endowment Fund



Robert Fasic and Roy Grieshaber enjoyed 48 years in a relationship filled with love, adventure, creativity, and spiritual companionship. They met in Chicago when Robert was an attorney and bank trust officer and Roy was a marketing professional. In 1987 they moved to Humboldt County to own and operate Heartwood Institute, a vocational school east of Garberville. Under their management, the school earned its national accreditation. After moving to Eureka in 2003, they served as officers of the Redwood Art Association and helped guide the association to purchase its permanent home. Both were art lovers. Robert was an accomplished photographer with a passion for photography that started at age ten. This fund supports arts and culture in the city of Eureka including art organizations, KEET-TV, and projects that

make Eureka an attractive place to live and visit. The fund also provides scholarships to students pursuing higher education in any major. (2017)

### Judy Griffith Memorial Scholarship Fund



Judy was born the youngest of seven children on August 25, 1964, in Eureka to Frank and Jewel Griffith. She was named California's "Miss Basketball" in 1981 and graduated from Fortuna High as class valedictorian. Judy also starred in softball and tennis and was awarded a full athletic scholarship to Stanford. After graduating in human biology in 1986, she completed a teaching credential and master's in education and became an extraordinary science teacher, loved by her many students and colleagues. She put her teaching career on hold to be a full-time mom for her three children, helping in their classrooms, coaching their teams, and giving them many wonderful experiences, while continuing to enjoy softball, basketball, her church, her friends, and her intergenerational family. Judy passed away on May 16, 2007. This scholarship for Fortuna High graduates was created by her family, who will remember Judy always as generous, unselfish, clever, and creative. (2007)

### William P. & Ruth R. Gross Fund



Bill and Ruth Gross came to Humboldt County from Oregon in 1957. They spent their early years together in the sawmill business until a fire destroyed their sawmill in Redwood Valley. Starting from scratch, they both attended seminars and took classes in real estate at College of the Redwoods. They have been involved successfully in real estate development ever since. Because of their own community involvement and their support of the interests of their children, Bill and Ruth Gross established this expendable fund to support the Salvation Army, Hospice of Humboldt, and the St. Joseph Hospital chaplaincy program. William Gross passed away on December 31, 2006. (1999)

### Jack L. & Arlene R. Guccione Scholarship Fund for Adventist Youth



Together, Dr. Jack Guccione and his wife Arlene operate a dermatology practice in Fortuna, specializing in skin cancer and cosmetic dermatology. In founding this college scholarship fund, the Gucciones noted that they feel a joint responsibility with educators and parents in the proper discipline of students for higher education. The scholarship is to help direct worthy students on a path that leads to a life in useful labor while forming good habits and a noble character. (1996)

### Dennis & Margaret Guckeen Scholarship Fund



Dennis and Margaret Guckeen were married on June 14, 1969, and were married for 38 years before Dennis passed away on July 14, 2007. They were both local high school graduates; Dennis graduated from St. Bernard's High School and Margaret from McKinleyville High School. They pursued teaching careers at HSU, Dennis graduating with degrees in physics and math, and Margaret with a degree in psychology. Their teaching careers spanned 33 years, each with the Klamath-Trinity Joint Unified School District. Dennis was honored with the Jean Olsen Career Achievement Award in 2000. Dennis and Margaret were both members of the Willow Creek Kiwanis Club for many years. From 2006 to 2007, Dennis served as lieutenant governor for Division 20, with Margaret as division secretary. The fund established in their name will provide an educational scholarship as well as support the Kiwanis Family House, the Cal-Nev-Ha Foundation, Evergreen Lodge, and the American Cancer Society. (2017)

### Guided Giving Fund



The Guided Giving Fund is a donor advisory fund created by a local family to support a number of Wild Rivers Community Foundation programs. The fund's main missions are supporting food security, providing for the needs of Seniors and supporting the various ethnic groups which make up our diverse community. Donations are welcome and greatly appreciated. (2023)

### Scott Guild Memorial Fund



Born in Wyoming in 1955, Scott graduated from UC Davis in 1978 with a degree in animal science and came to Humboldt County to work as a ranch hand in Ferndale. There he met Linda and together they moved to the Russ Ranch on Snow Camp Road. Later, Scott took classes at HSU to sit for the CPA exam and went on to work at Aalfs, Evans & Company for many years, including 24 as a partner. Most important in Scott's life were his children Rogan and Katelyn. He raised them with the values he lived by: honesty, integrity, and a strong work ethic. Scott coached T-ball and basketball, and he was a member of the Rotary Club of Eureka and the Freshwater School Board of Trustees. Scott was a lecturer at HSU and was pursuing a master's degree in order to teach full time. This scholarship supports students pursuing an accounting degree. (2014)

### Elizabeth Florence Gupton Memorial Fund



"The flame that burns twice as bright burns half as long" —Lao Tzu. On Nov. 25, 2015, the world lost one of its brightest flames when Elizabeth Florence Gupton passed from this world into the next. Lizzie, as she was known, made this world a better place on January 15, 1998, by joining her loving family and beginning her journey on the North Coast. In the fleeting time she was with us, Lizzie filled every day with love, smiles, warmth and her laughter. From elementary school to junior high and finally at Eureka High School, those of us blessed enough to know her watched as she blossomed from the shy wallflower to the goofy and sarcastic person that made all of us better for knowing her. This fund will support the Betty Chinn Fund for the Homeless and has been collected by friends and family in honor of her unforgettable life. (2016)



### Hadley Memorial Fund



Created by Monica Hadley in memory of her husband Gordon G. Hadley ('81) and her son Craig L. Hadley ('84), native Arcatans and career newspapermen, this fund income is designated for recreational purposes in the Arcata area. Both men were publishers and presidents of Hadley Newspaper, Inc., which included the Arcata Union, the Del Norte Triplicate, and the Redwood Record (Garberville). Monica taught at Humboldt State Teacher's College, later became dean of women, served as director and then head of the women's physical education department. In 1945 she began her journalism career at the Arcata Union, working alongside her husband. She spent a lifetime dedicated to community service and her family. Gordon & Craig served as past presidents of the Arcata Rotary Club, members of the HSU Advisory Board, and were active in civic affairs and professional groups statewide. The Hadleys promoted sports programs and recreation for local youth. Monica passed away on February 17, 2004. (1981)





### Craig & Lisa Hansen/Hansen’s Insurance Scholarship



Craig and Lisa Hansen support a strong local workforce where individuals and

families earn a good living as skilled mechanics, carpenters, and truck drivers or other "blue collar" trades. The fund provides scholarships to eligible graduating seniors from McKinleyville, Arcata, Eureka, Fortuna, Ferndale or St. Bernard's high schools to pursue "blue collar" skills through trade or vocational courses at a two-year college or university. One or more sports scholarships will also be awarded as the Scott

Eskra Sports Scholarship to graduating seniors at Eureka and/or Fortuna high schools for baseball or softball. Scott, who passed away at age 42, was known by locals as a great friend and avid baseball player. From T-Ball through Little League and college, his dream was to play for the Humboldt Crabs. He did, hitting a homerun his first time at bat. In 2015, Scott was inducted into the Humboldt Crabs Hall of Fame. (2018)

### Craig C. Hansen Insurance Truck Driving Education Fund

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### The Hansen Family Trust, Christian Endowment Fund



Chris S. Hansen, who died in 2002, created this fund as a testamentary gift to honor his family members who preceded him in death: his wife Frances; his parents, Nick and Mary; and his three brothers, Harold, Melvin, and Roy. Fund expenditures are made with the advice of family, local Lutheran pastors, and a financial advisor. The fund was established to benefit the local Christian ministries of Eureka and Humboldt County with emphasis given to the Lutheran Church. Chris expressed a desire to help both youth and senior activities equally. The fund is also intended to help missionary activity abroad including but not limited to ELCA World Hunger and World Vision missions. Grants requested for capital investment, administrative funds, and annual funds will be considered on a limited basis. (2002)

### Gerald O. & Susan Hansen Family Fund



Because a love of music and an appreciation of nature and the outdoors are long-held family values, Susan Hansen established this fund to honor her late husband Gerry by providing music training/scholarships for deserving young

Humboldt County musicians. It also funds projects that facilitate the ability of residents to enjoy the beauty of our environment, such as trail guides/maps, nature information and exhibits, and bird watching guides. In addition, to support the youth of Humboldt County in developing and pursuing meaningful and productive careers, the fund will offer grants for career/vocational information and programs for elementary and secondary students in Humboldt County. Gerry Hansen was a prominent fourth-generation Humboldt County native and CPA who died of cancer in 2002. Susan retired in 2004 from Humboldt State University after 37 years in career planning and placement services. The fund is donor-advised by Susan and her two children Lisa and Aren. (2005)

### HAR Cares for Youth Program Fund



HAR Cares for Youth is a committee that was formed by the Humboldt

Association of Realtors® in 2019 to assist the youth, and families with youth in our community who are in need. Some of the projects that we are working on: 1) Help with back to school supplies and events (backpacks, school supplies, clothing, socks, underwear, jackets, shoes, & sports equipment for youth in need); 2) Holiday meals for families with youth (currently we plan to support two families with this program); 3) Welcome home boxes (we plan to support families with youth who have been homeless and are moving into their first home); 4) Many more projects as requests from the community come in and our funding allows! (2019)

### T.J. Harris Scholarship Fund



The T.J. Harris Scholarship Fund was created by her family in honor of her 80th birthday in 2005. T.J. was a teacher in the Eureka City Schools, with the majority of her teaching being at Zoe Barnum Continuation School. T.J. was born Thelma Rankine in Youngstown, OH. In the 1950s she moved to Eureka as an executive with the Camp Fire Girls. It was in the course of this work that she met Robert (Bob) Harris. They married and raised five children—Mary, Rob, Karl, Anne, and Bert. After T.J.'s retirement, she volunteered with the Friends of the Library, the Eureka Symphony, Family Service Center, and the Presbyterian Church. This fund fulfills T.J.'s deep passions for learning and service to the community. Scholarships from this fund are for students who are graduating or who have graduated from a continuation high school in Humboldt or Del Norte counties. T.J. passed away on September 30, 2009. (2005)

### Carol Ann Harrison Memorial Scholarship Fund



Carol Harrison was a freelance journalist and women's collegiate basketball coach who lived in Humboldt County for 30 years. After earning her degrees in political science from UC Davis (BA) and journalism science from UC Berkeley (MJ), Harrison spent 25 years at three colleges as a women's basketball coach; 16 of those years at Humboldt State. At 48, she returned to her roots to successfully coordinate an election campaign to pass a local bond measure and then became the health, education and travel section editor for The Eureka Reporter. After the paper folded, Carol split her time between freelance journalism, college teaching, marketing/PR consultation for local nonprofits, and working for Area 1 Agency on Aging. To honor Carol and her love of writing, this scholarship will be awarded to a Humboldt County female graduating high school senior planning to attend a four-year college or university to study journalism or communications. A preference will be given to print journalists. (2018)

### Patricia J. & O. Bruce Hart Memorial Fund



To honor the memory of a loving mom and dad, Patricia and O. Bruce Hart's family established this fund. Pat Hart was "Mom" to many neighborhood children in need of an accepting, nurturing adult. Bruce Hart, during his last year, contributed to the lives of many young people as chairman of the board of directors of the Sacramento Shriners Hospital. Although residents of West Sacramento, Bruce and Pat loved the visits of the seventh and eighth grade students from Fieldbrook School during their class trips. This fund provides scholarships and other awards to graduates of Fieldbrook School. (1998)

### Edward J. Hartley Fund for Animals



Edward Jerren Hartley was a fourth-generation Humboldtter, born in Eureka in 1941. Known as Jerry in his growing-up years and later using his first name, he was raised in his family's Main Street, Ferndale home and graduated from Ferndale High School in 1959. After attending St. Mary's College in Moraga, he had a long employment history with Pacific Bell, Nevada Bell, and AT&T before his sudden death in Reno in 2003. During his life, he had a special interest in animal rights and humane societies, and he was a contributor to their causes. Money from his estate created this fund, which continues that interest with annual distributions aiding domestic animals, particularly dogs. (2005)

### John F. Hartley Memorial Fund



John Hartley, a local CPA, was dedicated to children, youth, and families, giving his volunteer time to several related associations and boards including Boy Scouts of America, Family Service Center, Sacred Heart Church, and St. Bernard's schools. He was a strong advocate for scholarships for students of St. Bernard's schools. As a child, John often watched other children participate in youth activities while his family's limited means prohibited his involvement. In establishing this advised endowment fund in his name, his wife Lynn and family wish to honor and support his belief that qualified youths should be able to pursue their dreams, whether through a school scholarship or participation in youth activities. (2002)

### Martha Hauser Memorial Fund



This fund was established with a gift from the estate of Martha Hauser, who passed away from cancer on September 14, 1998. Martha grew up on a ranch in Ojai, where she developed strong family ties that provided a source of strength and comfort throughout her life. During the Depression, she, like many others, learned the value of hard work, community, and caring for others less fortunate. She and her husband Carroll moved to Humboldt County in 1963. They enjoyed many years of world travel, but her favorite spot in the world was her beloved ranch in Fieldbrook. She was a very talented gardener and won many awards for her gorgeous roses. Martha always had a special place in her heart and home for animals. She befriended many stray dogs that quickly became accustomed to royal treatment. This fund was created for capital improvements at the Sequoia Humane Society. (2004)

### The Robert K. Havemann Scholarship Fund



This scholarship assists residents seeking work in diesel-powered transportation to enhance their earning power. The Havemann family came to Eureka in 1914 and operated Humboldt White Star Laundry. Bob was born in 1930, attended local schools, and received a degree in vocational education at Sacramento State. He served in the Civil Air Patrol and US Army. Bob won the world speed record for diesel-powered vehicles in 1972 and designed the first diesel-powered wheeled vehicle to exceed 200 miles per hour. Starting in 1969, Bob taught at CR and developed the diesel heavy equipment program, including training for a commercial driving license. As advisor to the diesel club, Bob oversaw projects that set five world records. In 1978 Bob became an engineer for Thermoking and was awarded ten patents for new products. He retired in 1990 to Carefree, AZ to design and build anything that looks like fun. Mr. Havemann passed away unexpectedly on July 27, 2005. (2003)

### HCAR Endowment Fund



The Humboldt Community Access and Resource Center (HCAR) is a private, nonprofit agency incorporated in 1955 by a group of dedicated parents seeking an alternative to institutionalization for their children with developmental disabilities. Today, HCAR serves local citizens with development and other disabilities by promoting independence, community inclusion, and family unity. The wide variety of services HCAR provides include adult day services, tutor services & Tutor Plus, Baybridge employment services, advanced transportation system Care-a-Van, leisure companion program, the studio, respite & interpreter services, supported living service, and independent living skills. This organizational endowment fund will support HCAR's mission on an ongoing basis. (2002)

### Healy Center Program Operations Fund



This Healy Senior Center expendable fund will make it possible for the Healy Senior Center to meet current program needs. Among these needs are senior nutrition, senior exercise classes, information & referral services, and facility upkeep. (2005)

### The Healy Legacy Fund

The Healy Senior Center Board of Directors established two funds to enhance the center's ability to carry out its mission to support independent, meaningful, and dignified lives for older adults through social interaction, recreation, good nutrition, health and care maintenance, information and referrals, and volunteerism in a warm and welcoming facility. The endowment fund supports the long-term, ongoing work of the Healy Senior Center, serving senior needs of Southern Humboldt County through programs carried out at its facility on Briceland Road in Redway. (2005)

### Heart of the Redwoods Community Hospice Fund



Heart of the Redwoods Community Hospice (HRCH) believes that no person or family should have to stand alone in difficult times. HRCH is an independent, unlicensed hospice that brings free services to people in the Southern Humboldt, northern Mendocino and western Trinity areas. Comprehensive services begin with early support to people from the time they have received a life-threatening diagnosis and continue through death and the bereavement needs of the family. HRCH also sponsors a lending library, education to the community, sudden death support, and grief education to youth. The mission of HRCH is to honor patient needs and wishes in the treatment process. Income from this fund will support HRCH's ongoing operations. (2000)



### Zach Hegelmeyer Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund



Zachary Warren Hegelmeyer died unexpectedly on Feb. 15, 2018, while surfing in Bali, Indonesia. Zach was born in Riverside, on Nov. 11, 1991, to David and Michele Hegelmeyer. Soon after, the family moved to Crescent City where Zach grew up. Zach excelled at team sports, playing baseball and basketball for Del Norte High. He attended George Fox University where he continued playing baseball and graduated cum laude. Zach moved to Bend, Oregon in 2013, bought a house around the corner from his parents and worked as a bartender and brand ambassador for 10 Barrel Brewing. He loved walking his girlfriend's dog, Ike, along the Deschutes River and snowboarding on Mt. Bachelor. Zach was a passionate young man who loved adventure and devoted a fierce intensity to his work, relationships and fun. He was known for his charisma, sincerity and goofy sense of humor. Zach's Christian faith inspired him to value loyalty, fairness and compassion; he was quick to include outsiders and encourage those who doubted themselves. (2018)

### Donald Morris Hegy Fellowship Fund



Mr. and Mrs. William Z. Hegy established this fund in memory of their son Donald Morris Hegy, who passed away at the young age of 4 years. Mr. William Hegy passed away in December of 1986, and another son, David J. Hegy, in September of 1995. The income from this fund provides an annual fellowship to a Humboldt State University student for postgraduate study. (1979)

### Roy Heider Family Fund for Southern Humboldt



Roy Heider moved to Southern Humboldt in 1948. He was proud to have served his nation both in WWII and in the Korean War. He was a business leader in his community, serving on the hospital board as president for 12 years and as a Rotarian since 1961. Roy was especially proud of having served on the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors as supervisor for the 2nd district. As advisor to this endowment fund, Roy supported a variety of charitable purposes in Southern Humboldt. His daughters—Lynda Pitts, Sharon Ott, and Renee Heider—carry on the family tradition of making generous and timely gifts as successor advisors to the fund. Roy passed away on March 19, 2009. (2006)

### Helping Hand Fund

The local Young Women's Christian Association dissolved in 1989. Through the sale of its historic property at H and 8th Streets in Eureka, it was able to establish this fund, which provides support for trans, nonbinary and woman identifying people, particularly those with children, by assisting with expenses that support wellness and reduce financial stressors. (2023)

### Lillian & John Norman Henderson Memorial Fund



Lillian Ross Henderson, a Humboldt Standard reporter, and John Norman "Doc" Henderson, Humboldt County's undersheriff, were married in 1934. They participated in several community activities, including Travel Club, Audubon Society, and the Native Plant Society, and both were avid readers. Following Doc's death in 1946, Lillian received a Master of Library Science degree at UC Berkeley and taught at Eureka City Schools for 34 years. She volunteered at St. Joseph's Hospital, helped found the Friends of the Redwood Libraries, and donated time and money to the Humboldt Historical Society, the Heritage Society, Garden Club, Morris Graves Museum of Art, and the Christ Episcopal Church. Lillian helped with the Friends of the Redwood Libraries' book sales well into her 90s. Distressed by the diminishing funds for the county library, Lillian left much of her estate to benefit the library and therefore the community she lived in and loved for 100 years. (2007)

### Stephen Scott Hensell Memorial Fund



Stephen Hensell, born in Eureka in 1943, attended local schools and graduated from Humboldt State University. He was general manager of Hensell Materials at the time of his death in 1980. The fund, established by his family, is used to benefit the Humboldt County Library in Eureka. (1983)

### Jim & Betty Hercher Endowment Fund

The Jim & Betty Hercher Endowment Fund supports direct medical service, patient care, mental health care and other direct services. It will not support capital projects, building expansion, equipment, or administrative costs. (2023)

### George Herd Community Service Fund



The Herd family, with generous donations from friends and family, have established the George Herd Community Service Fund. George believed in being involved in his community and giving a helping hand whenever he saw a need. The family would like to see his generous spirit live on in the youth of the community by annually rewarding an eighth-grade student with a \$100 award for consistently modeling a spirit of citizenship and

community service during his or her time at Trinidad School. The Herd family would also like to support other educational activities at Trinidad School by setting aside \$250 per year for mini grants. Teachers and school administration may petition, in writing, for projects within the school. (2014)

### Edna R. & Stewart M. Herriott Memorial Fund for the Arts & Sciences



The Edna R. & Stewart M. Herriott Memorial Fund for the Arts & Sciences was created to support and recognize students who demonstrate potential in the field of art and/or science. The children of Edna and Stewart wish to honor their parents' lifelong endeavors in the field of education and their continual love of learning. Both Edna and Stewart taught school in the Eureka City School system. Stewart was very active within the Eureka Teachers Association. After raising her children, Edna returned to school and upon receiving her teaching credential taught until her retirement in 1980. (2009)

### Gil & Ann H. Hess Memorial Fund



When Gildard Hess was 19 years old he moved from Iowa to Oakland, CA. Though Gil had only completed one quarter of college before taking a job as a welder for a sheet metal manufacturing business, he became the owner and built the business from a few people to over 150 employees. Another of Gil Hess' innovative achievements is his patented design of the baggage carousel, which is still used today in airports around the world. Married for 55 years, Gil and Ann Hess enjoyed great success in life and in business. In 1970, Gil and Ann retired to Del Norte County. Gil felt strongly about supporting students who may not shine in an academic setting, but who share his visionary thinking and entrepreneurial spirit. Therefore, the Gil & Ann H. Hess Memorial Fund is primarily dedicated to supporting innovation and entrepreneurship in Del Norte students. (2013)

### Dr. Janis C. Heuser Feline Fund



The Dr. Janis C. Heuser Feline Fund was established in 2014 to support the total loving care and keeping of cats and kittens, including medical care, spay, neuter, a permanent shelter for abandoned cats, and a retirement center. This endowment fund will support the work in Gold Beach and central Curry County for providing complete and loving care and keeping of cats and kittens. Dr. Janis C. Heuser has been serving the needs of cats and kittens in Curry County for over 27 years. The endowment fund will continue her work now and in the future to provide ongoing support for cats and kittens in Curry County. (2014)

### Ross Hibler & Jeanne Wood Hibler Family Scholarship Fund



Jeanne and Ross graduated from EHS in 1960 and 1959 respectively. Several others in their families were also graduates of EHS including Dianne Wood (1959), Gary Hibler (1961), Lee Hibler (1963), and David Isaacson (1962), and many others in their extended family. Jeanne and Ross' Humboldt roots were strained by Ross' 25-year service in the US Navy, but Eureka California was always the answer to the inevitable question "Where is your home?" The importance of education was stressed in their family which, along with strong personal perseverance of their children. Ross Jr, Lyle, and Claire graduated from the California university system schools (HSU and UCSB). We as a family believe that our society needs now and will increasingly require educated citizens in the future. The cost of not developing individual talents will be paid by our society. These scholarships are our effort to find and develop these talents which might otherwise be unrecognized and underdeveloped for the betterment of society. (2023)

### Nancy Hilfiker Memorial Fund



A Humboldt County native, Nancy was an original founding member of the Humboldt Area Foundation Board of Governors and remained on the Board for seven years. Active in many segments of the community, Nancy Hilfiker may especially be remembered for her association with the Sequoia Park Zoo renovation and the building of the aviary named in her memory. This fund, established by her family, provides grants for community betterment projects and the Nancy Hilfiker Aviary. In 1992 the Aviary Fund was combined with the Nancy Hilfiker Memorial Fund. (1987)

### Henry J. & Lorine Hindley & John Klingenspor Memorial Fund



Henry & Lorine (Mulvany) Hindley were lifelong residents and members of Humboldt County pioneering families. With their daughter Louise they were an affectionate and happy family. Henry as foreman and Lorine as welder worked for Chicago Bridge and Iron Works during WWII. Later, they purchased the Thompson Brick Yard on Ryan Slough and created Hindley Clay Products. Henry finished his career as the county office manager for the Agricultural Stabilization Bureau. After WWII, John Klingenspor—a Southern California native—was recruited to play basketball at HSU. The on-the-court star "Spider" asked his classmate Louise to dance, a dance that would last for 58 years. John spent the majority of his career as a local schoolteacher and administrator. They enjoyed a long and especially happy marriage. Louise created this fund to support Humboldt County charities and honor the parents and husband she loved so dearly. (2009)

### Historical Sites Society of Arcata Fund



This fund was established with a generous gift from Alex Stillman, long time President of the Historical Sites Society of Arcata (HSSA). HSSA has its headquarters in the Phillips House Museum at 7th and Union Streets in Arcata. The Phillips House exemplifies a pioneer farmhouse in Arcata during the 1850's. The house embodies Arcata's best example of Greek Revival architecture. As a living museum, visitors get to witness scenes from daily life between 1854 and 1932. Tours of the Phillips House are available 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. every Sunday or by appointment. Call (707) 822-4722. (2024)

### Joe Bob & Lily Hitchcock Fund for Animals

Since moving to Calistoga in 1998, the Hitchcocks have been active in all manner of animal welfare services, supporting the Calistoga Cat Action Team (C-CAT) and Wine Country Animal Lovers (WCAL). They actively support TNR, trap/neuter/release of feral cats into colonies, continually managed to provide food and veterinarian services. They also support organizations such as Best Friends in Kanab, Utah, the Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito, Wolf Haven in Tenino, WA, the Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee, We Care Animal Rescue in St. Helena, CA, and many others. Sadly, the Hitchcocks lost their two cats, Potato Bug and Petey Pie not long ago, but continue to get their "kittie fix" by providing foster care for cats while forever homes are being found. 100% of all contributions go to services. The couple have helped spay/neuter over 400 feral felines running wild in Calistoga and a feral cat is a rarity now. (2017)

### Education For Life HMong Scholarship



"It takes a whole community for a student to achieve education for life," shared the Rev. Dr. Paul Joseph T. Khamdy Yang. With that vision, in honor of Dr. Yang, to bridge the Hmong-American community and larger communities, and to support our Del Norte County Unified School District students' future in higher education, HMong American National Development Services established the Education for Life HMong Scholarship on May 12, 2014. With the magnificent support of many community members, HANDS was founded by three Del Norte High School students: Jeremiah Yang, Jonathan Yang, and Destiny Yang. The Education for Life HMong Scholarship is to be given to one recipient of HMong decent, and one out of the two recipients must be female. Thank you for your extravagant generosity for our children our future now. Education for life. (2015)

### Martha Hoffman Memorial Fund



Martha and William "Bill" Hoffman moved to California in 1990 when they decided that Arizona was too hot for their liking. They took a drive in their RV looking for "just the right place." It was only when they drove through Fortuna that Martha declared, "This is where our new home will be." They became a part of Fortuna and shared their love of the area with their toy poodle, Heidi. Their yard was filled with beautiful exotic plants and flowers. Martha and Bill's generosity enabled St. Joseph Hospital of Eureka to completely overhaul their emergency room. The couple was delighted to be able to spend the last years of their lives giving back to the community that brought them so much joy. Martha was preceded in death by her daughter Deborah, and her husband Bill in 2013. Martha continued to live a full and interesting life at home until her passing in early 2016. (2016)

### The Hoopa Valley Historical Alliance Fund



The Hoopa Valley Historical Alliance shall further an understanding and appreciation of all peoples, places, events, and activities of the Hoopa Valley and surrounding areas; to nurture and promote the history of this area—especially the impact of the military presence since the founding of Fort Gaston and the ensuing relationship with the Hupa People. THVHA shall accomplish this by researching, acquiring, preserving, interpreting, creating, and disseminating historical information and by educating and assisting others to do the same; by restoring and preserving the Adobe House and other artifacts of Fort Gaston and the boarding school. (2018)

### Ron Hoover Memorial Scholarship Fund



Robert and John Hoover created this fund to honor their father by supporting an annual scholarship to a forestry student at HSU. Ronald Craig Hoover was born in Glendale, CA in 1943. He graduated from HSU in 1966 and worked in forestry throughout his lifetime, including 22 years with Sierra Pacific Industries. Ron was happily married to Chris Freemantle Hoover. He loved his family, the great outdoors, and Dutch oven cooking. He especially enjoyed the times he spent with his friends in the "Bradford Bunch." Ron served on the Humboldt County Farm Bureau, the Redwood Acres Rodeo Committee, the Northern California Scaling and Grading Bureau, the Back Country Horsemen Association, and the California Licensed Foresters Association. This big man with a big heart, known to some as the "Timberbeast," died suddenly on August 23, 2000. He will always be remembered as a man who knew how to be a true friend. (2001)



### Hospice Services Investment Fund



Hospice of Humboldt, Inc., was founded in 1979 by local residents who wanted to ensure that people in our community dying from cancer, heart disease, and other illnesses could conclude their lives with dignity and in as much comfort as possible.

The Hospice Services Investment Fund is a means to guarantee that major gifts, restricted gifts, and bequests received by the agency are used to carry out the wishes of the agency's founders and its contributors—that all eligible Humboldt County residents will have a chance to die in the familiar surroundings of their place of residence with help from Hospice. Earnings from the fund will enable pain control, symptom management, physical care, counseling, respite care, and other services to be provided to patients and their families by the Hospice team of nurses, home health aides, social workers, spiritual counselors, and volunteers. (1998)

### Hilton R. Hostler, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund



Hilton Hostler, Jr., was a native of Hoopa, CA and a Hupa Tribal member. He was a man who loved Jesus and his family more than anything in life. Hilton was a Hoopa Valley Tribal council person for several years and dedicated his life to his Native people. He also was a man who loved education and sports, coaching numerous teams in different sports during his life. His philosophy was to seek a good education first and then give your athletic career everything you have. Hilton believed in success, not in failure. This incredible man left a lasting impact in the hearts of all who knew him. This scholarship was established by his family to honor the amazing man that was the center of their world. An annual scholarship will go to a Hupa, Yurok, or Karuk athlete or to athletes from Hoopa High School. (2006)

### Housing Solutions Fund



The Housing Solutions Fund was created out of a dire need for housing for vulnerable families and individuals across Humboldt County. The fund will provide a self-sustaining source of funds for affordable and supportive housing development efforts. (2016)

### Edith & James A. “Jim” Howard Scholarship Fund



Jim Howard, born in 1915 in Athens, GA, came to Eureka at the age of 3 months. A member of the first black family in Eureka—the Turks—Jim attended Eureka City Schools. A self-employed Eureka

businessman for over 36 years, Jim was a well-liked and respected member of the community. He was a member of the Eureka City Council for 18 years (1972–1990), including three terms as vice mayor. Jim also served three years on the Eureka Housing Authority. He was a member of the Eureka Chamber of Commerce, and served as vice president of the Rotary Club of Eureka. Jim also was the president of the Eureka NAACP. Jim and Edith Howard were married for 39 years, until Edith's death in 1987. Scholarship recipients are African-American graduates of Eureka High School or St. Bernard's High School with a 3.0 grade point average who have been accepted into a college or university. (1995)

### Dennis Huber Memorial Endowment Fund for the benefit of the Southern Humboldt Community Park

Supports the long-term growth of the Southern Humboldt Community Park. (2021)



### HAF+WRCF Funds

There are a variety of funds that support the work of Humboldt Area Foundation. Gifts made to support this work are contributed to one of the funds listed below, as directed by the donor.

### HAF+WRCF | Community Leadership Fund

Humboldt Area Foundation focuses on leadership training to improve our community's ability to solve problems and foster leadership in a variety of ways. The Leadership Fund supports programs that engage the community in civic participation, management skill-building, and nonprofit professional development. Donations to this fund support the mentorship of a new generation of leaders in communities across the North Coast. (2004)

### HAF+WRCF | Opportunity Fund

Even the best plans can't anticipate everything, especially in growing, diverse communities like ours. When you make an investment in the Opportunity Fund, it gives our board of directors the flexibility to respond to local opportunities and changing needs from a pool of unrestricted funds. Funds have been used to improve our economy, develop leaders, and build our communities' capacity to address issues of equity and social justice. Find out how to make your gift part of the Opportunity Fund: [hafoundation.org/opportunity](http://hafoundation.org/opportunity) (2016)

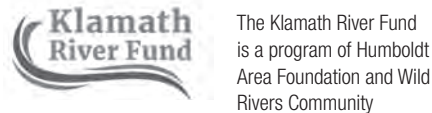
### HAF+WRCF | Disaster Response & Resilience Fund

The Disaster Response & Resilience Fund supports residents of Humboldt, Trinity, Del Norte, and Curry counties, as well as adjoining Tribal lands during current and future disasters, including public health emergencies such as the COVID19 pandemic, fires, earthquakes, flooding, and other natural and man-made disasters. Grants are made to nonprofit agencies, public benefit organizations (schools, government agencies, federally recognized Tribes, etc.), charitable organizations and groups with a qualified fiscal sponsor. There is no written application process, and we strive to have funds in place for both immediate disaster response and to help communities become more resilient in the face of future disasters. (2020)

### HAF+WRCF | Grantmaking Fund

The Grantmaking Fund allows Humboldt Area Foundation to make flexible and responsive grantmaking decisions. This fund is focused on programs that provide youth leadership, support collaboration, encourage civic engagement, work in underserved communities, address pressing community needs, and build cultural opportunities. (1991)

### HAF+WRCF | The Klamath River Fund



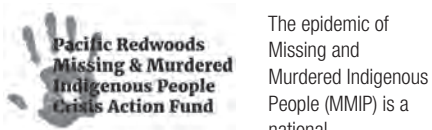
The Klamath River Fund is a program of Humboldt Area Foundation and Wild Rivers Community Foundation (HAF+WRCF) focused on community-led climate resilience and restorative justice work. Following the unprecedented removal of four dams on the Klamath river in 2023 and 2024, the Klamath River Fund will invest in and amplify restoration and revitalization efforts in the entire Klamath basin in the decade that follows. (2023)

### HAF+WRCF | Native Cultures Fund



The Native Cultures Fund supports revitalization of the transmission of Native American arts and culture between generations with the goal of fostering individual and community health and well-being in 50 California counties. (2014)

### HAF+WRCF | Pacific Redwoods Missing & Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) Crisis Action Fund



The epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) is a national humanitarian crisis, with California ranking fifth in the nation for incidents of MMIP, and the far north of the state accounting for most cases. The Pacific Redwoods

Missing & Murdered Indigenous People's Crisis Action Fund supports prevention and response to violence against Indigenous people in our region. Your investment in the Pacific Redwoods Missing & Murdered Indigenous People's Crisis Action Fund supports regional research, policy advocacy, crisis response, recovery, and more. Funds allow for our continued partnership with Tribal leaders and Indigenous experts to facilitate community support and address the root cause of this public safety threat. (2022)

### HAF+WRCF | Redwood Region Climate & Community Resilience (CORE) Hub



The Redwood CORE Hub provides community engagement, technical assistance and an equity and justice lens to help our community transition our built and natural systems to a decarbonized and resilient future. By transitioning our built systems to lowest-emission operations, and optimizing natural systems' regenerative and carbon 'sink' (sequestration) potentials, rural areas can adapt and manage against impacts, improve local economies and quality of life, zero out their own carbon footprint, and help the planet cool. The CORE Hub helps convene dialogues and distribute resources to communities as they work to reorganize and relocate built and natural systems in better cooperation with human needs, and to document the processes so local communities and other rural regions and Tribal Nations have a recipe for their own decarbonized resilience. Donations to the CORE Hub fund support this work. (2021)

### HAF+WRCF | Scholarship Fund

North Coast donors express their belief in the value of education by supporting local students with more than 400 scholarships through HAF each year. The purpose of the Scholarship Fund is to expand available scholarships and make higher education affordable for all North Coast students. The original donors to this fund, created in 1988, and those for whom memorial contributions were made include: John Anderson Brown, Ralph Bryant, Rayner Burke, Dr. Sam Burre, Nene Collver, Dee Daudell, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Gardner, Wilma Hamilton, William J. Kay, Tom Knapp, Charlotte Niskey, Ian Thornson Long, Orville H. "Bud" Marcellus, Lydia Stanberry, Carl Swanson, Nick Frazel, Eureka High School Class of 1935, and the Humboldt-Del Norte Life Underwriters Scholarship Fund. (2004)



### The Huber-Bundros Family Fund



Our family established this fund to honor the memory of our parents, Al and Betty Huber. They enjoyed life to the fullest and threw themselves wholeheartedly into many causes and activities to better the lives of others and the natural world around them. Our mother and father valued honesty, hard work, lifelong learning, and their family and community. We were lucky to have had such loving, involved parents, and later grandparents. Betty and Al enjoyed a happy marriage and modeled what the words 'for better or worse' really mean. When our mother developed Alzheimer's, Dad was her unwavering caregiver, teaching himself how to cook, clean (sort of), and even the family tradition of home canning. Betty and Al loved visiting our beautiful North Coast. This fund benefits various local organizations in their memory, with a focus on Alzheimer's, senior services, Hospice, our community food bank, library, and local land trusts.

### Cal Poly Humboldt Emeritus and Retired Faculty & Staff Association Fund

Humboldt State University retired faculty members established this fund more than 20 years ago to assist young faculty in their professional development. It has provided awards to more than 70 junior faculty to further their research and creative accomplishments and to enhance their teaching effectiveness. Recent recipients have used their awards to help involve current students in their work on projects, many related to the local area, such as forest regeneration, the North American river otter, Native American architecture, field research in Tibet, Devonian floras, children's theater, and printmaking. The Association gratefully accepts donations to the fund. Pictured: Katherine Corbett, founding member of ERFA, presenting 2011 research grant award to Dr. Robert Cliver. Photo credit: Ellen Land-Weber, Emeritus Professor. (2011)

### Humboldt Arts Council Endowment Fund



The North Coast's preeminent community arts agency since 1966, the Humboldt Arts Council provides opportunities for artists, develops arts programs, and makes the arts accessible throughout our region. As the state/local partner of the California Arts Council since 1987, HAC provides leadership, coordination, and advocacy for the arts and cultural community, and it serves as a state and national voice for the arts. The council's programs and services offer art experiences of the highest quality and encourage collaboration through partnerships within the community. HAC's Morris Graves Museum of Art in Eureka's historic Carnegie Library Building provides the North Coast community with a premier showcase for local and regional arts and culture. (1998)

### Humboldt Bay Habitat Enhancement Fund

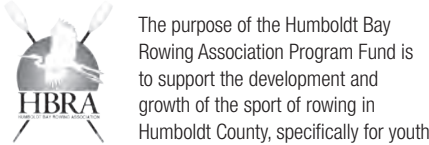


Humboldt Bay has been an industrial port for decades and there has been a great deal of harm done to the bay-associated habitat—primarily wetlands—as a result of this industrial activity. Currently, Humboldt Bay has only 4% of its native salt marsh habitat remaining, and much of the intertidal wetland that historically surrounded the bay has been filled and developed. By establishing this fund, the hope is to reverse that trend. Grants from the Humboldt Bay Habitat Enhancement Fund are distributed to projects that focus on direct restoration of various wetland habitats around the bay, improving the tidal prism around the bay by removing or replacing tide gates, and water quality sampling related to cleaning up contaminated wetland areas around Humboldt Bay. (2008)

### Humboldt Bay Recreation Enhancement & Water Quality Fund

The Humboldt Bay Recreation Enhancement & Water Quality Fund supports community-oriented projects designed to improve public access, the quality of marine or aquatic recreation, research and public education, as well as projects to improve water quality. (1995)

### Humboldt Bay Rowing Association Program Fund



The purpose of the Humboldt Bay Rowing Association Program Fund is to support the development and growth of the sport of rowing in Humboldt County, specifically for youth and the community at large. The charitable purposes of the fund may include but are not limited to scholarships for the competitive junior crew team, equipment purchases for the club, as well as uniforms, facility maintenance, and travel to competitions. (2005)

### Humboldt Bay Trail Fund



This fund supports the maintenance and development of the Humboldt Bay Trail. Donations to the fund can be earmarked endowed or expendable. Please use the Additional Comments/Requests section if you wish to specify how your contribution is designated. If no designation is specified, the donation will be split 50% endowed and 50% expendable. The Humboldt Bay Trail is a multipurpose trail around the bay for walking, running, biking, and wheeling. The trail will be constructed in phases with initial projects focused on a continuous trail between central Arcata and southwest Eureka serving as an anchor for a network of adjacent trails that connect surrounding communities. The fund supports trail related needs including: 1.) maintenance and rehabilitation, with an emphasis on projects involving community volunteers, 2.) emergency repair



projects, 3.) trail amenities, and 4.) cost-share to state or federal grant funds for project development. The fund is governed by the Humboldt Bay Trail Committee, composed of four community members at large (including one member from the Humboldt Bay Trails Council), and three public agency representatives from the city of Arcata, city of Eureka, and the Humboldt County Public Works Department. For more information about the trail, visit: [humboldtbytrail.info](http://humboldtbytrail.info) (2015)

### Humboldt Community Breast Health Project Endowment Fund

The mission of Humboldt Community Breast Health Project is to be a community resource of support and education for those facing a breast health concern, breast cancer, or gynecologic cancer. It is a client-centered, grassroots organization with services provided by cancer survivors and their support persons. The warmline volunteers are available every weekday to answer questions and lend a compassionate ear. In the Patient Navigator Program, experienced RNs and volunteers serve as navigators, supporting and guiding women through cancer screening, diagnosis, and treatment. Services include referral for financial aid and in-home assistance, buddies for one-on-one support and assistance, and consultation planning that helps clients make the most of the patient/physician relationship. Other services include support groups, educational newsletters and seminars, an extensive resource library, and information specialists who provide individualized research on breast and gynecologic health-related issues. Bilingual volunteers are also available to provide services to Spanish speakers. (2005)

### Humboldt County Historical Society Fund



Since 1947, the Humboldt County Historical Society has worked to acquire, preserve, interpret, and disseminate historical information about Humboldt County and related areas. Its members believe that there is no greater gift to the future than the careful preservation of the past. The society publishes an outstanding quarterly magazine, maintains a thorough reference library, prints historical books, records and transcribes oral histories, and archives valuable collections. Its professionals and volunteers welcome questions on projects and can advise researchers on using the library. This fund is to foster greater awareness and appreciation of the county's people, places, events, and activities. (1997)

### Humboldt-Del Norte Scholastic Sports Awards Fund

This fund was established to furnish awards for individuals who win or place in Humboldt and Del Norte championship sporting events. Advisors to this donor-advised expendable fund will be coaches of Humboldt and Del Norte scholastic sports. (2002)

### Humboldt Domestic Violence Services Endowment Fund



Humboldt Domestic Violence Services also created an endowment fund. Income from this fund provides ongoing operational support for the agency's important services. (2001)

### Humboldt Indoor Team Sports Center Fund



This HITS Center fund will provide a new spacious indoor and outdoor facility and programs focused on student and community support. This safe and healthy environment will have over ten sport courts, classrooms, meeting spaces inside and out backing our mission "to improve mental and physical health in our community." The HITS Center's diverse and dynamic space will meet the goals and challenges of our community for years to come. (2019)

### Humboldt Lagoons State Park Fund



Too many years of deferred maintenance and neglect took a toll on facilities at Humboldt Lagoons State Park, and during the 2012 budget cuts the two primitive campgrounds were closed. Through a grassroots community effort the Stone Lagoon boat-in campground reopened in 2014 and the hike-in sites at Dry Lagoon reopened in 2015. This fund is stipulated for maintenance, interpretation, education, capital improvements, and campground furniture such as bear boxes, picnic tables, and fire rings. Donations to this fund go directly to our local state park sector and not to the general fund in Sacramento. These lagoons are true gems in our local parks systems encompassing so many beautiful parks. The fund is here to help ensure that local and visiting families can continue to enjoy Humboldt Lagoons State Park for many more generations. (2014)

### Humboldt Land Surveyor's Scholarship Fund



The Humboldt Land Surveyor's Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Ken Omsberg. Ken was a well-respected local surveyor who passed away on October 6, 2007. The fund was established by friends and colleagues of Ken to provide a scholarship for students pursuing higher education in the profession of land surveying. The Humboldt chapter of the California Land Surveyors Association will continue to sponsor this fund in memory of Ken and other Humboldt County land surveyors. (2009)

### Humboldt Senior Resource Center Endowment Fund



Humboldt Senior Resource Center

The Humboldt Senior Resource Center is committed to ensuring the best possible quality of life for seniors, their caregivers, and their families. We support and encourage independence, dignity, and well-being for all older adults in our community through a comprehensive array of health, nutrition, and educational services as well as opportunities for friendship and social interaction. Interest income from the endowment fund directly supports programs including: Redwood Coast PACE, a Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly, which provides comprehensive medical care and support services; Adult Day Health and Alzheimer's Services, a state-licensed therapeutic day program; senior dining centers in Arcata, Eureka and Fortuna; home-delivered meals; recreational activities; the Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP), providing care management services for frail seniors; and the monthly Senior News newspaper. (1998)

### Humboldt Senior Resource Center Reserve Fund

The Humboldt Senior Resource Center's mission is that seniors and their caregivers in Humboldt County will have a high quality of life with dignity and self-determination in a community of respect and tolerance. The fund is used for special projects, capital equipment purchases, and to supplement ongoing program revenue sources, if necessary. Programs benefiting from these dollars include Redwood Coast PACE; Adult Day Health and Alzheimer's Services; the senior dining centers in Arcata, Eureka, and Fortuna; home-delivered meals; recreational activities; the Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP); and the monthly Senior News newspaper. (2013)

### Humboldt Soccer Fund

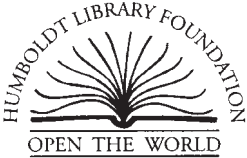
This anonymous fund was set up primarily to provide sponsorships to Inside Sports soccer teams. (2008)

### Humboldt Wildlife & Habitat Conservation Fund



Humboldt County is biologically diverse and still supports healthy populations of a wide variety of plants and animals, including rare, threatened, and endangered species. Many of us who live here chose it for that very fact. Yet, a long history of uncontrolled resource consumption, combined with current pressures such as a growing human population, increasing cannabis cultivation, aquaculture, renewable energy projects, and climate change, have caused and will continue to cause damage that needs to be remedied, mitigated, and prevented in order to maintain that diversity. The Humboldt Wildlife and Habitat Conservation Fund was established by local author, biologist, and educator, Ken Burton, in 2022 to support environmental and

conservation efforts in the county, with an emphasis on needs related to wildlife and wildlife habitat. Projects that will have direct, measurable effects, such as invasive species control, fish passage enhancement, habitat restoration, and reintroductions, are preferred. Please consider donating to this fund to help make Humboldt County an even better home for its wildlife - and by extension its human inhabitants! (2022)



### Humboldt Library Foundation Funds

The Humboldt Library Foundation was established to build financial support for the Humboldt County Public Library system. Donations to support the public library may be made to the funds described below:

### HLF | Humboldt Library Foundation Endowment Fund

HLF is building this endowment fund to support its vision of opening the world in a library that is an active educational and cultural center. The endowment fund will secure a sound financial base to generate revenue to supplement library services over the long term. (2000)

### HLF | Humboldt Library Foundation Endowment—Elizabeth Murguia & Sally Upatisinga Fund



Established with the gift of 1,000 shares of stock by Dr. Vis Upatisinga, this fund honors

Elizabeth Murguia and Sally Upatisinga for their work to raise funds for the construction of the main library in Eureka. Dr. Upatisinga encourages others to consider establishing a library endowment fund under the auspices of HLF. (1996)

### HLF | Hun Kwan Goh Memorial Book Fund



Dr. Vis and Sally Upatisinga established this fund to honor the memory of Vis's father, an active business and community leader in Thailand. The purpose of this fund is to build the library's collection of books and other materials about Thailand and China, including Chinese literature in Chinese and videos about China in Chinese or English. (1998)

### HLF | Knowledge Fund



George R. Johnson, Jr., and Nancy A. Nieboer established this endowment to purchase books, computer software and other materials to improve the nonfiction and scientific collections of the Humboldt County Library system. They invite the support of other donors who recognize the value to the community of regularly updated sources of factual information, in the belief that together, small gifts can provide large benefits. (1999)

### HLF | Sally Upatisinga Mystery Books Fund



It started with the Bobbsey Twins, who solved small mysteries while enjoying the seashore and roaming the neighborhood. She graduated to Nancy Drew, leisurely enjoying her own summer days while reading in the warm Oregon countryside. Sally Upatisinga freely admits that reading mysteries transported her to many lands. The complete works of Agatha Christie were followed over the years by a steady diet of the greats and most everything in between. A sampling of her favorites include Lord Peter Wimsey (Oxford and literature); the Cadfael Chronicles (12th Century England); Dick Francis (English jockey); and Eliot Pattison (Tibet and China). Sally enjoys the genre for nuance of place and history and pure reading pleasure. She checks them out of the library with such ferocity that her husband, Vis Upatisinga, established the fund to keep the books coming, and even more, to honor Sally and her lifelong passion and commitment to the mission of the public library. (2014)



### Hydesville Education Foundation



The Hydesville Education Foundation provides financial support to enrich the educational atmosphere at Hydesville School and to support educational programs in the community. (2006)



### Ingebritson Scholarship Fund



Thelma and Kasper Ingebritson established this fund in 1989, initially to provide scholarships for College of the Redwoods students enrolled in nursing or early childhood education programs. In 1994 the Ingebritsons broadened that focus and began providing ten scholarships each year to re-entry students in any field of study offered by College of the Redwoods. Dr. Ingebritson died on October 8, 2000. Mrs. Ingebritson died on April 26, 2006. (1989)

### Jill Irvine Memorial Fund



Jill Irvine, a dedicated nurse, helped organize Hospice of Humboldt in 1977. She initiated the annual Avenue of the Giants Marathon Run for Hospice, in which she was a participant, raising large sums of money for the organization. She died as a result of an accident in 1982 while training for the marathon. Income from this donor-advised fund created by the physicians of Eureka Internal Medicine is available for humanitarian, cultural, educational, and charitable purposes. (1984)

### Fred W. & Janice Bruner Iten Memorial Scholarship Fund



The son of immigrants, Fred sold newspapers on the streets of Oakland at age 4. He graduated from Fort Jones High, served as a Naval pilot in WWII, graduated from Humboldt State, and was later enshrined in Humboldt's Athletic Hall of Fame. He taught math and coached basketball, football, and track, winning league championships at Tulelake, Ferndale, and Ukiah. He was once selected to coach the East-West Shrine Game. Jan was raised in Ferndale. Her life changed at age 15 when her father could no longer practice medicine. She worked her way through Humboldt State and Highland Nursing program, was student body president, and graduated magna cum laude. She was an RN for 35 years and surgical supervisor at Ukiah General Hospital. People in Ukiah knew them as kind, helpful people. They provided a loving home filled with music and laughter, emphasizing education, hard work, honor, and integrity. (2014)



Wolfgang & Anna Bossard Iten  
Memorial Scholarship Fund



Wolfgang left Switzerland at age 20, having lost both parents. He worked his way through Europe, Australia and New Zealand before landing in San Francisco in 1912. Trained as a blacksmith, he worked for the Southern Pacific Railroad. From the age of 7, Anna spent her childhood in an orphanage kitchen, scrubbing pots and preparing food for the other children. She was not allowed to attend school. When she was 18, her older brother brought her to America where she taught herself to read and write in English. Wolfgang and Anna met at a Swiss dance in San Francisco, married in 1915, and relocated to Etna in 1929. They gave up speaking Swiss at home to better help their three sons learn English. They lived out their years ranching in the Scott Valley and Grenada. Hard work and determination made their American Dream come true. (2014)

Herman A. Iverson Memorial Fund



Established in 1995 to honor the memory of Herman A. Iverson, MD, in the community he loved, this fund benefits the Humboldt North Coast Land Trust in Trinidad. Dr. Iverson had lived in Humboldt County since 1947, practicing ophthalmology until his retirement. He donated his time and talents to charitable work in developing countries. An outdoorsman who enjoyed sailing and fishing, he spent his retirement years in Trinidad with his wife Ann. Dr. Iverson supported the nonprofit Humboldt North Coast Land Trust from its establishment in 1978. In 1980, the Iversons donated a portion of their property to the trust to provide public access to the beach known as Indian or Old Home Beach. They also provided a bench so that people might rest before climbing up the bluff. They continued to support the trust generously over the years. Mrs. Iverson died on July 2, 2001. (1995)



Kathryn E. Jackson & Frank A. Grant III  
Scholarship Fund



The Kathryn E. Jackson & Frank A. Grant III Memorial Scholarship Fund provides annual scholarships to graduates from Hoopa Valley High School in furthering their education beyond high school. Kathryn was a strong community

educational advocate and civic leader. She helped start the first PTA in 1952 in Hoopa, served many offices including 22nd district PTA president and offices in the state PTA. She was the first woman president of the Humboldt County Board of Education. Her eldest son Frank graduated from Hoopa High in 1960, earned a BS (1964) and MS (1966) in civil/sanitary engineering from Stanford University, and earned a PhD (1972) from UC Berkeley. Frank worked 35 years as an eminent water engineer with MWH, a global engineering firm, managing large projects in Los Angeles, the Philippines, and Jordan. He also served on the Yurok Tribal Constitution and economic development committees. (1978)

Sylvia M. Jacobson Memorial  
Scholarship Fund



Sylvia M. Jacobson was employed by Simpson Timber Company for 22 years as advertising and promotion manager. She was a member of the Farthest West chapter of the American Business Women's Association (of which she twice served as President), Women in Timber, Baywood Golf & Country Club, and Blue Lake Wha-Nika Club. ABWA honored her as Woman of the Year in 1988. She touched many lives in a very positive way. She attended College of the Redwoods and Humboldt State University as a re-entry student. The scholarship fund was established by family and friends of Sylvia M. Jacobson in her memory to support women re-entry students attending College of the Redwoods or Humboldt State University. (1995)

Jacoby Creek Land Trust Conservation  
Management Fund



The Jacoby Creek Land Trust is dedicated to the preservation of land in the northern Humboldt Bay region for scientific, historic, educational, recreational, agricultural, scenic, wildlife, and open space values. The land trust's leadership established this expendable organizational fund to assist with management costs for lands owned by the trust. The fund serves as a complement to the Jacoby Creek Land Trust Stewardship Fund created in 2002 by Bill and June Thompson. (2004)

Jacoby Creek Land Trust  
Stewardship Fund



The Jacoby Creek Land Trust was incorporated in 1992 as a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of land, primarily in the Jacoby Creek watershed, for scientific, historic, educational, recreational, scenic, wildlife, and open space values. It achieves this goal through the use of conservation easements or acquisitions of land to be managed for agricultural, ecological, and aesthetic purposes beneficial to the public interest. This fund was created by Bill and June Thompson to help the Jacoby

Creek Land Trust cover stewardship costs and provide assistance for donors of conservation easements. (2002)

Victor Thomas Jacoby Fund



Established by Victor before his death in 1997 at age 52, this trust fund is dedicated to supporting Humboldt County visual artists and craftspeople and to encouraging the exploration of new ideas, materials, techniques, mediums, and images, as well as excellence. Victor was a gifted artist whose chosen medium was French tapestry. His work has been shown in galleries and is placed in collections across the country, as well as in Mexico, Europe and Japan. A gentle wit with a charming smile and eye and ear for all the arts, Victor was also a dedicated master teacher and an outstanding singer, baker and naturalist. (1997)

Janssen Family Fund



This donor-advised endowment fund was established in 2008 by Ardene Janssen in loving memory and honor of C.R. "Bob" Janssen. Bob was a highly regarded trial attorney. He resided in Humboldt County and lived a life of service to others and devotion to his family. Bob and Ardene's two daughters Dina and Shannon will serve as co-advisors to this fund. At the time of the founding of this fund, all members of the Janssen family resided locally. To reflect the diverse interests and pursuits of the family, gifts from this fund will be made to support a variety of charitable causes including education, the fine arts, health, agriculture, and the environment. (2008)

Marilyn Jenkins Memorial Fund

Marilyn grew up here in Humboldt County. Her mother went to high school with Vera Viotor. Marilyn herself went to San Jose State University to study interior design and later moved back and taught art at Arcata High and McKinleyville high schools. In her memory, this fund will support the areas of Arts, Humanities, & Culture; Humane Animal Care; Youth & Family; Community; and Health & Well-bring in Humboldt County. (2019)

James & Rebecca Jensen/Loleta IOOF  
Scholarship Fund



The Jensens were lifelong residents of the Loleta area and very much involved in their community at the time of their deaths in 1982. The Loleta IOOF lodge members designated the income from this fund to be used for two annual two-year scholarships to be awarded to Fortuna/Ferndale school district students after their graduation

from College of the Redwoods so that they may continue their education. (1983)

Lorana Johnson Memorial  
Scholarship Fund



Originally endowed as the Mattole Triple Junction High School Citizenship and Community Service Scholarship, this scholarship has been renamed to honor the memory of its 2004 recipient, Lorana Eileen Johnson, who died tragically on February 22, 2005. Lorana very much embodied the spirit of the award in her dedication to school spirit and in her unwavering desire to better herself and give back to her community. This scholarship is awarded on the basis of outstanding citizenship and community service in order to honor and recognize students who have made a significant contribution to the success of our small school community. (2000)

Roy & Billie Johnson Endowment Fund



This fund was established with the estate of Billie Hemisphere Johnson, born in June 1917 and passed away in January 2019. Billie was a commercial fisherwoman by trade with an incredibly strong will who weathered life's storms with seeming ease. Billie sought a good challenge, illustrated in later life by her preference for blackjack over slots during her relished trips to Blue Lake Casino. She loved a good joke, and if one didn't have a sense of humor, Billie tended to be uninterested. She was a self-professed "trouble-maker". That said, Billie harbored a kind and compassionate soul. The purpose of the fund is to provide for: care for the sick and dying; protection, well-being, and enjoyment of senior citizens in Humboldt County; care for children with neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries, and other special healthcare needs; and understanding and treatment of childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases. (2019)

Stan & Lucille Johnson Memorial  
Scholarship Fund



This scholarship was established to honor the lives of Stanley and Lucille Johnson and uncles Nels, Earl, Bob, and Paul Johnson, and Milton "Ollie" Carlson. Both were lifelong residents of Humboldt County, attending and graduating from local schools, working chosen careers, raising their family, and retiring. Loving the area and the lifestyle it offered, they also experienced the changing economic environment that is challenging for the current and future generations. This fund hopes this scholarship will help students from Arcata or McKinleyville schools choose a career that will allow them to remain local or pursue their dreams elsewhere. (2016)

Wade Owen Johnson Memorial Fund



Wade Owen Johnson was born in Garberville on March 12, 1958, where he resided until his death on January 5, 2010. He was proud to be the great-grandson of Nicholas Johnson, who came to Eureka in 1868 from Oslo, Norway. Wade was a kind and gentle person who will be missed by all who knew him. His parents, Jim and Marie Johnson of Garberville, created this fund in his memory to aid the teachers of Redway Elementary School in purchasing teaching aids, supplies, and programs for their students. (2010)

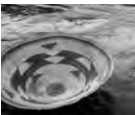
Doralie Anderson Johnston  
Memorial Fund



"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40). Doralie Anderson Johnston, a nurse by profession, often opened her home to those in need. It didn't matter if the person was a friend or a stranger. Doralie was a nurse in Garberville when her children were young and always maintained strong ties to friends in Humboldt County. This memorial fund was established to honor her generous acts and to carry on her legacy of giving. The proceeds from this memorial will be used to support homeless families in Humboldt County by funding programs whose end goal is transitioning families out of homelessness. (2012)



Ka'm-t'em Scholarship



This scholarship is primarily funded by the royalties from the publication of "Ka'm-t'em: A Journey Toward Healing," by 27 California Indigenous advocates of Ka'm-te'm (Indigenous Treasures). This scholarship is for California Indigenous students with a path to contribute, protect and/or advocate for Indigenous knowledge such as language, sacred sites, burial grounds and inherent rights. Applicants must be 1) Indigenous to California; 2) an undergraduate or graduate student; and 3) an advocate, protector and/or contributor to Indigenous knowledge. (2019)

Karshner & Roscoe Scholarship Fund



Gayle Karshner established this fund in memory of her son Warner, an Arcata boy who excelled as a scholar and as a performer in local musical productions. He received the "white sweater" award upon graduation from Arcata High School for his achievements in theater, music, politics, and academics. After graduating from the University of Oregon in 1968, Warner served in the Peace Corps for six years in Malaysia. He continued to serve throughout his lifetime, receiving the US President's Volunteer Service Award in 2007 in Gig Harbor, WA. Warner earned a PhD in counseling from



the University of Wisconsin and enjoyed a career as a clinical psychologist. His happy life was nourished by his wife Diane, sons Eric and Brett, other family, friends, colleagues, and the great outdoors. Warner died suddenly at work on July 18, 2008. His fund provides a scholarship to an outstanding graduate from Arcata High. (2008)

### Manuel C. Kaster Fund



Manuel C. "Manny" Kaster was born in Ohio in 1930. As a teenager, Manny moved to Southern California with his parents and two sisters. Manny obtained his bachelor's degree from the University of California-Los Angeles and his master's degree in zoology from the University of California-Berkeley. After serving our country in the Korean War as an army med tech, in the late 1960s Manny moved to Arcata to accept a teaching position at Humboldt State University, where he taught biology and zoology for the next 27 years. Throughout his life, Manny has been an avid bicyclist. Before bicycle transportation infrastructure was as advanced as it is today, Manny used his bicycle as his primary mode of transportation, not only from his Arcata home to the HSU campus, but all over Humboldt County. The Manuel C. Kaster Fund has been established to support zoology education projects for Humboldt County students at the junior high through college levels, and to support bicycle awareness, safety, and transportation access within Humboldt County. (2014)

### Manuel C. Kaster Scholarship Fund

The Manuel C. Kaster Scholarship Fund has been established to provide financial support to deserving Humboldt State University undergraduate students pursuing a zoology degree. (2014)

### Joan Katri Fine Arts Fund



Joan Katri was born in Ferndale, CA. She graduated from the School of Arts and Crafts in Oakland, CA. She worked in commercial art in San Francisco for a number of years before moving to the East Coast where she continued her art interests and showed her paintings in many galleries. Joan returned to Ferndale and was very active in the art community. She has shown locally in Ferndale's Art Coop, Morris Graves Museum and the Piante gallery in Eureka. (2023)

### Bernard F. Katri, Mary Ryan Katri, & Eleanor Ryan Shanahan Memorial Fund



Lifelong Humboldt County residents, Mary Ryan Katri and Eleanor Ryan Shanahan were the daughters of John and Mary Ryan of Eureka. Mary died in 1973. Bernard Katri, Mary's husband, established this fund upon Mary's

sister Eleanor's death in 1987 to provide a yearly scholarship to a student entering St. Bernard's High School. Bernard Katri died in 1992. (1987)

### Kavich International Education Fund

Supports international educational exchange programs with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). (2021)

### Justin Scott Keele Memorial Fund



This fund was established in memory of Justin Keele. Justin was born in Eureka on June 12, 1979, and passed away on October 4, 2004. Justin was an Eagle Scout, a student leader in high school, a committed volunteer, an entrepreneur, and a friend to everyone he met. This fund grants stipends to students and young adults who emulate Justin's spirit and values and who through their demonstrated involvement can make a difference in the lives of others. The stipend helps make their aspirations come true. (2004)

### Keep Eureka Beautiful Fund



An all-volunteer group, Keep Eureka Beautiful, was founded in 1996. It promotes beautification as an essential building block in preventing crime, calming traffic and promoting economic development. Its mission is to educate the community about the importance of beautification and to motivate individuals to take personal responsibility for making Eureka a more livable city. In 2006, a gift of \$50,000 from the Arkley family allowed Keep Eureka Beautiful to launch a street tree program. With ongoing support from private donors and the Christine and Jalmer Berg Foundation, it has planted over 1,200 street and front yard trees over the years. (2006)

### KEET-TV Redwood Empire Public Television Future Fund



Donations to this fund are used to help ensure the continuation of the North Coast's only public television station and to support KEET-TV's continued broadcast of educational and inspiring public television, the production of local programs, early childhood literacy workshops, and community outreach projects. Donations to this fund are welcome and greatly appreciated. (1991)

### KHUM's Stop the Violence—Start the Healing Endowment Fund



KHUM's Stop the Violence—Start the Healing Campaign is a partnership of private businesses, public agencies, and individuals committed to raising

awareness of the realities of domestic, sexual, and community violence. It is also committed to promoting involvement in and raising funds for the ongoing work of agencies responding to victims and survivors of violence in Humboldt County. The annual campaign raises awareness primarily through live interviews, recorded announcements, and special events sponsored by the founder, KHUM-FM radio station at 104.3 and 104.7 FM. The annual campaign also raises funds from business sponsors, merchandise sales, individual donations, and special events to continually add to the endowment fund. Grants are made to local agencies serving victims and survivors of violence. (1998)

### Kids Inspiration Fund



HumFresh provides fresh, nutritious #FOODTHATFUELS optimal performance and provides nutrition education programs in schools partnered with professional athletes designed to inspire kids to chase their dreams. (2015)

### Wayne & Carole Kime Memorial Fund



Wayne and Carole Kime, both Humboldt natives, found true love and enjoyment in their children and the youth in the community. Carole, who was known for her compassion and kindness, spent many years working for local elementary schools, and Wayne, known for his wit and tenacity, spent many years coaching youth sports. The fund is intended for general charitable purposes with an emphasis on local youth organizations. (2015)

### Thelma Kinsman Scholarship Fund



California Medical Assistants Association, Inc., Redwood Chapter, established this fund in 1999 to be used for providing an annual scholarship to a College of the Redwoods student enrolled in the medical assisting program. Those criteria were expanded in 2023 to also include an annual scholarship to a student enrolled in the RN program at College of the Redwoods. The charter president of Redwood chapter, Thelma Kinsman, worked as a medical assistant in the Eureka area for many years and bequeathed \$10,000 to the chapter upon her death. In her memory, this fund will continue to benefit students in the medical field on the North Coast. (2023)

### Peggy & Bob Kirkpatrick Special Education Credential Scholarship



Peggy and Bob both graduated from Eureka High School and Humboldt State University. Bob attended the University of Alaska, and through the National Science Foundation he attended Gonzaga University,

University of Nevada, and Arizona State University where he received a Master of Science in math. He taught math at Eureka High School for 29 years. Peggy taught at Grant, Franklin, and Lafayette Elementary Schools in Eureka. She returned to teaching after eleven years of raising their three boys as a resource specialist teacher. She received many awards during her career: California Association of Resource Specialist Teachers CARS selected her as the 1st Resource Teacher of the Year, HCOE Excellence Award, and Jean Olson Career Achievement Award. After she retired from Eureka City Schools, she became a SPED Program Coordinator at HSU where she worked for 15 years. This scholarship was established to help other special education candidates find a job that they love. (2017)

### Kiwanis Club of Henderson Center—Public Service Fund



This fund is used to provide scholarships to youth graduating from Humboldt County high schools who have excelled academically and actively participated in community and school activities, thereby indicating a strong commitment to community service. (1998)

### Kiwanis Club of Henderson Center Scholarship Fund



Kiwanis Club of Henderson Center is part of the international organization dedicated to serving local communities and addressing worldwide issues with an emphasis on the needs of children. Kiwanis' motto is "Serving the Children of the World." Kiwanis focuses on youth health, citizenship, and leadership, as well as assistance to the elderly. The Kiwanis Club of Henderson Center sponsors youth groups at elementary, middle, high school, and college levels. The club also provides academic and sponsored youth scholarships on a yearly basis. They are active sponsors of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Future Farmers of America. Through participation in service projects volunteer members work to improve life in the local community and around the world. For more information, contact Kiwanis of Henderson Center Club at PO Box 615, Eureka California 95502-0615. (2005)

### McKinleyville Kiwanis Scholarship Fund



The McKinleyville Kiwanis Club established this scholarship fund to reward and support McKinleyville High School graduates. (2007)

### Kiwanis Club of Willow Creek Fund



The Kiwanis Club of Willow Creek provides service to the communities of the Trinity River Valley. Part of Kiwanis International, the club puts particular focus on the youth of our communities, with projects including support for community parks, youth sports

teams, and organizations. Each year the Willow Creek Kiwanis have raised monies to provide two college scholarships to deserving high school graduates raised in the greater Willow Creek area (along Highway 299 from Berry Summit to Cedar Flat, and along Highway 96 north to Orleans). This fund was created to ensure that those scholarships will continue in perpetuity. (2016)

### Fortuna Kiwanis Youth Fund



The Fortuna Kiwanis Club supports activities for youth in the Fortuna area. The club established this fund to provide annual scholarships and other special funds for worthwhile youth activities and programs. (2000)

### Klamath Communities Fund



Degradation of the Klamath River by four dams and water usage conflicts have created a health crisis for all Native communities along the river, severely damaging both fishery and farming economies and eroding the environmental health of the Klamath Basin. A remarkable agreement has been reached to remove the four dams below Klamath Lake and balance water use between fisheries and farms. Developed and signed onto by the three Klamath River Tribes, farmers, commercial fishermen, environmental groups, the states of Oregon and California, and federal agencies, the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA) will improve the health of the communities, economies, and environment. Funds are needed for the Klamath River Coalition to make the agreement a reality. (2011)

### Lewis Klein Environmental Education Endowment Fund



Lewis Klein—born in New York—became a naturalist, gardener, cyclist, and fisherman. He fell in love with the west coast as a teenager and returned to study at UC Berkeley. His passion for the natural world and spirit of scientific discovery led him to the rainforests of Colombia where he studied spider monkeys. Later he spent summers in the Rocky Mountains of Alberta observing wildlife, eventually returning to California to concentrate on native plant research. He was a natural teacher with the ability to explain almost anything to anyone. He became a community leader in McKinleyville, attempting to understand and instruct others in the legalities and realities of local land use issues. His fund was established by the McKinleyville Land Trust and is used for environmental and conservation projects in McKinleyville schools and to provide environmental education materials to McKinleyville schools and the public library. (2000)

### Dorothy & George Knab Memorial Fund



George Knab established this fund in 1988, the year after the death of his beloved wife Dorothy. Hospice of Humboldt and Humboldt Home Health Services provided daily care for Dorothy until her death. The income from this fund benefits those organizations. George died on March 11, 1995. (1988)

### George Owen Knapp Memorial Fund



George Owen Knapp, a philanthropist and influential man of his era, was President of Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company in Chicago, and founder of Union Calcium Carbide Company. He had a special focus on medical care in his philanthropic efforts. Originally a resident of New York, Knapp relocated to Santa Barbara later in life, where he was instrumental in the growth of Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital. In retirement, he spent time in the Crescent City area, and, noticing a lack of access to healthcare in the region, established the Seaside Hospital, also known as the Knapp Hospital, in 1931. The hospital served the community for over 60 years. Mr. Knapp passed away in 1945 at the Cottage Hospital in Santa Barbra. This fund carries on Mr. Knapp's philanthropic spirit by supporting charitable needs in Del Norte County, especially in the area of healthcare. (2024)

### Kneeland Fire Protection District Fire Station Fund



The mission of the Kneeland Volunteer Fire Department is to provide fire protection and prevention and emergency medical aid to our 36-square-mile district. The KVFD has provided these services for over 20 years without a firehouse. Currently the response vehicles and fire and medical apparatus are housed at the homes of the volunteer firefighters, where they are exposed to maritime influences and other weather effects. This trust fund has been created to raise the money needed to build a 60' x 80' building with three large bay doors, a fueling station, and the development of a water source and storage. The firehouse will serve as a central command post to house and maintain the equipment and as a training center for our brave volunteer firefighters so that they can continue to provide outstanding service to the community of Kneeland. Support your local fire department! (2008)



### Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund



The Knights of Columbus have established this scholarship fund to assist Catholic students attending St. Bernard's schools who experience financial hardship. (2000)

### Kulstad Family Fund



This fund supports the Humboldt Literacy Project. (2008)

### Guy Kuttner Nature Education Memorial Fund



The Guy Kuttner Nature Education Memorial Fund was established in 2011 in memory of Guy, a beloved teacher at Pacific Union School. Guy loved getting his students out of their classroom and into nature. Over his 20-year educational career, they would make weekly trips to the Arcata Marsh, camp at Patrick's Point State Park and Camp Kimtu, visit the dunes, and hang out in the various campus gardens. It is this fund's goal to assist teachers by providing transportation to get their students out of the classrooms and into nature. (2015)

### Kuttner/Mason Camp Unalayee Scholarship Fund



The fund was created by a friendship circle of Guy Kuttner and John "Moose" Mason—both highly regarded, dedicated, and inspirational local public-school teachers—to honor their love of high mountain wilderness, commitment to environmental education, and emphasis on cooperative hands-on learning. The fund's sole purpose is to financially enable children from low-income, urban households to attend Camp Unalayee. Short-term and long-term financial goals, respectively, are to cover one camper's costs per year and to grow a self-supporting endowment. Since 1949, Camp Unalayee—an accredited, nonprofit backpacking summer camp located in the Trinity Alps Wilderness—has been providing children from all walks of life with experiences that are life affirming for all and life changing for many. The camp emphasizes cooperation, building confidence through learning outdoor skills, exploring one's interests and natural abilities, and sharing daily responsibilities at base camp and on backcountry trails. (2015)



### Amie Haas LaBanca Emerging Artists Fund



Always nurturing the creative spirit of the young people around her, Amie Haas LaBanca spent her life encouraging everyone she met interested in any form of creative expression. The Haas-LaBanca family has established the Amie Haas LaBanca Emerging Artists Fund to create an endowed, sustainable scholarship award opportunity, similar to the opportunity Amie was given as a young student and artist—one that transformed and sustained her entire life, personally and professionally. This fund will support graduating students within the Arcata Arts Institute at Arcata High School who will be entering a field of study in the arts, regardless of grade point average, type of school, or enrollment status. (2014)

### Noel & Margaret LaCombe Fund



Mr. and Mrs. LaCombe, long-time residents of Crescent City, established this fund to provide scholarships to Del Norte High School graduating seniors. Noel and Margaret did not have the opportunity to further their education. Mr. LaCombe passed away in 1992 and Mrs. LaCombe, in January of 1998. (1991)

### Nancy Jacobs Lafrenz Memorial Scholarship Fund



Nancy Lafrenz was a gifted actor, charming clown, dedicated Dell'Arte alumnus, devoted daughter, thoughtful friend, and loving wife. She succumbed to colon cancer on December 26th, 2005, at the young age of 31. Nancy was a giver and a leader. Nancy mentored younger students and ensemble members, spoke up when others were afraid to, and nurtured those in need. Nancy not only loved working in ensembles but also loved building them. To keep Nancy's spirit alive, the Dell'Arte graduating class of 2002 created the Nancy Lafrenz Memorial Scholarship Fund. This fund will allow one ensemble of graduating Dell'Arte students to begin their professional career. The scholarship will fund the production of an ensemble-created original work for Dell'Arte's Baduwa't Festival. Through the creation of these works Nancy's spirit will not only live on but it will help mold the careers of young ensemble members for years to come. (2006)

### Mary Louise Leftwich Lawson Memorial Scholarship Fund



Mary Louise Leftwich Lawson was born on February 26, 1930, in Magazine, AR. As a young girl her parents Julian and Zena Leftwich moved the family to Lubbock, TX. She attended Stephens College in Missouri and Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She met and married Homer Lawson who also attended and graduated from Texas Tech. She did not graduate from college, but she held education in high regard. She had been a history major with an art minor. She volunteered often, including with the Junior League where she took paintings to classrooms to share her love of art with children. She had an artful narrative in teaching her three children about historical events. Volunteering at Texas Tech's Museum and the McNay Art Museum in San Antonio, Texas were such pleasures in her life. She passed away on April 9, 2014. Julia Jan Lawson established this scholarship in loving memory of her mother. (2015)

### League of Women Voters of Humboldt County Education Fund



The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government. The first purpose of the fund is to further league educational purposes within the Humboldt County area. Examples of education fund activities are: candidates, public information, and educational forums; nonpartisan voter registration and "get-out-the-vote" drives; voter information for new citizens; purchase of printed pros and cons on ballot measures and other nonpartisan election-related materials; support of Internet access to unbiased voter election information; and publication of the Humboldt County Citizens' Guide to County Government. The second purpose of the fund is to underwrite the state and national membership dues for those local League of Women Voters members and potential members who cannot afford to pay these costs. (1999)

### Louis "Louie" Leal Memorial Fund



This fund was established by Robyn Bryant in loving memory of her father Louis, who went home on December 31, 2004. Louis was and still remains a great source of strength and inspiration to others. He was always doing tangible things to help his family, friends, and community and is greatly loved and appreciated by all who knew him. In honor of Louis, this fund has been created to help provide medical treatment and crisis and/or legal counseling for those dealing with serious issues that may arise from a severe physical, emotional, or mental disorder, or through the loss of a loved one. In so doing, this fund also honors the memory of Robyn's

mother Phyllis and two brothers—Robert and John—by partnering with and supporting the Phyllis Nilsen Leal Memorial Fund, which supports families with children undergoing medical treatments. (2006)

### Phyllis Nilsen Leal Memorial Fund



Louis Leal established this fund in honor of his wife Phyllis to support families who have children undergoing medical treatments. Mr. Leal passed away on December 31, 2004. A memorial fund for Mr. Leal was established in 2006. (1986)

### Leavey Ranch Fund



Joseph James "Jim" Leavey, Jr., left the area to pursue his career and returned in the '90s to spend time on his ranch located along the Mad River outside of Blue Lake. There Jim raised many bird species in his aviary and was an avid gardener. Jim also had ponds built and stocked with a variety of fish. Jim's Sunday drives to the ponds were the highlight of his weeks. The Leavey Ranch will serve as an educational area for Humboldt State University and other educational organizations. The wide range of distinct natural ecosystems existing on the ranch are appropriate for educational uses in the fields of forestry, fisheries, rangeland management, wildlife management, botany, and other sciences relating to the conservation, preservation, and understanding of natural resources and of species indigenous to the North Coast. The ranch will also remain an open space with continued operation as a working ranch. (2012)

### John L. & Marian Ledgerwood Memorial Fund



Marian Ledgerwood established this fund to honor the memory of a loving husband. Because John had appreciated the care he received during his many hospital stays for heart problems, income from the fund provides scholarships to nursing students. Marian had the opportunity to meet and inspire several scholarship recipients before she passed away in September of 2003. During her youth, Marian worked for the city of Eureka. It was she who filed the necessary papers to qualify the Carnegie as an historical building. She subsequently was an active volunteer with RSVP for many years, processing film for the Eureka Police Department. In addition to the funds she established at HAF, Marian also left an exquisite collection of locally made baskets that had been purchased by her mother before 1920. This gift resides with United Indian Health Services at Potawatow Village. (1986)

### Marian Ledgerwood Fund for Dogs & Cats

Marian Ledgerwood was born in Eureka on April 22, 1918, to John and Mary Davison. Marian spent her childhood in Orick living at the Davison Ranch. She graduated from Eureka High School in 1936 and then attended Humboldt State College. For more than 30 years, she worked for the city of Eureka in the engineering department as an engineering technician, retiring in 1981. Marian had a lifelong interest in photography and always had a camera with her. She volunteered many hours to the Eureka Police Department, developing and printing their film. In 1986, Marian was predeceased by her husband of 44 years, Johnnie. Marian loved animals, especially the Pekinese she had over the years. Because of her love for animals, she established this fund upon her death on September 2, 2003, for the altering and spaying of dogs and cats in Humboldt County. (2004)

### Carol Lee Memorial Scholarship Fund



Established via a gift from the Estate of Carol Lee to benefit students pursuing careers focusing on social policy issues including civil rights, inequality, racism, immigration and the environment who are from the City of Ferndale and surrounding area. (2022)

### Leeper Family YES Fund



Humboldt State has been kind to the Leeper Family, and it would like to give back. When asked what she would most like to support at now Cal Poly Humboldt, our daughter enthusiastically said: "YES!" She truly enjoyed her interactions with YES while a student at then HSU, so she wants to honor her experience by helping the current YES cohorts. Hence, a yearly grant will be made from the Leeper Family YES Fund to support YES and its community efforts (2023)

### Neil A. Lemons Memorial Scholarship Fund



Born January 9, 1979, Neil grew up locally and attended local schools. He participated in Scouts, baseball, and soccer. Neil loved the outdoors, hunting, camping, backpacking, and fishing. His smile touched many lives. Neil was murdered on April 30, 2002, at the age of 23. This memorial fund was established by his parents, Mike Lemons, Arlene and Ken Britt, and family for the benefit of those successfully completing a rehabilitation program to further their education. (2002)

### Let the Music Play Fund



The Let the Music Play Fund was established in 2014 to support charitable work in the region with an emphasis on music and the arts for middle school students. Specifically, Act 1 of Let the Music Play Fund helped to support the purchasing of musical instruments for the music program at Smith River School. This fund will continue to serve as a vehicle to support music and the arts for our middle school students throughout Del Norte County and adjacent tribal lands. (2014)

### Lighthouse Repertory Theatre Performing Arts Center Building Fund



The Lighthouse Repertory Theatre Performing Arts Center Building Fund will provide the theater group the home it needs and a community arts center available for public use. Since LRT was founded in 1978, it has performed dozens of musicals, dramas, and comedies for thousands of people in a school auditorium. The Lighthouse Repertory Theatre is organized to foster and produce the best obtainable and most adaptable plays of the living theater for the entertainment and benefit of the community. (2005)

### Vernon A. & Verla D. Lindstrom Memorial Fund



Vern and Verla Lindstrom moved to Fortuna in 1964 from Santa Rosa. They both worked at College of the Redwoods—Vern in computers and Verla in data processing. Vern's interests included ham radio and cars. Verla enjoyed weaving, painting, and genealogy. They shared a deep love for cats and would often take tender care of strays including feeding and housing them, allowing the kitties to live longer, happier lives. This fund was established specifically to feed and care for cats at the Humboldt County Humane Society until loving homes can be found for them. (2015)

### Elizabeth & Theodore Lippert Scholarship Fund



Helen Betsy Lippert established this fund in memory of her beloved parents, Elizabeth and Theodore Lippert. Ted Lippert was a vocational shop teacher for 36 years, Fortuna mayor for 12 years, and served on the Fortuna City Council for 20 years. He was a 50-year member of both the Eel River Masonic Lodge and Delta Chi of Oregon State College where he received his bachelor's degree in 1930 in industrial arts. Elizabeth Lippert graduated from the University of Southern California in 1926, receiving her Bachelor of Arts degree in English. She taught at several local elementary schools and was an award-winning



member of the Fortuna Garden Club. The Lipperts were members of the Fortuna Methodist Church. This scholarship fund is for Fortuna High School graduates who are members of a church and are interested in pursuing a career in teaching or vocational education. (1998)

### Littlefield Family Foundation

Littlefield Family Foundation was created by Rick & Betty Littlefield in 2023 to support worthy causes in our community, our state, our nation and the world at large. This financial support is meant to be spread widely to diverse organizations to achieve their goals at home and abroad. Such causes may include support for sustainable living, youth and senior activities, trails maintenance and environmental cleanups, partnerships with Rotary and other service clubs, microfinance organizations such as KIVA and many other organizations as yet to be determined. (2023)

### Robert M. Lochtie Memorial Fund



Robert Lochtie practiced veterinary medicine in Eureka for over 30 years, building the Broadway Animal Hospital. He contributed to youth programs through 4-H, FFA, and the Boy and Girl Scouts. This fund was established in his memory in 1992 by his family. The income is used for community projects, especially those that benefit youth, education, the environment, and the arts. (1992)

### Long Line of Ladies Fund

The Long Line of Ladies Fund will work intergenerationally to support projects and activities that align with the values and lessons shared during the Karuk coming of age ceremonies. (2022)

### Looking to the Future Fund



The Looking to the Future Fund was created to support charitable work that promotes sustainable environmental and socially responsible practices. It was one of the first funds in HAF's socially responsible investment pool. (2018)

### Zerbina Lovfald Memorial Fund



Zerbina Susan Lovfald, or "Beanie" as she was known to her family and friends, lived in Humboldt County for over 90 years. Her husband John Lovfald preceded her in death in 1970. Beanie attended Eureka High School and Craddock Business College. She worked for the Diamond Fruit Company, Eureka's Water Department, and finally retired as an accountant for the California Division of Highways, now known as Caltrans. In her retirement, Beanie traveled extensively and enjoyed a good game of bridge. Her quick wit and stories of the

past warmed many a family gathering. Her fund is intended for the exclusive benefit of the Glen Paul Center for Exceptional Children in Eureka. (1999)

### Charles Lucchesi Memorial Fund



Dawn Lucchesi, Karen Berman, and Joni Branstetter established this endowment to honor husband and father Charles (Chuck) Lucchesi. Chuck lived a full, beautiful life. He was loved by many and had such a positive view of life that it was a joy to be in his presence. Chuck was a lifelong educator who retired as Vice President, Student Personnel at College of the Redwoods. Called one of the most versatile student-athletes in school history, he was inducted into the University of California Athletic Hall of Fame in 2003. During the last 22 years of his life he competed in senior tennis tournaments and held national rankings. He was still competing nationally in tennis the year he died at 86. Funds are used to support local youth purchasing athletic equipment needed to participate in group sports. This fund reflects Chuck's belief that participation in athletics as a youth can build lifelong skills in achieving success in life. (2007)

### Paloma Smith Luce Trust Fund

Paloma Smith Luce, a graduate of Fortuna Union High School's class of 1932, established this trust fund to support the high school's science and agriculture departments. (1999)

### Charlene Lundblade and Sons Fund



This fund was created to help the population of feral cats and dogs in Trinity and Humboldt counties. At one time, there were 27 feral cats at Charlene's home. Charlene had them all spayed and neutered and eventually found homes for 18 of them. The love of all animals is what led to the creation of this fund. Charlene lives in Trinity County, and her sons are Rick and Ron. (2013)

### Eli & Jacob Lyons Memorial Scholarship Fund



Eli Lyons was a native of Arcata. A quiet young man with a lifelong love of the outdoors, Eli loved to fish and spent his happiest hours on the local rivers. An exemplary student, Eli planned on pursuing a career in the field of marine biology. He was active in sports, lettering in football and basketball at Arcata High School and receiving All-County honors for football in 1993. This fund was established in Eli's name for scholar-athletes graduating from Arcata High School who are planning to attend a four-year college or university and major in the biological sciences. Eli's brother Jacob passed away in 2008 just before his 24th birthday. Jacob was a kind and gentle young man who struggled as a young adult

to make sense of his brother's death. He discovered an interest and talent for woodworking in high school, going on to work in local woodworking shops after his high school graduation. Memorial gifts in Jacob's name have been used to purchase a bench for the Arcata Community Forest and to plant a tree at the Humboldt Botanical Garden. A scholarship was established to help Arcata High School graduates pursue ongoing education in the area of industrial technology. (1995)



### MacAlton Fund

Jim MacKinnon and Alton English created the MacAlton Fund with a charitable remainder trust. The fund supports the annual MacAlton Awards, providing financial assistance to students in the fields of mechanical, industrial, and/or vocational arts and sciences, including architecture, carpentry, and furniture making. (1998)

### John F. Machen Memorial Fund



John was born on November 22, 1945. He graduated from the University of Iowa Medical School and served as a flight surgeon in the United States Navy. John and Lynn Schoenewey were married in 1979, and they moved to Eureka in 1980, where John became a partner in Urology Associates. He served the local medical community in many ways, including as chief of staff at St. Joseph's Hospital and president of the Humboldt-Del Norte Foundation for Medical Care. John enjoyed flying airplanes and fly fishing. His favorite airplane was a 1946 Aeronca 7ac Champ, which he personally restored, and his favorite fishing adventure was catch-and-release for steelhead on the Klamath River. John was also a devoted family man, and because of his pride in his sons Matt and Scott and their musical accomplishments, the John F. Machen Memorial Fund has been established to benefit music education. (2002)

### Douglas G. Mack Memorial Scholarship Fund



This fund provides an award annually to a student graduating from McKinleyville High School who is attending college with the intent of becoming a teacher. Douglas Gordon Mack was a 1986 graduate of McKinleyville High School where he was active in soccer, tennis, forensics, and theater. His favorite teacher at McKinleyville High School, Mr. Allen Edwards, inspired him to become a high school English teacher. Doug attended Oregon State University and was attending Grand Canyon

University in Phoenix, AZ to finish work on a teaching credential when he died in 1998 at the age of 30 after a two-year battle with cancer. Doug was proud that in his last semester, even though seriously ill, he still received straight A's. Doug's parents Herschel and Rickie Mack established this fund with the hope that it would help worthy students accomplish Doug's career goal of becoming a teacher. (1998)

### Eldred I. “Bo” MacMillan Fund

Bo MacMillan, a third-generation Humboldt County native, had a successful career in civil engineering and land surveying until his death in February of 1993. Most of his career was spent in Humboldt County, providing him the opportunity to work on projects such as the Arcata Freeway, Eureka's Second Street renovation, and one of his favorite projects, the Adorni Recreation Center in Eureka. To honor Bo and the profession he loved, this fund provides scholarships to civil engineering students who are graduates of Humboldt County high schools. (1993)

### Mad River Community Hospital Partners in Caring Fund



Mad River Community Hospital is committed to caring for all members of our community, regardless of their ability to pay for services provided. Each year the hospital provides over \$1.3 million in unreimbursed health services to more than 1,700 patients. Through the Partners in Caring Fund, donors can build upon Mad River's generous gift to the community. Donations to the Partners in Caring Fund support services for patients in need. For example, the fund helps the hospital provide oral surgeries for low-income pediatric patients referred by local clinics, benefiting 30 children per year. Donations to this designated expendable fund are used directly for indigent patient care, not for administrative or overhead costs. The Partners in Caring fund makes a difference in our community by ensuring healthcare for those who cannot afford it, allowing donors to become true partners in caring for our friends and neighbors in need. (2003)

### The Maffia Family Fund



This fund was established by Lynn Maffia McKenna in memory of her parents, Nard and Jennie Maffia, and her brother Tom. The Maffias were lifelong residents of Eureka with a rich Italian heritage. Nard's family built and operated The Flor de Italia Hotel in the early 1900s. This building, located at 110 2nd Street, currently houses the Eureka Rescue Mission. Jennie worked at the Bon Boniere and for Harry Adorni Insurance before marrying Nard. Together with other family members, they owned and operated the McKinleyville Store, the Logger Bar in Blue Lake, and the Ritz in Eureka. Jennie was the executrix of the Adorni estate and oversaw the

building of the Adorni Center. Nard and Jennie were also very involved with the jazz festival as supporters and volunteers. This donor-advised fund helps support the Rescue Mission building and jazz festival youth programs. (2004)

### Michael Malloy Memorial Fund



Lifelong Humboldt County resident Michael Malloy was the son of Joseph Malloy, a native of Humboldt County, and Ruth E. Malloy, born in Minnesota and raised in Devil's Lake, ND. Michael Malloy graduated from St. Bernard's High School in 1967. His brothers and sister also were St. Bernard's High School graduates. Michael Malloy died in 1999. His wife Theresa and his family established this fund for the benefit of students attending St. Bernard's High School. (1999)

### Mandy & Molly Fund



Jim and Betty Mills established this fund to support the Sequoia Humane Society, reflecting the love and joy so many receive from owning a pet. Betty reports: "Many pets shared our home during the fifty-some years we have been married and all were memorable. The last two dogs we owned were a mixture of black Labradors and who knows what else? Mandy came into our lives in 1972 and left in 1987. Molly arrived in 1982 and departed in 1997. The period that their lives overlapped was full of surprises, laughter, and wonder at their delightful antics. If we threw a stick into the pond, Molly would swim out to get it and surrender it to Mandy who would bring it to us to throw again. Suffice it to say that our lives were greatly enriched by these two very intelligent, lovable, friendly dogs and we miss them immensely." (1998)

### John A. Marcuz & Joanna D. Marcuz Memorial Fund



A 1953 graduate of Eureka Senior High School, Mr. Marcuz received his BA and MA from Humboldt State University in history and completed his student teaching at Arcata High School. A high school and collegiate tennis player, Marcuz demonstrated the best traits of the student-athlete, continuing to both play and learn throughout his life. Marcuz died in 1996 after a long battle with cancer. His family has established this scholarship in his memory. (1996)

### Marie's Terrace Fund



Marie Kelleher-Roy was an early volunteer in the Humboldt Botanical Garden. She helped plant the first plants in the Garden, the

Lost Coast Brewery Native Plant Garden. Later, she along with other friends of Sara Goosby, helped in the fund raising for Sara's Garden and then helped plant the first lavender rows. Sara Goosby and Marie had a special relationship, so it was only fitting that when Marie's family decided to donate money for a terrace in her honor, the placement of it would be in line with Sara's Garden. Marie's Terrace, with electricity and shade cloth covering, promises to provide an ideal setting for small gatherings and musical concerts. As per Marie's wishes, the garden area will be planted with California native plants. The purpose and intent of the Marie's Terrace Fund is to ensure that funds are available over the next 20 years and beyond for its upkeep and growth. (2020)

### Jack Martin Memorial Fund



Jack Martin was born in Tucson, AZ. After college, he spent his working years in radio, television, and television syndication. He moved to Arcata in 1974 when he bought the radio station KATA, and he later purchased KSXO in Redding which he owned until he retired. This fund was established upon his death on January 9, 1999, by his wife Lucille and sons Michael and Jeffrey for the restoration and maintenance of the Arcata Marsh, one of Jack's favorite places. (1999)

### Martinelli Family Trust Fund



The Martinelli Family Trust was set up in 2005 by Thomas and Robin Martinelli. It was their intention to have this trust focus on the needs of children, the elderly, and the disadvantaged of our community. Their initial funding of the trust will be used to help those in need of temporary housing, food, and on occasion, emergency pharmaceutical assistance. Hopefully, future funding will target various projects in the Wild Rivers community. (2005)

### Grace Marton Memorial Fund & Grace Marton Fund for Animal Care



Grace Marton was a former resident of Humboldt County who passed away in 2016. Through her generosity, she established the Grace Marton Memorial Fund. A native of Wisconsin, Grace had lived in Winter Park/Orlando, Florida where she met her husband, Lance Hardie. Together, upon moving to Arcata and later Eureka, they enjoyed the beauty and diversity of Humboldt County. Especially important to Grace were the Arcata Marsh, the arts community, farmers markets, and the food cooperative. Grace enjoyed collecting postcards, and she acquired many from the Humboldt County area. Grace did not have children, but she lavished attention on the many felines that were her





companions over the years in both Florida and Northern California. Despite suffering the ravages of arthritis over many decades, Grace strived to make a positive contribution to the community and neighborhoods in which she lived. It is in that mindset that she established this memorial fund in her name. (2017)

### Lynne Marie Martucci Memorial Scholarship Fund

John Vito Martucci created this music scholarship fund by means of a bequest for his beloved daughter Lynne Marie Martucci. Lynne was the joy of her parents' lives as their only child, described as a lovable little girl with a normal childhood. She was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis after her first year at Humboldt University. With medication, she was able to continue attending college as a music major and in her spare time, visited rest

homes to sing and play guitar. She truly loved her Lord, and after Humboldt, she decided to go to Oral Roberts University to major in religious education. Unfortunately, her health declined rapidly soon after that and she returned to her parents. Lynne died at the early age of 32. This scholarship in her memory supports a student studying music at HSU. (2009)

### The Patenaude-Juell-Hart Masonic Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship has been created by Six Rivers Masonic Lodge in memory of three of their Masonic brothers who dedicated their careers to public education—Clyde Patenaude, Leonard Juell, and Bruce Hart—all of whom taught for many years in Arcata and nearby communities. (2010)

### Minette & Francis B. Mathews Memorial Fund



The Minette & Francis B. Mathews Fund was created by friends and family to honor the memory of Minette Roduner Mathews who died in May of 1997 and Francis B. Mathews who died in June of 2000. Minette was a founding member of Humboldt Sponsors, a nonprofit corporation dedicated to raising funds to support Humboldt County's youth with special needs. Eureka residents since 1948, the Mathews raised four children and were avid bridge players—both attaining the rank of life master. Francis practiced law in Eureka for 53 years. Because of Minette's 30-year commitment to Humboldt Sponsors and both of their beliefs in its mission of helping Humboldt County youth, this fund supports the projects of Humboldt Sponsors. (1997)

### Gerald & Jane Matson Scholarship Fund



Gerry and Jane Matson, both graduates of Eureka High School, were married in 1946. Gerry received his master's degree in architecture at UC Berkeley and started his own architectural firm in Eureka in 1952. He designed

St. Joseph Hospital, some CR buildings, Eureka City Hall, and many other schools and commercial buildings in Northern California. Jane graduated from the Samuel Merritt Hospital School of Nursing in 1942 and worked four years as a registered nurse before staying at home to raise the three Matson children—Susan Keele, Sharon Smullin, and Larry Matson. Jane died on December 20, 2000. Gerald died on April 16, 2001. Education was an important part of the Matsons' life and a strong family value. The Matsons' fund provides scholarships to local students studying nursing at CR and HSU and to local students who are enrolled in a university pursuing a career in architecture. (1999)

### Mary & Melvin “Skip” Matson Fund



This fund was originally established by Mary Matson to honor Skip, her husband and a lifelong commercial fisherman who passed away in March of 1997. A Eureka native and graduate of Eureka High School, Skip served in the US Army during WWII. After the war, he returned to Eureka to continue his work as a commercial fisherman. Skippy loved his lifelong work of fishing and eventually became known as a "Highliner" among the salmon troll fleet for his knowledge and fishing ability. With Mary's passing in May of 2002 this fund is now known as the Mary & Melvin "Skip" Matson Fund. Income from this fund provides an annual scholarship to a Eureka or Fortuna high school graduate planning to attend a four-year college and major in business administration. (1998)

### Mattole Camp Endowment Fund



Situated along the Mattole River on the Lost Coast of Northern California, Mattole Camp has served Humboldt County for over 60 years as a year-round gathering place for churches, schools, organizations, and individuals who want a serene location away from the distractions of life. This advised endowment fund will support the camp's ability to improve facilities and provide special programs. (2002)

### Mattole Restoration Council Fund



The objectives and purpose of the Mattole Restoration Council are the conservation and restoration of natural systems in the Mattole River watershed and their maintenance at sustainable levels of health and productivity, especially in regard to forests, fisheries, soil, and other plant and animal communities. It is a community-based organization formed in 1983 that uses a comprehensive, watershed-wide approach to improve the stewardship of our natural resources, including our native runs of coho salmon, Chinook, and steelhead. Mattole Restoration Council partners with agencies, local community groups, scientists, and landowners to ensure that their projects are high quality, effective, and practical. Through a combination of planning, youth education, community outreach, and on-the-ground project implementation, they are working towards a healthy, sustainable Mattole watershed. (2014)

### The Mattole Valley Fund

The purpose of this expendable fund is to benefit the residents of the Mattole Valley and their environment. (1999)

### Mattole Valley Resource Center Sustainability Fund



The specific purpose of the Mattole Valley Resource Center is to provide a wide range of services and programs to promote, support, enrich, and sustain resilient individuals, strong families, and a healthy community. Services may include but not be limited to: connecting community members to resources; providing health, wellness, and educational programs, activities, and support groups; and creating opportunities to enhance and sustain community life. (2021)

### Mattole Valley Women's Club Scholarship Fund



This fund's purpose is to help support college-bound and continuing education individuals from the Mattole Valley school system. The Mattole Valley Women's Club is proud of their local youths' many accomplishments as well as their desire to give back to the Mattole Valley as they grow in their personal and professional lives. The club's desire is to create a legacy for their students that will be handed down to future generations. Through the continuing commitment and the fervent dedication of the Mattole Valley Women's Club, friends, and neighbors, they have already enhanced the lives of young people by transforming limitations into achievable goals. The Mattole Valley Women's Club invites everyone to support the future of the local youth. This fund provides an annual scholarship. (2016)

### Ralph Mayo Athlete/Leadership Award Fund



Ralph Mayo graduated from Eureka High School and Humboldt State College. He taught and coached in the Mt. Diablo School District for over 20 years. A Eureka High School senior is selected annually to receive this award. (1989)

### McAlister Family Fund



This fund was established by the McAlister family to honor the family name and in honor of Frank and Esther McAlister, Linnea and Charles Leslie McAlister, Harold and Opal McAlister, Aileen McAlister Glass, Dale McAlister, Judy Rice, Karen Baddeley, and Pamela Gile. This fund benefits seniors in Humboldt County. Harold McAlister passed away on July 5, 2004. Linnea McAlister passed away on March 11, 2008. Opal McAlister passed away on October 10, 2018. (1993)

### Donell & Jack McCanless Family Scholarship



The McCanless Family Scholarship Fund is funded by Jack and Donell McCanless of Ferndale. Jack and Donell lived through the depression era as well as WWII, in which Jack served. After the war, Jack moved to Berkeley where he reconnected with Donell. They were married and returned to Ferndale together. Jack worked for Pacific Lumber Company for nearly two decades, in the later years building up a small herd of heifers that eventually became the McCanless Dairy. Donell raised their three sons and began her teaching career which focused on students with different needs. In addition to her career she was an avid gardener, knitter, baker, canner and VFW supporter. The scholarship criteria reflect Jack and Donell's strong work ethic, ability to overcome adversity, and passion for their careers by supporting students who have shown perseverance in the face of challenges and are interested in pursuing agricultural science or becoming an educator.

### Larry McCarty Foundation for Kids Fund



Larry McCarty was a vibrant, much-loved, unforgettable man. He had a great gift for life and for making a profound impact on the lives of children and adults. Larry gave joy; he made people happy. A talented and respected administrator, he was superintendent of Trinidad and Arcata school districts. Cancer took Larry's life at age 49 in 1993. His only request was that a foundation be established to benefit children. Larry specified the goals of this foundation; his friends gave it a name. Larry's friends and loving wife Kathy established the Larry McCarty Foundation for Kids on May 12, 1993. (1993)

### Katherine Hoyt McCaughey Memorial Scholarship Fund



Katherine McCaughey was born in 1978 in Eureka to Sarah Ann and Timothy Hoyt McCaughey. Katherine was looking forward to returning to the University of Colorado in Boulder where she was an honor student and an active member of the triathlete club. Kat attributed her ability to reach for excellence and her determination to achieve personal goals to the lessons she learned while competing in track at Arcata High School. She was deeply devoted to preservation of the environment and anticipated a future in international relations with an emphasis on the environment. Katherine is remembered as the sparkle on the tip of a wave, the tickle in the sea breeze, or the smile in a ripple on a calm summer lake. Unfortunately, she was killed by a hit-and-run driver on July 8, 1997, at the age of 19.

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating high school senior from a H-DN league school, with a preference for Arcata High School, who has participated for two or more years in cross-country or track and field or a combination of both who wish to further their educations. (1998)

### McClain Charitable Fund

Supports organizations and causes that benefit the region and it's residents. (2020)

### McCrigler Scholarship Fund



Leonard McCrigler graduated from Fortuna High School in 1978, graduated next from College of the Redwoods, and then went on to receive his bachelor's degree in engineering technology and his master's degree in computer science from Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo. Leonard and his wife Laurie are residents of San Jose where he is a performance analyst with Hewlett-Packard Company. The McCriglers created this scholarship fund for Fortuna High School graduates who have academic interest or career goals in science, math, or technology. (1999)

### McCullough Family Fund



Macky and Dena McCullough began their family in 1982 and over the past 35 years they have dedicated their lives to their faith, family, and service to others who live in Humboldt and Trinity counties. Macky and Dena raised their three daughters to be generous, empathetic, and compassionate. The McCullough Family Fund has been established to help others in need. The fund will benefit individuals and community projects. The McCullough family (comprised of the Macky, Dena, eight grandchildren, three daughters, and three sons-in-law) will join in creating family goals for annual giving. Each one of Macky and Dena's daughters and their husbands contribute financially to the fund and are involved in the recipient selection. It is the desire of the McCullough family to provide support to children in need, people affected by the loss of a spouse, and to care for the elderly. (2018)



## McGraw Fund for the Protection of Small Animals



Lee and Blanche McGraw moved from Southern California in 1948. Lee earned his building contractor's license in 1956 and built over 200 homes and commercial properties in Ukiah before his retirement in 1984. The McGraws had a great deal of love and compassion for domestic animals, particularly dogs and cats. They established this donor-advised fund to support the Spay-Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) in the Mendocino County area in their work to promote kindness to animals and eliminate overpopulation and suffering. Mrs. McGraw died in 2002 and Mr. McGraw died in 2003. (1995)

## McKeegan Charitable Remainder Unitrust



A cofounder of Six Rivers Planned Parenthood, Michele McKeegan was its director for 16 years and is the author of a 1991 book on the politics of abortion. She continues to be a Planned Parenthood volunteer. Michele donated her house to the Foundation, creating a charitable remainder Unitrust. Eventually, half of the assets will establish the McKeegan Endowment for Six Rivers Planned Parenthood. Half is designated for other causes dear to her heart. Michele's parents were both from large, poor immigrant families, determined to have only the number of children they could nurture and educate. She and her brother knew from the start that they were planned and wanted. "There are dozens of reasons to believe in family planning, from concern about population growth to belief in individual choice," she says. "What matters most for me is its importance in laying the groundwork for strong and loving families." (1998)

## William D. McKenzie Scholarship Fund



William D. McKenzie played varsity football while at HSU and was a member of the "Old Jack" Club. After serving in the US Army during the Korean War, he returned to Arcata, where he and Joann were married and remained together for 40 years. He was a member of the Arcata Volunteer Fire Department for 40 years and headed that department until his retirement in 1984. After his retirement, he worked fighting forest fires in the New Mexico-Arizona area. He is remembered by his friends and family as a man with an easy smile, helping hands, and an open heart. This fund provides scholarships to HSU for the children of active paid or volunteer Arcata firefighters who have served the department for at least five years. (1994)

## McKinleyville Area General Fund

The McKinleyville Area Fund's (MAF) purpose is to support recreational and cultural opportunities for the McKinleyville area. Past projects include the community center, library, senior center, law enforcement facility, and Hiller sports fields. MAF provides grants to nonprofit community groups. Scholarships from the Hewitt family funds are provided to agriculture students at McKinleyville High School. (1982)

## McKinleyville Land Trust Conservation & Heritage Fund



The McKinleyville Land Trust, established in 1994, is dedicated to the voluntary conservation of land for ecological, agricultural, educational, recreational, historic, timber, and scenic values. The land trust works primarily with local property owners who want to create conservation easements to restrict the type and amount of development or other activity that might take place on their land now or in the future. The land trust's role is to monitor the easement and ensure that the conditions of the easement are upheld. In addition to holding conservation easements, the land trust also accepts and manages donations of land with conservation value. The purpose of this advised expendable fund is to acquire, monitor, and manage conservation easements and other conservation lands in the McKinleyville area and surrounding Humboldt County communities. (2000)

## McKinleyville Senior Center Endowment Fund

The McKinleyville Senior Center, established in 1978, is dedicated to promoting a better quality of life for the senior citizens of the McKinleyville area. The center provides special assistance programs, health services, and a wide variety of social activities. The McKinleyville Senior Center is self-supporting, receiving no federal, state, or local tax monies. The fund helps ensure long-term financial stability for the center. (1999)

## McLean Foundation Scholarship Fund



The McLean Foundation established this fund to support graduating Eel River Valley High School students and returning students who have a financial need and who plan to stay in Humboldt County to gain higher education. Mel and Grace McLean, the creators of the foundation, lived and worked in the Eel River Valley while employing hundreds of people with good paying jobs and benefits. The McLean Foundation still maintains this original goal by supporting students who want to stay in Humboldt County, learn locally and create a better and more educated community. The desire of the McLean Foundation is to provide students with a generous scholarship to aid in their education either at HSU or CR. High school students and returning students living in the Eel River Valley are eligible to apply. (2015)

## Fortuna High School – McLeod Smith Scholarship

Mrs. John T. Bissell established the Hugh and Ada McLeod-Smith Scholarship out of her fondness for Fortuna Union High School and the local community and to remember her parents, Hugh and Ada McLeod-Smith. Hugh Smith graduated from Fortuna Union High School in 1917, where he was yearbook business manager and involved with drama productions. Two scholarships a year are awarded to high school seniors in need of financial assistance for their college education. Since Mrs. Bissell's death in 1991, the scholarship committee has continued to award these scholarships based on her criteria. Selection is based solely on the contents of a personal letter written by the applicant stating how receiving this scholarship might make a difference in the applicant's life. (1997)

## Theresa Mary McNiel Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Study of Mandarin



Theresa Mary McNiel was born in San Francisco on August 28, 1965. She discovered a love for the Chinese language while a freshman at University of South Florida. Theresa received scholarships to study at Taiwan Normal University and Hangzhou University in China. She earned a BA in international studies from the University of the Pacific, and she lived and worked for many years throughout Asia. Upon her return to the US, she received her MA in East Asian studies from Harvard University. She was legislative assistant to Senator Chuck Hagel and senior advisor to US Secretary of State, East Asian and Pacific Affairs. A top Chinese linguist, she accepted a position with the NSA. Theresa adopted her daughter Tonia from an orphanage in China. Theresa passed away on August 29, 2007, from cancer. Her family established this scholarship in memory of Theresa and to encourage the study of Mandarin. (2007)

## Billie McWhorter Scholarship Fund



Born in 1931, Billie was raised on a ranch in Petrolia and attended elementary school in a one-room schoolhouse. She worked for her room and board while attending Ferndale High School and graduated at age 17. In 1949, she went to work for Youngreen's Propane Gas Service where her husband-to-be was a partner. She married Ben McWhorter in 1950. Together they had eight children. Ben and Billie purchased Gene Youngreen's half of the business in 1954 and renamed it Sequoia Gas. Ben died in an auto accident in 1976, and Billie continued operation of the family business with the help of her children. She was the proud grandmother of twenty-one grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Family was always #1 with Billie. Established by her children in her honor, the purpose of this fund is to provide annual scholarships to graduates of Ferndale High School and Mattole Triple Junction High School. (1999)

## Harry & Nadine McWhorter Memorial Scholarship Fund



Nadine was born on February 8, 1924 in Sapulpa, OK. Harry was born in Eureka on November 10, 1920, and raised on a stock ranch in Yager Valley. The couple met at the US Naval Air Station in Alameda and married November 29, 1942. Their children are Harry "Will" McWhorter and Collyn Lee Kralicek. Harry worked in the insurance business for 44 years. He belonged to the Masons and the Fortuna Rodeo Association, and he enjoyed sport fishing. He and Nadine liked to play golf and were active in the Redwood Empire Golf & Country Club. Nadine was an accomplished gardener, seamstress, and a whiz with her knitting needles. She was a member of the Humboldt County Cowbells and the Fortuna Elementary School PTA. Harry established this scholarship fund for students studying sheep or beef production and to honor Nadine who passed away on April 5, 2003. Harry followed Nadine on August 23, 2004. (2003)

## Adrian Cervantes Mejia Fund



The Adrian Cervantes Mejia Fund was created to honor the exuberant life of Adrian C. Mejia—Riverside native, HSU Graduate, Dell'Arte master's graduate and company member. He was a multitalented performer, a wonderful teacher, an impressive mask-maker, an outstanding physical comedian, and a beautiful visual poet. The goal of the Adrian Cervantes Mejia Fund is to support the performing arts by offering individualized grants to performing and performance-based interdisciplinary artists. By giving artists the financial help they deserve, the ACM Fund provides an impetus for creative expression, and the opportunity for people and worlds to collide. The ACM Fund is currently located in Humboldt County, CA, home to Adrian's significant adult training as an artist. The ACM Fund was established in 2011 by Eleni Theodora Zaharopoulos, his collaborator and fiancée, Adrian's brother Adolfo Cervantes Mejia, and Playhouse Arts. Donations to this fund are encouraged. (2014)

## Jonathan Walsh Mellon Fund



Jonathan Walsh Mellon left this Earth for his next adventure doing what he loved: being adventurous and free. He was killed in a tragic accident while water rafting adventure in Redwood Creek. Jonathan lived for the outdoors and spent his time hunting, fishing, hiking, snowboarding, abalone diving, camping, and anything else that Mother Nature had to offer. Jonathan was known for his free spirit and charismatic soul. He lived for his family, friends, and fun times. Jonathan's family created this memorial fund not only to honor Jonathan, but to continue his legacy of compassion, kindness, and generosity while also

honoring his love for the outdoors. The grants from this fund support children and young adults, including swimming lessons for Freshwater Elementary School students and science field trips for the students of St. Bernard's Academy. In Jonathan's spirit, just as he would want it, many people including family and friends have donated and continue to donate to this memorial fund to help youth in our community. Family, friends, and community members are invited to donate to this fund in honor of Jonathan at hafoundation.org/jonathanwm. Jonathan's favorite quote: "Life is a garden, you have to dig it." (2016)

## Fortuna High School Scholarship Fund for the MECHA Club

The MECHA Fund provides one annual \$10,000 scholarship for a graduating high school senior at Fortuna Union High School heading to a 4-year university, with a preference for students who participated in MECHA Club at Fortuna High School. The scholarship recipient is awarded \$2,500 each year, over the course of 4 years. (2023)

## Melodiers Dance Band Fund



The Melodiers Dance Band performed at many dances, proms, and special events in Humboldt County between 1955 and 1965. The band was formed when the founding members were students at Eureka Junior High School and continued throughout their high school and college years. Because all of the members of the Melodiers got their start in the Eureka City Elementary School's instrumental music program, they created this fund to give an annual award to that program. A CD, originally recorded by the Melodiers in 1957 and 1961, is available as a gift to anyone contributing to the Melodiers Dance Band Fund. Members of the Melodiers have included Richard Coe, Bill Crichton, Mark Goedecke, Ted Howland, Dennis Hunter, Tom McGowan, Robert Neloms, John Sander, Richard Sloma, Keith Weidkamp, and Noel Weidkamp. (2007)

## Ramon T. Delgado & Miguel A. Meza Memorial Scholarship



This scholarship fund was originally established in memory of Miguel Angel Meza by his mother Teodolinda Salas-Meza and by his grandparents Ramon Delgado and Maria Torres. The fund is now in memory of Miguel and his grandfather Ramon as they were two peas in a pod. The award is for Latino students from Eureka and St. Bernard high schools, as well as from the Humboldt County Office of Education's Court and Community Schools, to attend two-year colleges or universities. The scholarship is open to continuing college or university students. (2022)

## Jordan Andrew "Almonds" Miesbauer Memorial Fund



The family of Jordan Andrew "Almonds" Miesbauer established this endowment to provide assistance to those facing the pain, loneliness & hardship resulting from economic discrimination, mental illness, LGBTQ+ community challenges, education inaccessibility, cost & lack of availability of health services, homelessness & the challenges faced creating careers based upon lived experience. Humboldt County was Jordan's home for most of his 30 years. He earned his B.S. in Dietetics from UC Berkeley & returned to start his career as a Registered Dietitian at St. Joseph Hospital. Just as he was starting on his own journey of giving back to his community, Jordan's life was cut short by complications arising from his personal struggles with mental health. Jordan was & forever will be a big personality with an inquisitive nature & a kind and deeply sympathetic heart. It is our hope that with this endowment, Jordan's loving, expansive spirit will continue to be felt in the giving of practical assistance & encouragement to those facing their own personal struggles. This fund will support the health & well-being field of interest in all of the Foundation's service areas. The field of interest will include: mental health, accessibility, the LGBTQ+ community, unhoused population, and career help. (2023)

## MiaBo Foundation Fund



The MiaBo Foundation Fund was created to foster educational, artistic, environmental, and pro-family endeavors on the North Coast. After many years as residents of Humboldt County, Maggie and Don Banducci, cofounders of Yakima Products, Inc., in Arcata, hope to share with their children Mia and Bo Banducci the gift of giving in ways that will benefit the greater community of the North Coast for generations to come. (1994)

## MikkiMoves Fund



Founded from a distribution of a family foundation created by Morris and Sadie Gould and designed to "carry it forward," the MikkiMoves Fund is a placeholder for donations to be distributed to nonprofits that support our community, traffic safety/safe passage, education, and homeownership. Combined with MikkiMoves Nonprofit Collaboration program, MikkiMoves tithes a percentage of all income earned back to our community. Customers designate where the funds go, ideally from the list of NorCAN Members, or they can donate to the MikkiMoves fund and allow distribution to nonprofits that meet our criteria of supporting community development, education, safety, and housing. (2013)



### Jenifer Lynn Miles Memorial Scholarship Fund



Jenifer died on December 15, 1996, at age 15, in a tragic accident at Moonstone Beach while crossing Little River with her horse. She was a sophomore at St. Bernard's High School where she was an honor

student, class officer, and lettered in track and cross-country. She was a gifted writer with a vivid imagination and wonderful sense of humor. Jenifer was an active and accomplished horsewoman and loved her Arabian Stolen Moment or "Sto." They won many ribbons at shows and were constant companions on the beaches and trails near her home and on endurance rides throughout the county. Jenifer was blessed with a warm smile, easy laughter, and an uplifting, independent spirit full of grace and energy. She touched and enhanced many lives. She was the beloved daughter of Marilyn and Michael Miles and sister of Michael Miles, Jr. This fund provides scholarships to deserving St. Bernard's High School students who exemplify Jenifer's spirit and leadership. (1997)

### Jim & Faye Miles Children's Fund



Jim and Faye Miles, longtime residents of Eureka, have established this fund to help hungry children on the North Coast. Jim, a retired contractor, and his wife Faye, a homemaker,

want their fund to support Food for People, St. Vincent de Paul, and the Rescue Mission. Jim died on April 18, 2007. (1997)

### Herb & Evelyn Miller Fund



Herb Miller was born in 1909 in McKinleyville near Central Avenue, as it is known today. Evelyn Turner was born in 1911 in McKinleyville at the Turner Ranch. The couple married in

1931. They owned cattle and raised potatoes. Herb Miller began an affiliation with Farmers Insurance Group as an insurance agent in 1931, working both at selling insurance and running a prosperous farming business. Evelyn supported Herb both by working on the ranch and in the insurance business. Herb and Evelyn raised two sons, Dick and Don Miller. Family was the core of their existence. Herb, Evelyn, and later Dick and Don all lived on the ranch with their families. Dick, Don, and their wives expanded the farming operation to include a dairy herd and chickens. In 1963, Miller Farms Nursery was started. The entire Miller family is still very active in supporting the local community. (1989)

### Lelia Frances Miller Memorial Fund



Lelia Frances Miller was a native of Australia and a resident of Fortuna and Eureka. As a war bride, Lelia came to San Francisco in June of 1946 and settled in Vallejo with her husband George N. Miller. She

enjoyed knitting, needlework, gardening, animals, her Bradford plate collection, and playing the piano and violin. This fund was established by her husband George and their four children to benefit the Humane Society of Humboldt County, Lutheran Braille Workers, Inc., in Yucaipa, CA, and Columba Catholic College in Queensland, Australia. George Miller passed away on October 3, 2006. (1993)

### Reina Milligan Opportunity Fund



As a tribute to his wife Reina, a woman of spirit, grace, and principle and the mother of his then three-month-old daughter, Mariasha, Richard Self

created this advised endowment fund with an initial gift from California Indian Legal Services (CILS). The fund supports environmental justice and issues within the Native American community. During her brief 34 years of life, Reina helped create the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) environmental justice program and authored a report on environmental equity issues for which she was awarded the EPA's Gold Medal. As staff attorney at CILS, Reina successfully combined her commitment to the environment with her compassion and dedication to working with disadvantaged populations. She authored a Tribal Environmental Protection Plan, later adopted by the EPA to serve as a model for other tribes. She was also instrumental in securing passage of legislation that allows Indian tribes to provide for their neediest members. (2001)

### Jim & Betty Mills Library Endowment Fund



Jiim Mills established the James P. Mills Co., which eventually included paint and body shops, a towing service, and a used car lot, as well as a

new and used auto parts store. In 1965, Jim began his counseling career at McKinleyville High School and three years later became a counselor at Arcata High School where he remained until his retirement in 1983. Jim and Betty are graduates of Humboldt State University, as are their sons Jim and Bill. Betty, an industrial arts graduate, enjoys remodeling, rebuilding, and redecorating their various homes. This fund supports the Humboldt County Library. (1998)

### Arnie Millsap/Friends of Zoe Barnum Scholarship Fund



Zoe Barnum High School, with over 200 students, is the largest continuation high school north of Santa Rosa. Students who have not been successful in traditional schools are offered

an environment in which they can achieve personal and academic growth. As a community of caring, the core values of trust, respect, responsibility, family, and caring are emphasized. The Eureka Exchange Club, urged on by Arnie Millsap, provided the first postsecondary scholarship for a Zoe Barnum High School graduate in 1995. Arnie had been a great supporter of local youth for his entire career with the Eureka Police Department. His generous contribution led to the creation of this endowment, which will help ensure continued postsecondary opportunities for graduates of Zoe Barnum High School. Arnie passed away on August 3, 2009. (2001)

### Jane Irene Mishica Memorial Fund



Jane Irene Mishica dedicated her life to social work, adoptions, and children. Jane had a real sense about what was really important. She had a way of getting to the heart of the matter. The

Jane Irene Mishica Memorial Fund was created in her memory since her life was cut short by both Parkinson's disease and pancreatic cancer. This fund will be used to promote the welfare and well-being of foster and adopted children as well as to assist those persons seeking to serve children in need. Even a simple need which goes unmet can have severe consequences for a person. Fund donors hope others will join in any way possible to make the world a better place for children. What else matters in this life if the least among us lack the means of survival and success? (2006)

### Jack Montoya Memorial for the Preservation of Native American Culture

(2006)

### Jack Montoya Memorial Scholarship Fund

This fund was established in 2014 to fulfill the wishes of Eunice C. Nielsen per the Eunice C. Nielsen Living Trust. The purpose of this fund is to provide scholarship awards to Native Americans and to support the preservation of Native American culture in significant ways. Scholarship recipients must be residents seeking to attend a four-year college or graduate school. (2014)

### Linda "Lin" Moore Fund



Lin, as she was known to her family and friends, was born in 1954 to a long-time ranching family, the Hansens, in Patterson, CA. After attending high school in her

hometown, she went on to earn a degree in art from Sacramento State University. Lin came to Fortuna in the mid-1970s and worked as a paralegal secretary, most recently for the law offices of Robert Prior. She founded Soroptimists of Fortuna, served as president of the Humboldt Legal Secretaries Association, and was both a member of Humboldt Archers and a strong supporter of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. In October of 2001, Lin married Thomas Moore, a resident of Fortuna, in a joyous ceremony in Bali, Indonesia. Lin passed away in September of 2002, leaving behind her "memories of laughter, shared travels, and a lifetime of wonderful experiences." This donor-advised fund was created in Lin's honor to support the fight against cancer. (2002)

### Morris Parent Teacher Organization Fund

The Morris Parent Teacher Organization (MPTO) Fund was started in 1998 with the vision of growing through fundraising events and contributions from parents, teachers, students, and community members. This fund supports classroom teachers to broaden students' educational experiences, sponsor family fun and learning nights within the Morris School community, and supplement existing school programs such as library resources. These areas of focus will ensure educational enrichment activities and events throughout each school year. (1998)

### Morris School/Wellington Fund



Jean Wellington, who retired from the McKinleyville School District after 23 years as a teacher, established this endowment fund to benefit the students at Morris School. An advisory committee from

Morris School recommends grants, which will support special projects or events for the entire student body or, in some cases, will aid individual students. Jean Wellington died in July of 2007. (1992)

### Ellsworth C. "Jack" Morris Memorial Fund

This fund was established by Mrs. Ellsworth C. Morris in 1981 at the time of Mr. Morris' death. Mr. Morris was a third-generation Humboldt County resident and worked for community welfare through his affiliation with the local Shriners. The income from this fund is designated for the HSU Student Loan Fund. (1982)

### Elizabeth J. Morrison Memorial Fund



Elizabeth Morrison, Humboldt County's first woman attorney, practiced in Eureka for over 50 years with her husband Marc and sons James and John. This fund was established by her sons upon her

death in 1985 to provide scholarships to female law students. (1985)

### Noël Mosgofian Memorial Arts Scholarship Fund



The Mosgofian family created this fund to memorialize their beloved daughter and sister, Noël Evette Mosgofian, a very talented artist and dancer with many

honors and awards to her credit, who died in 1998 at age 18. This fund provides an annual scholarship to a graduate of the Northern Humboldt Union High School District who will be studying the fine and/or performing arts after high school. Noël's passion for life continues to inspire the family and they take a personal interest in each recipient. (2004)

### Ike Moxon Ag Scholarship Fund



This fund was established by an estate gift from Isaac Leland Moxon, Jr., to benefit agricultural students in Humboldt and Del Norte counties. Born to Humboldt County pioneers, Isaac

Leland and Alice (Ross) Moxon, Ike grew up on the family dairy. He attended Arcata schools and completed an engineering program at Humboldt State college before entering the military. Her served during WWII and was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, European Theater Ribbon with two Campaign Service Stars, and the Combat Infantryman Badge for his service. Upon his military discharge, Ike returned to Arcata and joined his father in the dairy business on Arcata Bottom. He spent 71 years in agriculture and was proud of his role in helping agricultural students with educational opportunities through the Humboldt County Farm Bureau scholarship programs. He served as a member of the Farm Bureau's scholarship committee and as a director and treasurer of the organization for several years. Scholarships awarded from this fund are recommended by the Farm Bureau of Humboldt County. (2018)

### Willard & Donna Mullan Scholarship Fund

The income from this fund is used to establish annual scholarships for graduates of Humboldt County high schools who are pursuing courses of study at College of the Redwoods to prepare them to become either certified shorthand reporters (court reporters) or legal secretaries. (1994)

### Seferino (Sef) Raul Murguia Memorial Fund



Seferino Raul Murguia, Humboldt County Planning Commissioner and 2nd District Supervisor, died on December 26, 2009, at age 67, surrounded by his family.

Seferino was a Mexican caballero and a true gentleman, born on the Hardison Ranch in Filmore, CA and raised in the orchards of San Jose, watching as the fields gave way to urban sprawl. His memories of hunting with his father and uncle in the Los Padres National Forest set in motion a lifelong passion to preserve wild places and manage the rural landscape responsibly. Sef became an adept swordsman while a student at HSU, was a

voracious reader, and had both a beautiful tenor voice and a photographic memory. He passed on a fierce pride in his Mexican heritage to his children and grandchildren. Sef, his wife Elizabeth, and their family created this fund together to promote a public conservation corridor within the Humboldt Bay watershed. (2009)

### Myrtle Grove Cemetery Fund

Earle T. Johnson made arrangements for this endowment to assist with Myrtle Grove Cemetery maintenance. (1984)



### Glen & Hilma Nash Fund



Glen and Hilma Nash bequeathed \$10,000 to establish and maintain this fund for the purpose of caring for, feeding, and neutering or spaying dogs and cats located in Humboldt County. Glen Nash was born on April 4,

1910, in Blue Earth, MN and moved to Eureka with his family in 1919. He was a general contractor and built a number of area schools, commercial buildings, custom homes, and other structures. Glen also belonged to several service organizations and clubs. He passed away on November 14, 2003, at age 93. Hilma Nash was born on July 10, 1907, in Fitchburg, MA and came to Eureka as a young girl. On March 7, 1927, Hilma married Glen, her husband of 75 years. She worked for many years at the local poultry producers and later as a bookkeeper for Glen's contracting business. Hilma passed away on November 11, 2002, at the age 95. (2004)

### Edie Nelson Nursing Scholarship Fund

Provides scholarships to individuals from the Humboldt Area Foundation + Wild Rivers Community Foundation service region who are studying to become a registered nurse, with a priority for Licensed Vocational Nurses who wish to become Registered Nurses. (2021)

### Nesbitt Family Fund



Greg and Jennylee Nesbitt, natives of Oregon, returned to the northwest after 20 years in Louisiana where Greg ran an investor-owned electric utility company, chaired the Rapides

Foundation, and led the Louisiana Learn State Commission in creating a K–12 education plan. Previously, the Nesbitts spent 20 years in San Diego



where they reared their three children—Denise, Staci, and Greg. Jennylee was an active volunteer, investing five years of her time establishing a hospice program, a decade procuring food for a food bank in San Diego, and another ten years developing a shelter for battered women in Louisiana. The Nesbitts learned early about philanthropy and have made it a lifetime habit. Greg said, "It's important to save money and to give some of it back to the communities in which we live." The Nesbitts established this advised, expendable fund to support a variety of charitable causes here on the North Coast. (2002)

### Ian Christopher Mackey Newman Fund



Jennifer Mackey, a Rio Dell artist and designer, established this endowment fund to honor her son Ian Christopher Mackey Newman. This fund is designed to assist minors who are simultaneously severely physically handicapped and mentally gifted. The goal of the fund is to help expose these promising children to educational and worldly experiences that they might not otherwise be able to experience. Thus, the fund makes grants available to such children for educationally related travel, preferably outside Humboldt County. Previous recipients have used the funds to do such things as travel to Washington, DC to explore the National Air & Space Museum and to Mexico to study the ancient architecture in the region surrounding Mexico City. Ian passed away on January 19, 2010. (1996)

### Nick’s Interns Fund



Nick’s Interns continues the legacy of Nick Raphael, a forestry graduate of HSU who died in a car crash at age 26. Nick had worked in the woods since the age of 12 in all parts of Humboldt County. In summer months Nick’s Interns employs a mix of high-achieving and at-risk teenagers who build and maintain trails, stabilize stream beds, improve timber stands, plant trees, control erosion, reduce risk of fire, or survey fish and wildlife. Working with inspirational mentors in BLM, state parks, and a variety of nonprofit organizations, interns make visible improvements to parklands, forests, slopes, and streams. They take deserved pride in their accomplishments and team abilities, gaining self-esteem. Cooperating agencies provide in-kind supervision, administration, insurance, etc. Money donated to Nick’s Interns goes to wages and payroll expenses of the workers themselves. Donations have sustained Nick’s Interns year to year. A fund with HAF ensures its future. (2006)

### Edward L. & Joan Nilsen Fund



Ed and Joan Nilsen established this leadership fund in December of 1994. Ed Nilsen served as a member of the Board of Directors from the time Humboldt Area Foundation

was founded in 1972 until 2001. He served as the first chair of the Board and then served in many other essential capacities. Grants are currently made to three Eureka elementary schools for projects outside normal funding. Ed Nilsen passed away on February 17, 2015. (1994)

### No Hungry Kids – Wild Rivers Coast



No hungry kids is the goal of this fund. Set up with the assistance of community partners, children's nutritional needs will be addressed by providing meals and improving food security for children, primarily during the summer. This is to be accomplished through the coordination and facilitation of existing resources and contributions. (2008)

### Evelyn Hansen Noderer Scholarship Fund



Evelyn Hansen Noderer graduated from South Fork High School in 1953. College wasn't in her plans until her principal Richard Roche encouraged her to apply for a \$100 scholarship. That was the stimulus that started her on a rewarding career in education. She received her bachelor's degree and teaching credential from UC Berkeley and her master's degree from San Diego State University. Postgraduate courses included an international summer program at the University of Oslo in Norway. Her first year of teaching was girls' physical education at South Fork High School. After four years in Santa Rosa, Evelyn married and moved to San Diego. She enjoyed teaching all ages, from preschoolers to adults, in classes of adapted physical education, child development, and genealogy. Evelyn established this fund to provide scholarships to outstanding seniors from South Fork High School to help them achieve a rewarding career with a college education. (2003)

### Northcoast Environmental Center Endowment Fund



The Northcoast Environmental Center (founded in 1970) established this endowment fund to ensure the grassroots organization's continuing ability to pursue its mission to promote understanding of the relations between people and the biosphere and to conserve, protect, and celebrate terrestrial, aquatic, and marine ecosystems of Northern California and southern Oregon. (2004)

### North Coast Environmental History Resource Recovery & Preservation Fund



From the 1990s through 2004, hundreds of northwest California citizens protested destructive logging practices and urged regulatory agencies to promote more sustainable forest management policies. Several activists video-documented the controversial logging

practices, the resultant protest activities, the evidence-gathering efforts, and the testimony given at hearings. Now this video work, both the original and edited footage, is the subject of great concern due to damage from mold and the deterioration of the original tapes. The North Coast Environmental History Resource Recovery and Preservation Fund was created to raise funds for the digitization of more than 700 videotapes in the Humboldt Watershed Council Video Collection. The vision for the North Coast Environmental History Resource Recovery and Preservation Fund extends beyond the immediate need of the Humboldt Watershed Council Video Collection and will enable future preservation efforts for materials that tell the region's important, but too often neglected, environmental history. (2013)

### North Coast Healthcare Scholarship Fund



In an effort to assist our community in providing and retaining healthcare professionals, David and Gail Turner have established the North Coast Healthcare Scholarship Fund. This fund is designed to assist local students who are pursuing degrees or certifications in nursing, advanced practice registered nursing, or physician's assistant programs. Such students with a financial need, a record of academic achievement, and a demonstrated commitment to both healthcare and remaining in our community are eligible to apply for these scholarships. Candidates with healthcare work experience and/or with a meaningful record of volunteer community service or who have worked with and served our community's underserved populations will be given additional consideration. (2017)

### North Jetty Cats Plus Endowment Fund



The North Jetty Cats Plus Endowment Fund was established in 2005 to provide for the total care and keeping of cats and kittens in Curry County, OR including medical care, spaying, neutering, and shelter. As an endowment fund, the capital will remain intact and the interest income will provide ongoing support to North Jetty Cats Plus. Over the past 13 years North Jetty Cats Plus has medically treated, spayed/neutered, and adopted into loving homes nearly 4,000 cats and kittens. This fund was established by Ursula Elliot and Janis C. Heuser, DVM to financially guarantee the medical and loving care demonstrated in the past will continue and expand in the future. Long-term goals include providing ongoing support for a feline retirement center, shelter, boarding facilities, and a cat cemetery where cats can be laid to rest with gratitude and love. (2005)

### Northcoast Regional Land Trust Operations & Opportunity Fund



The Northcoast Regional Land Trust (NRLT) works with private landowners, public agencies, and other organizations toward the conservation

of working farms, forests, and ranchlands as well as wildlands and open space. NRLT also conducts conservation planning, facilitates diverse community dialogue and enables hundreds of children to experience nature and working landscapes each year. This fund is used by NRLT to continue its work monitoring and stewarding the thousands of acres of lands already conserved, and providing educational and engaging opportunities for our community while also capitalizing on new opportunities as they arise. (2008)

### Northcoast Regional Land Trust Stewardship and Monitoring Fund



The Northcoast Regional Land Trust (NRLT) has the responsibility to manage conservation easements on tens of thousands of working ranch and forest lands on the North Coast as well as small fee properties NRLT owns. The Stewardship Fund ensures the vital monitoring and stewardship of these properties in perpetuity. (2005)

### Northern California Tribal Chairmen's Association Scholarship Fund

The Northern California Tribal Chairmen's Association (NCTCA) Scholarship Fund was created to increase the number of Native American students entering undergraduate, graduate, and vocational education programs. This scholarship is available to students from Federally-Recognized and Non-Federally-Recognized Tribes, provided the student is culturally involved in their Tribe. In an effort to increase attendance at local high education facilities, preference will be given to those students attending Humboldt State University or College of the Redwoods. (2017)

### Rosalind Novick Fund



Rosalind, a pediatric cardiologist who worked with the Redwood Coast Regional Center, created this fund by bequest to support Redwoods Monastery for any purpose the monastery deems appropriate. She left a second gift to HAF to support local artists through the Victor Thomas Jacoby Fund. Ros was a bright and witty storyteller who tried her hand at poetry and delighted her friends with her sense of humor. For more than 20 years she and her partner Lan Sing Wu visited Redwoods Monastery, first simply as retreat participants, but gradually, as they recognized this as a group of women for whom they cared deeply, became strong contributors. They worked in the garden and cooked meals for the sisters, set up a small first aid clinic, and provided blood pressure check-ups, exchanged books, and created close friendships that are still treasured today, years after Ros's death in 2000. (2009)

### Jenifer Nunnemaker Foundation



The Jenifer Scholarship was established by 16-year-old Jenifer Nunnemaker days prior to her death from cancer in 1981. The community has continued to support her effort over the years allowing for approximately \$70,000.00 in scholarships to Fortuna High graduates. Beginning in 2017, arrangements have been changed from individual scholarships to two awards annually to the Fortuna track team and the JV basketball team. (1998)

### The Nutopia Fund

We are a small diverse group with a broad range of experiences, professional memberships, and relationships in the area. Our focus is to provide financial resources as expediently as possible to trusted community partners engaged in advancing socially and environmentally just systems and services in the area. We believe that people know best what they need to thrive as individuals and communities; as a result, we donate to support the self-agency of fellow community members with few strings attached or report backs. All decisions are made using the model of consensus minus one; the group centers intersectional equity, social justice, and environmental justice in all its deliberations. (2018)



### Arcata Odd Fellows Lodge #85 – Scholarship Fund

The Arcata Odd Fellows Scholarship Fund was created to memorialize and continue the Odd Fellows' commitment to the Arcata community. Scholarship awards are made annually to Arcata and McKinleyville High School graduates continuing their education at a community college or university and majoring in history. (1996)

### Agnes & Kenneth Ogilvie Memorial Fund



Upon Agnes' death in 1987, the residue of her estate came to the Foundation for discretionary purposes and, in particular, to aid the Humboldt Bowling Association Junior League. (1987)

### Theodore Roosevelt & Ingrid R. Olander Memorial Scholarship Fund



Theodore and Ingrid Olander were both born in Eureka, in 1901 and 1905 respectively. They both attended Eureka City Schools but didn't meet until 1923 while working for the J.C. McDonald Company.

They were married in 1925. During his lifetime, Mr. Olander also worked for Nelson Steamship Company, owned and operated a Chevron service station in Eureka, and finally retired from Eureka Oxygen Company in 1963. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening, and he was the oldest member of Humboldt Masonic #79 at the time of his death in 1997. Mrs. Olander was a housewife, a member of Eastern Star, and an avid bridge player. She died in 1999. The Olanders always wanted to go to college themselves but never thought they could afford it. They created this fund to make sure underprivileged children in Humboldt County would have the opportunity that they had missed. (2000)

### Hans Olsen Trust



Hans Christian Olsen was born in 1885 on the Olsen ranch in the Arcata Bottom, his home throughout his lifetime. He was a hard worker. His first job was pick and shovel labor for the Hammond Railroad, and then as a young man, he worked as a teamster and ranch hand in the hill country of Humboldt. He was noted for his skill in breaking and training horses. He vowed to work hard in his youth so he would not have to when he was old. He ran the family ranch in dairying and stock raising operations until 1958. He outlived four sisters and one brother. He remained a bachelor and he enjoyed conversations with young people, taking every opportunity to encourage them to lead moral lives and to be thrifty. He lived to 87 and had acquired a sizeable estate earned by his hard physical labor and conserved by his prudent living. (1973)

### Frances Angelina & Anton J. Ondracek Memorial Fund




Tony Ondracek established this fund in loving memory of his wife and lifetime partner Frances, who passed away on November 18, 1999. Frances was a Texas girl with a great love for animals and many

talents, including sewing and crocheting. Tony, a Eureka High School graduate, met Frances while traveling through Texas and knew right away that she was the girl for him. They were married on August 31, 1933, and spent their honeymoon on a deer hunting expedition. During their 66 years of marriage, they built a welcoming home for their family and friends, their well-loved pets, and all the wild creatures, including a



fox that learned to come to their door and eat from their hands. The Ondraceks' fund supports Vector Rehabilitation and Hospice, provides a scholarship for students of veterinary medicine, and assists with costs for spaying and neutering small domestic animals. Mr. Ondracek passed away on January 4, 2006 at the age of 94. (2000)


### Open Door Community Health Centers Fund

 Established in honor of the Open Door Community Health Centers' 25th anniversary, this fund supports the provision of high-quality healthcare to Humboldt and Del Norte residents regardless of financial, geographic, social, or age barriers. With support from the fund, Open Door's seven community health centers will work with other community providers to meet community health needs, improve services, provide education on health and social issues, and work toward change in the present healthcare system through example, education, and direct participation. (1996)

### ORCA Dual Wrestling Fund


The ORCA Dual Wrestling Fund was created to support the wrestling match between the best senior wrestlers in California and Oregon. The dual meet is held in Redding, California on odd years and in Ashland, Oregon on even years. This match takes place on the second Saturday in March. The goal is to make this the best high school dual meet on the west coast. (2010)

### William H. Osborne Endowment Fund

 This fund was established to honor Bill, who loved life to the fullest, laughed loud and often, and was committed to helping people realize their maximum potential. Bill and his family settled in Eureka in 1958, where he began his professional life as a physical therapist. He cofounded Eureka Physical Therapy, which continues to serve the North Coast today. The fund will be used to reflect Bill's passion for people: to assist youth sports programs and to help all of the arts, including theater, music, and the visual arts. (2003)

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### Pacific Union Arts Endowment Fund

 In celebration of a rewarding 33-year teaching career, David Cherney established this fund in honor of his fabulous colleagues, wonderful students, and supportive community. In addition to making his own contribution, Mr. Cherney contributed the retirement gifts from his friends and family. The purpose of the endowment is to provide funds to help support Pacific Union School's annual arts month celebration. (2004)

### Pacific Union School District Community Fund

This fund, created from a previously shared fund, was established to expand technology education and to promote other enrichment projects that enhance the education of the students from Pacific Union, a nationally recognized Distinguished Blue Ribbon School. (1996)

### Charles William Page Memorial Fund


 Established in 2003 to honor the memory of Charles (Charlie) William Page, this fund celebrates his love of art, nature, simplicity, and environmental stewardship. A naturally gifted artist, Charlie loved to take his sketchbook along on camping and backpacking trips into the Trinity Alps, Marble Mountains, and Siskiyou Hills. His sensitive and acutely detailed drawings reflect what he knew best: the birds and fauna of Humboldt County. Charlie's intimate relationship with the natural environment spawned a profound spiritual belief system that reflected his wilderness ethic and deep love and respect for nature. His fund supports local artists who utilize recycled materials and/or natural elements to refocus our attention on the beauty of the natural world. Works are encouraged that are site-specific and that celebrate the ephemeral artistic balance of time and nature. (2003)

### Paik-Nicely Ohana Legacy Fund


Marylyn Paik-Nicely was director of Humboldt State University's MultiCultural Center for nearly 20 years. She worked with students on social justice programs, leadership development and cultural celebrations. She described being director as "the job made in heaven just for me!" In 2015, Marylyn retired. Her son Tyler established this fund to honor her legacy and to see it continue. Ohana is family. In Hawai'i, family goes beyond blood relations. Ohana includes hanai children, part of your family because of the aloha and love shared; the aunts and uncles who love and care about us; and the Tutu Kane (grandfathers) and Tutu Wahine

(grandmothers) who "adopted" us into their families and cultures. Ohana is community. The fund supports social justice programs, cultural celebrations and projects that raise awareness of history, language, and traditions of our Indigenous Communities. It also supports programs for students affected by the country's immigration policy or DACA. (2016)

### Peter E. Palmquist Memorial Fund for Historical Photographic Research


 Peter Palmquist was killed at age 66 by a hit-and-run driver on January 13, 2003. A professional photographer for over 50 years, including 28 at Humboldt State University, he is considered one of the most important photo-historians of the 20th century. His emphasis was the American West, California, Humboldt County before 1950, and the international history of women in photography. He published over 60 books and 340 articles. With co-author Thomas Kailbourn, he won the Caroline Bancroft Western History Prize for their book 'Pioneer Photographers of the Far West.' Martha Sandweiss, retired Princeton professor, is an American historian, with particular interests in the history of the American West, visual culture, and public history. Dr. Sandweiss wrote: "He established new ways of pursuing the history of photography. With his collections and research notes now accessible at Yale, he will be speaking to and inspiring new generations forever." Established by Peter's lifetime companion, Pam Mendelsohn, this fund supports the study of under-researched women photographers internationally and under-researched Western American photographers through The Great Depression. Peter's lifetime companion, Pam Mendelsohn, explained: There have been 18 rounds of grant applications providing funds to seventy-five researchers globally. Please join us for round 19 by honoring Peter's passion for independent photohistorical research. Visit [www.palmquistgrants.com](http://www.palmquistgrants.com) to enter the world of our past recipients (2024).

### Derek Parker Memorial Fund

 Derek Wayne Parker was born August 20, 1990 in Eureka, CA to John W. Parker and Suzanne E. Olson. He was a graduate of Eureka High School and attended College of the Redwoods. Growing up, Derek's focus was always on sports, especially baseball. He learned from the two coaches in his life; his Grandpa Wayne and his dad. He could recite from memory team players, their stats, what teams won in what division in what year. His favorite sports teams were all in "The Bay": S.F. Giants, Golden State Warriors and the San Francisco 49ers. He would travel to watch them play every chance he got. Derek was in a tragic car accident and died from his injuries on September 11, 2016. He was 26 years old. In keeping with his passion, Derek's grandparents, Robert Gish & Joan Rainwater-Gish, along with their family, have established a memorial fund to honor his memory.

Advising Derek's fund are his mother and sister, Kasidy. This fund has been set up in hopes of inspiring local youth athletes, who are playing just for fun or who excel in their sport, to 'Just Do It!' (2023)


### Parker Youth Fund

 Stanley Parker was born on August 5, 1923. He graduated from elementary school in Rio Dell, high school in Fortuna, and the University of California at Berkeley. He married Mary Owen of San Francisco in 1953, and the couple had two daughters, Eleanor and Catherine. Mr. Parker worked as the traffic manager and industrial affairs manager during a 30-year career with the Pacific Lumber Company. He was active in the community, serving with the Fortuna High School Board of Trustees, Humboldt Grand Jury, Norcoa Health Organization, Local Agencies Formation Commission, Eureka and Fortuna Chambers of Commerce, Eureka Chapter of the American Red Cross, Scotia Kiwanis Club, United Way, Camp Fire Girls & Boys, and Redwoods United. Mr. Parker died on October 29, 1990. This advised endowment fund was created at Pacific Lumber to honor Mr. Parker. It supports youth in Scotia and Rio Dell with a particular focus on education. (2002)

### Elizabeth "Freckles" Locke Parrott Memorial Fund


 Elizabeth "Liz" excelled in women's amateur fast pitch softball for 17 years with Erv Lynn Florists. She was selected for the All-American National Softball Congress Team in the World Tournament in Phoenix, Arizona in 1952, and was awarded Most Valuable Player. Her team was twice runner-up and, in 1953, the World NSC Champions. She graduated from HSU in 1959 and began her 30-year teaching career as a physical education instructor and coach at Eureka High. In 1966, "Freckles" was inducted into the Portland Metro Hall of Fame. Liz was forever a coach and faithful 49ers fan. She welcomed animals in need—her "kids"—into her home. She loved her McCaan cabin. Her last fond memory was a trip with her friends to the Amateur Softball Association Hall of Fame and the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in 2007. This fund was established by Sharon Wold, Jan Wholers, and other dear friends to provide a scholarship for college softball players. (2012)

### Betty Slagle Anderson Partain Fund for Physical Education & Athletics for Youth

 Betty Partain first came to the North Coast as a freshman at South Fork High School in 1946. She went on to teach physical education at Humboldt State University, retiring in 1982. The fund reflects her lifelong concern about getting youngsters involved in athletic activities. Administered

by her three grandsons, the purpose of this fund is to provide money for boys and girls—kindergarten through college—to participate in competition or exercise when financial constraints would otherwise be a barrier. (1996)


### Gail Pascoe Making Headway Fund

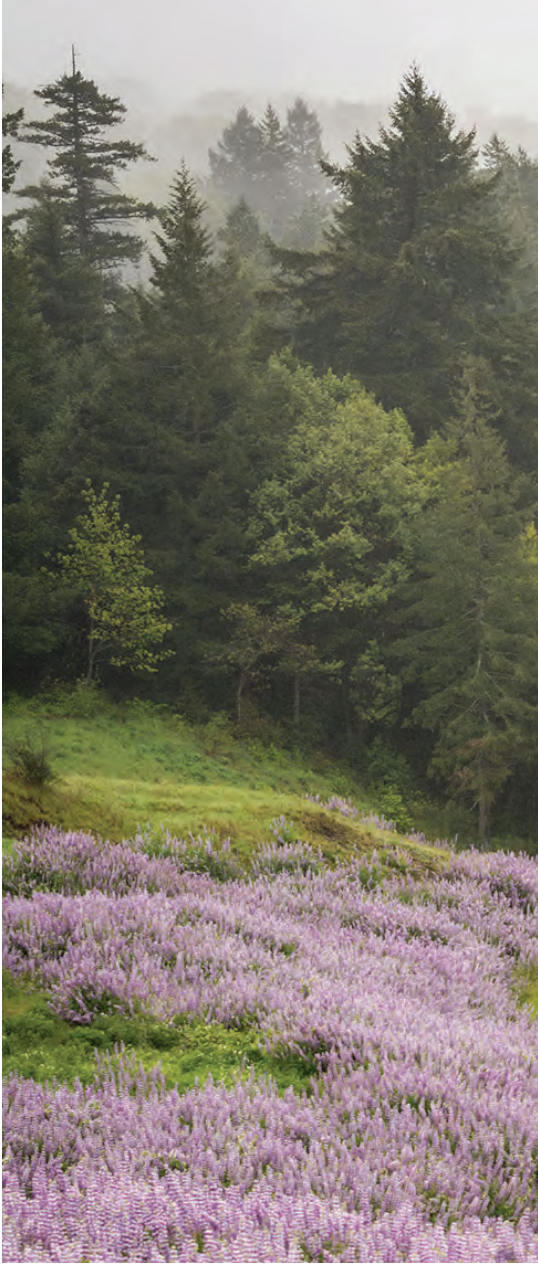
 Traumatic brain injury (TBI) occurs when there is a blow to the head that causes the loss of one or more abilities, such as memory retention, decision making, planning, and concentration. Working with brain injured people and their families since 1983, Gail cofounded Making Headway Center for Brain Injury Recovery in 1999. Making Headway is a nonprofit agency that provides services to address these and other losses. Gail wishes these funds to be used for prevention, temporary housing, medical care, emotional counseling and support, case management, and family support for those with a brain injury and their families. It is Gail's intent to remember this fund and Making Headway, the organization that represents her life's work, by means of a bequest. This fund accepts and encourages contributions. (2004)

### Dr. Cecilia M. Patton, DC, Scholarship Fund

 Ann Bolger established this scholarship in honor of her daughter Dr. Patton. Ann Elizabeth Bolger, a Chicago native, fell in love with Crescent City after her daughter moved here in 2004. Dr. Cecilia Marie Patton loves to see people get well through chiropractic, particularly with Chiropractic BioPhysics (CBP), a method of spine analysis and treatment. She supports CBP NonProfit, a brilliant group of doctors and researchers who work tirelessly to advance chiropractic science and effectiveness. As an Advanced Certified CBP practitioner, Dr. Patton achieves spine realignment results that are unique and different for people compared to what traditional chiropractic allows. With her mother's love of education and Dr. Cecilia Patton's first-hand knowledge and experience they wish to encourage students who are interested in becoming Healers to pursue the study of the chiropractic profession and/or fields of study that are integral to the chiropractic profession. (2017)

### Coach Jerry Paul Memorial Fund

 Jerry Paul was a teacher, coach, athletic director, and inspirational leader for youth athletics for nearly 40 years. Jerry came to HSU in 1953 to earn a degree in physical education and a teaching credential while playing basketball for the Lumberjacks. During his 32 years at Arcata High, Jerry coached golf, cross-country, and tennis. His main love, however, was coaching varsity boys and girls basketball, leading his teams in winning more than 100 games, including many



championships. Known for his fairness, nurturing presence, and competitive spirit, Jerry was named to the Arcata High School Hall of Fame and the California Coaches' Association Hall of Fame. He was always grateful to his wife Adair and their three children—Raida, Gary, and Debbie—for their love and support. At his death in 2001, Adair created this advised endowment fund to continue Jerry's life work: helping local youth realize their educational and athletic goals. (2001)



### Pay it Forward Humboldt Fund



The mission of Pay It Forward Humboldt is to provide help, healing, and hope in times of crisis. With our fault lines, flood zones, and dense forests, Northern California is a hotbed for natural disaster. Pay It Forward Humboldt provides efficient intake, organization, and distribution of necessary emergency supplies to victims of crisis, without creating the secondary disaster of piles of unusable donations. Our vision is to offer immediate HELP to those in need. We provide HEALING through community outreach & fundraisers that support one another. We provide HOPE by paying it forward and encouraging others to pay it forward alongside us. Our nonprofit is 100% volunteer operated. (2018)

### Perrett Family Fund



This advised scholarship fund was established by Tom and Stephanie Perrett in 2005

to support the education goals of Humboldt County High School graduates. Recipients of this fund will show promise in the field of their choice, academic excellence, and financial need. Limited to current high school seniors planning to continue their education at a four-year university.

### Richard E. Peters Memorial Safety Scholarship Fund



Richard Peters was a longshore supercargo, ILWU Eureka Local 14, for nearly 50 years and an employee of Westfall Stevedore Company for 40 years. Dick died in 2002 as the result of a tragic accident aboard ship doing the job he loved. He was admired and respected for his professional skills, his gentle humor, and his intellectual curiosity, graduating from College of the Redwoods at age 66. The purpose of the fund is to promote safety awareness and provide scholarships to children and grandchildren of local longshoremen. (2002)

### Donna Petersen Memorial Fund



Mrs. Petersen was a staunch supporter of animal life, especially concerned with the well-being of homeless dogs. She was one of the founders of the Humane Society of Humboldt County, which this fund benefits. (1987)

### Jerry Peterson Memorial Fund



A native of Arcata, Jerry E. Peterson was part-owner/operator of Sequoia Auto Supply. At the time of his death in July of 1984, his wife Sharron and his daughters established this memorial fund. It benefits the Humboldt Community Breast Health Project. (1984)

### Melvin & Leona Peterson Memorial Fund

The Petersons were both natives of Humboldt County. Leona established this fund in 1985 to honor her husband. Initially the fund was used for the maintenance of the aquarium at St. Luke Manor. After Melvin's death in 1988, Leona asked that the fund be used to provide scholarships. Leona passed away on February 15, 1994, leaving a substantial bequest to establish the Melvin T. Peterson Scholarship Fund with the Foundation. (1985)

### Melvin T. Peterson Scholarship Fund

Leona Ella Peterson established this scholarship fund in her husband's memory to be used for scholarships for Eureka High School graduates for both vocational and academic training. Leona, a native of Ferndale, taught in many local schools and was a social worker for the welfare department for many years. She and her husband were life and charter members of St. Luke Manor. (1994)

### Barry F. Phelps Leukemia Fund



Barry Phelps wasPluyter a lifelong resident of Fortuna. After suffering with cancer for four years, he died in 1983 at the age of 9. To assist the family with the tremendous cost of an anticipated bone marrow transplant, the community organized a large fundraiser. Barry died before the event, but encouraged family and friends to continue helping children with cancer. (1986)

### Physician Recruitment Loan Repayment Curry County Fund

In response to physician shortages, the Wild Rivers Community Foundation established the Physician Recruitment Loan Repayment Curry County Fund. The fund helps recruit medical doctors by offering a medical school loan repayment plan in yearly increments for each year served in Curry County, up to a maximum of four years. Applicants must serve in a needed field of medicine in Curry County for at least two years to qualify. (2008)

### Physicians' Community Fund



Income from the Physicians' Community Fund, an advised fund, is available for distribution to North Coast nonprofit organizations to serve humanitarian, cultural, educational, or charitable purposes. (1995)

### David Wilder Pickart-Jain Memorial Fund



David Pickart-Jain was known as much for his contagious smile as for his many academic honors. He was born in 1999 in Eureka, CA, and was raised with his sister Elyse, enjoying the wildlands of Humboldt County. His time spent outdoors nourished a generous, thoughtful, and kind nature. David was beloved by his classmates at Jacoby Creek School and won numerous academic awards, and he played a pivotal role on the basketball team. David was killed on March 10, 2013, just short of his 14th birthday, when he was struck by a car while in a pedestrian crossing. The David Wilder Pickart-Jain Memorial Fund was established by his parents, Andrea Pickart and Peter Jain, with funds contributed in his honor by his family, friends, and community. It will award one college scholarship per year, beginning in 2017, to a student graduating from an Arcata area high school. (2013)

### Johan Pluyter Charitable Fund



The Johan Pluyter Charitable Fund was established in 2023 in order to support Native American cultural, health and legal causes. Born in The Netherlands, Johan developed early an interest in nature, sciences, history and music. First, he got interested in bird watching and while studying the biology he discovered his passion for science, in particular chemistry. Also, at an early age he started playing keyboards and composed his own music. He finished his undergraduate in The Netherlands and then continued his research and studies at San Diego State University and The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he obtained his PhD, all in chemistry. Next, his professional career found him working for companies like Procter and Gamble, Unilever, ICI, IFF and S. C. Johnson. These moves brought him back to work and live in Europe and various places in the US on the East Coast and Mid-West. Johan has been visiting and staying in Humboldt County since 1985 after he married Marie. He loves the nature and peace and quiet of Humboldt County. In 2018, he started his consulting company and he works with various multinationals as well as medium-sized and start-up companies. This allows him to work from his home here in Eureka. Johan is also an avid composer and musician, having released several CD's and copyright hundreds of compositions. Johan also established the Johan G. Pluyter Living Trust which will add to the Johan Pluyter Charitable Fund to enable the fund to continue to support Native American causes as well as KEET TV. (2023)

### Hugo Pompati Memorial Fund

At his death, Hugo Pompati, a lifelong Eureka resident, established this endowment fund in memory of his father and mother, John and Angelina Pompati, and himself. The net income provides for memorial masses and otherwise benefits St. Bernard's Catholic Church. (1996)

### Andrew & Bertha Pon Memorial Fund

When she died in 1995 at the age of 84, McKinleyville resident Bertha Pon left the residue of her estate to a fund designated for 4-H, FFA, senior nutrition and health programs, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and organized youth baseball programs. The widow of Andrew Pon, Bertha worked for the Bank of America for many years and was a member of both the Mendocino and Humboldt County historical societies, as well as the Arcata Business Girls. (1996)

### Justin Porteous Memorial Scholarship



Justin Porteous was born and raised in Humboldt County where he attended Blue Lake Elementary School from kindergarten through eighth grade. Upon graduation from Arcata High School and as a graduate of Blue Lake School, he received a scholarship for outstanding academic achievement and leadership. Justin went on to Humboldt State University where he earned his degree in environmental resources engineering. He enjoyed a successful career in heavy construction as an environmental manager and project engineer until his unexpected death at the age of 42. A scholarship in his memory has been created to assist a Blue Lake and Arcata High School graduate going on to a college or university. Preference will be given to a student pursuing a degree in engineering, mathematics, or related sciences. (2016)

### Premier Foundation Fund



This fund was established by Premier Financial Group, Inc., Registered Investment Advisor and its president, Wayne Caldwell. The fund was originally established by the principals of the firm—Wayne Caldwell CFP, Ron Ross Ph.D./CFP, and John Gloor—for the primary purpose of encouraging corporate and business good works in our community. This fund not only provides Premier and its team with a focus for its own charitable efforts, but also as a model for assisting its many business clients in establishing similar funds. “Charitable donor-advised funds through HAF are an excellent way to add increased meaning to our business endeavors by enabling local firms to contribute insight and financial support to the community,” according to Wayne Caldwell. (1998)

### Astraia Pulliam Memorial Scholarship Fund for Nursing



Astraia Pulliam grew up in the town of Bonny Doon in the mountains of Santa Cruz, California. A bright and vibrant life, she set forth to spread the gift of health and healing,

becoming a yoga instructor in San Francisco for several years. Along her journey she was blessed to become a mother to her cherished first born son. Her ambition to help heal never ceased, leading her to move to Humboldt County and attended College of the Redwoods nursing program. While raising her young son as a single mother, she completed her nursing degree in 2014. She started work on the Medical Surgical Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, where she quickly gained a reputation as a dedicated and tender nurse who cared and advocated for all of her patients with loving kindness. One of her signature traits was her bright red lipstick. Astraia was the kind of nurse who went above and beyond, buying red lipstick for a patient who was in need of cheering up. Astraia was a beautiful person who had an amazing personality, a strong will, an infectious laugh and a smile that would make your day. She would smile her beautiful red lips at the thought that this scholarship is helping single moms achieve their goal of becoming nurses. (2019)



### Rael Family Scholarship Fund



The Rael family established this scholarship to support a Latino student who demonstrates academic potential and who has a history of community involvement. Dennis Rael, as we know from the delectables served at Los Bagels, is of mixed heritage: his mother was Jewish and his father, Chicano. His father experienced discrimination as a child because he was Spanish-speaking. While working as a printer in his late 40s, he turned this discrimination around by going back to school and obtaining a teaching credential. He was hired as a teacher because among his qualifications was the ability to speak the language for which he once was ridiculed. The Rael family believes that people who have access to education can increase their potential. They take pride in their heritage and feel fortunate to be able to encourage others to also take pride in who they are and further their education. (2004)

### Nick and Lisa Rail Music Fund



The Nick and Lisa Rail Music Fund was established in 2018 to support music and the arts in Del Norte County, focusing first and foremost on music education in public schools, especially

instrumental. Immediate goals are to improve the scope and quality of band instruments for all of the elementary, junior high and high school music programs. Ongoing goals are to continue building this inventory and providing the resources to maintain it. The long-term goal is the construction of a performing arts center on the high school campus. The arts are alive and well in Crescent City, yet there isn't a proper stage anywhere in the county for groups to perform. The school district and community at large deserves a modern venue to showcase the talents of our youth, whether band, choir, dance, or theater. The Rails welcome your help in achieving this goal. (2018)

### Marie Raleigh Memorial Fund



Because of Marie Raleigh's love of animals, her 1985 bequest specified that the income from her fund be used to provide for the care and feeding of cats. (1985)

### RCRC Client Benefit Fund



The Client Benefit Fund is a nonprofit fund designed to improve the lives of the people who are clients of the Redwood Coast Regional Center through small, individual grants for needs that cannot be met through any other existing program or agency. The fund is designated for individuals with developmental disabilities in Humboldt, Mendocino, Lake, and Del Norte counties. Some of the possible creative uses of the individual grants could include specific housing needs, one-time moving needs, emergency travel needs, and start-up seed money for programs fostering independence in life-skills, recreational skills, and/or housing. Applications for such personal grants are made to the Redwood Coast Developmental Services Corporation Board of Directors. (2009)

### Clinton D. Rebik Memorial Fund



Clinton D Rebik was a pillar of the Humboldt community in many ways. A beacon of familiarity and love throughout his entire life, he was passionate about making Humboldt, and specifically its institutions of learning, a place for all to feel comfortable and strong no matter the background. Clint was incredibly thoughtful and inclusive, making all those he touched feel as though they were his best friend. This scholarship was established by his family, intended to aid the higher learning of Humboldt students and residents. (2023)



### John & Audrie Recetki Children's Fund



John worked as a powderman in heavy construction and Audrie worked at the local fisheries. Together, for 40 years, they managed the

Topper Trailer Park in Eureka. On Audrie's 80th birthday, the park was renamed and dedicated to John and Audrie and is now known as Recetki Park, "A Community of Fine Folks." John and Audrie set up this fund through their estate, and after Audrie's passing in 2010, this fund was designated to serve and support the unmet needs of Eureka youth through the Boys and Girls Club. (2011)

### Recycled Paper Fund



Michael Winkler established this advised expendable fund to help reduce the environmental impact of everyday activities in Humboldt County.

The fund's focus areas are recycled

paper, energy efficiency, and conservation. After a 20-year career in the electronics industry, Michael returned to school to pursue a degree in environmental resources engineering and to help create a more sustainable lifestyle in Humboldt County. He actively participates in civic life with service on the Arcata City Council and previously as Arcata mayor and as a member of the city of Arcata's planning commission. (2000)

### Redwood Art Association Accessibility Fund



The primary purpose and intent of the Redwood Art Association Accessibility Fund is to expeditiously raise the necessary

funds to install a chair lift, making it possible for disabled and mobility-impaired artists, members and visitors to enjoy full access to the second-floor galleries, benefiting all who partake in the RAA. All donations received will go toward that end goal and to increasing all levels of accessibility at the RAA. In 2012 the RAA purchased and renovated a Classical Revival building at 603 F Street in Eureka, designed in 1925 by F.T. Georgeson, to serve as a headquarters and exhibition space, open to the public. Those coming to our gallery with physical disabilities or mobility impairments have not been able to access gallery spaces on the second floor easily or at all. Other ADA compliant renovations have been made or are currently underway to make accessible all personal gallery spaces, restrooms, and entry/exits to the entire community and visiting population. The need for this access is acute. Senior citizens, many of whom experience mobility impairment to some degree, represent a good portion of the RAA's members and visitors. At present, some docents are unable to access the building's second-floor exhibition

spaces making it difficult to provide volunteer staffing. Since all personal gallery spaces that are available to rent are located on the building's second floor, the installation of a chair lift will mean that all RAA member and guest artists will be able to enjoy unhindered access to exhibition opportunities. Purchase and Installation of a chair lift at the RAA has been estimated to cost \$135,000. (2022)

### Redwood Art Association Endowment Fund



Created in 1958, the Redwood Art Association (RAA) is the largest and oldest arts organization in Humboldt County. In 2012, the

organization bought a gallery in Eureka large enough to accommodate large exhibitions for our membership. The RAA continues to be a growing community of artists and supporters who value art as an essential component of every aspect of our culture. The RAA nurtures creativity, provides innovative, leading-edge ideas to inspire its members, and actively relates to young and emerging artists as well as those who are well established. We bring artistic dialogue and collaboration with the membership, local government, and other creative organizations and outside communities. This endowment fund was created by anonymous donors who support our history, vision, and placement in the community. The funds will be used toward continuing our mission. Additional donations from other individuals and organizations can be made to this fund. (2015)

### Redwood Regional Rotary Disaster Relief Super Fund



This fund has been created by the North Coast rotary clubs to assist North Coast residents who, due to a natural disaster, need emergency funds that are not immediately

available from government agencies. Funds are available to anyone located in the areas served by the ten North Coast rotary clubs from Garberville to Crescent City. (1995)

### Redwood Hope Fund



The Redwood Hope Fund of Arcata Church of the Nazarene provides supplemental resources, one-on-one mentoring, small group support (including a faith-based 12-step recovery

program), and financial assistance to engage and empower individuals and families to thrive emotionally and spiritually by connecting with people who have overcome marital or family fractures, addiction, and trauma. (2024)

### Redwoods Rural Health Center Fund



Redwoods Rural Health Center (RRHC) is a Federally Qualified Health Center located in Southern Humboldt

County. RRHC was established in 1976 to create access to health care services for disenfranchised members of the community by offering an income-based sliding fee scale. The mission of the organization is to provide responsive, preventive, high quality primary health care services, through a variety of healing disciplines, to all people without regard to social or economic status. RRHC currently operates two school-based clinics as well as a mobile dental van. In 2015, RRHC served 5,380 patients through more than 18,000 clinic visits. Approximately 57% of the health center's patients were living in poverty, 26% were uninsured, and 7% were Hispanic. RRHC's preventive services encompass immunizations, cancer screening, women's health, well child exams, diagnostic labs, dental care, counseling, physical therapy, and acupuncture. In addition to primary care services, RRHC offers enabling services, such as transportation and food assistance, insurance eligibility, telemedicine, and homeless outreach. (2016)

### Redwoods Rural Health Center Building the Future Fund



Redwoods Rural Health Center has provided responsive healthcare in Southern Humboldt for over 40 years. The health

center's mission is to provide care for all people, regardless of social or economic status. To meet the growing need for mental health services and dental care and to address the tremendously long patient wait times, the health center has created the Building the Future Fund for capital costs to remodel a newly acquired dental building as well as the existing medical building. Contributions to this fund will create happy and healthy smiles. The planned renovation of Redwoods Rural Health Center will also make room for the new perinatal and medication-assisted treatment programs. Your gift will support the social and emotional well-being of children and families and provide expecting and new mothers with beneficial perinatal care. (2018)

### Redwoods Rural Healthcare Scholarship Fund



The Redwood Rural Healthcare Scholarship Fund supports scholarships awarded to graduating high school

seniors or current college students pursuing the study of healthcare at an accredited college, university or vocational school, who demonstrate financial need and reside in or are from Southern Humboldt. (2022)

### Leo P. & Wilma M. Regan Memorial Fund



Natives of Iowa, Wilma and Leo Regan resided in Eureka from 1956 until 1965 when Mr. Regan was transferred to San Francisco. Mr.

Regan retired in 1972 from a banking career that spanned 45 years. Mrs. Regan died in 1986, after which Mr. Regan returned to Eureka to be with his daughter Mary Ann Spencer until his death in 1993. The Regans shared an interest in promoting leadership among young students. Mr. Regan took great pride in encouraging students to achieve their educational goals and offered financial guidance to many as they entered the workplace. This fund, established by the Regans' daughter, supports youth leadership. (1994)

### Reserve Officers' Association Humboldt Chapter Scholarship Fund



Humboldt Chapter No. 16 of the Reserve Officers' Association established this fund to provide an annual scholarship to the most

worthy Humboldt County graduating senior enrolling in a four-year military academy. (1989)

### Radical Rhododendrons Fund



The Radical Rhododendrons Fund was founded to support charitable work in the community with a focus on healthcare, the arts and the environment. This fund is in memory

of our family members who dedicated their lives to the health and well-being of the community. (2024)

### Alive Richard Scholarship Fund



This scholarship fund was established by the Academy of the Redwoods community and the family of Alive Richard to memorialize his love of people, love of learning, and love of life.

Alive had an exceptional thirst for knowledge and was accepting of all people regardless of their backgrounds and beliefs. With his contagious smile and kind heart he offered daily inspiration to his friends, teachers, and family. Funds will be allocated annually in the form of a scholarship for an Academy of the Redwoods graduate pursuing a college education. The first scholarship was awarded to a student in the graduating class of 2014. Additional contributions to this fund are welcome. (2012)

### Robert L. Richards Memorial Fund

Robert Richards valued education and self-improvement. Although he never attended high school, at the age of 40, Bob graduated with highest honors from HSU. The Foundation administers this fund to benefit the three scholarships he established at HSU:

the Mary E. Richards Scholarship for Music or Voice, the Joan E. Brenson Scholarship for Natural Resources, and the Robert L. Richards Scholarship for Music. Additional income is to benefit local animal welfare organizations. (1987)

### Rick Foundation

Mechanical engineer Chester Rick created the IEZ Foundation in the 1940s that made garden tools, lamps, bookends, and small toys. He hired workers with disabilities, passing on any money he made to his employees. Chester and his wife Dorothy worked with Paul Robeson and Bayard Rustin in early civil rights action. This fund was started with proceeds from the IEZ Foundation and is intended to promote race relations and world peace. (1996)

### Elsie Mae Gardner Ricklefs & Richard Ricklefs Memorial Fund



This fund provides help in the fields of education and health for the Klamath-Trinity area. Grants,

scholarships, and fellowships are given to those who demonstrate leadership or who have a clear potential to deliver strong and imaginative initiatives for guiding the cultural goals of the community. Health support is principally in mental health and may include grants to organizations that introduce improved directions in care, reaching more families and people in need. (1994)

### Ride to the Wild Fund



Thanks to donors Bill & Melissa Zielinski, Humboldt County teachers have some financial support to transport students for nature education field trips. The Zielinskis established this advised

endowment fund because of their belief that exposure to the outdoors at a young age can help develop an understanding of environmental issues and an appreciation of how the protection of natural places can enhance the quality of life. They invite others to expand learning opportunities for Humboldt County children by making contributions to the fund. (2005)

### Bonnie J. Ridenhour Memorial Fund for Needy Children



Bonnie was devoted to children—her own, her grandchildren, her neighbors' children, the children of the community. This endowed fund supports organizations and programs

that provide for the basic needs of food, shelter, healthcare, and education of needy preteen children in Humboldt and Del Norte counties. (2014)

### Riverview Community Project Fund

This fund supports the Riverview Community Project through the charitable work of Hayfork Transition. (2022)

### The JB&B Roberts Fund

This fund supports community programs and nonprofits that help children, women, the environment, animals and all those in need. (2019)

### Wayne Roberts & Kevin Hartwick Catch It Fund



The "Catch It" Fund was established by local rodeo enthusiasts with the vision of enhancing and expanding programs and opportunities

within the region for youth and their families. This fund is intended to support and benefit local youth activities and agricultural pursuits directly or indirectly related to the Del Norte County Fair. (2006)

### Gary Robinson Sports Scholarship



Gary Robinson was a local sports hero. He was a proud Fortuna Husky and received the best athlete award his senior year. Gary's passion for sports went deeper than just a game to the

importance of what it means to be part of a team. He understood the simple fundamentals to the crucial play that could be the game winner. Gary was always sending positive thoughts and positive endings to his fellow teammates, friends, and family. His family is honoring Gary's name by offering a Fortuna High School student-athlete a \$2,500 scholarship. Gary's love for sports will continue and his legacy will live on through future generations and the recipients of the Gary Robinson Sports Scholarship. (2018)

### William Adrian & Lillian Robinson Memorial Fund



This fund was established in 1989 by Susan Robinson McGinness and W.A.

Robinson, Jr., as a memorial to their parents W. Adrian and Lillian Robinson. Adrian, a local businessman, was born and lived his entire life in Humboldt County. Lillian, who had lived in Eureka for more than 50 years, was actively involved in community services. Because of their interest in both education and local maritime affairs, income from this fund will be used for Humboldt County education projects. (1989)





### Adrian Joseph Romo Memorial Scholarship



To support Native Indigenous students enrolled in the Native American Center for Academic Excellence (ITEPP) at Humboldt State University that have completed at least one year in the program and display qualities of leadership and significant involvement with building and supporting the ITEPP student community. Scholarships will be available beginning in 2021. (2020)

### William T. & Geneva Rooney Fund



William T. Rooney established this fund in 1991 to honor his wife Geneva, who spent 25 years in the Eureka City Schools as a teacher, counselor, dean, and high school assistant principal. Grants from this fund benefit disadvantaged students needing clothing and other necessary items. (1991)

### Ray “Buck” Rosendahl Memorial Pet Assistance Fund



In 2004, Buck and his bride Tracie began an amazing and life-changing journey together in beautiful Gold Beach, OR. There they opened and developed Woof’s Dog Bakery and Pet Supplies, a holistic pet nutrition center. With two locations on the southern Oregon Coast, they touched many lives while making meaningful friendships along the way. Ray “Buck” Rosendahl left this earth on February 17, 2016, at his home with family and friends by his side after battling cancer. He was 71 years young. “Buck” will not be forgotten. The Ray “Buck” Rosendahl Memorial Pet Assistance Fund was established in 2016 in his honor to provide support for the total care of animals in Curry County, OR. (2016)

### ROTARY CLUB OF ARCATA Educational Fund (R.C.A.E.F.)

The income from this fund is used to promote and enhance educational opportunities available to students eligible for scholarships and other educational grants under criteria established by the board of directors of the Rotary Club of Arcata. (1994)

### ROTARY CLUB OF EUREKA Harvey G. Harper Rotary Scholarship Fund



Harvey Harper was a dedicated and longtime Rotarian. Beloved by his family and community, Harvey’s love of cars was unparalleled. He left this lasting gift to the Rotary of Eureka. Each spring a scholarship will be awarded in Harvey’s memory to support a Eureka High School graduating senior who is planning to attend a school accredited by the National Automotive Technician’s Education Foundation. (2011)

### ROTARY CLUB OF EUREKA Endowment Fund

Income is used for Rotary service projects. (1981)

### ROTARY CLUB OF EUREKA Sign Smith Service Fund

This committee-advised fund is used for Rotary Service projects. (1981)

### ROTARY CLUB OF EUREKA Glyndon “Sign” & Ruth Smith Endowment Fund



Glyndon “Sign” Smith began his long and varied career in magic at age 10, at 16 was known as the Boy Wonder, and at 18 was a professional whose magic included fire-eating, wire-walking, hypnotism, card tricks, and magic. He settled in Eureka in the early 1920s and opened a sign-making shop. A 68-year member of the Rotary Club of Eureka, he never missed a weekly meeting. In Eureka, Sign met the love of his life, Ruth, whom he married in 1929. Ruth Smith graduated from the University of California and taught home economics at Eureka High for 19 years. They lived an exciting, rich life, enjoying their love for each other until Ruth’s death in 1991. Sign, a charming and loving man who gave mDonalduch of himself to people of the North Coast, died in April of 1997. Income from this fund is used for Rotary service projects as recommended by the Rotary Club of Eureka. (1995)

### ROTARY CLUB OF EUREKA Joseph Sidney Woolford Fund



Joseph S. Woolford was a graduate of Louisville Medical School with advanced training at the University of Chicago. He was the first physician in the area to limit his practice to radiology and was instrumental in organizing the radiology department at General Hospital. He studied and worked continuously for the improvement of x-ray equipment and processes. Dr. Woolford was an outgoing, social person with a sense of humor. He was always ready for a good laugh. He was a member of Rotary Club of Eureka from 1934 until his passing in 1957. It was his desire to reward measurable scholastic achievement, quality and excellence of individual performance, career goal direction, and an ability to inspire others. Scholarships are awarded to HSU graduate students. Recipients are selected by members of Rotary Club of Eureka. (2003)

### ROTARY CLUB OF FORTUNA Scholarship Fund

This fund was established by the Rotary Club of Fortuna in memory of past Rotarians who were actively involved in the betterment of Fortuna: Benjamin A. McWhorter, Ray E. Stewart, John Kassis, J. Dwight O’Dell, Clayton A. “Zeke” Van Deventer, William A. Jamieson, Tom Cooke, Collis Mahan, Otto Harbers, Percy Newell, Jim Hunt, Dennis Hazelton, Sherry Hazelton, Allan Baird, and Max Goble. Awards are made to Fortuna High School graduating seniors to further their education. (1991)

### ROTARY CLUB OF FORTUNA SUNRISE Paul Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund & Hal Hummel Memorial Vocational Award

The Fortuna Sunrise Rotary Club, founded on the Rotary Club’s 90th anniversary, honors Rotary founder Paul Harris with this memorial scholarship in his name. Scholarships are awarded annually to two Fortuna High School graduates who wish to further their education. Additionally, the presidential award is selected each year by the club’s current president and is awarded to a graduating Fortuna High School senior. Newly named in May of 2015, the club also honors one of its charter members, Hal Hummel, who was a long-time club vocational scholarship chairman and a tireless advocate for the importance and value of vocational service. Annually, the club awards a graduating senior at Fortuna High School who is planning to attend a trade or vocational school or institution. (1998)

### ROTARY CLUB OF GARBERVILLE Roxanne Futrell Memorial Scholarship Fund



Roxanne was born in Marysville, California in 1950 where she was raised with her two sisters on their family’s peach ranch. In 1977, Roxanne moved to Garberville with her husband Gary, where they raised their three children. Roxanne spent her time as a devoted and loving mother, wife, and friend to all who knew her. Roxanne was a member of Lambda Delta Sorority and a lifelong supporter of Youth Soccer, 4-H, FFA, the South Fork Booster Club, and anyone in need of a helping hand. This fund was established by Roxanne’s family and friends to support a South Fork graduate who emulates a love of life, has a kind and open heart, and has the desire to excel in all that life has to offer. (2005)

### ROTARY CLUB OF GARBERVILLE Ray Hartig Memorial Scholarship

It has been 54 years since this scholarship was established by Ray’s family. Ray was born and raised in Oregon. He loved children and taught for a number of years in Grants Pass. He and his family moved to Garberville in 1954. He immediately became involved in youth activities, coaching basketball and baseball teams and becoming a Boy Scout leader. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Community Coordinating Council, and the Garberville Volunteer Fire Department. Ray was tragically killed while fighting a structure fire. Because Ray exemplified everything Rotary stands for, SERVICE ABOVE SELF, this scholarship was established with the help of his sister and brother-in-law, Amy and Sherm Hensell, in his memory in 1964. He would have been very proud. (2014)

### ROTARY CLUB OF GARBERVILLE Harold E. Murrish Scholarship Fund



Harold Murrish was born in 1934 in Carlotta, where he opened a small grocery store. In 1978, he moved to Redway and turned Murrish Food Center into a community landmark. Murrish was the father of four sons and a daughter, and was survived by his wife Helen. Known in his community as the highest example of kindness, generosity, and understanding, Harold was also instrumental in helping many people fulfill their dreams of beginning small businesses. His wish to help children motivated him to establish this scholarship fund. (1994)

### ROTARY CLUB OF GARBERVILLE Helen Irene Stevenson Memorial Scholarship Fund



Helen Irene McNally was born in Chicago in 1931 and graduated as a music major from Cornell College. Following her passion for music and travel, she became a choral director before deciding to join the US Army’s Special Services in Bordeaux, France. She traveled enthusiastically throughout Europe, eventually meeting her first husband, Paul Brannan. Upon their return to the States they had two children, Christopher and Camilyn, and moved to Garberville in 1963. Irene began teaching kindergarten in 1966 with Chris in her first class, and she continued to do so for the next 35 years. Her annual kindergarten circus was legendary for “children of all ages.” Irene loved the Southern Humboldt community and gave compassionately and generously to many causes. Upon her death in 2007, Irene’s family, with the help of her friends from around the world, created this scholarship to assist a graduating South Fork student in higher education. (2007)

### ROTARY CLUB OF GARBERVILLE Todd Sveiven Scholarship Fund



Todd Sveiven attended South Fork High School where he was a gifted musician, outstanding athlete, perennial Dean’s List student, and student leader. He was also an accomplished guitarist, bass player, drummer, saxophonist, and singer in South Fork’s Mad Jazz Choir. He was selected for the 1994 Little Four all-county baseball team, and he played football and basketball. He represented South Fork High in Washington, DC at the Youth Leadership Conference in 1993. Todd died in a tragic car accident in 1994. (1995)

### ROTARY CLUB OF GARBERVILLE Monroe Tobin Memorial Scholarship Fund



T. Monroe Tobin established this trust because of his love for southern Humboldt County. Monroe’s mother Margaret was born in 1877 on the Robertson Ranch in southern Humboldt. His father Thomas Tobin moved from Kentucky to Garberville in 1903 and became a successful businessman and community leader, operating the Garberville Mercantile Company and Garberville Inn. Monroe attended high school in Eureka and college in Santa Rosa and Berkeley. He was a manufacturer’s representative in San Francisco before returning to Garberville in 1950 when he established Tobin Properties. He served on many county and local boards and was a charter member of Garberville Rotary Club. His wife of 49 years, Helen, passed away in 1992. She was a great contributor to his success. They raised four children—Patricia, Karen, Thomas and Joanne. Monroe passed away on January 8, 2008. The trust is intended to benefit Southern Humboldt needs, particularly youth and seniors. (2001)

### ROTARY CLUB OF MAD RIVER Mad River Rotary Service Fund



The purpose of the Mad River Rotary Fund is to do something good for our community. The Mad River Rotary service area covers the area north of the Mad River to the Humboldt/Del Norte county line. Projects focus on services for youth and seniors. (2011)

### ROTARY CLUB OF OLD TOWN EUREKA Larry G. Doss Fund



Larry G. Doss—beloved father, husband, and grandfather—was a long-time member of the Rotary Club of Old Town Eureka. Loved and respected by fellow Rotarians, business associates, and friends, Larry was a mentor in many fields. He took on enormous challenges and persevered through hard work, preparation, faith, and a positive attitude. Early on, athletics attracted Larry’s attention and became a driving force in learning many principles of life. Larry earned a football scholarship to San Jose State University and was a four-year letterman. After graduating, Larry taught high school and coached football, track, and golf. He loved assisting students attain their goals. As cofounder of Ming Tree Realty, he helped many people become successful in real estate. Larry encouraged others to strive to do their best and to live by his mottos: “autograph your work with excellence” and “going the extra mile is never too far.” (2007)



**ROTARY CLUB OF OLD TOWN EUREKA**  
**John McCaddon Fund**



John McCaddon was born in Eureka on December 11, 1936. He retired from the air force in 1960 and became an insurance adjuster for Allstate. John was president of the Southwest Eureka Rotary Club from 1982 to 1983, and he was a founder and president of the Rotary Club of Old Town Eureka. He was active in the Rotary Youth Exchange Program, served on the board for the Humboldt Fire District, and worked with the first committee raising money for Evergreen Lodge. He passed away on September 9, 1991. This fund was created to give scholarships to seniors from the Eureka High School district. (2007)

**ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHWEST EUREKA**  
**Endowment Fund**

The Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka has a deep commitment to community service as well as to international service. The board of directors established this advised endowment fund to expand the range of opportunities for giving and to further the club's ability to act upon these commitments. (2001)

**Lee J. Roth & Frances A. Roth**  
**Memorial Fund**

Mrs. Roth died in 1981, leaving the residue of her estate as a memorial to her husband Lee and herself. Income is paid to the Humane Society of Humboldt County. (1981)

**Round Meadow Endowment Fund**

This fund supports the Watershed Research and Training Center's management of the Round Meadow Property. (2022)

**Henri & Lanette Rousseau Memorial**  
**Scholarship Fund**



This fund provides scholarships for graduates of Humboldt County high schools planning to go on to major or minor in agriculture or agriculture-related fields or science, including education courses in agriculture or related fields of science. The Humboldt County Farm Bureau recommends recipients. (1997)

**Louis Rovai, Jr. Memorial**  
**Scholarship Fund**



A gifted athlete, Louis Rovai, Jr. ("Sweet Lou"), lived life inspired by the best qualities of teamwork and sportsmanship. His enduring characteristics: a positive outlook on life, love of family, loyal friendships and active community involvement. A lifetime Humboldt County

resident, Louis' athletic skills were first noted at Rio Dell Elementary School. He excelled at football and basketball at Fortuna Union High School and his ability to play the wide-receiver position was recognized at College of the Redwoods and Humboldt State University. His knowledge of sports and ability to tell a good story led to stints as a broadcaster and color commentator for local teams. In 1999, he was named to the Times-Standard "All Century Football Team. CR inducted the 1975 Football Team into the Hall of Fame in 2015 and Louis (posthumously) in 2020. This scholarship supports those FUHS Seniors who will be attending (or are currently attending) and participating in the CR football program. (2022)

**Rubin-Devons Family Fund**



Jerryl Lynn Rubin and Amanda Devons are grateful to have lived in Humboldt County for the past four decades and have enjoyed life here together for the past fifteen years. They created this donor-advised fund as their anniversary gift. Jerryl Lynn and Amanda worked in the medical and educational fields. Now they volunteer with local health, education, theatre, arts, music, nature, interfaith, religious, and intercultural organizations. The Rubin-Devons Family Fund is to expand their contribution to the health and well-being of our community. (2018)

**R. Baird & Jane Rumiano Family Fund**



Baird and Jane Rumiano have lived in Crescent City for most of their adult lives. They raised their two boys, Joby and Tony, in Del Norte. Both attended local schools and completed their college education at Humboldt State University. Del Norte and Humboldt counties have been good to the Rumianos. They wish to give back to the community by way of this fund intended to build financial stability, community participation, and enrichment by supporting athletics, scholarships, training for volunteers and volunteerism, and other programs supporting self-sufficiency in the people, the natural resources, and the beauty of our area. Baird is owner of Rumiano Cheese Company and Jane has been a high school tennis coach and instructor for over 30 years and still continues her love of the game. (2009)

**St. Mary's Funds**

Established to support St. Mary's Catholic Church programs, the first of these funds was the St. Mary's Church Fund, created in 1978.

**SM | Monsignor Thomas Nugent & Margaret Kellett Educational Fund**

An anonymous donor left a residence to the Foundation to establish this fund in perpetual remembrance of Monsignor Thomas Nugent and his niece Margaret Kellett. The income from this memorial endowment fund goes to the educational fund of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Arcata. (1994)

**SM | St. Mary's Church Fund**

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Arcata was founded in 1883 and continues to serve the Catholic community from the church located on Janes Road in Arcata and the St. Joseph mission church in Blue Lake. This fund was established by an anonymous donor in 1978. The purpose of the gift was to improve the original St. Mary's Church building, which was tragically lost to fire in 2003, and to support maintenance of the cemetery located on 16th Street. The fund has since expanded to support the programs of St. Mary's Parish. The church welcomes additional contributions to this fund. (1978)

**St. Vincent de Paul Fund**



The mission of the Particular Council of the Redwood Region of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is to help the needy, the forgotten, and the victims of exclusion and adversity in the Humboldt area. The income from their two thrift stores supports a free dining facility in Eureka as well as a long list of other services provided by a corps of over 50 volunteers and 32 dedicated employees. These services include boxes of food for people to prepare in their own homes, clothing, furniture, bedding, emergency lodging, transportation, expenses for medical appointments and stranded travelers, help with prescriptions, major appliance reconditioning, and many other forms of assistance. As the society says in its brochure, "Sometimes all it takes to help someone is to provide a hand to hold or just to listen. We can do that too." This fund supports all the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's good works. (2008)

**St. Vincent de Paul Fund in Honor of Gerry & Oriel Ayers**



This fund was established to support the St. Vincent de Paul dining facility in Eureka. Gerry and Oriel have been supporters of the dining facility since its inception. Gerry was dedicated to providing shelter to the homeless and food to the hungry through the dining facility. He was proud to be a member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. He touched many lives on a daily basis with his respect and love for anyone he came in contact with. Gerry lived his faith every day. He was known as a hero to many. Gerry passed away in January of 2008. This endowment fund will provide assistance to the dining facility to purchase milk and other staples needed for feeding the hungry. (2008)

**S. P. Community Fund**

This fund is dedicated to providing support to underserved local non-profits and other organizations for projects helping the community. Through this fund, the hope is that dreams can materialize providing enrichment, connection and celebration in Humboldt County. (2016)

**Michael, Fran, & Opal Saint Clair Fund**



This fund was established by Michael Saint Clair in memory of his past wives Fran and Opal. Saint Clair grew up in Alton, CA and he was one of seven brothers and sisters. He is a former marine, longtime bartender, and has worked in almost every lumber company in Humboldt County. The purpose of this fund is to make life simpler for Humboldt County 1st-5th graders lacking essential school supplies. Saint Clair's ultimate hope for this fund is that every child is equipped with the proper tools and support needed to be successful. (2015)

**Salmonid Restoration Federation**  
**Scholarship Fund**

Supports students studying the fields of watershed restoration and/or watershed sciences, with a priority for underrepresented students. (2020)

**Michael Salstrom Photography**  
**Scholarship Fund**



This fund was established by Michael's parents and friends when he died in 1987 at the age of 34. In 1988, additional gifts were received upon the deaths of Mike's newly married sister Kathryn and her husband Daniel Weaver. (1987)

**Alexander T. Salvos & Timothy A. Salvos**  
**Fund for Youth**



Alexander Timothy Salvos was a Eureka native, born in 1934 to Thomas and Lottie Salvos. He graduated from Eureka High School and retired from the United States Postal Service after many devoted years of serving the Eureka community. He enjoyed hot rods and classic cars. Alex was a Renaissance man and his favorite saying was, "Imagination is everything!" He passed away on November 7, 2002, leaving a provision in his will to create a discretionary field of interest fund for youth in Humboldt County in memory of his son Timothy A. Salvos. (2003)

**Sanctuary Forest | Conservation**  
**Easement Fund**



This fund provides for the perpetual management, monitoring, enforcement, and defense of conservation easements held by Sanctuary Forest. (2005)

**Sanctuary Forest | Opportunity Fund**



The Sanctuary Forest Opportunity Fund provides for the perpetual care for conserved properties owned by Sanctuary Forest, contributed to the achievement of Sanctuary Forest's conservation goals through strategic land acquisitions, and helps meet Sanctuary Forest's organizational and capacity goals. The purpose of this fund is to produce income for managing lands through monitoring and maintenance, project development and closing costs for purchases of land or capital assets; and general operating expenses. (2023)

**Sanctuary Forest | Sinkyone Conservation**  
**Easement Fund**

The purpose of this fund is to provide for the perpetual monitoring, management enforcement, and defense of Sanctuary Forest's conservation easement on the InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council's Sinkyone Upland property. (2005)

**Sanctuary Forest | Snodgrass**  
**Scholarship Fund**



The Snodgrass Scholarship Fund is intended to be a reserve for the Rondal Snodgrass Scholarship, created in 2002 to honor the founding executive director of Sanctuary Forest. During his 15-year tenure, Rondal led a quest to conserve the ecological integrity of the Mattole River watershed through public education about science, beauty, and threats to the temperate rain forest while building enduring and non-adversarial bridges

within a diverse community. Sanctuary Forest's interpretive hike, conservation easement, and scholarship programs began under Rondal's leadership and still thrive today. The Rondal Snodgrass Scholarship is given in honor of Rondal's service to our community with the hope that scholarship recipients will be inspired to continue working toward a sustainable future, acknowledging and celebrating the interdependence of humankind and the natural world. (2017)

**Col. Mathew Santino Scholarship Fund**



Following 25 years of active duty with the US Army, Colonel Mathew Santino retired in Eureka, where he was associated with the Humboldt Land Title Company. He was very active in community affairs and a longtime member of the Eureka Downtown Kiwanis and the Eureka City School Board. He died in August of 1984. Because of his dedicated interest in the welfare of school children, this scholarship fund was established by his wife Hazel and their children. The scholarship is for any Eureka High School graduate intending to pursue a college degree in international relations or any foreign language. Hazel passed away on April 5, 2008. (1986)

**Gail Saunders' Youth & Community Fund**



Caring for children is a core value for Gail Saunders. In 1991, she became a foster parent and ultimately adopted her first two foster children. She has seen firsthand the degree of support these children need. Her children attended Trinidad School. From kindergarten to 8th grade, she watched the school provide a caring and nurturing educational environment for her children with special learning needs. Additionally, she was touched by the work of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) and sees their work as a critical piece for any child in foster care. Gail knows that with the right support at home, in school, and through CASA, a difference truly can be made in a child's life. This is why she has chosen to establish this fund to support the Trinidad School and CASA for their vital work for the benefit of the children in our community. (2013)

**Philip & Beth Schafer Fund**

Longtime residents of Del Norte County, Philip and Beth Schafer established a fund to support needs as they arise in Del Norte County. (2008)

**Les Scher Jazz Scholarship Fund**



Les Scher fell in love with the Peter Gunn theme song at age 11, and he's been passionate about jazz ever since. He began playing clarinet in fifth grade and later tenor and



soprano saxophones. After putting on concerts featuring musicians like John Handy in high school and Rahsaan Roland Kirk at UCLA, he began bringing jazz musicians to Southern Humboldt in the mid-1970s. Over the next 35 years, he brought a wide variety of music, featuring greats like Elvin Jones, the Neville Brothers, Mose Allison, Sun Ra, Hugh Masekela, Johnny Otis, Chucho Valdes, Tuck and Patti, Les McCann, Jimmy Smith, Eddie Harris, King Sunny Ade, and Tito Puente. His weekly jazz radio show on KMUD, “Lester Leaps In,” continues as the longest running jazz show on the West Coast. Les hopes this scholarship will enable young musicians to pursue their interest in jazz. (2016)

### Bendix & Anna Schnoor and John & Harriet Samuelson Memorial Fund



As the last remaining member of this family, Reverend Kenneth B. Samuelson established this fund to honor his grandparents Bendix and Anna Schnoor and parents John and Harriet Samuelson. In 1877, his grandparents emigrated from the North Frisian Islands to Petaluma, both 16, where they worked on a farm. After being married in 1884, they traveled to Petrolia by steamer up the Eel and Salt rivers. Anna gave birth to Reverend Samuelson's mother Harriet in 1885. She married Johannes Herman Samuelson, known as John, who also emigrated from the North Frisian Islands at age 16 in 1901. He worked as a dairyman and later the foreman of a road maintenance crew. Father Ken attended Fortuna High and graduated from HSU in 1938. He loved music, served in WWII, and devoted 50 years of his life to the Episcopal church. This fund provides annual support to Hospice of Humboldt. (2011)

### Charles G. & Helen W. Schober Memorial Fund

Helen W. Schober was born Helen Woodcock in Eureka in 1920 to a pioneer family that first came to Humboldt County in 1875. She received her bachelor's degree from HSU and an MA from San Francisco State University. In 1942 she married Charles Schober, who was employed with Hammond Lumber Co. and Georgia Pacific. In roles as teacher and administrator, Helen worked for 46 years in Humboldt and San Mateo counties. Helen will probably be best remembered for developing the Teaching Center Program and serving as the textbook consultant for Humboldt County schools. Helen was well loved by her students and teaching colleagues. She established this fund to provide scholarships to HSU students majoring in forestry or seeking an elementary or secondary teaching credential. (1994)

### Schulze-Kronenberg Memorial Fund



This fund was established in 1982 by Mrs. Tosca Kronenberg to honor her parents G. Hermann Schulze and Marie P. Theresa Schulze, her sister Grace M. Schulze, and her husband James F. Kronenberg. Tosca Kronenberg passed away on January 12, 1998. Income is designated for youth projects. (1982)

### Helen Gierek Scuri Memorial Scholarship Fund



Helen Gierek Scuri was always interested in law and was brilliant with numbers. After high school she obtained a certificate from Eureka Business College and then worked as a bookkeeper at Baker and Stanton, for the lawyer Michael McHugh, and for Humboldt Moving and Storage. In a different era, she would have attended college and become an accountant. Deprived of an opportunity for higher education, she strongly encouraged her daughters to work hard in school and placed a high value on education. As a result of her vision, her family now holds ten degrees ranging from bachelor's to doctoral. A lifelong resident of Elk River, she had strong ties to Humboldt County. In her memory, her children have established this scholarship to help others in need fulfill their desire for a higher education. (2014)

### Search & Rescue Endowment Fund



A young child with autism, Colin Buchanan, was lost along the North Fork of the Smith River in 2004 while hiking and fishing with his father. When the Del Norte County Sheriff's Search and Rescue team received the call, they immediately recognized the severity of the situation for Colin, who is nonverbal and unable to call out for help. Search and Rescue responded quickly and the child was picked up by a helicopter 30 minutes before nightfall. Colin Buchanan's family established this fund to provide ongoing support to Search and Rescue for everyone in Del Norte County. They are a skilled team of committed community volunteers, providing ground searches, technical rescues, swift water rescues, and dive rescues in coordination with the Del Norte County Sheriff's Office. As the fund advisors, the Search and Rescue Board of Directors makes recommendations for expenditures. (2005)

### Leo D. Sears Memorial Endowment Fund



The sale proceeds of a donated apartment complex formed the basis of this trust, with the income going to the designated beneficiaries. Eventually, a portion of the trust income will go to Six Rivers Planned Parenthood, The Population Institute, and Population Communications International, with the remainder going to other causes. For Leo, “it's simply my way of paying back to society.” To the charities, it provides an ongoing source of funding for their programs into perpetuity. “I wanted to ensure that what I leave would support the charities I believe in.” His interest in population grew from the admonitions from his youth “if you can't afford ‘em, don't have ‘em” to the Planned Parenthood slogan “every child a wanted child.” Leo said, “I think overpopulation is the number one world problem.” (2016)

### Senior Citizens Foundation Fund

The foundation was established in 1987 to enrich the quality of life of the community's elderly. Through gifts, bequests, and donations, it is building a permanent endowment to supply private funds to augment public funding for senior services. (1988)

### Sequoia Lifeline Community Fund

The Sequoia Lifeline Community Fund provides funding to the Mad River Adult Day Health Care Program (MRADHC) so that the program can provide vital services, including Lifeline, to elders needing financial assistance. (2007)

### Sequoia Lodge #14, IOOF Scholarship Fund



The Independent Order of Odd Fellows is a worldwide fraternal order established in the US in 1819 by Thomas Wildey in Baltimore, MD. In Humboldt County, the first lodge was established in Eureka in 1858. In subsequent years, lodges flourished in Arcata, Blue Lake, Loleta, Fortuna, Ferndale, Hydesville, and Rohnerville. The original directives to the members were, and continue to be, to visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead, and educate the orphan. Over time these lodges have gone out of existence. Sequoia Lodge #14, the last remaining Humboldt County Lodge, went out of existence in December of 2012. In keeping with the IOOF mission, this scholarship supports students who are pursuing an education in the fields of education, health professions, and mortuary science. (2002)

### Sequoia Park Playground Improvement Fund



The purpose of the Sequoia Park Playground Improvement Fund is to raise funds to address park deficiencies by providing increased access and diverse recreational opportunities reflected in the Upper Meadow Conceptual Design. The fund gives businesses, residents, neighborhood groups, and park advocates an opportunity to make a difference in their parks and to build community, foster stewardship, and leverage resources to improve Eureka's vital public spaces. The fund was established to provide a mechanism for private donations to support this project. Donations may also be used to leverage additional funding by demonstrating strong community support and improving the competitiveness of applications for state or federal funding. Become a part of Eureka's history. Help the City of Eureka and countless other volunteers and donors to take Sequoia Park into the next century and beyond. (2016) (updated 2021)

### Diana Gail Simeroth Memorial Fund



This fund was established by the Simeroth family of New Hampshire to honor Diana Gail, who died in an accident on December 24, 1971. A lifelong resident of McKinleyville, Diana was a graduate of St. Bernard's High School where she achieved distinction in academics and was attending Humboldt State University at the time of her death. She was an avid equestrian and participated in Pegasus Patrol activities. The income from this fund is awarded annually to two incoming freshmen of St. Bernard's High School. (1994)

### Six Rivers Reproductive Health Fund



In 1975, to the great benefit of individuals seeking reproductive healthcare and those who support access to care, Michele McKeegan and Judy Webb founded Six Rivers Planned Parenthood. Through the efforts of hundreds of dedicated staff, volunteers, and donors, Six Rivers Planned Parenthood provided reproductive healthcare, including education and advocacy, to the residents of Humboldt, Del Norte, and Trinity counties for almost 40 years. Six Rivers Reproductive Health Fund is established to ensure continued access to reproductive and sexual healthcare for all, to educate about healthy, responsible sexual behavior and reproductive choice, and to advocate for the passage of laws and policies that guarantee reproductive freedom and availability of abortion services to Humboldt, Del Norte, and Trinity County residents. The fund was initially funded with the assets remaining from the former Six Rivers Planned Parenthood. (2015)

### Brian & Tim Smith Memorial Fund



Brian and Tim Smith were natives of Humboldt County who perished on the Trinity River at Madden Creek on July 22, 2006. Both gave their lives to save the life of Tim's young son Asa. Brian ultimately pulled Asa most of the way to shore and then went back in an attempt to save his brother. As a result of Brian's heroic act he was awarded the Carnegie Hero Medal. Brian and Tim's mother Linda Livasy, with the support of Tim's wife Addie Segura, decided to use the award money to start this fund to support high school graduates who have suffered the loss of a parent. The Smith family recognizes how difficult it can be to raise children with one parent, especially supporting those children through college, and hopes others will recognize the need to support single parent graduates and join in feeling that “we can't do it alone.” (2008)

### Lee Smith Fund



Lee Lake Smith, born in Long Beach on October 15, 1936, lived fully and died peacefully February 29, 2020. Lee played violin, viola and piano and for fifty years taught music history at Taft Community College and played in the Bakersfield Symphony. He was drawn to Humboldt through the friends he made at HSU “music camp.” Upon arriving in Eureka, Lee began playing music in all possible venues in private and for the community including the Eureka Symphony Orchestra and Trinidad Bay Art and Music Festival. The Lee L. Smith Memorial Fund reflects Lee's wish to support musicians and other artists to gather and perform and to provide lodging assistance for visiting artists, with a priority for needs related to classical music. (2022)

### Glyndon “Sign” & Ruth Smith Endowment Fund see page 106

### Steven Clark Smith Memorial Fund



This fund was established by Roger and Joan Smith in memory of their son Steven Clark Smith, who was injured while pursuing a vocation in June of 1983. A graduate of St. Bernard's High School, Steven achieved distinction in sports activities, attained a superior scholastic record, and throughout his young years demonstrated a love for excelling in all fields in which he was engaged. A yearly scholarship is provided to a student during his junior year at St. Bernard's High School who best exemplifies Steven's excellent record of academic accomplishments. (1984)

### Smith River Salmon and Steelhead Habitat Restoration Fund



This fund supports habitat restoration projects and related planning and education within the Smith River watershed. The Smith River is legendary for its native salmon and steelhead. These fish have always been a part of the culture and human habitation within the watershed, beginning with Native Americans thousands of years ago to the local community and tourists visiting the watershed today. This fund represents the collaboration of three entities: Green Diamond Resource Company, Del Norte County's largest private landowner; Smith River Alliance, a watershed organization founded in 1980 that is active in river and fish restoration projects; and the Smith River Advisory Council, an independent group of representatives from public and private entities with a shared interest in watershed habitat restoration projects. (2005)

### Social Work & Elder Support Scholarship Fund



The Social Work and Elder Support Scholarship Fund was established in 2016 by Robin Wolff, LCSW, who worked with frail, older, impoverished adults in the local Humboldt County community for over 25 years. This scholarship is designed to support social work students at Cal Poly Humboldt who want to commit to working with older adults in the local area. Robin wants to dedicate this scholarship to the memory and generosity of her parents and hopes to inspire all of us to care more about our local elders. (2025)

### “Davey” Somerville Revolving Travel Fund



Davey, age 10, the joy of his parents' life together, was a very bright child and liked by all who had contact with him. He especially liked playing with his friends and he enjoyed baseball, soccer, basketball, building Lego structures, and reading books of many kinds. He also enjoyed travels to many places, particularly to Hawaii. But his greatest delight was computers. Even in the hospital in San Francisco when he had become very weak, he would spend a little time with a laptop computer. Davey suffered from a very rare cancer of the adrenal system. His family spent a lot of time going back and forth to San Francisco and felt they were fortunate that they could afford to do so. While there are family houses for families of severely ill children, often the travel costs are a big burden on the families. This fund is to help defray some of the cost of travel for these families. (1999)



### David J. & Elizabeth (Betsy) K. Somerville Scholarship Fund



Originally from the Pacific Northwest, David and Elizabeth Somerville moved to Humboldt County in 1949 to grow their family and start their business.

This many years later, they are the proud parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents of children born and raised in Humboldt. David's home accounting business grew into a successful CPA firm that can be found on Main Street, Fortuna today. Through the David J. and Elizabeth (Betsy) K. Somerville Scholarship Fund, they hope to help graduating Fortuna High School students and to give back to the community that supported them and their family. (2016)

### Sorensen Family Fund



The Sorensen Family Fund was established by Jan Sorensen to help with the maintenance of the Old Red Schoolhouse located on the

Humboldt County Fairgrounds, as well as to help graduating seniors at McKinleyville High School through the Grandma and Grandpa's Club. Jan was born and raised in Arcata and taught at South Bay School in Eureka for 33 years. This fund was established in honor of Jan's late husband Jim. Jim's many interests included local history, and he loved visiting the Red Schoolhouse during fair time to meet with the retired teachers for conversation and time to reminisce. Jan's hope is the Red Schoolhouse will remain an important stopping place for fair visitors for many years to come, just as Jim would have wanted. The Red Schoolhouse is full of rich history and cherished moments in time. Jan's hope is this fund will also complement the great work of the Grandma and Grandpa's Club, enabling them to present more scholarships in the future. (2016)

### Henry & Myrna Sorensen Family Fund



Henry and Myrna Sorensen owned and operated a dairy and chicken ranch in McKinleyville, CA. They were both born in Arcata and lived in McKinleyville their entire married life, except for Henry's service in the US Army during

WWII, where he served as an engineer and road foreman of engines in Europe, and for Myrna's work with the Army Corps of Engineers and the department of the navy. Henry moved to McKinleyville in 1920. Myrna's family (St. Louis) lived in Arcata. Henry and Myrna had an ardent appreciation and commitment to preserving the area's rich history. Henry was a lifelong historian of local railroad history, co-authoring a book entitled 'Steam in the Redwoods.' He restored the Mattole Lumber Company No. 1 to running condition and, in

2004, donated the locomotive to the California State Railroad Museum. This fund was established to support the preservation of local history and the McKinleyville community. (2014)

### South Fork/Big Flat Endowment Scholarship Fund



Siblings John and Mildred Nickelsen learned the true meaning of grit at a very young age. Losing their father in an accident when they were kids forced them to face

the adult world early on. This challenge in their youth made them strong and they both led successful, fulfilling lives. John and Mildred were firm believers in education and that one should never stop learning and developing. They were true examples of what can be accomplished through determination, hard work and commitment even in the face of adversity. In memory of John and Mildred, the South Fork/Big Flat Scholarship Endowment Fund was established by Bob Steven in 2018. At Bob's direction, scholarships from this fund will be awarded in Del Norte and Curry counties to support students pursuing science, professional and industrial careers. (2018)

### Southern Humboldt Community Healthcare Foundation



SoHum Health Foundation and this fund support the Southern Humboldt Community Healthcare District in providing high quality healthcare services to residents of Southern Humboldt County.

Access to modern medical care in Southern Humboldt is a vital part of our community infrastructure and the well-being of those we serve, especially to those getting to and accessing services. Every minute counts when the unexpected happens. SoHum Health saves lives by delivering the most advanced healthcare technologies possible, including emergency services, radiology, CT, mammography, home health visits, primary care and skilled nursing. Two past foundation projects are SoHum Health Courtyard Beautification and Wheelchairs for Skilled Nursing Facility Residents. Gifts to the fund will improve the quality of life for residents of Southern Humboldt, and allow them to live and thrive in the community we all love. (2019)

### The Southern Humboldt Fund



This field of interest fund was created to connect Southern Humboldt donors with community projects and put local capital to work for local

priorities and the public good. The fund is used to support a wide variety of charitable work to worthy Southern Humboldt nonprofit organizations and community groups through an annual grantmaking

process. The geographic area described for this purpose extends from the Mendocino County line to Weott and from Phillipsville to the Pacific Ocean. This fund is advised by the Southern Humboldt Grantmaking Committee, a rotating committee of Southern Humboldt residents appointed by the Humboldt Area Foundation. The committee provides recommendations for expenditures in writing for HAF Board's final approval. (2010)

### Southern Humboldt Schools Foundation Endowment Fund



The Southern Humboldt Schools Foundation Endowment Fund was established in February of 1994 to improve and enhance the education of students in the Southern Humboldt Unified

School District. Through gifts and bequests to this fund, a perpetual source of assistance has been established for programs and projects not funded by the school district's budget. (1994)

### Ted Souza Memorial Fisheries Fund



The Ted Souza Memorial Fisheries Fund was established by the Friends of Del Norte to commemorate a dedicated life of serving as a longtime board member and

treasurer. Ted was an avid outdoorsman with a true love for the Smith River. He was a fisherman who committed his life to saving and restoring our historic salmon and steelhead runs on the Smith River. Ted worked hard to keep state fishing regulations commensurate with the decline in fish runs. He supported laws like no bait fishing and catch and release only policies. With his youthful energy and pragmatic outlook, Ted stayed actively involved in local environmental issues into his 90s, an inspiration to us all. Ted's personal motto was: "It is OK to grow older, just don't get old." These funds will be used to further Ted's interests in fisheries' habitat restoration and scientific research to help further the health of salmon and steelhead populations on the Smith and other local rivers. (2017)

### Richard D. (Dick) Spadoni Endowment Fund for Dogs



Eureka native Dick Spadoni graduated with the second class of St. Bernard's High School, earned a BA in biological sciences and a master's degree in natural sciences from San Jose State University and became an

entomologist. He worked for the US Public Health Service and UC Berkeley School of Public Health before spending 28 years as a happy agricultural inspector with the Humboldt County Department of Agriculture. Animals were always Dick's passion. He nearly lost his job because he would take his "buddy" in an official vehicle when on assignment. Sincere appreciation goes to his

boss, Agricultural Commissioner John E. Falkenstrom, for his patience. Nothing bothered Dick more than seeing an abused or neglected animal. His fund provides for the medical needs of dogs whose owners are unable to provide treatment for them and for dogs that are abandoned or neglected. It also supports Humboldt County guide dog programs. Dick passed away on August 15, 2010. (2010)

### Spay Neuter Access Fund



The purpose of this the Spay Neuter Access Fund is to support charitable work in the Humboldt Area Foundation + Wild Rivers Community Foundation service

area, in particular to promote and make available affordable spay and neuter surgeries and wellness care for owned animals and community cats. This may include, but is not limited to, capital improvements for spay and neuter facilities, including new construction and facility and equipment upgrades; operation of mobile or MASH-style clinics; and subsidizing spay and neuter surgeries at local veterinary clinics. (2022)

### Dr. Robert W. & Mary Ann Spencer Fund



Robert (Bob) W. Spencer, DDS and Mary Ann (Regan) Spencer met while at Humboldt State College. They married in 1959, shortly after graduating. Bob went on to attend University of the Pacific Dental

School in San Francisco, graduating in 1964, while MaryAnn taught high school in San Lorenzo. Bob and Mary Ann returned to Eureka to raise their family and operate a respected dental practice for 35 years. Bob was active in Southwest Eureka Rotary, Evergreen Lodge, Ingomar Club, Clarke Museum, St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation, Eureka Planning Commission, Circle of Smiles, Union Labor Health Foundation, and Ducks Unlimited. Mary Ann served Humboldt Area Foundation for 15-plus years and was involved in Redwood Capital Bank, Vector Health, Humboldt Sponsors, and Redwood Empire Quilters Guild. Bob passed away on September 28, 2006 and Mary Ann passed away on October 21, 2010. Their family created this fund in their memory. (2006)

### Herrmann Ludwig Spetzler Memorial Fund



The fund is established by Herrmann's family to benefit the public by using donations to promote healthful outdoor activities, such as walking trails, youth sports,

and the enjoyment of nature, and to continue the work of Open Door Community Health Centers. (2018)

### Flora Sproul Scholarship Fund



Flora Sproul established this fund because she was a strong believer in Christian education. As an educator herself, she thought it important to get young people started off right. Mrs.

Sproul considered her years as a teacher the most important of her life and the legacy she left behind. Along with a gift she gave to her church, her gift to create this fund constitutes a tithe on the proceeds she received from the sale of her home on "Grandpa's Mountain" in Myers Flat, where she lived for 30 years before retiring in 2005 to Fortuna. The fund provides an annual scholarship to a student with financial need and potential for success who is attending Oral Roberts University in Oklahoma. Mrs. Sproul passed away in May of 2006. (2004)

### Stewart-Nicholson Memorial Fund



Muriel Stewart-Nicholson, a former Eureka area teacher, established this fund in memory of her parents Rose and Fred Stewart. Income benefits the Nancy Hilfiker Aviary at the Sequoia Park Zoo. (1989)

### Glenn Stockwell Memorial Scholarship



Glenn Stockwell wore many hats in our community—father, husband, college professor, charter boat captain, surfer, fisherman, friend—to name a few. Any just cause attracted Glenn and sparked

his energies—from the public trust needing an advocate for clean water to assisting adults in learning to read. Through his involvement in the community, he displayed a sense of personal responsibility for doing the right thing, and his life illustrated how that commitment can become a strong legacy by providing an inspirational model for others. In his memory, his family and friends have established this scholarship endowment as a means of encouraging local youth to follow their hearts in devoting their energies to issues that stir their conscience. (2008)

### Eleanor Davenport Stone Memorial Scholarship Fund



This fund was established in memory of and in admiration for Eleanor Davenport Stone, RN. Eleanor left home at age 17 to attend nursing school after graduating high school with honors, a brief six months after the start of WWII. Her nursing

career started as a private duty nurse in her hometown in upstate New York. She later worked as a courier nurse on the Santa Fe Railroad, as a summer camp nurse (allowing her son to attend), and as an industrial nurse (Mattel Toy Company was her son's personal favorite). Her work as an RN also provided her family with the resources to travel and experience other cultures and cuisines. Eleanor's career helped her son choose

nursing as his profession, one he's enjoyed for the past 30 years. Scholarship awards are made annually to students participating in the College of the Redwoods nursing program. (2014)

### Karen Paulsen Stone Scholarship Fund



A native of Humboldt County, Karen attended Arcata High School, graduating in 1954 and attended what was then Humboldt State College.

Karen traveled the US while raising her five children and then returned to her beloved childhood home in Dow's Prairie. Many of Karen's great-grandchildren are now the 6th generation living in Northern Humboldt County. She was active in the McKinleyville business community for many years and was "another Mother" to many local





youth as they navigated their teenage years and early adulthood. Karen believed firmly in helping those less fortunate than herself and continued to be a loving listener to those in need until her death in 2017. Funds are available to a female graduate of Arcata High School who will attend Humboldt State University. (2017)

### Mike Stone Memorial Fund



This scholarship fund has been established in memory of Mike Stone to honor his lifelong commitment to law enforcement and the communities he served within Humboldt County. Mike completed College of the Redwoods Police Academy. Thereafter, he worked in corrections, street and beach patrol, drug enforcement, investigation, and courts, was on the county arson task force and on the SWAT Team. He was a woods patrolman for Simpson Timber Company and was the first Trinidad City police officer. In retirement, Mike continued to work for Humboldt County as extra help and for the federal marshal's office transporting prisoners and working courts. It is our wish that other young people from the North Coast have the opportunity to complete police academy and enter law enforcement, and that financial need not hinder their goal. (2017)

### Gregory Kent Stromberg Infant Memorial Fund



Gregory Stromberg died in February of 1985 of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, the number one cause of death of children under 1 year of age. The income from this fund is used for Hospice of Humboldt children's bereavement program. (1985)

### Charlie & Gladys Strobe Family Fund



Established in memory of Gladys Strobe by her husband of 62 years, Charlie, this fund honors Gladys's volunteer work in mental health. A native and lifelong resident of Humboldt County, Gladys dedicated her life to the creation of our first mental health clinic and Semper Virens. Gladys then helped shape legislation benefiting mental health programs throughout California. She will be remembered as a pioneer in educating our community about the nature and prevalence of mental and emotional illness. Gladys was never paid for her efforts, and a huge debt of gratitude is due to the loving support of Charlie, without whom this important work would not have been possible. This fund promotes and improves mental health services by providing appropriate treatment opportunities to those experiencing mental and emotional difficulties. Gladys's family hopes that her compassionate and dedicated work will be carried on, touching the lives of generations to come. Charlie passed away on May 30, 2011. (2008)

### Success Through Spelling



Leonard McCrigler, a 1978 graduate of Fortuna Union High School, and his wife Laurie established this designated fund to help motivate young students to improve their spelling skills. Proper spelling and an extensive vocabulary contribute to a good first impression and lead to greater success in business and life in general. The fund provides an annual cash award to the winners of the Fortuna Elementary School Spelling Bee. (2001)

### Suicide Prevention Fund



This fund was established to promote and enhance suicide prevention activities and mental health awareness. Many of us have felt the impact of losing family and friends or may be attempt survivors ourselves. This fund is used to educate community members on the warning signs of suicide and to encourage people to seek help. (2014)

### Eleanor "Gram" Sullivan Memorial Scholarship Fund



Scholarships support students entering college or vocational school for the first time who graduated from McKinleyville High School, with a preference for demonstrated service to community and those entering trade school including, but not limited to, building trades, automotive, or cosmetology. GPA is not considered and preference is given to applicants with greatest financial need. (2023)

### Garth R. & Linda Sundberg Scholarship Fund



Garth and Linda Sundberg, natives of Humboldt County, both graduated from McKinleyville High School. Both Garth and Linda took advantage of the vocational portfolio offering of classes while attending there, and they feel that part of their success in business was jumpstarted with their high school experience. Garth and Linda are very proud to be able to fund this new scholarship opportunity for two students graduating from McKinleyville High School and moving on to a vocational-based program in continuing their education. (2014)

### Sunny Brae Angel Fund

The Sunny Brae Angel Fund is to assist in making Sunny Brae students and school better. Grants are distributed with the input from the outstanding staff at Sunny Brae Middle School. (2015)

### Sunset School of the ARTS Fund for the Visual & Performing Arts



The purpose of this donor-advised, expendable fund is to support the visual and performing arts curricula at Sunset School of the ARTS. The fund may be used to support expenses such as salaries or stipends for artists, materials and supplies, equipment, field trips, attendance for students at performances, professional development in the arts, and art workshops for students. (2004)

### Supporting Science Fund



The fund will provide support to natural science-oriented programs, including environmental science, and made available to various organizations & projects located in HAF+WRCF services areas and Mendocino County. The main goal is to support, improve, or help establish natural science oriented scientific endeavors. This could include supporting workshops/conferences or to assist educators and students with new projects that will inform people about the following subjects: Biology (including biodiversity, ecology, marine biology, evolution, and botany), geology, astronomy, paleontology, and chemistry specifically. This fund can also be used to support expenses such as field trips, or scientific supplies (ex: microscopes, telescopes, kits, field/lab equipment, etc.) that will educate participants engaged in one or more of the above-mentioned subjects. (2022)

### Samuel H. Swanlund Memorial Scholarship Fund



Samuel Harper Swanlund was a native of Eureka, born on February 9, 1931, to Oscar and Arvilla Swanlund. After attending Eureka schools and UC Santa Barbara, he served in the military as a cryptographer before a tour of duty in Japan. He and his childhood friend Herb Frahman purchased Swanlund's Camera Shop from Sam's parents, and they owned and operated the store for 20 years. Sam also taught photography at CR, HSU, and Eureka Adult School. Later, he worked in public relations for the Louisiana Pacific Company. Sam was active in the community, particularly in his church and in Rotary. He painted historical photos of Humboldt County, traveled widely, and enjoyed doing community comments for KINS radio. Sam had a love of history and appreciation of art. The Swanlund family established this scholarship fund to honor Sam who died peacefully at home on July 18, 2003. (2003)



### William Tamo Memorial Scholarship Fund



Rose Marie Tamo created this fund to honor her husband Willie, a Humboldt County native and entrepreneur who helped many local young people get started in business. As a hard-working commercial crab fisherman and the owner of several local businesses, Willie still managed to have a good time with his family and friends. He liked to drive moving vans and other big trucks just for fun, fished for sport, and hosted a poker club, a businessman's tip club, and some fabulous cioppino feeds from his and Rose Marie's versatile garage in King Salmon. Proceeds from this fund provide scholarships for nursing students who graduate from Fortuna High. (1999)

### Eileen A. Tardiff Memorial Fund



Eileen Tardiff was a loving wife and mother of nine children. She was active in her local community before her diagnosis and struggle with dementia that resulted in her death in 2005. Through her illness, her family learned of the pressing need in the community for assistance in matters involving senior citizens. They established this field of interest fund in her memory to help ensure that seniors in our community receive the assistance they need. (2004)

### Harold "Hal" & Dolores Terry Endowment Fund for Animals

Dolores Terry established this discretionary field of interest fund to honor her husband. The fund provides support posthumously for local animal rescue and care organizations and provides for the care of small domestic animals. (2002)

### Bill & Juanita Thompson Fund for Community Benefit



Bill and Juanita Thompson were in business in Eureka and Arcata for over 46 years. They both retired as realtors and were past presidents of the Humboldt County Board of Realtors. They developed Valley West in Arcata and were responsible for several other developments in the area as well. Juanita passed away in 2006 and Bill passed away in 2010. Together, the Thompsons were members of Baywood Golf and Country Club and former members of the Rotary Club of Arcata, the Ingomar Club, and the Quota Club. For 20 years, they were also active in several organizations in Fallbrook, CA. In 2006, Bill created this advised fund to help several local organizations, including Humboldt Senior Resource Center, Hospice of Humboldt, and American Cancer Society. (2006)

### Bill & Juanita Thompson Scholarship Fund

Bill & Juanita created this scholarship fund in 2002 to help outstanding students with financial need to continue their education. (2002)

### Titlow Family Memorial Fund



Thomas Titlow arrived in Arcata in 1850 and served on the first city council. His son Stuart Titlow cofounded Seely & Titlow Co. and served as Arcata's postmaster. Thomas' grandson Robert A. Titlow was a prominent Arcata merchant and took over Seely & Titlow Co. in 1943. He married Berneice Kane in 1925 at the Arcata Presbyterian Church by Reverend Charles Hessel. Their son Robert T. Titlow was born and raised in Arcata, graduated from both Arcata High School and Humboldt State University, and received his master's degree from Stanford University. His adult life was committed to education and theater. He served in the military as a member of the 264th Army Band in Honolulu. In 2005, Berneice Titlow passed away at the age of 104. Her son established this fund to honor his heritage and recognize the contributions of his pioneer family, continue his family's legacy, and support generations to come. (2009)

### Monroe Tobin Family Fund



T. Monroe Tobin established this trust because of his love for Southern Humboldt County. Monroe's mother Margaret was born in 1877 on the Robertson Ranch in Southern Humboldt. His father Thomas Tobin moved from Kentucky to Garberville in 1903 and became a successful businessman and community leader, operating the Garberville Mercantile Company and Garberville Inn. Monroe attended high school in Eureka and college in Santa Rosa and Berkeley. He was a manufacturer's representative in San Francisco before returning to Garberville in 1950 when he established Tobin Properties. He served on many county and local boards and was a charter member of Garberville Rotary Club. His wife of 49 years, Helen, passed away in 1992. She was a great contributor to his success. They raised four children—Patricia, Karen, Thomas, and Joanne. Monroe passed away on January 8, 2008. The trust benefits Southern Humboldt needs, particularly youth and seniors. (2001)

### Edward & Phyllis Tomich College of the Redwoods Scholarship Fund



Edward Tomich, a lifelong resident of Eureka, was born in 1922 and died in 1995. He graduated from Eureka High School and Eureka Business College. His first employment was with Bank of Eureka. He entered the army and served as a first lieutenant in Europe during WWII. Afterward, he was employed in sales

administration in the lumber business and later owned two specialty lumber operations in Humboldt and Sonoma counties. He married Phyllis McKee in 1948 and, when their children were in school, he sent his wife to college. Phyllis attended College of the Redwoods and graduated from Humboldt State University with a business degree. Their children Matthew Tomich and Mary Tomich Bartlett also received college degrees emphasizing business and they work in that field, as did Phyllis before her retirement. The purpose of this scholarship fund is to encourage students to enter the business field. (2002)

### Tracy Memorial Trust Fund



This fund was established by Mary Harriet Tracy DeLong in honor of the children of her grandparents Joseph and Harriet Morris Tracy. In their own quiet ways, the family of Humboldt pioneers Joseph and Harriet Morris Tracy contributed much to the political, cultural, educational, and economic life of Humboldt County. Their children were Edith Tracy Gregory, teacher and historian; Joseph Prince Tracy, botanist and title examiner; Eleanor Ethel Tracy, teacher and naturalist; Harriet Tracy Graham, teacher; and Morris De Haven Tracy, newspaperman and the donor's father. Because of the Tracy family's interest in local history, proceeds from this fund support the study of local history in a variety of fields: economic, political, social, and scientific, and must include a presentation to the general public. (1995)

### Zabelle Helen G. & Lynn F. Tracy Fund



Zabelle Helen Gulesserian Tracy and her husband Lynn Frederick Tracy were residents of Del Norte County from 1947 to 1981, when they moved to a retirement community in Lacey, WA. Helen was an Armenian born in Aintab, Turkey who lost many relatives in the infamous Armenian Massacres. Both Helen and Lynn Tracy were intensely interested in the physical and mental development of young people, and enjoyed watching children learn. Helen was California Teacher of the Year in 1973. For over 30 years, the Tracys owned and operated Pacamo Camp for children ages 6 to 16. "Pacamo" is an Esperanto word meaning "love of peace." This scholarship is awarded to re-entry students with great financial need. (1996)

### Carol Tredo & John Yolton Fund



John, Carol, and their children first moved to Humboldt County in late 1979. John worked at the Crown Simpson Pulp Mill in Fairhaven and Carol worked for an accounting firm in Eureka. The children graduated from Eureka High School, later attaining degrees from UC Davis and Sonoma State. In 1983 John and Carol moved away





continuing pursuing career choices taking them on journeys crisscrossing the country, residing within the USA's many culturally diverse regions. In 2000, anticipating retirement, they returned to Humboldt County to begin their last phase of life enjoying the beauty, tranquility, and mild climate of the North Coast. (2016)

Trees Foundation Fund

Trees Foundation is a nonprofit based in Garberville, California that supports over forty grassroots partner groups working to promote healthy land stewardship throughout the coast redwood region of northern California and southern Oregon. Our partner groups include organizations actively engaged in conservation and ecological restoration work, as well as work aimed at reducing carbon emissions, increasing carbon

sequestration, and making forests and communities better prepared to withstand longer drought and larger fires caused by climate change. Trees Foundation empowers grassroots efforts by providing our partner groups with access to graphic design services; fiscal sponsorship; GIS (Geographic Information System) mapmaking services; donor-advised grant opportunities; event planning and facilitation support; and organizational development consultations. Trees Foundation highlights the work and perspectives of our partner groups in our magazine Forest & River News, which we design, edit, and publish three times a year on 100% recycled paper using plant-based inks. (2022)

Fund to Support Trinidad Area Native Cultures

Fund to Support Trinidad Area Native Cultures is designed to honor the local Indigenous peoples by investing in their future. Trinidad is an important location to the Yurok people and is home to the Tsurai Village, located in the Parker Creek area immediately above the beach on the south side of the town. The surrounding area is also a very important part of Yurok past, present, and future. Many people come from around the world and within a 300-mile radius to appreciate the natural environment. This fund is a way to increase people's awareness of the cultural component as well. This fund is supported by local businesses and individuals who recognize the fact that they are located on Yurok lands and see the value in contributing to its people's success. (2019)

Trinidad Coastal Land Trust Fund - General



In 1978 the Trinidad Coastal Land Trust (formerly Humboldt North Coast Land Trust) was

founded by community volunteers and landowners with a vision of protecting the natural beauty and character of the Trinidad coastline, ensuring public beach access and stewarding coastal trails. Today the Land Trust owns and manages 25 coastal properties between Moonstone Beach, Trinidad Bay and Patrick's Point State Park, via fee title ownership or public benefit conservation easement on private property. Current goals include land conservation, new public trails, beach and trail stewardship, outdoor science education and community outreach. This Fund provides monetary resources to accomplish these programmatic goals. Long-term success will also require resources to address future land stewardship costs. In 2016, the Land Trust initiated a new restricted fund—the Protection in Perpetuity Land Stewardship Fund, described below—to pay for the protection and maintenance of Land Trust public trails and beach properties along the Trinidad coast including Houda Point, Baker Beach, Luffenholtz Beach, Parker Creek Trail to Old Home Beach, Moonstone Beach public access and the upcoming Little River CA Coastal Trail.

The Land Trust depends on annual membership donations and major gifts to continue to conserve and steward these publicly valued and beneficial properties. (2007)

Trinidad Coastal Land Trust – Protection in Perpetuity Land Stewardship Fund



The Trinidad Coastal Land Trust was founded with a vision of protecting the natural beauty and character of the Trinidad coastline, ensuring

public beach access and stewarding coastal trails. This restricted fund was initiated in 2016 to provide for costs directly associated with maintaining Land Trust public benefit trails and beach properties along the greater Trinidad coast including Houda Point, Baker Beach, Luffenholtz Beach, Parker Creek Trail to Old Home Beach, Moonstone Beach public access and the upcoming Little River CA Coastal Trail. The Land Trust currently owns and manages 25 coastal properties for public benefits, trails, beach access and to preserve open space, via fee title ownership or public benefit conservation easement. These lands will have stewardship maintenance costs for trail repair, land restoration, public safety and access improvements, insurance, and or monitoring enforcement. This fund is dedicated for these long-term land stewardship expenses. Gratitude to the Trinidad Trust Fund for a \$65,000 grant to initiate this fund. Our goal is a \$2,000,000 fund to cover 100% all land stewardship costs for generations to come, in perpetuity. Please consider this fund in your planned giving. (2016)

Trinidad Library Sustaining Fund



In 2013, through generous contributions from private donors, the community of Trinidad completed their beautiful new library

building. This 2,000-square-foot building, incorporating environmentally conscious building technology, provides a permanent center of literacy and education for local residents. The library features reading areas for children and adults, computers and internet access, a local history and meeting room, and hosts family activities. The Trinidad Library Sustaining Fund will support this building and its uses for the future. A portion of the funds is earmarked for needs of the physical building and infrastructure, to be used for unusual and unforeseen building costs unrelated to regular maintenance. The other portion is eligible for community programs and special library projects. Donors are encouraged to contribute to this fund to ensure the protection of the building for coming generations and the continuation of educational programs providing literary and cultural enrichment for all community residents. (2014)

Trinidad School Education Foundation Fund



Trinidad School Education Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide financial assistance to Trinidad School, with a specific focus on

support of its fine academic and enrichment programs. Trinidad School's Board of Trustees, together with students, parents, and staff, value a rich liberal arts education for students, and it is in support of this effort that Trinidad School Education Foundation has established its fundraising goals. Programs receiving support from TSEF include visual arts, choral and instructional music, marine education, special education, Gifted And Talented Education, nutrition, sports and fitness, as well as regular classroom instruction in all content areas. The foundation maintains and builds an endowment for long-term financial stability while also responding to district needs as they evolve each year. Donors may specify areas of interest or contribute to the foundation's overall mission, ensuring that Trinidad students are provided with a broad range of enrichment programs. (2009)

Amos Tripp Native Leadership Fund



Humboldt Area Foundation established the Amos Tripp Native Leadership Fund to support leadership in the Native communities of Humboldt, Trinity, and Del Norte counties. Amos Tripp

was a lawyer, director of United Indian Health Services, Karuk Tribal Councilperson, as well as a respected maker and caretaker of regalia, and dance leader for the Karuk Brushdance Camp. The values that he practiced at ceremony were the same values he lived in all parts of his life and shared widely with family and community. Amos believed that language revitalization, cultural arts (weaving, traditional food preparation, hunting/fishing, regalia making), and cultural ceremonies serve as important steps in rebuilding the resilience and cultural healing that lead to a healthier community. This fund will provide grants to support the development of new leaders working to reclaim their cultural heritage, heal historical wounds, and build pathways toward health and wellness for future generations. (2014)

Hank & Mary Trobitz Memorial Fund



The three Trobitz children created this fund to honor their parents, Hank and Mary, who passed away in 2003 and 2004 respectively after 63 years of happy marriage together. Hank

was born in 1916 and graduated in forestry from UC Berkeley where he distinguished himself as an oarsman for the varsity crew. He worked for the Pacific Southwest Forest & Range Experiment Station and served during WWII in the South Atlantic before beginning his 33-year career with Simpson Timber, eventually serving

as Simpson's manager and spokesman for many years. Mary was born in 1919 and graduated from Woodbury College in Los Angeles. She and Hank were married in 1940, not long after a first blind date at an ice skating rink. Together they lived a life of service to their community and devotion to their family and friends, never too busy to help others and never expecting anything in return. (2003)

Charlotte Tropp Memorial Fund for RSVP

Charlotte Tropp was director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of Humboldt County from its inception in 1974 until her sudden death of a heart attack at age 53 in 1988 while on sabbatical in London, England. Known affectionately to her friends and family as “Chuckie,” she had a great love of life. She transmitted her zeal and enthusiasm to everyone she knew. Her vision and leadership inspired countless older people to explore creative paths in their lives by volunteering, thereby enriching the community. Under her direction, RSVP grew from a tiny group of 73 volunteers to 680 at her death. Charlotte's tireless efforts built a strong foundation for RSVP. This fund was established by her husband Henry Tropp as a designated endowment fund to support RSVP's operations. (2001)

Friends of True North Organizing Network Sustaining Fund



The Truth North Organizing Network develops leadership in communities with common values across Tribal Lands, Del Norte, and Humboldt counties. These funds support families, elders, youth, and individuals of diverse faith traditions, races, cultures, and economic capacities working together for powerful change. United, using power of relationships and a disciplined community organizing model, True North leaders are courageously challenging social, economic, and environmental injustice in our region. (2014)

Aawok Georgiana Trull Memorial Scholarship Fund



The' Aa-wok Georgiana Trull Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to honor the work and life of 'Aa-wok Georgiana Trull. 'Aa-wok Georgiana spent more than 40 years of her life dedicated to revitalization

of the Yurok language, contributing to an alphabet and publishing a conversation dictionary. Funds support CA Native people actively engaged in Indigenous language revitalization. (2021)

Don Tuttle Humboldt History Fund



Ultimate Equity Scholarship



Cate Roscoe created this fund in 2008 with money left by her father Stanley “Neb” Roscoe to originally provide two scholarships inspired by two of her first students. In 2020, these scholarships were commuted

into the Ultimate Equity Scholarship with the intent of supporting and empowering increased diversity and equity in the sport of Ultimate (often called Ultimate Frisbee). As a teacher and a member of marginalized communities, Cate has always been committed to decolonizing education and dismantling the white supremacist patriarchy. However, as a 20+ year veteran of elite club and professional Ultimate, she recognized her blindness to the inequities in her majority white sport, resulting in the creation of the Ultimate Equity Scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded to incoming and returning college Ultimate players from underrepresented, marginalized groups, and to those who are active in equity activism. (2008)

Vis & Sally Upatisinga Education Fund



This fund provides educational support in two areas outside of Humboldt County. First, it includes grants to eligible institutions in foreign countries like Thailand, Malaysia, and

China. Vis attended primary school in Thailand and is a graduate of Chung Ling High School in Penang, Malaysia. Second, it provides scholarships to students who will attend Oregon State University after graduating from Sally's alma mater—Crater High School—in Central Point, OR. Both Vis and Sally are graduates of OSU. Sally was active in the League of Women Voters and was the fundraising coordinator for the Humboldt County Library project. She was a certified lay minister in the United Methodist Church. Vis is a retired professor of mathematics at Humboldt State University. Sally passed away on June 17, 2019. (1997)

Uyeki Scholarship Fund



The Uyeki Family Family Scholarship Fund was established to support the post-secondary education of students of Asian or Pacific Islander heritage, who are the first generation in their family

to advance their education or training beyond a high school diploma. The scholarship was established to honor the memory of Edwin and Aiko Uyeki, both second generation Japanese American (nisei) children of immigrants. Edwin's life work was as a cell research scientist and Aiko was an accomplished writer and ESL teacher.





### V & J Waters Fund for the Protection of the Environment

Established by James & Virginia Waters in 2020, the fund supports protection and restoration of natural areas, and environmental organizations that promote efforts to protect biological diversity and natural habitats against environmental degradation. (2020)

### “v du” Prize Fund

Dr. Vis Upatisinga established this advised endowment fund to provide mathematics books each semester to students for outstanding performance during their first year of calculus at Humboldt State University. Vis is a retired professor of mathematics at HSU. (2001)

### Valera Vierra Scholarship Fund

Supports graduates of Eureka High School who are attending a four-year college studying journalism, communications or similar fields with a strong preference for journalism. (2021)

### Jim Van Duzer Memorial Fund



Jim Van Duzer, a lifelong resident of Humboldt County, was born in Loleta in 1918. As a young man, Jim traveled the fair circuit showing livestock. He was Humboldt

County's first 4-H All Star. He married his wife Dorothy in 1946, and together they had six children. Jim enjoyed a long career as a rancher, including 29 years with L.A. Ford & Sons. He also volunteered for over 30 years on the Humboldt County Junior Livestock Auction Committee. When Jim passed away on June 30, 2000, his family established this fund in his honor to make an annual award to the winner of the Humboldt County Fair 4-H Round Robin competition. A second annual award to the winner of the Redwood Acres Fair 4-H Round Robin competition was added in 2006. (2000)

### Geri van Emmerik Memorial Scholarship



Geri van Emmerik counseled thousands of students—and friends—throughout her career in education. To every meeting and workshop, Geri brought an unmatched energy, thinking through every detail, treating each situation as though it were the most important she ever attended. Geri's passion, innovation, and conviction demonstrated the depth of concern she held for each student whether they sought a job or a college degree. Our dreams were hers, and Geri took whatever time necessary to help—she was always there for us. Geri's devotion was transcendent. And to her friends and family, Geri was a charismatic, funny, brilliant, and generous woman with a knack for

knowing when you needed a pep talk, a helping hand, an ear to bend, or a delicious cookie. To commemorate Geri's friendship and dedication to students chasing their dreams, this scholarship will be awarded to a McKinleyville High School senior planning on any post-high school training or college. (2018)

### Barbara van Putten Memorial Scholarship Fund



Barbara was a much beloved coach, professor, and administrator at Humboldt State University for 30 years. Education was one of her passions. She was the first woman

graduate at Hope College in Michigan to major in physical education. In 2000, she was inducted into the HSU Hall of Fame. She combined areas of education, physical education, and athletics into a lifelong journey. This scholarship is for women students at HSU who plan on a career teaching physical education and/or running recreational activities and youth programs at any K–12 school. It is funded by Dr. Barbara Wallace on behalf of Barbara van Putten who passed away on July 12, 2014. (2015)

### VanSpeybroeck Family Fund



John and Nancy VanSpeybroeck, both physicians here on the North Coast, established this advised expendable fund in 2004. Their two daughters Katharine and

Maggee assist them as advisors to the fund. It is the family's intention to support a variety of charitable causes with an emphasis on health, education, the environment, and the fine arts. The VanSpeybroecks feel fortunate to be living in this area of unsurpassed natural beauty and community spirit. They are hoping that gifts from this trust will continue to enhance life in this unique place. (2004)

### Grace Comstock Van Zee Memorial Scholarship Fund



Grace Elizabeth Comstock was born in 1911 and raised on the family ranch near Penngrove, CA. After receiving her AA degree in art from Santa Rosa Junior College in 1931, she went on to

major in art at UC Berkeley and the University of Oregon. Upon graduation she married her husband Jack Van Zee and was active in the arts at the community level all her life. Her son Gordon established this scholarship to further the art education of a student graduating from Santa Rosa Junior College and going on to study art at a 4-year college or university. (2007)

### Greg Veach Memorial Fund



Gregory Veach showed interest in music at a young age. He started to play piano pieces he heard his two older sisters practicing. Soon after that, his formal piano lessons began a

dedication to music that lasted his lifetime. In elementary school, Greg played the string bass in orchestra until his interest in wind instruments evolved and he joined the marching band. Playing the tenor or the alto saxophone with other students in the school band was the best discipline and social outlet for Greg growing up. After high school he joined several local bands playing tenor sax and the bass guitar. The music changed to rock and reggae style, but the core enjoyment and sharing were still the driving force of his art. This fund fulfills Greg's desire to support and encourage children to explore and develop their potential in music and life. (2007)

### Vellis Family Endowment Fund / Vellis Family Endowed Scholarship Fund



This fund was created with the remainder of the Charitable Remainder Trust established by Lewis and Jane Vellis in 2000. The fund serves two

distinct educational goals. While one objective assists students directly, the other benefits a community college. The first area of interest is to provide scholarships for juniors and seniors in high school served by College of the Redwoods and its branches. The intent is to expand their curricula so that they can become adults in the workforce, motivated to attain a higher level of proficiency and work toward a stated goal. This opportunity may continue through a bachelor's degree in a state college. The second purpose is to assist the Santa Barbara City College Continuing Education Division to develop and sustain courses and seminar series featuring nationally known speakers, primarily in the field of transitional psychology such as the “Mind/Supermind” series. (2019)

### Ray & Dolores Vellutini Fund



Ray Vellutini was born in 1928 in Eureka and was a resident until his death in 1991. Ray was a third-generation grocer who started Food Mart stores and ran the company until his retirement in 1987. Ray loved his family, his garden, and his community. He was a member of the Ingomar Club and numerous charitable organizations. (1991)

### Kit Crosby-Williams Veterans for Peace Scholarship



Veterans for Peace was founded: to increase public awareness of the costs of war; to restrain our government from intervening,

overtly and covertly, in the internal affairs of other nations; to end the arms race and to reduce and eventually eliminate nuclear weapons; to seek justice for veterans and victims of war; and to abolish war as an instrument of national policy. Kit Crosby-Williams provided the funds for this scholarship. A longtime resident of Humboldt County, she died on April 21, 2015, at age 79 in Arcata. She was an associate member of Chapter 56 of Veterans for Peace and an advocate for human rights, environmental and land stewardship, and peace. (2016)

### Wayne & Florence Vickers Memorial Fund



Mrs. Vickers died in 1972 and Mr. Vickers, in 1988, leaving the residue of his estate to the Foundation in memory of his wife of 50 years and her sister,

Margaret Wylie Macpherson. Income benefits healthcare agencies and the Humane Society. (1988)

### The Volunteer Center of the Redwoods Service Fund



The Volunteer Center of the Redwoods was established in 1994 to serve people under 55 who wished to volunteer. VCOR helps volunteers find meaningful assignments in the community.

Donations support volunteers in making the North Coast a great place to live. (2002)



### Andree Wagner Peace Trust

Andree Wagner was a most remarkable woman, dedicated to world peace. Her primary focus for much of her life was peace between the US and the USSR. Prior to her death in 1993, she established the Andree Wagner Peace Trust to further that cause. The demise of the USSR prompted the trustees to reconsider how best to allocate funds. Our guidelines now are that peace can best be achieved around the world when people have shelter, food, water, medical services, and freedom from fear. We support worldwide organizations such as Doctors Without Borders, Red Cross, Southern Poverty Law Center, FINCA, and Amnesty International. Much of our support is local in Humboldt County, including Food For People, Rape Crisis, Hospice, Breast and GYN Health, Arcata House, and the Eureka Rescue Mission. 100% of all donations go to services. (2018)

### Dr. William Joseph & Annette Warren Memorial Endowment Fund



Professor William J. Warren was born in Eureka, the eldest of three brothers born to Croatian immigrants. While earning his PhD from the University of Illinois in electrical

engineering, he met Annette Chmielewska, one of ten children of Polish immigrants. They married in June of 1936 and had three children—Nicholas, Mary, and Laetitia. After completing his doctorate, he taught at the University of Illinois before moving back to California to head the electrical engineering department of Santa Clara University. In this period he also worked for GE. During WWII, William worked as a development engineer for Hewlett-Packard Company, and from 1951 to 1971, Dr. Warren was an engineer and supervisor in the applied physics department of Shell Development Company in Emeryville, CA. Dr. Warren greatly enjoyed music and gardening. He died on June 26, 1997. Annette passed away on November 2, 2007. This fund supports youth and families. (2008)

### Coach Brad Warze Memorial Scholarship Fund



In memory of and to honor Coach Brad Warze who coached and taught for 31 years throughout Humboldt County, this scholarship has been established by Brad's wife Geri and

his two daughters Sarah and Rachel. Brad was an inspiration to all students and athletes from elementary to college age. Brad taught and coached students at St. Bernard's High School, McKinleyville High School, College of the Redwoods, and Humboldt State University. He was a masterful coach and an equally successful fundraiser for these schools and programs. It was important to Brad to make a positive difference in the lives of our youth. Brad was able to accomplish this with great dignity, honor, and love. This scholarship is for graduates of McKinleyville High School who either played basketball at McKinleyville High or are going to study education with plans to teach or coach. (2007)

### Watershed Fund



Compliant Farms recognizes the opportunity for our communities to move beyond the trend of boom and bust natural resource extraction. Guided by permaculture principles and focusing on individual efforts

that have great, cumulative effects, as a community we can participate in the process of adaptive land management for a regenerative future. Compliant Farms was formed as the cultural, regulatory, and ecological worlds of small, private cannabis farms collided. Through the design and implementation of site-specific management plans they facilitate an approach for the community to become better land stewards. In business plan and process, through education and resource

sharing, from the generosity of their clients—cannabis farmers—the Watershed Fund was born. The Watershed Fund supports collaborative, action-based projects that generate data to quantify improved resource use. The results can develop a replicable framework and inform decision making to transition to a regenerative model. (2016)

### Dustin Weber Memorial Fund



Dustin was 25 years old, adventurous, had a dazzling smile, and was loved by all. He enjoyed hiking with his dad and riding his mountain bike. He was a graduate of Mountain View High

School in Bend, OR. Dustin moved to Klamath, CA in February of 2011 to fix up a house that was given to him by his grandmother on Requa Hill. On March 11, 2011, Dustin and some friends went down to the mouth of the Klamath to take pictures of the waves from the tsunami. Dustin was hit by a large surge wave while his back was turned and was swept out to sea. His body was removed in April, four hundred miles north in Astoria, OR. He may be gone but never forgotten. October 5, 1985–March 11, 2011. (2012)

### Lynne & Bob Wells Fund for Performing Artists



Lynne and Bob Wells met and fell in love pursuing their mutual passion—the theater—in Humboldt County. Their love of laughter, art, beauty, and the magical personal transformations

of live theater has sustained a wonderful partnership that rejoices in giving back to the community the nurturing, the entertainment, and the inspiration that this rich region has held for them. In creating this fund in partnership with the North Coast Cultural Trust, Lynne & Bob hope to pass on some good fortune, some financial aid, and some encouragement to Humboldt County performing artists who may need it! “With passion and commitment, vision, daring, honesty and trusting the Muse, we can light candles, nay, fireworks in the dark.” (2000)

### Les & Mid Westfall Endowment Fund



This fund was established as a lasting tribute to the local community that Mid and Les loved and served so well for many years. Mid was born into Ferndale's pioneer Berding

family in 1919. After graduating from Eureka schools and UC Davis, she married Lt. Les Westfall in 1944. Les, born in Lisbon, ND in 1917, graduated from the University of Arizona and Hastings School of Law and served in France during WWII. He began his career in the stevedoring business in 1952. The Westfalls dedicated their lives to their family and community. They epitomized community service with each giving of their leadership skills to more than a dozen local and



state organizations. Mid and Les celebrated 60 years of marriage shortly before Mid's passing in 2004. Les passed away on December 6, 2008. The fund will support the work of Humboldt Area Foundation. (2004)

#### Westhaven Ladies Club Fund



As one of the original members of the Westhaven Ladies Club, Jeanne Hudspeth has been making blackberry pies to support the Westhaven Fire Department since 1967. She and Florence Couch, who joined the organization in 1985, have worked with other volunteers from Westhaven and McKinleyville to make and sell as many as 2,000 pies a year at the annual blackberry festival fundraising event. With the proceeds they've helped the fire department with equipment, supplies, repairs, and even the monthly electric bill. Jeanne and Florence retired as president and treasurer of the club in 2007 and created this fund with the money the club had saved over the years. It will continue to provide annual support to the Westhaven Fire Department for as long as it exists and remains worthy. (2007)

#### Westside Community Improvement District



Westside Community Improvement Association (WCIA) is a nonprofit formed by neighbors of the

formerly abandoned Jefferson School. They have purchased the old school and are in the process of transforming the site into a free, green, public park and a vibrant bustling community center known as the Jefferson Community Center and Park. Every year, WCIA holds an event called Community Created Jefferson where neighbors, families, businesses, and groups interested in offering opportunities at Jefferson get together and prioritize the efforts for the upcoming year. At Community Created Jefferson, partnerships are formed, collaborations begin, and neighbors and families get to take an active role in building the future of their community together. More than anything, the Jefferson Community Center and Park is the community commons. It is where we meet, share our cultures, offer opportunities, and come up with innovative ideas and plans and build a beautiful, livable, sustainable future together. (2011)

#### Bud H. Wheat Scholarship Fund

Income from this fund is used for scholarships for St. Bernard's High School graduates. (1982)

#### Jerry & Marguerite Wheeler Children's Fund



The Wheeler Children's Fund primarily provides support for Vector Rehabilitation's Craniofacial Anomalies program for children with cleft lip, cleft palate, and other craniofacial anomalies. The fund also supports Vector's Pediatric Occupational Therapy program and rehabilitation services for low-income adults. Jerry Wheeler, MD, was a founding member of the Vector Craniofacial Anomalies Panel. He served on the panel providing services for children from 1979 until his death in 1993. His wife Marguerite Wheeler has served as chair and treasurer of Vector's Board of Trustees and as a member of the Gala Chocolate Party Special Event Committee. Marguerite is a teacher of special needs children. Marguerite and Jerry's commitment to improving the quality of life for children in our community has made a difference for many children. This endowment fund helps ensure the future of children's services at Vector. (2001)

#### Evanne Wheeler/KEET-TV Memorial Fund



Evanne Wheeler was the Humboldt County librarian for 12 years (1967–1979) and a resident of the county for 29 years. Because of her interest and enthusiasm for education, she wished to create an endowment fund to support public television. This fund has been established in her honor by her sister Adele Hassis. Evanne was a champion of education and used creative and innovative ideas to promote learning for all. A UC Berkeley graduate in library science, her lifelong library career culminated in her service as Humboldt County librarian. Her memorable achievements included the introduction of the Bookmobile into Humboldt County and the addition of several branch libraries. She planned and promoted a new library building and worked continuously toward its establishment until her death in 1993. The income from her endowment fund is disbursed to KEET-TV to support quality educational programs on North Coast public television. (1997)

#### Walt Whitman Endowment Fund

Established with a donation from Ivor Kraft, this fund focuses special attention on the needs of ethnic and other minorities---including the handicapped---within the lesbian and gay communities, and it addresses cultural and health issues. (1994)

#### Raymond & Pauline Wickel Fund

This fund was established through a gift from the estate of Raymond & Pauline Wickel to benefit youth & aviation in Humboldt County. (2024)

#### Wild Rivers Community Fund



The Wild Rivers Community Foundation promotes and encourages generosity, leadership, and inclusion to strengthen our communities. It works to keep local capital within the Wild Rivers region. This fund was established to provide opportunities for general discretionary giving to support the Wild Rivers region. (2005)

#### Willis-Collier Scholarship Fund



The Willis-Collier Scholarship was funded to honor Dr. Allen Thomas Willis and Mary Helen Willis, the parents of Dr. A. Kent Willis. Early in their marriage, both were teachers. Mary Helen began teaching grades 1–8 in a one room schoolhouse in rural Ohio. Allen T. Willis became a dentist and later served two years in the army in WWII. Both highly valued education. Allen T. Willis had a bachelor's degree in chemistry, a degree in dentistry, and a master's degree in public health. Mary Helen had a bachelor's degree in education and a teaching credential. All three of their children graduated with college degrees and obtained postgraduate degrees. Dr. Allen T. Willis passed away in 1963. Several years later, Mary Helen married John Hulen Collier, also a WWII veteran. Mary Helen and John had a long marriage, and both were very supportive of Kent Willis and his family, including wife Marsha and children Jeff and Suzanne. The Willis family loved all three of them and miss them dearly. (2018)

#### Willow Creek China Flat Museum Scholarship Fund



The Willow Creek China Flat Museum Scholarship has been established to promote the study and preservation of local history. It is available to anyone who is a resident or has been a resident in Humboldt or Trinity counties and is in college. The annual scholarship is awarded to a candidate who plans to study history, museum studies, museum internship, or Native American studies and who has experience with volunteer service and community activities. (2009)

#### Curtis & Carol Wilson Scholarship Fund

Humboldt State alumni Curtis and Carol Wilson created this scholarship fund in 2014 with a gift from their estate. Curtis graduated from Eureka High School in 1956, and Carol in 1960. They met while attending Humboldt State College, as we called it then. Both Carol and Curtis continued their education at Humboldt, and each went on to receive their teaching credentials. Curtis began his career teaching middle school students in Eureka. In later years he became a principal, and eventually the Superintendent of Siskyou

County Schools. Carol eventually worked for the Internal Revenue Service as a teacher of IRS Auditors. Supporting future generations of teachers in Humboldt County and throughout California was very important to Curtis and his beloved wife Carol. They wanted to help support dedicated students who are pursuing a career in teaching. This fund will support seniors at California State Polytechnic University Humboldt who are preparing for the fifth-year teaching credential program. (2024)

#### Elizabeth “Betsy” Wilson Memorial Fund



This fund was established by the Wilson family to honor Betsy, who died in an accident in 1976. The income from this fund is used for special needs at Sequoia Park Zoo. Betsy's mother Jackie Wilson passed away on October 10, 2003. Betsy's father, Jack Wilson, passed away on July 20, 2014. (1985)

#### George Wilson Memorial Scholarship Fund



The Wilson family created this fund in memory of their brother George, who was killed in action at the age of 20 years on July 21, 1944, in a crash of a B17 on his seventh mission over Germany during WWII. George graduated from Ferndale High School in 1942. George was, perhaps, the most adventurous of the Wilson children. He made many friends in his short life. He was one of 59 grandchildren of Edward Christen, all born in the Eel River Valley, and therefore the family still has many friends and relatives in the Humboldt County area. Staff Sergeant George E. Wilson was awarded the Purple Heart and the Air Medal posthumously. His remains are interred in the Cambridge American Cemetery in England. (2006)

#### Catherine Wilson-Lewis Memorial Fund



In her 26 years, Catherine touched and gave joy to many people. As a talented violinist, music held a predominant place in her life. She was also an avid equestrian, spending much time with her beloved Arabian horses. This fund was established by her parents Mary and Wayne Wilson and her grandmothers Freida Maxon and Eula Wilson to provide nursing scholarships. (1985)

#### Alicia Shurkin Wilutis Memorial Fund



Alicia loved backpacking, surfing, dancing with the Grateful Dead, and traveling on long summer road trips which transported her to 49 states, Canada, and many areas of Mexico. Yet her true passion was teaching history. She earned her master's degree and teaching credentials from Humboldt State University, which enabled her to teach social studies with Eureka City Schools. Requesting to teach at alternative education

schools, Alicia taught most of her career at the TOP Program and Zoe Barnum High School. Alicia's colleagues, friends, and family generously donated to this fund to support a deserving graduate from Zoe Barnum High School who will receive a scholarship to continue their education and search for truth. (2013)

#### Flora N. Winzler Memorial Endowment Fund

Flora N. Winzler, a lifelong resident of Eureka, graduated from St. Bernard's Elementary School and Eureka High School, and then attended Humboldt State College. Married for 46 years to John Winzler of Winzler & Kelly Consulting Engineers, homemaking was her career, and being a wife, mother, and grandmother was her greatest pride. She was an avid golfer and longtime member of the Baywood Golf & Country Club, Humboldt Sponsors, the P.E.O. Sisterhood and the Sons of Italy. Because of Flora's interest in the culture of the North Coast, the proceeds of this fund are used to support the Clarke Memorial Museum. (1997)

#### Dr. Richard J. Wolf Memorial Fund



Dr. Richard Wolf was a celebrated local nephrologist who first brought dialysis treatment to Humboldt County in the late 1970s. The Dr. Richard J. Wolf Memorial Fund continues Dr. Wolf's legacy of care for residents from all corners of the region by pursuing giving opportunities that address structural barriers to health. Funding priorities include transportation to medical services, medical monitoring devices, and programs that promote indigenous approaches to health and well-being. (2016)

#### Wolff Family Trust

We are inspired by the hard work and dedication of non-profits all over the world, but especially in our local community. We have been blessed in our lives with many privileges. These privileges and our values move us to provide funds to organizations that inspire us and are doing the hard work to advance Social and Environmental Justice. We see them making a better world for all of us. Aspirations—Our fund prioritizes organizations working to make systemic change and working collaboratively with those they serve as well as with other non-profits. (2023)

#### Kayla A. Wood Girls' Soccer Memorial Fund



Erich F. Schimps created this fund in memory of his 12-year-old granddaughter Kayla, a beautiful and talented young woman lost to the Trinity River in May of 2002. Kayla had traveled widely. She spoke two languages, played several instruments, and enjoyed soccer, basketball, snorkeling, abalone diving, hiking, snowboarding, reading, writing, science, and the arts. Kayla learned to appreciate soccer from an early age. Her grandfather, aka “Nanu,” was a Viennese soccer fanatic and her stepfather, Bran Collingwood, who

learned the game in Scotland, coached her from age 6 onward. She was a natural with a soccer ball and made some of her best friendships on the field. Her idol was Mia Hamm of US Olympics fame. To honor Kayla's free spirit and her love of the game of soccer, this fund will support young girls who need financial assistance in order to play soccer with the Humboldt County soccer leagues. (2002)

#### Woody's Scholarship Fund



Woodrow “Woody” Thompson was a native of Humboldt County. He graduated from Fortuna High School and Humboldt State College. Woody's life was music. His mother started him on the violin at a young age. He later moved on to his major instrument, the trombone. He played in the US Army Band during his service years and toured the country in several “Big Bands” during the 1930s and ‘40s. Woody's musical activities here in Humboldt County included being a music teacher at Arcata High School for 24 years, director and arranger for the Eureka Brass, director of the Humboldt Kitchenaires, and member of the Scotia Band, HSU Symphony, All Seasons Orchestra, and the Ray Bullock Band where he played trombone and arranged some of the music. Lloyd Kipp created and established this fund with the purpose of distributing scholarships to Arcata High School graduating seniors who have above average music grades and played in the band for four years. Thank you, Woody, for being the wonderful person you were. (2007)

#### Joseph Sidney Woolford Fund see page 106

#### Ann Marie Martin-Woolley Memorial Fund



Ann Marie Woolley was well known in two different creative worlds—music and early childhood education. Since 1975 she taught in preschool settings from Sonoma to Humboldt, directed preschool programs, and became a professor of early childhood education at College of the Redwoods. Over the same period, she excelled at the cello, playing in symphonies, chamber and various folk music groups. When she passed, she had logged over 20 years with Good Company, a much-loved Irish music group. In recognition of these important and eclectic worlds, her family has initiated this fund with the goal of supporting programs that meet at the intersection of music and education. Be it in schools, community music festivals, or other venues, the fund is available for supporting and inspiring teachers and musicians to perform and teach, making our communities a better place to live. (2016)



Worker Bees Fund



Lois Leskinen retired from Humboldt Area Foundation in 2001 to move to Oregon with her husband Arne. Born and raised in Humboldt County, Lois graduated from Eureka High School and Clarke Secretarial College. Her first job was as a long-distance telephone operator during WWII, where she enjoyed talking to “all of the guys calling home.” For 32 years, Lois worked as office manager for the California State Automobile Association. She volunteered locally at Alice Birney and Lincoln schools and the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop. Lois established the Worker Bees Fund with an initial gift from Humboldt Area Foundation board member Mary Ann Spencer. HAF serves as advisor to this expendable fund intended to support a variety of charitable purposes in Humboldt and Del Norte counties, primarily those that improve the lives of children, youth, and their families. The Strobe family contributed gifts made in memory of Gladly Strobe to this fund in 2006. Lois Leskinen passed away on March 19, 2012. (2001)

Carl & Ellen Wright Memorial Fund



Lifelong residents of the Eureka area, the Wrights had a great interest in the environment and the protection of wildlife. So great was their interest that Mrs. Wright bequeathed to the Foundation her home and surrounding acreage along with an endowment to maintain the property as a wildlife refuge and provide grants to other wildlife protection projects in the area. The Foundation is working with HSU Department of Wildlife to operate an Urban Wildlife Field Station in the Ryan Slough area known as the “Wright Wildlife Refuge,” providing an educational experience for local school children. (1989)

Steve Wright Memorial Fund

This is a donor-advised fund established by friends in memory of Steve Wright. (2001)

Jean & Harold Wyckoff Memorial Fund



Jean Wyckoff left the remainder of her estate to the Foundation as a memorial to herself and her late husband Harold. The Wyckoffs came to Eureka in 1949. Both were employed by Cal-Trans and were active in community affairs. The income from this fund will be used by Vector Rehabilitation to reflect the Wyckoffs’ mutual interest in aiding the disabled. (1982)

Ginny Wythe Memorial Fund



Virginia “Ginny” Marie Wythe was a very special person. Her work with students of all ages in Eureka City Schools was a real joy to her. Ginny started as a volunteer in the classroom while her children were in school, and was active in PTA and on-site councils for several years. She received much recognition for her volunteer efforts. Her volunteerism led to Ginny’s going to work as the librarian at Washington Elementary School where her library program became the standard for all the schools. Ginny next worked in the Eureka High School counseling office and set up the educational mentoring program. Ginny’s husband Bert Wythe and children Amy and Aaron, along with the Eureka High School counseling office, established this fund to honor Ginny and her contributions to and love for young people. The fund provides scholarships for high school students who plan to further their formal education. (1998)



Young Women in Technology Award



This fund has been established by Humboldt County’s homegrown company StreamGuys, a leading international streaming media company based in Bayside. The fund was created to encourage young women in high school to pursue online training in the field of computer technology. The mission of the fund is to engage and encourage stronger diversification in the field of computer technologies and to focus young minds on the current and future job demand of many companies in the Humboldt County area. Jonathan Speaker, Jason Osburn, and Kiriki Delany of StreamGuys and Moshin Aziz of Nylex.net have made it a priority to help establish and grow the technology field in the area which will bring higher paying jobs, more families, and increased home ownership to the community. (2015)

Jack Young Memorial Fund



John “Jack” Sharp Young headed a local advertising and public relations firm—Young Ideas Advertising—until his death in 1989. Jack’s beloved wife Edie passed away in 2003. She had established this fund to help carry on some of his lifelong interests. Income is used for library projects and Rotary Club of Eureka scholarships. (1989)

Youth Equestrian Fund

The income from this fund benefits youth equestrian projects. (1979)

Youth Leadership Fund



Developing youth leadership skills and abilities is essential in preparing future leaders for active and meaningful participation in their local communities and in regional, state, national, and world contexts. The Youth Leadership Development Fund was established by Sally and Rick Botzler after observing Ecoclub programs for developing youth leadership during service as Peace Corps Mexico volunteers (2009–2011). Upon their return, the Botzlers worked with the McKinleyville Union School District to create the Bilingual McKinleyville Ecoclub, focusing on projects that promote community and environmental responsibility and sustainability. The HAF Youth Leadership Development Fund provides grants to support the work and development of Ecoclubs in North Coast California school districts as well as youth leadership components in other school or community organizations. Grants may be used for youth leadership development related to community and environmental projects, workshops, conferences, and regional meetings, and for supplies, travel, and consultation. (2015)



Virginia Zacharias-Eastman Fund

Virginia Zacharias-Eastman created this fund in 1983 as her gift to the community to establish a health information section at the Humboldt County Library in Eureka. Medically-related reference books are purchased to assist the layperson in researching health problems. Ms. Zacharias-Eastman passed away on July 25, 1997. (1983)

Dorothy A. Ziegenfuss Memorial Fund

After coming to Eureka in 1962, Dorothy A. Ziegenfuss was employed by the city of Eureka as deputy city clerk and later became executive secretary at the old General Hospital. There, Mrs. Ziegenfuss became interested in medical education, especially after she was stricken with multiple sclerosis. At the time of her death on July 21, 1980, funds were donated in her memory. This fund, established to award scholarships to health occupation students at College of the Redwoods, is administered with the aid of the Rotary Club of Eureka. (1981)





# Humboldt Health Foundation Funds



Donations can be made to the Humboldt Health Foundation's General Operating Fund or any of the funds below:

### Humboldt Health Foundation (HHF)

The mission of HHF (formerly Union Labor Health Foundation), a supporting organization of HAF+WRCF, is to improve the health and well-being of the residents and communities of Humboldt County. The original Union Labor Hospital, later known as General Hospital, was established in Eureka in 1906 by newly unionized timber and mill workers as a charitable nonprofit organization. After 90 years of service in the field, Union Labor Hospital Association established HHF in 1997 with proceeds from the sale of the hospital. (1997)

### The Angel Fund



The Angel Fund provides fast financial assistance to Humboldt County families for health and medical needs. 100% of donations made to this fund directly assist community members in need. The Angel Fund Committee meets weekly to consider grant requests made on behalf of an individual or family, serving all ages, from infants to seniors. (1999)

### Homer P. Balabanis Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund



Union Labor Health Foundation established this nursing scholarship in honor of Homer P. Balabanis, a Humboldt County champion for nursing workforce development and education, and a key founding administrator at Humboldt State University. (2014)

### The Dental Angel Fund

Donations made to this fund help Humboldt County children ages 0-19 receive sorely needed dental care. The fund assists children who are in pain due to dental decay, who are uninsured or can't afford dental care, or who may need to travel out of the area for care by a dental specialist. (2002)

### The Ted Loring Angel Endowment Fund

In 2003 following the death of Dr. Ted Loring, a well-respected and admired OB/GYN, his family established this fund to honor his contributions to Union Labor Hospital and his vision of creating the Angel Fund. Donations go directly to the endowment. Each year approximately 4.5% of the endowment is added to the Angel Fund program for distribution through grants to local individuals and families to help people overcome health and medical challenges. (2003)

# Trinity County Funds

HAF+WRCF supports philanthropic work in Trinity County through the Trinity Trust as well as through the gifts of generous neighbors who have established funds in service of the region.

### Mary Baldwin Memorial Fund

This fund was created by the Reverend Charles H. Baldwin to honor Mary Baldwin, his wife of 38 years. The fund is to be used to provide scholarships to deserving college students from Trinity County, enabling them to continue vocational and higher education at accredited colleges and universities and to assist Trinity County pre-K–12 students who are enrolled in accredited Christian schools. (1999)

### Virgil C. & Lorraine DeLapp Vocational Education Fund



Virgil C. DeLapp was born in Burbank, CA in 1922. He grew up in Southern California and graduated from Long Beach State College as an industrial arts teacher. He and his wife Lorraine moved from Blue Jay to Trinity County in 1956. Virgil worked as an electrical superintendent for Funderburg Electric during the construction of Trinity Dam. For many years he was self-employed as a builder of custom homes and was in partnership with Dr. Robert Breeden in the NicNac Shack. He was a veteran of the US Army Air Corps. Virgil died in November of 2001, at age 79, after a construction accident. His family established this endowment fund as a component fund of the Trinity Trust to honor his memory. Income provides assistance for young adults in vocational education in Trinity County. (2001)

### Human Response Network Ellie Driskell Lewiston Music Fund

This program is part of the Human Response Network Endowment Fund. The music fund was provided by the estate of Ellie (Eleanor) Driskell. Ellie was an accomplished violinist and lover of music. It was her wish to pass this love of music on to the children in the Lewiston area by providing the opportunity for them to be engaged in a music program. (2012)

### Gates Family Endowment Fund



This is a component fund of the Trinity Trust, established as a testamentary gift from the estate of Helen J. Gates who passed away on October 24, 2002. Helen, along with her two children, Hank and Joan, was a graduate of UC Berkeley. Her father was a self-made

mining engineer. He began working at a young age, and he walked several miles each way—saving streetcar fare—to work at the Union Iron Works in San Francisco. He also knew future president Herbert Hoover in his mining days. Helen visited the Trinity Alps as much as she could in the 1920s and 1930s. Gilbert F. left UC Berkeley early to work and support his family. The fund supports charitable organizations in and for Trinity County in accordance with the spirit and the wording of prior planned gifts arranged by the Gates family. The Trinity Trust Steering Committee makes all funding recommendations for this discretionary fund. (2003)

### Thurnald Hinson Memorial Scholarship

Administered by the Mountain Communities Healthcare Foundation, the Thurnald Hinson Memorial Scholarship strives to increase the number of appropriately-trained healthcare professionals who practice direct patient care in Trinity County. Scholarships are awarded to persons re-entering or continuing their education in fields such as nursing, occupational therapy, radiology, laboratory, pharmacy, and respiratory care. Applicants must agree to practice in direct patient care for at least one year in a paid position in Trinity County. They must be accepted by an accredited or approved healthcare education program within the state of California, and must have been a full-time Trinity County resident for at least the past 12 months. Applications are available at 530-623-5541, ext. 3255. (2010)

### Daniel Holthaus Memorial Fund



Born in Hyampom, CA in 1971, Daniel Holthaus was raised in Trinity County, graduating from Trinity High School in 1990. He excelled in athletics, receiving many awards and accolades for his efforts. He loved exploring the wilderness and trekked hundreds of miles in the Trinity and Sierra mountains. Daniel's interest in the geology of Northern California led him to a degree in geoscience from Chico State University. He taught science at Hayfork High School for a brief period of time before he became ill. A loving and sensitive man, he made instant friends with everyone he met. His huge smile, infectious sense of humor, and zest for the challenges in life made him a popular and unforgettable person. Daniel passed away after a short illness in 2005. His family established this fund in his memory to provide support to projects that serve youth in Trinity County. (2006)

### Giles F. Horney, Jr. Fund in Memory of Tom J. McCoy, Steven James Smith & Helen A. Maxey, Giles & Harriet Horney, Bill & Marlys Hall, and Al & Marne Wilkins

This fund will provide scholarships to support students attending college or vocational school. Giles wanted students with passing grades and a strong interest to be given a helping hand in continuing their education. (2012)

### Giles F. Horney, Jr. Fund



Giles was a caring man who had a passion for cars and his community. He lived in Trinity County where he served on the Trinity Trust. He was interested in mechanics, body shops, and even towing companies. He was known for helping young people and rescuing dogs. This fund will be used to support charitable work in the Trinity region. (2012)

### Human Response Network Endowment Fund



This organizational endowment fund supports the ongoing work and perpetual growth of the Human Response Network.

Dedicated to protecting each person's right to live in safety with dignity, the Human Response Network was established in 1980 to provide support to women and children in Trinity County who have been victims of domestic violence, abuse, or sexual assault. Today, while maintaining victim assistance programs, it also serves the community with youth services and teen centers, emergency homeless assistance, childcare resources, child abuse prevention, mentoring, in-home parent aides, and state preschools. This endowment fund also provides an annual scholarship to a Trinity County student pursuing a degree in social services or child development who intends to join the workforce in Trinity County. (2002)

### Hyampom Arts Magnet School Scholarship Fund



Hyampom is a remote rural community located in Trinity County. The local school has been functioning since 1953 and is the heart of the community. The fund is intended to give a significant financial boost to any student who has been through the school, has graduated high school



or has a GED, and is interested in continuing their education through college or trade school. Participation in community is as important as academic achievement. The fund's goal is for children to be able to pursue a career and function successfully in whatever community they reside. (2015)

**Sarah Ingersoll Memorial Scholarship**



This fund was established in loving memory of Sarah Rosalie Ingersoll who died in August of 1999 while backpacking in the Yolla Bolly Wilderness area. Sarah was a lifelong resident of Hayfork in Trinity County. She had a love for the natural beauty of Trinity County and for the people who live there. Sarah graduated from Hayfork High School, was married for 24 years, and had two children. She was a dedicated Christian mother who shared her belief in the virtues of motherhood with others. Her passion for the arts, as expressed through her photography, was known in Trinity County and beyond. The Sarah Ingersoll Memorial Scholarship was established to encourage students of the Mountain Valley Unified School District to pursue their passion for the arts in an accredited arts program. (1999)

**Sally Johannsen Advanced Health Scholarship Fund**



Sally Johannsen has been an active member of the Trinity County community since 1970. She left her original career as a nurse to devote her life to raising her family and running Cedar Stock Resort with her husband Cliff. However, caring for others' health is simply a part of who she is, and although she was not able to practice as a nurse again, her caring support is felt by all who know her. Over the years she has become interested in alternative healthcare options available. This fund was established by her loving family as a tribute to the many lives she has cared for throughout her life and the amazing woman she has become. We look forward to her participation in this fund and her continued excitement to support others willing to dedicate their lives to healing in alternative ways. (2015)

**Kids and Old Geezers Recreation Fund**

Rich Velasquez established this fund to promote athletics in Trinity County at the elementary school level. His intent was to offer young people a way to direct their energy in a positive manner. This fund will be used towards team sports and yoga, tumbling, gymnastics, and other alternative activities. Teams and individuals alike that may not have the means to be participants are eligible for this fund. Rich believes all young people should have the opportunity to develop their physical abilities and to experience what it is to be a team player. No one should be left out. The fund should also be made available to support the health and emotional care of the elderly. (2021)

**Marilouise Montgomery Scholarship Fund**



Marilouise Montgomery met her husband Lee while attending UC Berkeley. She subsequently received her teaching credential from San Francisco State. Since 1947, she spent a great deal of time in Trinity County, finally making it her home in 1965. This endowment fund provides an annual scholarship to a graduate of Hayfork Valley High. Mrs. Montgomery said, "I am pleased that I can help Valley High graduates, having known several students there who have overcome great obstacles to pursue their education and obtain their goals in life." (2002)

**Mountain Valley Youth Endowment Fund**



The Mountain Valley Youth Endowment Fund was created through two major gifts. An anonymous donor visited Hayfork and, impressed by the urgency of the need and the efficiency of the already-established Mountain Valley Youth Fund, gave the first gift to create this endowment. Marion and the late Victor Payse, Barbara Stokely's sister and brother-in-law, donated a matching gift of \$5,000. The idea of an endowment to ensure funds in perpetuity for needy children in the area appealed to the Payses. They are both retired educators who have contributed not only money over the years, but also their time, energies, and talents to enhance the community where they live. Although they have no children of their own, they decided to help the children of Hayfork, knowing that the need was great. A significant anonymous contribution was made by a local resident. The fund has now reached a level that supports its annual budget. (1998)

**Mountain Valley Youth Fund**



The Mountain Valley Youth Fund, an expendable fund within the Trinity Trust, was established with an initial gift from Barbara L. Stokely, a late resident of Pebble Beach, CA, to serve the health, educational, and/or welfare needs of youth from birth to age 18 who live within the Mountain Valley Unified School District. She has a son, a daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren who formerly lived in Hayfork, within the school district. Barbara held a PhD in educational psychology from USC. Before her retirement she was an educational psychologist and a marriage and family therapist. (1997)

**Trinity County Historical Society Endowment Fund**

The Trinity County Historical Society Endowment Fund, managed by the Trinity Trust, is designed to financially support future projects of the Trinity County Historical Society. These projects preserve and disseminate

the history of Trinity County through the J.J. Jackson Museum, Hal Goodyear History Park, and Alice Jones History Center by procuring, preserving, displaying, and sharing artifacts and information for the enrichment, enjoyment, and education of residents, tourists, and schoolchildren. (2014)

**Trinity County Library Benefit Endowment Fund**

This fund is intended to provide a supplemental income to address the library's present and future needs, such as keeping basic programs functioning during low budget periods and supporting outreach and enrichment programs. (2004)

**Trinity County Library Benefit Fund**

Two funds were established in 2004 in response to drastic reductions to the county library budget. To ensure the survival of the three public libraries serving Trinity County, the funds are administered by a steering committee of the Trinity County Friends of the Library. Donations may be made to both funds. The library's immediate needs will be served by the Trinity County Library Benefit Fund, including regular contributions from library supporters and proceeds from fundraising benefits. Present unmet library needs, such as building the library's database and providing substitute staff to keep facilities open, are being subsidized from this fund. The Friends continue to raise additional funds to spend directly on books, subscriptions, equipment, and supplies. (2004)

**Trinity High School Athletics Pledge for the Pack Fund**



This fund was created to enhance the athletic program offerings at Trinity High School while helping to offset the annual operating costs of the athletic department. Expenditures from the fund are made for such items as athletic equipment, uniforms, officials' and tournament entry fees, and league dues. The fund allows Trinity High School to continue to offer a wide variety of athletic programs serving a diverse population of students, while fostering an environment that encourages individual growth, cooperation, and leadership. All donations will directly benefit the THS Athletic Department and the students it serves. (2009)

**Trinity County Food Assistance Program Fund**

Trinity County Food Bank is located in rural Northern California, one of the poorest counties in the state. The County is 85% Federal National Forest land, with isolated pocket communities. The Food Bank distributes commodities to an average of 1200 families each month. Our distribution sites are in every community of Trinity County. All of the communities, except for two, are food deserts, with limited access to affordable and nutritious food. The Food Bank also distributes 400 senior boxes on average every month. (2021)

**Trinity Trust Endowment Fund**



The Trinity Trust is an endowment for the exclusive use of Trinity County residents. This fund was created with a gift from Trinity County residents, with additional funds provided by Reverend Charles H. Baldwin and an anonymous donor. (1998)

**Trinity Trust Expendable Fund**

Thanks to the generosity of local donors, the Trinity Trust was able to establish an expendable fund to respond to important needs throughout Trinity County, such as helping deserving young people experience summer camp. (2005)

**Weaverville Cemeteries Endowment Fund**



The Weaverville Cemeteries Endowment Fund was established in 2007 to help support and preserve the 150-year-old Weaverville Cemetery and potentially other public historic cemeteries in the area of Weaverville. The county of Trinity no longer maintains these. Initial endowment gifts were contributed by reflective, good-hearted, and thoughtful individuals, families, businesses, community advocacy groups, and service organizations. The Weaverville Cemeteries Endowment will annually and in perpetuity provide funding for such purposes as replacement of deteriorating headstones, maintenance, care and beautification of public cemetery areas, and education of the community regarding the cemeteries' pioneer history. (2007)

**Young Family Trust**

The Young Family Trust honors the Young family heritage with roots deep in Trinity County history. The trust supports the work of the Young Family Ranch (YFR), a 3-acre community-trust farmstead in the heart of Weaverville's historic district. YFR is the perfect venue for free educational programs on gardening, sustainable small-farm practices, foods, home-craft, and natural resources conservation. With garden areas, fruit trees, pastures, barn, paddocks, and a farmhouse, YFR was deeded for community benefit and is guided by a volunteer board. It hosts an annual summer day camp, community plant and seed exchange, fiber and textile arts fair, and free learning events for all ages. YFR serves the 4-H Youth Development Program with space for livestock, poultry, and learning. Its ranch house is available for community groups, workshops, and trainings. Proximity to Weaverville Community Forest and the trail system add to YFR's appeal as a learning center. (2001)



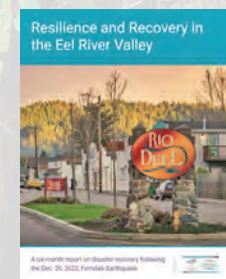




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