



Goodbye Summer, Hello Fall

It's hard to believe that fall is here and kids are back to school, but we hope you enjoyed your summer as much as we did! We hit the \$1 million mark in total impact. We also had a great turnout at our open house, and are excited to welcome new Youth Advisory Council (YAC) members soon. As always, we can't wait to see all that YAC accomplishes this coming year! Before we look forward, though, let's take a look back at last month's highlights.



Community Impact Grants: Thanks a Million!

In the third quarter, the GHACF awarded seven Community Impact Grants totaling \$526,620, for an overall total of \$1,049,418 to date! We are beyond grateful for the trust and generosity of so many, allowing us to make such an incredible impact.

- Ottawa County Parks Foundation - \$200,000 to support their "Fulfilling the Rosy Mound Vision" Campaign.
- Lakeshore Nonprofit Alliance - \$160,000 to support their efforts in assisting local for-impact partners.
- Muskegon YMCA - \$50,000 to increase inclusivity, accessibility, and sustainability at Camp Pentalouan.
- Girls on the Run West Michigan – \$29,620 for new curriculum to stay relevant with the current needs of girls today.
- Opportunity Thrive – \$45,000 for the Educator Wellness Coaching program to support and retain educational leaders.
- Foundation for Muskegon Community College - \$42,000 for continued operations of the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and support workshops and seminars, as requested by partners within Northwest Ottawa County.

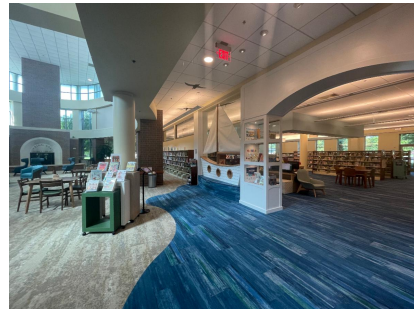
They Came. They Saw. They Enjoyed Refreshments.

From the moment we cut the ribbon to the official opening of our doors, 6 Sherman was abuzz with excitement at our community open house on August 20. We were so happy to meet, greet, (and eat!) with those who attended – thank you

all for coming! If you missed it, no worries. We'd love for you to stop by and check out our new home, but please call ahead to ensure team members are available and prepared to greet you.

Shout Out to Spring Lake District Library!

Recently, the GHACF Board of Trustees met at the Spring Lake District Library. Board members enjoyed meeting at one of our partner sites to see the impact of a recent grant in support of the library's Refresh Project. Thank the library for their gracious hospitality. We appreciate you!



YAC: Gearing Up for Another Great Year

The 2024-2025 Youth Advisory Council (YAC) has launched with the beginning of the academic year. This special group of high school students set out each year to improve our community and encourage other youth to do the same.

2024-2025 Youth Advisory Council Members

Madeline Meigs, Chair

James Friggens, Treasurer

Lily Frenndt, Secretary

Grace Humphrey, Social Media Chair



Brody Bench, Ally Bennink, Larissa Christian, Kaia DeSchaaf, James Doss, Eleanor Hitsman, Grace Humphrey, Josephine Jackson, Frank Mulcahy, Prithvi Multani, Luke Ratke, Julia Schulte. Clara Streng. Leilany Teasley. Sadie Tulloch, and Brooklyn Verplank

From the Wish List...

Our Community Wish List is a great resource to connect you with local charitable opportunities. If you are looking for ways to support our for-impact partners, [browse the list](#) for dozens of opportunities.

We are here for **you**.
For **good**. For **all**. Forever.

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