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Hope your Autumn has been Awesome!

It's almost Thanksgiving and we've got a lot on our plates (see what we did there?)! From opportunities to receive scholarships to opportunities for giving year-end gifts, get your fill of the latest Foundation news, including upcoming grants, important reminders, and a celebration of the work we couldn't do without you. Go ahead and dig in!



School Scholarship Applications Open Soon

Keep an eye out – GHACF 2025 scholarship applications will be open starting **December 2!** Be sure to visit ghacf.org/scholarships for more information and to apply by January 31. There are a variety of scholarships available, each based on varying criteria such as financial need, field of study, academic achievements, and whether a student is the first in their family to continue their education after high school. Check them all out and apply soon – you've got nothing to lose, but so much to possibly gain!

Next Round of Grants in the Docket

Our next round of grants will be awarded in December and we can't wait! The GHACF Grants & Program Committee will be distributing funding to several well-deserving local projects and programs – watch for our December newsletter to find out which ones!

In addition, our affiliates in Allendale and Coopersville are getting ready to award multiple grants themselves! Recently, the **Allendale Community Foundation** approved \$9,500.00 in grants to local for-impact partners and \$9,940.73 in Teacher Mini Grants to Allendale Christian School, Allendale Public Schools, and Borculo Christian School. The **Coopersville Area Community Foundation** approved \$17,562 in grants to local for-impact partners.



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Year-End Giving is Easy with our Community Funds & Wish List!

Looking for charitable opportunities to support with a year-end gift? We have over 150 organization funds to choose from, including the Community Foundation's Greatest Needs Fund which helps support our for-impact partners' important work and enables us to remain proactive, responsive and flexible to our community's most critical needs.



You can also check out our Community Wish List full of local projects and programs you can give to and directly support what interests you most. Choose one of the opportunities below, or click [here](#) or use this QR Code to view more!

- Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp – Funding to provide medical equipment, staff training, accessibility, and various instruments
- Joyful Noise Daycare – Support for early childhood education training
- Resilience – Support for Safe Nights Fund: emergency assistance to domestic violence survivors and their children

For nonprofits or for-impact organizations interested in getting on this list, please contact Adrienne Whisman at awhisman@ghacf.org.

Out for Lunch (and the Holiday!)

Some of our GHACF staff will be out of the office on Thursday, November 21 from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm to attend the Homeless Prevention Partners “Soup for All” luncheon event. Held at St. Patrick’s Community Center in Grand Haven, this annual fundraiser helps provide care and services for homeless students and families in our area. Please join us in support -- we’d love to see you there!

Also, please note that GHACF offices will be closed on Thanksgiving (Thurs. Nov. 28) and the following day (Fri. Nov. 29) so staff can spend time with family, friends, and loved ones.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving, everyone! We appreciate you!

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