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NONPROFIT FEATURE

A BEACON OF HOPE

With a mission to ensure the most vulnerable have access to critical prescriptions and education, Beacon Charitable Pharmacy has become a lifeline, delivering hope and health to countless families in our community.

For many in our community, Beacon Charitable Pharmacy is a guiding light, providing essential medications to those who cannot afford them. Since its founding in 2002, the pharmacy has filled more than 327,000 prescriptions valued at over $37 million. Today, it's the only full-time, nonprofit, charitable pharmacy in Northeast Ohio and one of just three in the entire state of Ohio.

HOW IT STARTED

In 2002, leaders from the Austin-Bailey Health and Wellness Foundation and the Sisters of Charity Foundation of Canton convened organizations to address the growing need for affordable prescriptions for underinsured and uninsured individuals in our community. The solution? Establish an innovative, independent nonprofit to coordinate prescription assistance, maximize resources and advocate for the vulnerable population.

The Prescription Assistance Network of Stark County, Inc. officially opened on November 18, 2002 in the basement of Mercy Hall on Mercy Hospital's campus, thanks to the generous support from local foundations. It was later renamed Beacon Charitable Pharmacy to better reflect its mission.

In 2011, the pharmacy moved to a 4,100-square-foot space in the Ken Weber Community Campus at Goodwill. Located in downtown Canton, this location allowed Stark County residents to access the pharmacy, along with more than 20 other community services in one building.

Beacon Charitable Pharmacy is licensed by the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy and operates like a commercial pharmacy—staffed with a licensed pharmacist and technicians who provide high-quality services, medications and vaccinations at a fraction of the cost patients would normally pay at a commercial pharmacy.

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The Albert W. and Edith V. Flowers Charitable Foundation recently transitioned from a private non-operating foundation to the Albert W. and Edith V. Flowers Foundation, a charitable fund now managed by Stark Community Foundation.

While the tax classification and name of the private foundation have slightly changed — its charitable focus remains the same. The Flowers Foundation remains dedicated to upholding the legacy of Albert W. and Edith V. Flowers by continuing to support charitable causes benefiting the Stark County community and its residents.

Albert Flowers, the former owner and president of Flowers Welding & Machine Co. in Canton, along with his wife Edith, actively supported local initiatives throughout their lives. They were involved in various organizations such as the William McKinley Lodge 431 F&AM, Nazir Grotto, Scottish Rite Valley of Canton, Canton Kiwanis Club and Congress Lake Club. Notably, Albert maintained perfect attendance for 39 years as a member of the Canton Kiwanis Club.

The Flowers initially established the Albert W. and Edith V. Flowers Charitable Foundation in 1968 as a private foundation to deepen their local philanthropy. Since Edith's passing in 1972 and Albert's in 1974, their generosity has provided more than $5 million in vital support to charitable causes within Stark County and beyond.

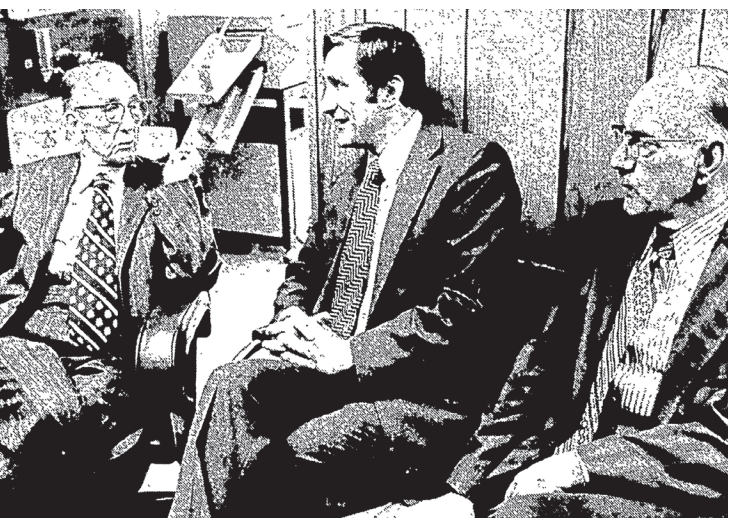


Photo from October 1973 - Following the sale of their family's business, Albert Flowers (left) talks with Chester Chassin (middle), new owner of Flowers Welding & Machine Co., and Edith Flowers' brother, Elmer Flowers (right), who served as a weld shop foreman.

While considering a succession plan, the trustees of the Flowers Foundation determined that transitioning to a charitable fund at Stark Community Foundation was the best option. Partnering with Stark Community Foundation offers numerous advantages, including sustained philanthropic impact, streamlined operations, an effective due diligence process and, most importantly, the assurance of preserving the Flowers' legacy and their commitment to the Stark County community.

Bridgette L. Neisel, vice president of advancement at Stark Community Foundation, worked alongside the trustees to ensure a seamless transition in preserving the Flowers' legacy and wishes.

"The Flowers Foundation has been a steadfast supporter of nonprofits for more than 50 years," shared Bridgette. "We are honored by the trust the Flowers Foundation trustees have placed in Stark Community Foundation and feel privileged to continue the legacy of Albert and Edith."

The previous Distribution Committee will continue to review all grant proposals to the Albert W. and Edith V. Flowers Foundation to ensure support reaches those in need.

The Albert W. and Edith V. Flowers Foundation is now one of 950 charitable funds that make up Stark Community Foundation and its more than $400 million in assets. Through strategic and diverse investing, the foundation will continue to grow over time, allowing the Flowers' philanthropic legacy to benefit the community forever.

To learn more, reach out to Bridgette at bneisel@starkcf.org or 330-454-7992.

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Beacon's new Pharmacy on Wheels

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Through Beacon, patients with low or moderate incomes can fill their prescriptions for free or at a discounted price. For patients without insurance, they can fill their prescriptions for $2 for one script, $4 for two scripts or $5 total for three or more scripts. Over 90% of the medications are donated through the Ohio Drug Repository, which receives donations from nursing homes and long-term care facilities. This approach saves patients money for other necessities.

HOW IT'S GOING

More than 20 years later, Beacon Charitable Pharmacy continues to provide free or inexpensive prescriptions to uninsured and underinsured residents of Stark County. The pharmacy has expanded in every aspect—in size, patient numbers, community partnerships and the counties it serves, now also covering Carroll, Lorain and Summit.

In August 2023, Dr. LaTrice Snodgrass became the new executive director after the retirement of founding executive director Carol Risaliti. Under LaTrice's leadership, Beacon has expanded its footprint by moving into a new space, opening a satellite location in Alliance at The Commons and launching a pharmacy on wheels.

Relocating wasn't an easy decision for Beacon Charitable Pharmacy, which had long benefited from sharing a roof with other community services at the Community Campus at Goodwill. However, when Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital offered to donate a physician office building, it was an opportunity too good to pass up. This move allowed the pharmacy to transition from renting to owning, increased visibility and accessibility and expanded its services to better serve patients.

The new facility on 13th Street NW in Canton is conveniently located in a high-traffic area near major hospitals, physician practices and clinics. It offers easy access to Routes 77, 62 and 30 for patients across the entire county, and has a bus stop out front.

After acquiring the new building, support from local foundations helped the pharmacy undergo a $1 million renovation to better suit its needs. The new 5,800-square-foot facility features more intake offices, including a sizeable handicap-accessible office, an expanded education room, ample parking and direct storefront access.

Beacon welcomed patients at the new facility in March 2024 and will soon begin offering evening and weekend hours to further accommodate the needs and schedules of patients like Patricia.

"Words cannot express my gratitude for all of your help and services," expressed Patricia.

"I am sure that there would have been many months that I would have been unable to take my medication as prescribed without the assistance of the amazing staff at Beacon Charitable Pharmacy."

A highlight of Beacon's growth has been the launch of a sprinter van called POW, or Pharmacy On Wheels.

"One of the major barriers to accessing health care is transportation," shared LaTrice. "With our new mobile charitable pharmacy, we can make the pharmacy portable and bring access to medications and health education to people in underserved communities."

Licensed by the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy, it's the first charitable mobile pharmacy in Ohio and the second mobile pharmacy of any kind in the state.

In 2023, Beacon filled more than 25,000 prescriptions, valued at more than $4 million, to individuals at 250 percent or below the federal poverty level, including Mr. Dukes. Mr. Dukes has Type 2 diabetes, which requires him to test his blood sugar. He had been using glucose strips for years but recently started using the Libre, a continuous glucose monitoring device he acquired through Beacon. He describes the new device as a blessing: "It gave me confidence because when I was doing it the old-fashioned way, I would get stressed out because the meter would say error, error, error. I kept going through test strip after test strip, and it [my sugar] was getting low. It was just a pain."

He recalls a scary moment: "I remember when I dropped really low... and my wife found me on the floor. The thing about it, with the Libre, when I drop, it will let me know and it wakes me up. I can take action to get my blood sugar back up. That's a great big help. My wife, she works midnights sometimes, and I'm by myself. This alleviates some of the fears we have at night when she's not there."

A significant benefit over the last year for Beacon has been the implementation of House Bill 558, which allows charitable pharmacies to accept prescription drugs from individuals and distribute them to uninsured and low-income Ohioans. This law enables prescriptions to be used to improve patients' lives rather than being wasted. LaTrice said they often receive donations from community members who have medication left over from a prescription they no longer need, or when a loved one passes away and they are left with unused medications.

The pharmacy has received insulin, cancer medication and other prescriptions, made possible through this bill. Last year, the pharmacy received a donation of Eliquis valued at approximately $10,000 from a family in Cincinnati who lost the patriarch of their family. Eliquis is what Beacon considers a gold star drug used to treat and prevent blood clots and strokes, retailing at over $700 per month.

WHAT'S NEXT

As the new executive director, LaTrice is focusing on developing an enhanced strategic plan that prioritizes community partnerships to drive healthy outcomes.

"We want to collaborate with other nonprofits to help more people in our community who are in need," she said.

The pharmacy is discussing a satellite location in Massillon and at Gonder Place, a new project designed to bring health services to Southeast Canton residents.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

1. Volunteer: Sign up to help sort, count and organize donated medications by emailing info@beaconpharmacy.org, signing up online or calling 330-445-1087.

2. Donate Medications: Donate unexpired prescription medications and other high-need items.

3. Make a Gift: Financial donations of any size are welcome anytime.

4. Donate Your Talents: Use your passion and expertise in areas such as marketing, strategic planning and fundraising to help strengthen the pharmacy.

Learn more about Beacon Charitable Pharmacy at **beaconpharmacy.org**



Dr. LaTrice Snodgrass, executive director

STARK COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

In 2021, the Stark County Neighborhood Partnership Program was launched as a partnership between Stark Community Foundation and the Community Building Partnership of Stark County. The goal? To improve and expand neighborhood revitalization efforts within our community.

Adopting a data-driven approach, the program strategically leverages community assets while identifying local neighborhood challenges to tackle. The program is all about empowering resident leaders to work alongside their neighbors to strengthen their neighborhoods from within and make positive changes.

Through the program, participants gain access to free specialized training, essential tools and resources, responsive grant opportunities and community events, all designed to help strengthen neighborhoods across Stark County.

Utilizing the healthy neighborhoods framework created by expert David Boehlke as a roadmap, program leaders decide which projects to prioritize and where to invest to make Stark County neighborhoods stronger and healthier. When neighborhood associations apply for neighborhood grants, they're encouraged to align their grant proposals with one of four key elements of the framework: Image & Identity, Physical Conditions, Involvement & Investment and Market.

Below, we'll explore each element of the healthy neighborhoods framework and spotlight a project already making a positive impact in a Stark County community.

1. IMAGE & IDENTITY



These are the attributes of a neighborhood that impact how people see and feel about the neighborhood. For residents, this is what defines their neighborhood and makes it unique. For visitors, this is what they see looking in. When a neighborhood has a strong image and identity, residents feel proud to call it home, and visitors are drawn to explore. Sample projects that align with Image & Identity may include beautification projects, signage and marketing.

The **Harrisburg Royal Neighborhood Association (HRNA)** built, painted and installed more than 15 house-shaped identity markers throughout their neighborhood in Canton. These markers foster a sense of community pride, add unique charm to the area and make the neighborhood association easily recognizable to both residents and visitors.

2. PHYSICAL CONDITIONS



This element covers the nuts and bolts of a neighborhood, like housing quality, infrastructure and public spaces. For better or worse, the condition of one property can affect nearby ones. When the physical conditions of a neighborhood are in good shape, residents enjoy a higher quality of life. Sample projects that align with Physical Conditions may include housing assessments, neighborhood cleanups, sidewalk replacements and housing rehab projects.

The **West Park Neighborhood Association** improved the streetscape facing the 12th Street and Fulton Road intersection with a mural created by area artist Dave Sherrill of Arrowhead Vintage in Canton. The mural showcases local talent and creativity, improves a neglected area and adds aesthetic value to the neighborhood.

3. INVOLVEMENT & INVESTMENT



This element is centered around the people who live in the neighborhood and how invested they are in its success, whether it's through time, effort or money. It's about community engagement, neighborly connections and residents taking pride in their surroundings. When people are involved and invested, they work together to address issues and make positive changes. Sample projects that align with Involvement & Investment may include community events, community gardens, residential improvement projects, general neighborhood beautification and neighborhood meetings.

The **CHAMPION Neighborhood Association** celebrated Earth Day with a neighborhood event, collecting litter and recyclables followed by an afternoon of snacks and activities. It was an opportunity for neighbors to beautify their area, socialize and create a sense of togetherness and belonging.

4. MARKET



The culmination of Image & Identity, Physical Conditions and Involvement & Investment leads to the overall market values, sales figures and desirability of living in the neighborhood. Essentially, this element focuses on the economic health of a neighborhood. It's not always just about money; changes in value give a better picture of how the neighborhood is doing overall. When the market is robust, it creates a sense of stability and opportunity for everyone in the neighborhood.



Photo credit: The Independent

Q&A with CHAMPION Neighborhood Association Leader Cynthia Vignos

1. HOW DID YOU BECOME INVOLVED IN NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAMMING?

I've spent most of my life in Stark County, and I believe that it's important for people to be involved in their community. My parents volunteered at our church and school, as well as helping neighbors when needed, so my siblings and I grew up with that mindset instilled in us. I learned about Stark Community Foundation's Neighborhood Leadership Program about 20 years ago. My previous neighborhood in Canton had organized associations on all four sides, so I started a group in the middle of those boundaries and called it "NEW - Neighbors of Edgefield & Washington Park." When I moved to Massillon in 2017, I was disappointed to find that the association previously in place in my neighborhood was no longer active.

2. WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO START A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION?

I've learned that Massillon residents have concerns about the city as a whole and in their own neighborhoods. However, they didn't seem to be aware of ways to get involved, leverage resources and bring about positive change. Stark Community Foundation's leadership training showed me how effective it can be to bring together a group of people with a common goal. This motivates others to roll up their sleeves and do something impactful that makes a difference. I saw some opportunities here in Massillon, and shared my ideas with my council representative Marko Lombardi as well as Mayor Jamie Slutz. They recommended, given my past experience, that I start a neighborhood association. We're really hoping to get our elected officials involved so our residents feel like their voices are being heard.

3. WHAT CHALLENGE DID YOU FACE WHEN ESTABLISHING THE ASSOCIATION?

It was challenging to establish boundaries because I wanted to involve a lot of people but also keep it manageable. Choosing a name was easy because Massillon is known as the City of Champions, and the CHAMPION name is an acronym for our boundaries (**CH**erry **AM**herst **P**ride **I**n **O**ur **N**eighborhood). We have almost 400 households, and three people have volunteered to serve as officers. Homeowners, renters and businesses are all encouraged to join.

4. WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST THIS YEAR?

My primary goal this year is to recruit members to CHAMPION, invite them to get involved and create a renewed sense of community that will spread to other areas of the city. We have a lot of projects and activities planned and I'm hoping that people get excited about participating. I've applied for 501(c)(3) status, so we can apply for grants and other funding from government and private sources. It would be wonderful if the CHAMPION group inspires residents in other areas of the city to create an association where they live.

5. WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU OFFER TO SOMEONE INTERESTED IN STARTING A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION?

Starting a new neighborhood association can seem daunting. The best advice I have is to simply take it one step at a time and don't feel overwhelmed. There may have been a group in place previously that just needs a little boost to become active again. Ask for help from neighbors and from someone like me who has done this before. Search online for ideas, stories from similar groups, funding opportunities, etc. Stark Community Foundation and Community Building Partnership are here to support your efforts, and they have training opportunities and other resources available.

5 EASY STEPS to Establish your own Neighborhood Association in Stark County:

1. Determine Neighborhood Boundaries

Decide which part of the community your neighborhood association will represent. Define your area.

2. Spread the Word

Talk to your neighbors about mutual goals you can accomplish together. This can be done by word of mouth. Involving more people will add more ideas and energy. Remember to use social media to help get the word out.

3. Plan the First Meeting

The Stark County Neighborhood Partnership Program will provide one free postcard mailing for new neighborhood associations. Remember to find a nearby meeting space that is accessible to all and decide on a convenient time to maximize attendance.

4. Plan Future Meetings

Decide on a regular meeting place, day and time that is convenient for all. Keep meetings organized by taking attendance, creating an agenda and taking notes on what occurred at each meeting.

5. Plan a Neighborhood Project

Find a small project that can be discussed and planned during your neighborhood association meetings. Completing projects as a group will strengthen bonds among your members.

Learn more about establishing your own neighborhood association at **communitybuildingpartnership.org/scnpp**

GOOD COMMUNITY NEWS

Stay up to date with our community's latest news.



STARK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SURPASSES $400M IN ASSETS THANKS TO OUR COMMUNITY.

Thank you for helping Stark Community Foundation grow for the betterment of our community and the countless charitable causes in our own backyard and beyond. With assets now exceeding $415 million, the Foundation ranks in the top 10 percent of community foundations nationwide, the second largest in Northeast Ohio and the fifth largest in Ohio. Your kindness, generosity and commitment empower us to continue making a significant impact in our community. Learn about this milestone at **starkcf.org/400**

COMPASSION DELIVERED REACHES 50,000 MEALS

Compassion Delivered, a nonprofit providing nutritional meals at no cost to people coping with chronic, life-threatening illnesses, recently celebrated the milestone of 50,000 meals delivered to community members in need since its inception in 2017. Co-founders Amanda Anschutz and her husband and executive chef Daniel Anschutz have always believed that families should not have to choose between the financial burden of nutritious meals or medication. They formed Compassion Delivered and have since made it their mission to keep those in need from suffering from malnutrition and hunger. Learn more about this milestone at **starkcf.org/compassiondelivered**



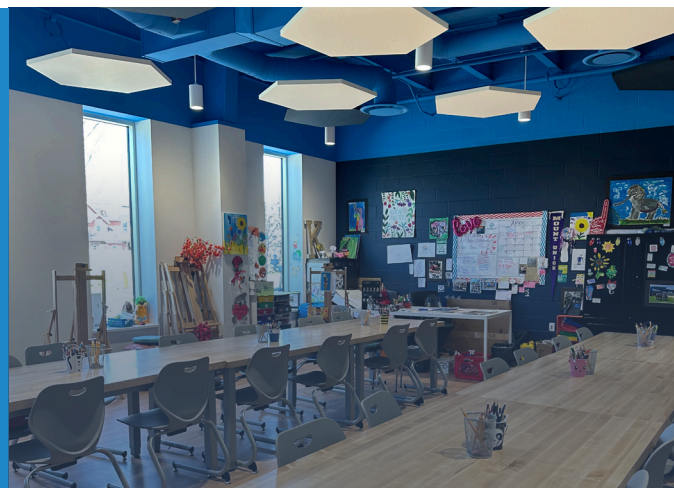


37 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS RECEIVE SUPPORT

As part of Stark Community Foundation's SummerTime Kids initiative, nearly $70,000 in grants were awarded to area organizations to fund 37 youth summer programs in Stark County, including Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital's All Sports Camp. This one-week sports camp will teach 40 third and fourth-graders from Patrick Elementary School about exercise, nutrition, healthy living, reading skills, sportsmanship and teamwork. Learn about other unique summer programs receiving support at **starkcf.org/stk2024**

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB EXPANDS INTO NEW SPACE

The Boys & Girls Club of Massillon recently moved into its new state-of-the-art facility featuring a double gymnasium, art space, multi-purpose classrooms, activity spaces, large kitchen, dining space and more. The nearly 30,000-square-foot building is filled with hundreds of students this summer who are attending the organization's summer camp, where students are engaging with technology, using their creativity for art projects and staying active through games and activities. Learn more about the Boys & Girls Club of Massillon at **massillonkids.org**





GOODWILL ADDS NEW MOBILE DONATION TRAILERS

The Goodwill Industries of Greater Cleveland and East Central Ohio recently expanded its pilot mobile donation center program from six units to 10, offering a convenient solution for individuals who would otherwise need to make multiple trips to a Goodwill store. Through this program, a 7' x 16' trailer unit is parked at an individual's home or business for up to seven days at no cost to be filled with donations of clothing, furniture, electronics and other household goods. Since launching in April 2023, the program has collected more than 92,000 pounds of donations. Learn more at **starkcf.org/goodwill**

OUR FAMILY TREE

12 charitable funds were established through Stark Community Foundation from January 1 through March 31, 2024.

Buser Family Foundation
DONOR ADVISED FUND

Michael Buser, CEO and founder of Teleradiology Consultants, LLC, and Jacqueline DiNapoli-Buser established a family foundation to deepen their philanthropy in Northeast Ohio and beyond. Their family foundation will focus on the needs of children and the values of respect, kindness and giving. The Buser Family Foundation will eventually be passed down to their daughter, Alexandra, a teacher in Plain Local Schools, to continue the Buser family legacy of giving.



Coss Family Charitable Foundation
DONOR ADVISED FUND

Dr. Steven Coss, an orthopedic surgeon, and Dr. Susan Coss, a practicing physician, created a charitable foundation to expand their philanthropic reach locally and beyond. Their foundation will eventually be passed down to their children – Catherine, Jennifer and Steven – continuing the family tradition of charitable giving and community support.

Friends of the Children's Network of Stark County Endowment Fund
ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Founded in 2004, the Friends of the Children's Network of Stark County provides financial support to the Children's Network of Stark County Child Advocacy Center, which provides a child-friendly environment with a collaborative approach to aid in the healing and pursuit of justice for children and their families coping with violence, sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and other traumas. This endowment fund guarantees continuous funding to help meet the ongoing needs of the Children's Network.



Golden Key Center Endowment Fund In Honor of Terry Frank
ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

The Golden Key Center for Exceptional Children created an endowment fund to commemorate the retirement of Terry Frank, Golden Key's co-founder and executive director. This fund will provide ongoing support for the growing nonprofit, charter, non-public special needs school dedicated to educating preschoolers through eighth graders with Autism and other developmental disabilities in Stark County and neighboring communities. A grateful donor, whose son and family experienced firsthand the life-changing impact of Terry's support, knowledge and patience, provided the seed money to establish this fund.



Lake Community Hope Scholarship Fund In Memory of Melissa, Renee, Amber and Evan
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

To honor the memory of Melissa, Renee, Amber and Evan, their family members came together to establish a scholarship fund dedicated to supporting the Lake Local Schools community; the district they all cherished, attended and actively participated in. This fund provides annual scholarship assistance to graduating seniors from Lake High School who have demonstrated exceptional engagement in extracurricular activities and community service beyond school—a true reflection of the values Melissa instilled in her children from an early age.

Louisville Public Library Endowment Fund
ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the Louisville Public Library, this endowment fund provides a stable stream of income to provide educational materials, technology and programming to help area residents stay connected and inspired. The fund's initial seed money was provided by the Six for 60: Endowment Fund Challenge, a community voting challenge in celebration of Stark Community Foundation's 60th anniversary, where Louisville Public Library was the winner of the Education category.



Virginia J. Roof Community Charitable Fund
COMMUNITY CHARITABLE FUND

Virginia Roof established this charitable fund as a way to give back to the community. A variety of charitable organizations throughout Stark County will benefit from her philanthropic spirit.



Cricket S. Scheurer Foundation
DONOR ADVISED FUND

Cricket Scheurer created a foundation to sustain her support for nonprofits and causes she cares about. With a community-focused mindset and ability to adapt, her philanthropic interests will likely evolve in response to the changing needs and opportunities of our society. Her foundation will eventually be passed down to her son, John (Jonathan) S. Russell IV, to foster their family's tradition of paying it forward.

SG Charitable Fund
CORPORATE DONOR ADVISED FUND

Solmet Group, a family-owned technology company deeply rooted in the community, created a corporate charitable fund to formalize its commitment to local philanthropy. Through the fund, the company aims to support area causes and nonprofits that actively contribute to the success of Stark County.

Wilderness Center Capital Campaign Endowment Fund
ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

This endowment fund was established by The Wilderness Center in 2024 to strategically grow support for the organization's current and future capital campaigns.

Wilderness Center Environmental Education Program Endowment Fund
ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by The Wilderness Center in 2024, this endowment fund ensures the organization's ability to provide a wide array of environmental education opportunities to the community in perpetuity.

Workforce Investment Council Endowment Fund
ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the Workforce Investment Council, this endowment fund provides a steady stream of income to support local workforce development and training programs that serve area businesses and prepare job seekers for meaningful and sustainable employment.

Thank you to the following advisors—Ryan Fulmer from Beese Fulmer Private Wealth Management, Todd Ruggles from 415 Group and Stacey Truelove from Edward Jones— for referring their clients to achieve their charitable goals with a fund at Stark Community Foundation this quarter.



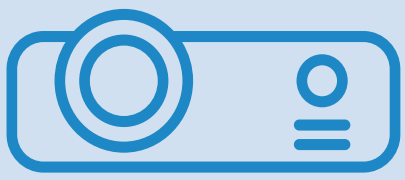
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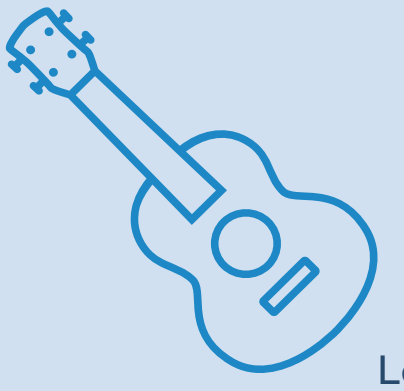
Play giant yard games

Play your favorite classic games while hanging out with family and friends outdoors, including **giant versions of Jenga, Tic-Tac-Toe and Connect Four.**

Turn your yard into an outdoor movie theater



Use a **Digital HD projector** for fun, work or school this summer. Create the ultimate movie night experience by projecting a show on your device onto the side of your house, a wall or a hanging sheet!



Learn a new instrument

Learn a new instrument for free with your library card! A new addition to the Library of Things is a **ukulele**, complete with an instruction book and access to training videos. You'll be strumming tunes in no time!



Access the internet on your roadtrip

Borrow a **WiFi hotspot**, a device that fits in your pocket, and have instant, high-speed internet access from almost anywhere you can get a cell signal.



Check on your energy usage

As the temperature rises over the summer months, so can your electric bill! Check out a **Kill-a-Watt Meter** from the library and be aware of any extra energy your appliances are using.

Take a closer look at the stars

Enjoy an out-of-this-world view with a **tabletop telescope**, or borrow a **tripod telescope** that has a convenient, portable base suitable for any adventure.



Learn more about borrowing these items and others at **starkcf.org/library-of-things**