In January 2011, The Community Foundation of North Central West Virginia (CFNCWWV) and the Greater Morgantown Community Trust (GMCT) were combined into a larger, more effective organization, Your Community Foundation (YCF). The Foundation manages assets and pledged assets of approximately $7 million and administers more than 100 endowment funds across the north-central counties of the state.

YCF Distributed Over $706,000 to Date in 2011

Supporting Our Community . . . by the Numbers

$56,000 Provided by the Arts Fund in operational support to member organizations through support from the City of Morgantown and the Douglas Tanner Memorial Arts Fund: (Arts Monongahela, Arts on the River Festival, Monongalia Arts Center, Morgantown Art Association, Morgantown Dance, Morgantown History Museum, Morgantown Theatre Company, M.T. Pockets Theatre Company)

$31,000 Provided by Arts on the River Festival Fund in support of the Festival

$2,314 Provided by the Bi-County Fund to the Bi-County Nutrition Program

$1,515 Provided by Leslie C. and Mildred M. Brooks - Union Mission Fund to the Union Mission of Fairmont

$6,156 Provided in grants by the Delynn Arts for Children Fund to Children’s Arts Programming through BOPARC

$6,400 Provided in grants by the Douglas H. Tanner Memorial Fund to visual and performing arts through The Arts Fund

$250,000 Grant from the DreamWorks Fund to UHS Athletic Facilities Fund

$21,050 From the Empty Bowls Monongalia Fund: First Presbyterian Church, Bartlett House, Inc., Rock Forge Presbyterian Church, St. Ursula Food Pantry and Outreach, St. John University Parish, Christian Help, Inc., Morgantown Community Kitchen, Catholic Charities of WV, Canyon Presbyterian Church, Clay-Battelle Area Family Service, Scott’s Run Settlement House, Covenant Evangelical Methodist Church and Cantas House, Inc.

$16,200 Provided in grants by the Elizabeth M. Brooks BrookFun Fund to the Union Mission of Fairmont

$1,000 From Friends of Track and Field Fund to the Jim Dunn Memorial Scholarship Fund

$362 Provided by the Highland Fund to the Clarksburg-Harrison Cultural Foundation

$2,000 In scholarships by the Mason Dixon Festival

$20,000 From the Miss West Virginia Scholarship Fund to the Miss WV Scholarship Organization

$2,700 From the Monongalia County Schools Special Programs Fund to Partners in Education and 8th Grade Career Fair

$21,589 From the Morgantown Baseball Association Fund in support of the Morgantown Baseball Association ages 4-17

$8,358 From the Morgantown High School Athletic Boosters

- Our Mission -

Where there’s a passion, an idea that addresses the needs of our community, there’s Your Community Foundation. Our donors lead and inspire philanthropic efforts that measurably improve the quality of life and prosperity of our region. Our mission is to make a difference now and in the generations that follow.
Morgantown business owners Laurence and Jean DeLynn created The DeLynn Scholarship through a one million dollar gift to the community foundation in 2007. Each year, two scholarships are granted to the children or grandchildren of the Morgantown employees and retirees of Mylan Laboratories. Each scholarship will provide up to $20,000 over a four-year period to fund an undergraduate education in a four-year degree program at an accredited college or university.

Jean DeLynn recently held a brunch for scholarship recipients. Pictured from left to right are Heather McLean, Jacob Kullman, Jean DeLynn, Adrianna Barbato and Bryce Cumpston, all attending WVU. Recipients not shown are Jamie Vankirk and Alyssa Weaver, also WVU, and Samuel Hearn, who is enrolled at California University of Pennsylvania.

Roger Lehosit, owner of MCM Business Systems in Nutter Fort, was awarded for his generous contributions to the Community Foundation of North Central West Virginia. MCM provided printing services for the non-profit foundation’s newsletter for more than five years.

The Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation has served West Virginia and Southwestern Pennsylvania since it was established in 1944 by Michael and Sarah Benedum.

The Morgantown Market Place Fund was established to administer funds to support building a covered, open-air pavilion located on the present site of the Farmers Market in downtown Morgantown. This covered pavilion will be lit, weatherproofed and available for community events outside of Market hours.

The 11th annual Arts on the River Festival, a fund of Your Community Foundation, was held on June 11th and 12th at Hazel Ruby McQuain Park. The AOTR festival featured visual artists in a variety of mediums, entertainment by outstanding performing artists, free arts oriented children’s activities and local cuisine and gourmet foods as well as wine tasting and WV craft breweries.

Volunteers Charlie Sims (current board president of Arts Monongahela and committee member of Arts on

YCF Announces New Funds

- Jacob David Bower – “Bower Power” – Memorial Scholarship Fund
- PFC Andrew Martin “Bo” Harper Memorial Fund
- Global Health Solutions Fund
- Harrison County Young Musicians Fund
- Marion County Patriot Flag Fund
- Mountain Loggers Cooperative Association- Log a Load for Kids© Fund, Children’s and Family’s Critical Needs Fund, and Scholarship Fund
- Village at Heritage Point Garden Fund

A $30,000 grant from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation will help Your Community Foundation (YCF) support costs associated with the merger of the Greater Morgantown Community Trust and the Community Foundation of North Central West Virginia, which combined to become YCF earlier this year. “This grant award came as very good news as we continue to make the transition into a larger, more effective regional organization,” said Beth Fuller, president of YCF.
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**2011 Scholarship Awards:**

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- $14,900 Miss West Virginia Pageant Scholarships
- $6,750 Hopeworks Scholarship
- $2,000 Jim Dunn Memorial Scholarship
- $1,000 Angela Shahan Memorial Scholarship
- $500 Joycelyn Ayersman Scholarship
- $1,750 Dr. Leo Kotchek Memorial Scholarship
- $500 John T. & Joann C. Wills Music Educators Scholarship
- $500 KHS Class of ’59 Scholarship
- $3,000 Charlotte and Mary Gail Koen Scholarship Endowment
- $500 Erin Marie Keener Nursing Scholarship Fund
- $1,000 Brandi K. Bowen Scholarship
- $300 William “Will” Charleton Bridges Memorial Scholarship
- $500 Seth Burton Memorial Scholarship
- $400 Devison Scholarship (in memory of Lillian Devison)
- $1,800 J. Cecil Jarvis Memorial Scholarship Fund
- $3,000 Scott Argabrite Scholarship

**Taylor County Charitable Fund has received a generous donation of $10,000.** “The Taylor County Charitable Fund is a permanent endowed fund which will continue in perpetuity. Unlike a one-time cash donation, it will continue to benefit our citizens by providing grants every year,” said Sally Harman, President of The Taylor County Community Funds. The TC Charitable Fund was established in 2009 and is an unrestricted fund of YCF. The endowed fund is invested to increase its value, and net income from the investments will be distributed annually for the benefit of Taylor County citizens.
"I knew that with a donor-advised fund, the non-profit Foundation would handle all of the administrative details of the endowment, fulfill all IRS tax requirements and related paperwork and conduct an annual audit on how the fund is being managed," Burton said. "I was relieved of that burden - and the costs associated with legal and accounting fees - that I would have carried by starting a family fund."

- J. Phillip Burton
  Independent Investment Advisor
  Investors Capital, Fairmont

Burton established an endowment fund with the Community Foundation of North Central West Virginia to memorialize his late son, Seth.

Amanda graduated from WVU School of Nursing in May 2009 after receiving a scholarship honoring Erin Keener, a fourth-year nursing student at WVU who was killed in a traffic accident in 2005.

"On the day I was presented with the scholarship, I met Erin's parents, Bill and Debbie, and talked about Erin's and my own high school and nursing schooling," Amanda says. "Erin and I both shared a love for the NICU. This scholarship meant more to me than any other I received."

-Amanda Dzielski

You are receiving this newsletter because you or someone you advise can bring a passion to life by starting a fund or giving to a charity at Your Community Foundation. Individuals, families, organizations and businesses have trusted YCF with their hearts and donations, whether it's supporting education or athletics, the homeless or the arts, a new animal shelter or a clean environment . . . there's no end to the good we can do.

Make a difference in the lives that follow . . . contact Beth Fuller, YCF President, today for information: 304-296-3433 or beth@ycfwv.org.