Michigan Gateway
community foundation

2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Fostering a community of philanthropy, for good, forever.
Dear Friends of the Foundation,

Thank you to our generous donors and contributors whose support means so much to the growth, enhancement, and wellbeing of the communities served by Michigan Gateway Community Foundation.

Thanks to a caring community, we had excellent financial support from 313 individuals, businesses, and organizations totaling $1,195,521.

We are proud of our support to the communities we serve. Significant among our grant activity was a partnership with Lakeland Health System to recruit a primary care physician to replace two retiring doctors in Buchanan. In Niles, we supported the very effective Summer My Way program and initiated a second round of support for the YMCA as they make plans to expand their facility to better serve the residents of the area. In Cass County, we help teach ALL second graders basic water safety skills, working with the YMCA, and we marked our second year as fiduciary for a $1.4 million groundwater study project, partnering with local growers and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

In these pages you will find many more grants listed, all examples of the breadth of support across our entire service area. Due to our giving friends, we made charitable grants to address the needs, interests and opportunities of the communities we serve, distributing $410,350 in grant support and scholarships.

With our strong community support we continue to grow and serve, holding 135 endowed and non-endowed funds from which we grant to make our communities better places to live, raise families and work.

On behalf of the Foundation’s Board of Trustees, and our area Boards from Buchanan, Niles, and Cass County, it is my distinct pleasure to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU for your continued support. Together we are fostering a community of philanthropy, for good, forever.

Robert N. Habicht
President/CEO
### 2017-2018 Grants

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<th>Grant Description</th>
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### About the Foundation

#### Vision Statement:
Creating a strong, vibrant, caring community.

#### Mission Statement:
Fostering a community of philanthropy, for good, forever.

In support of our mission, the Foundation seeks to:

- Responsibly and wisely manage the Foundation’s resources by attracting and holding permanent endowments from a wide range of donors.
- Anticipate and address community needs by effectively distributing Foundation resources.
- Serve all donors through a variety of giving opportunities. Bring together diverse interests in search of common solutions.
- Dedicate the Foundation to fairness, objectivity, and responsiveness to all those seeking its philanthropic services.

#### Statement of Accountability
We invite you to contact us to obtain any further information that may be useful to you. The Michigan Gateway Community Foundation is fully accountable to the donors and citizens of the community. Our records, with the exception of specific donor gift information, are public. An independent financial audit is completed annually and is available upon request. The Foundation will also make our Form 990-T (Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return) available for public review. The Foundation’s Board of Trustees is responsible for the investment oversight on our portfolio. Investment information and fees charged (administrative fees) are available to the public upon request.

Since the creation of voluntary compliance with National Standards in 2006, Michigan Gateway Community Foundation has been confirmed each year to be in compliance with National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations, as evaluated by the Council of Foundations, Washington, D.C.

Additional information can be found on the web, at www.guidestar.org
### Statement of Financial Position
March 31, 2018 (With comparative totals for 2017)

#### ASSETS

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#### LIABILITIES & ASSETS

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#### NET ASSETS

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<td><strong>18,724,897</strong></td>
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#### 2017-2018 Grants

- **Western Michigan University**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $5,000.00
- **University of Michigan**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,500.00
- **Hope College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **Lake Michigan College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $500.00
- **Albion College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **IU South Bend**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **University of Michigan**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $5,000.00
- **Grand Valley State University**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **Southern Wesleyan University**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Western Michigan University**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $5,000.00
- **Alma College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Southwestern Michigan College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **Michigan Tech University**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Kalamazoo College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **Hope College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Southwestern Michigan College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Kalamazoo College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **IUPUI**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Eastern Michigan University**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $2,000.00
- **Southwestern Michigan College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **IU South Bend**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
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- **Southwestern Michigan College**
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- **IU South Bend**
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- **Kalamazoo College**
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- **POC**
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- **Eastern Michigan University**
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- **Kalamazoo College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
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- **Grand Valley State University**
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- **Michigan Tech University**
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- **IU South Bend**
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- **IU South Bend**
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- **Southwestern Michigan College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
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- **IU South Bend**
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- **IU South Bend**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00
- **Southwestern Michigan College**
  - Scholarship for the benefit of J. Vincent
  - $1,000.00

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Arts, Culture, Humanities
Buchanan Art Center
Annual Agency Grant $3,600.00
Buchanan Art Center
Art Experiences for Disabled Individuals $5,000.00

Community Improvement/Capacity Building
Lake Michigan College
Bertrand Crossing Campus Renovation Pledge $10,000.00
Underground Railroad Society of Cass County
Bonneville House Research Library $1,000.00
City of Buchanan
Roof Renovation - Clark Guard House $7,500.00
Buchanan District Library
To Support the Library Expansion Project - Front St. entrance $1,400.00

Education/Instruction
Lewis Cass Intermediate School District
Annual Agency Grant $1,055.00
HomeSchool Hub
Annual Agency Grant $400.00
Buchanan Community Schools
Michigan Big Bend Love Grows B/2 $550.00
Buchanan Community Schools
Michigan BHS Senior Gift Classroom Fans $550.00
Brandyswine Community Schools
Michigan Brandyswine Summer RRM Program $500.00
Buchanan Community Schools
BHS DPI Equipment & Training Materials $4,000.00
Brandyswine Community Schools
Brandyswine High School Key Club Start Up $600.00
Barnes & Noble College Bookellers, LLC
Buchanan Pressco LMC Students $449.47
Kiwami Club of Niles
2007 Scholarships $1,000.00
Niles Community Schools
Michigan Big Bend to NTHS 20th Grade Road & Feed $100.00
Niles Community Schools
Michigan Big Bend to RMS Yearbook Club $315.00
Buchanan Community Schools
Michigan Big Bend Mosaic Elementary Indoor Activity $250.00
Niles Community Schools
Purchase music for NHS & RIMES concert & jazz programs $1,000.00
Purdue University Northwest
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Luttenberger $5,000.00
University of Michigan
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Mikailoff $1,100.00
IU South Bend
Scholarship for the benefit of E. Barnes $2,500.00
Gary Lee Laffey Bull Riding School
Scholarship for the benefit of H. Croucher $1,200.00
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of J. Smith $1,000.00
Barnes & Noble College Bookellers, LLC
Scholarship for the benefit of L. Capponi $71.18
University of Michigan
Scholarship for the benefit of L. Higgins $1,000.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of M. Bergan $1,000.00
Western Michigan University
Scholarship for the benefit of M. Knuts $500.00
Michigan State University
Scholarship for the benefit of T. Reed $6,000.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of T. Tyler $175.00
Lanera Community College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Black $2,500.00
Grand Valley State University
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Brown $1,000.00
Grand Valley State University
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Castor $1,500.00
University of Michigan
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Grant $2,000.00
Indiana State University
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Hall $4,000.00
Trinity University
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Jasper $1,000.00
Central Michigan University
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Jones $2,500.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Muen $500.00
Ferris State University
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Popkes $2,685.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Stephenson $1,250.00
Adrian College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Tober $3,500.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. Vash $1,000.00
Atkins College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. White $1,250.00
Saint Mary's College
Scholarship for the benefit of A. White $1,250.00
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of B. Anderson $3,894.78
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of B. Gartine $1,246.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of B. Mitchell $1,000.00
Glen Oaks Community College
Scholarship for the benefit of B. Mullberg $1,250.00
Trinity University
Scholarship for the benefit of B. Weaver $2,500.00
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Alten $1,250.00
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Akin $1,125.00
Purdue University Northwest
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Armstrong $5,000.00
Grand Valley State University
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Cartwright $6,700.00
Western Michigan University
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Cowell $1,000.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Freeman $1,250.00
Glen Oaks Community College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Hart $1,250.00
Purdue University Northwest
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Kenny $5,400.00
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Scholarship for the benefit of C. King $5,000.00
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Laskowski $1,000.00
Hope College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Posauskis $1,000.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Strous $1,275.00
Michigan State University
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Wachter $2,700.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Ackschall $2,000.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of C. Armmint $1,750.00
Ferris State University
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Bagnall $1,000.00
Southwestern Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Barnow $1,250.00
Lake Michigan College
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Bissell $1,250.00
Michigan State University
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Czarnik $4,500.00
Michigan State University
Scholarship for the benefit of D. Deubner $1,400.00

Statement of Activities

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2018 (With Comparative totals for 2017)

PUBLIC SUPPORT

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REVENUES

| Administrative fee revenue | 270,474 | 270,474 | 202,927 |
| Interfund and grant refunds | 111,726 | 111,726 | 37,192 |
| Special project and grant income | 202,349 | 202,349 | 411,296 |
| Dividend and interest income | 509,528 | 509,528 | 325,479 |
| Realized gains (losses) | 358,619 | 358,619 | 316,408 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | 861,714 | 861,714 | 577,604 |
| Other income | (144) | (144) | (4,573) |
| Amount valuation income | 671 | 671 | 627 |
| Net assets released from restriction | 136,446 | (136,446) | |
| Total revenues | 2,248,263 | 66,574 | 2,314,937 | 1,866,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUES | 3,443,884 | 66,574 | 3,510,458 | 10,430,413 |

EXPENDITURES

| Program services | 1,521,875 | 1,521,875 | 1,008,530 |
| Management and general | 88,809 | 88,809 | 80,655 |
| Fundraising | 63,961 | 63,961 | 69,054 |
| Total expenditures | 1,674,645 | 1,674,645 | 1,156,239 |
| CHANGE IN NET ASSETS | 1,769,239 | 66,574 | 1,835,813 | 9,274,174 |
| NET ASSETS, beginning of year | 16,888,781 | | 16,889,084 | 7,014,910 |
| NET ASSETS, end of year | 18,658,020 | 66,574 | 18,724,697 | 16,889,084 |

The prudent investment of assets is a primary function of the Michigan Gateway Community Foundation Board of Trustees. The Foundation invests in a varied portfolio which results in our annual investment returns. The above financial information has been prepared using information contained in the Foundation’s annual audit for the year ended March 31, 2016. The current year audit, along with the IRS form 990 tax return for Michigan Gateway Community Foundation is available to the public. Contact the Foundation office to request either or both these documents. A small fee may apply.
Dear Friends of the Foundation,

Last year, we documented in this space the story of the most significant endeavor by Michigan Gateway Community Foundation, The Buchanan Promise. Having implemented what we feel will impact the Foundation and the Buchanan Schools for generations, we have embarked upon a parallel path, and have implemented the Promise’s Children’s Savings Account, called Kickstart to Career.

Kickstart to Career is an automatic, universal savings account established by the Foundation for every kindergarten student beginning their time at Buchanan Community Schools. The goals of the program are to provide an early start to saving for a postsecondary education experience, to generate a habit of savings for the future, to assist families with financial planning goals through education and information, and to create an expectation in our students of a postsecondary experience leading to a successful and happy career.

This program begins with our new students, the graduating class of 2031. We couldn’t do these great things without our outstanding Promise volunteers.

The Story of the Buchanan Promise

Part two

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Often, caring people remember Michigan Gateway Community Foundation in their wills, but are not recognized for their gifts to their favorite charitable cause until they pass away. The Legacy Society was created to acknowledge people who have made a bequest and give their permission to the Foundation to use their names to encourage others to act charitably during their lifetimes.

Building on the foresight of our founding members, these people have made endowment gifts totaling more than $10,000, or have notified the Foundation of a planned gift through their estate, or via a charitable gift annuity, charitable remainder trust, or similar planned gift vehicle.

Thank you for including Michigan Gateway Community Foundation in your charitable gift plan!

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