Noble County Community Foundation (NCCF) Annual Report 2016

The Noble County Community Foundation completed its eleventh full year of operations in 2016, following its January 2005 founding. The Board of Directors currently includes Judy McMullen; President, Shawn Ray; Vice-President, and board members Mike Buckey, John Cline, Joy Flood, Andrea Hurst, Sherri Starr, Don Ullmann, and Jim Warren. Mike Lloyd serves as Secretary.

Grants and Funds Received

Both NCCF funds had solid growth in the 2016 investment year. The unrestricted fund grew from \$36,014.09 on 1/1/16 to \$41,023.22 on 12/31/16 for a growth of \$5,009.13 or 13.9 percent. Major 2016 donations included \$3,043.70 from the Brienza Family Scholarship fund which was liquidated in 2016, \$1000 from Interim Health which will fund a health care related scholarship in 2017, and \$105 in donations from Nancy Snook, Beverly Kelbaugh, Janine Yeske and Bob and Patty Nau in honor of Mike Lloyd's retirement.

The NCCF Scholarship Fund grew from \$95,675.72 on 1/1/16 to \$102,748.70 on 12/31/16 an increase of \$7,072.98 or 7.4 percent. With the ending of the Brienza fund, the NCCF scholarship fund received a \$3,500 donation. Together the unrestricted fund and the scholarship fund grew from \$131,669.81 to \$143,771.92, an increase of \$12,081.81 or 9.2%.

Scholarships

NCCF Scholarships of \$750 each were awarded at the Noble County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting to Katrina Harper from Caldwell HS and Emily Smith from Shenandoah HS.Including awards made from the Edmund James Scholarship Fund beginning in 1991, fiftyone student scholarships have been awarded worth \$23,000.

Grants Made

The NCCF awarded four grants from its unrestricted fund in 2016 totaling \$1,475.

- \$325 to Guernsey Noble United Way for an exercise program at Noble Local School,
- \$325 to OSU Extension for a rain barrel project at their raised bed gardens,
- \$325 to the Lutheran Social Services to support the Caldwell Food Pantry, and
- \$500 to the Pleasant City Food Pantry to provide operating funds.

The NCCF has awarded \$17,225 to forty-eight projects since its founding.

The \$1000 grant received by the NCCF in 2015 from AEP was used to update the NCCF's website and extending its domain name and hosting agreement. The site has been renewed for five years and a new webpage came on line in early 2016.

The Future

The NCCF board of trustees continues to work to develop its existing funds and to develop new ones, all with the goal of using these funds to be a positive force for the future of the county. Additional information on the Noble County Community Foundation can be found at the NCCF website at www.nccfohio.org, by contacting NCCF board members or Mike Lloyd, Board Secretary at lloyd.4@osu.edu or calling 740-483-1602.