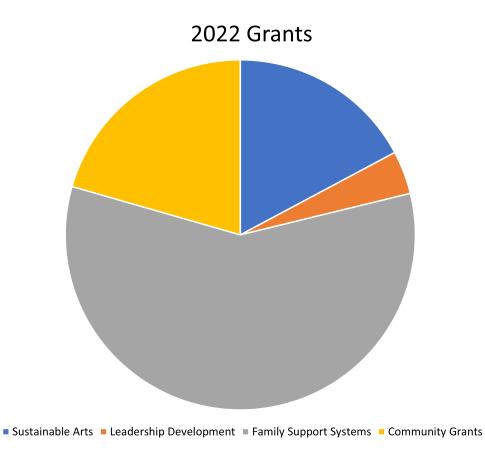


ANNUAL REPORT 2022

We envision a vibrant, progressive community where everyone belongs and everyone thrives.



46 Grants invested in our community totaling \$469,594.91

Reflections from our Board Chair

On behalf of the Marilyn and William Young Foundation, I want to thank all of our partners in the Owensboro/Daviess County community who work with us each year, helping us in our mission of community enrichment through the continuing generous legacy of Marilyn and Bill Young.

This first full year "out of Covid" we were able to get back on track with our assessments and giving to regular community growth needs in lieu of full concentration on COVID emergency assistance. We were able to implement our Leadership Initiative as well as our staff and board training for non-profit organizations. We are excited about the long-term benefits we feel will accrue from having fully-trained volunteer boards guiding our community organizations. We have also spearheaded a philanthropy roundtable which allows leaders of similar organizations to meet on a regular basis and share information about community needs they have pinpointed and are working to fulfill. Hopefully, this collaboration will help to correct overlaps or gaps in service as we all go forward with the mission of community enrichment.

If you are not familiar with the work we do, I hope you will take the time to look through this publication and learn of the programs we have funded this year.

Joe Overby, who has served in many roles with The Foundation over the last 18 years, including Chairman in 2019 and 2020, will be stepping down this year, as will I. I am so appreciative for the opportunity to serve my hometown from afar for the last 6 years as a member and the last two year's as Chair of the Marilyn and William Young Foundation.

As a board, we have established the goal of bringing in the next generation of leaders to assume our seats at the table. Owensboro/Daviess County is so fortunate to have this dedicated group of professionals, so selflessly giving of their time to be stewards and allocators of the funds available from The Foundation.

As always, we welcome any input you might have about our mission and projects.

Sincerely,

Jane Miller Haase, Board Chair 2021-2022

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Our Grantee Partners:

Alma Randolph Charitable Foundation Beverly's Hearty Slice Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame and Museum Boulware Mission—2 grants Breaking the Cycle **CASA Catholic Charities** The Center Center for Nonprofit Excellence Civic Engagement Institute Community Dental Clinic Crossroads Homeless Shelter Daniel Pitino Shelter **Encore Musicals** Family Y Foundation for Appalachian KY Fresh Start for Women Friends of Sinners Girls Inc. Girlscouts of Kentuckiana

Goodfellows Club

Grantmakers of Kentucky

The Help Office—2 grants

H.L. Neblett Center
International Center of Owensboro
Junior Achievement
Kentucky Nonprofit Network
Kentucky Wesleyan College
Leadership Kentucky Foundation
Leadership Owensboro
Meadowlands Elementary School—
(All Kids Bike Safety Program)
My Sister's Keeper
New Beginnings Sexual Assault Support
Owensboro Community and
Technical College
Owensboro Museum of Science
& History

Foundation for Excellence—3 grants
Owensboro Regional Recovery
Owensboro Symphony Orchestra
Puzzle Pieces
Philanthropy Southeast
St. Benedict's Homeless Shelter
Through Sleet's Eyes Festival

Owensboro Public Schools—



The Bluegrass Music Museum and Hall of Fame was granted multi-year funding to launch their Bluegrass Music Academy.



A \$500,000 grant was awarded to the Western Kentucky Botanical Garden for their Pathway to Growth Capital Campaign.

This gift will launch the design and build of the Pavilion which will be utilized for school trips and private rentals.



My Sister's Keeper Women's Shelter was given funds to remodel their kitchen and bathroom facilities in order to ensure occupancy in 2023.



A grant was awarded to Meadowlands Elementary to launch the All Kids Bike program, which teaches basic skills and bike safety.







Our Foundation continued our partnership with the Green River Area Community Foundation, the United Way of the Ohio Valley and other donors to implement the Covid-19 Response Fund.

\$1,101,761.85 was raised for the fund and 104 grants awarded to regional nonprofits.

This coalition of philanthropy, government, and business partners united to rapidly deploy resources to community-based organizations at the frontlines of Western Kentucky's current Covid-19 pandemic. Led by a partnership between United Way of the Ohio Valley and the Green River Area Community Foundation, the fund provided valuable assistance to organizations providing life-saving services to people in the Green River Area Development District region who were disproportionately impacted by Covid-19 and the economic consequences of the outbreak. We were pleased to be a partner in this essential funding initiative from 2020-2022.



Melissa Wells Ashby Administrative Coordinator

Welcome New Staff

Melissa Wells Ashby joined our team this year and has proven to be a vital contributor to our work.

She recently retired as an English teacher from Apollo High School and her family consists of her husband Pete and children Caroline and Thomas.



Nonprofit Board and Staff Training

In 2022, we implemented a primary strategy of our Leadership Initiative by offering training sessions for nonprofit organizations to strengthen their capacity and effectiveness.

In April, 120 participants were trained for Best Practices in Board Governance and Scenario Based Training in Challenging Times at Brescia University during two sessions.

A second training opportunity was offered in December at Kentucky Wesleyan College when 140 participants were introduced to Succession Planning and provided templates to create a document for their organization.

These sessions offered time for networking and learning from other colleagues.

The Green River Area Community Foundation,
United Way of the Ohio Valley, and both host
institutions were tremendous partners
for us in this endeavor.



Kevin Connelly with the CNPE.



Ed Cortas with the CNPE.

Retiring Board Members

Please join us in expressing gratitude to our retiring Board Members,

Jane Miller Haase and Joe Overby.

Both have been passionate, diligent, and astute in their leadership.

They each served as Board Chair during their tenure leading us through a strategic plan which has positioned our organization for new growth and strategies.

Jane has served on the Board since 2017 and Joe since 2005.

We wish them all the best and thank them for their friendship to The Foundation.





Our Mission:

We are a capacity-building resource: opening minds, supporting the development of new skills, and linking efforts to ensure economic opportunity, well being, and prosperity for our citizens.

Our Guiding Principles:

Excellence * Partnerships * Accountability * Integrity

Daisy James was awarded the
Bill Young Community Leadership Award at the
2022 Chamber of Commerce Annual Celebration in January.

Daisy was born and raised in Owensboro. She was one of a handful of Black students to integrate Owensboro High School in the late 50s. During her career at the Green River Area Health Department, she was the first person of color appointed to the Owensboro Municipal Utilities Board where she courageously led the effort to hire more minorities in civil service positions there. Daisy is a true community servant serving on the Boards of Audubon Area Community Services, the Owensboro Human Relations Commission, and the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra. Daisy's passion and tireless advocacy makes her a true leader in our community.



From left to right:

Daisy James
Candance Castlen Brake
Sara Hemingway
Dave Kirk
Clay Ford



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