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Mission

The Rhode Island Foundation is a proactive community and philanthropic leader dedicated to meeting the needs of the people of Rhode Island.
Dear Friends,

We’re excited to share the 2023 Annual Report with you and hope that you find it to be a useful reflection on a year of transition, future planning, and impressive growth and impact.

As you’ll see throughout this book, the team at the Foundation ably balanced effective grantmaking, inspiring philanthropy, and listening and learning from the Rhode Islanders we serve during a transformative time.

Last year, thanks to the generosity of our donors, we were pleased to award a record $89 million in grants to approximately 2,500 nonprofit organizations; two-thirds of which were donor-directed, and one-third of which was directed through the Foundation’s community investments programs. On page 8 you will find an illustration of how those grant dollars were allocated by subject matter to meet need throughout the State, and you will see just how much alignment there is between the grants that our team is responsible for and those that our donors direct. Together, we are making an incredible impact.

Our team continues to focus on careful endowment stewardship, and we have weathered market fluctuations quite well. At the end of 2023, total assets stood at approximately $1.4 billion, and our total fund investment return for the year was 14.2 percent. In addition, we raised $46 million in gifts.

As we continue to assess the Foundation’s fundraising, grantmaking, and programmatic efforts, we have also focused on gathering input from the community to inform our future focus. We have gathered perspective through a series of research efforts, by crisscrossing the state to visit grantees and donors, hosting sector-specific convenings and open community conversations. Throughout, we have clearly heard the call to do more to address the state’s housing crisis, mitigate the persistent root causes of inequity, support climate action efforts, and help communities form stronger connections to civic life. All that we have learned also reinforces that we should continue to focus on strengthening our education system for children of all ages, improving health and wellbeing, and ensuring that economic success is a reality for all Rhode Islanders.

As we evolve, we recognize that our approach to inspiring philanthropy and service within the Rhode Island community must speak to the next generation of changemakers. For more than a century, we have been a trusted, stable community chest—but we must also be nimble, innovative, creative, and impact-driven.

Later this year we will share more about all we’ve learned and about how we plan to intentionally put that into practice in our grantmaking, beyond-grantmaking, and development efforts to catalyze generosity and action across our state.

Thank you for your partnership and for your trust in the Foundation. We are deeply grateful to the generous Rhode Islanders who partner with us to turn their philanthropy into a powerful force for good, and to the dedicated nonprofits who serve our community.

All the best,
David & Al

David N. Cicilline  
President and CEO

G. Alan Kurose MD, MBA, FACP  
Chairman of the Board
January 2023
Teachers of Color Reception

To address the diversity gap between students and teachers in Providence, the Providence Public Schools set out in 2021 to recruit approximately 25 new teachers of color a year for five years, with student loan repayment as a benefit. Full-time teachers who identify as Black, Asian, Indigenous, Latino or multi-racial are eligible.

The Foundation supports the district’s student loan repayment program with funding from generous donors who understand that the benefits of a diverse faculty are well documented. Research confirms that when taught by a teacher of color, students of color experience higher reading and math test scores, higher graduation rates, decreased dropout and discipline rates, and increased enrollment in advanced courses. Students of color represent 80% of the district’s enrollment while just 20% of teachers make up minority groups. We’re deeply appreciative of the generosity of our donors in helping to attract more educators of color to serve Providence’s diverse student population.

In January we brought together teachers from the first two program cohorts, along with donors and team members to talk about progress made in diversifying the teacher workforce in Providence Schools.
2023 in numbers

The Rhode Island Foundation awarded a record $89 million in grants to approximately 2,500 nonprofit organizations in 2023.

About two-thirds of the grants were directed by the Foundation’s donors; and approximately one-third were Foundation-directed.

Over 60% of the total grant dollars awarded in 2023 went to organizations supported by both donor-directed and Foundation-directed grants. This alignment in funding demonstrates shared priorities between the Foundation and our donors.

2023 Foundation-directed Grants by Sector:

- **Total** $33,776,241

  - Healthy Lives 28.8%
  - Educational Success 17.6%
  - Basic Human Needs 17.1%
  - Children & Family 7.3%
  - Other 7.5%
  - Housing 7.2%
  - Environment 2.0%
  - Arts & Culture 3.7%
  - Animal Welfare 1.6%
Discretionary Grantmaking 2023 by County:

- Providence County **69.3%**
  Percent of state’s population: 60.5%
- Kent County **10%**
  Percent of state’s population: 15.6%
- Bristol County **1.5%**
  Percent of state’s population: 4.6%
- Newport County **7.8%**
  Percent of state’s population: 7.5%
- Washington County **7.4%**
  Percent of state’s population: 11.8%
- Outside* **4%**

*The majority of these grants are scholarships for Rhode Island students attending college out-of-state.
The African Alliance of Rhode Island, founded by Julius Kolawole in 2004, was among the 19 grant recipients of the Black Philanthropy Bannister Fund, started at the Rhode Island Foundation in 2007. Julius, who has lived in the United States for 40 years, recognizes the need to assist and connect the growing number of African immigrants and refugees settling in our state.

Julius sees community gardens as one of these connectors. “In 2012, I thought it was time to try these kinds of vegetables in the farmers’ market—we didn’t have enough produce to meet the demand. It was a major success.” As a result, the organization has acquired more funding and more land for a higher yield.

In 2023, the Black Philanthropy Bannister Fund made $110,000 in grants to nonprofits serving the state’s Black community.
The world continues to change, and Rhode Island’s needs are going to change with it. Thank you to the 2023 Fund for Rhode Island contributors who show an appreciation for flexible long-term philanthropy and a desire to meet the evolving needs of the place we all call home.
Anonymous (10)
Anonymous in honor of the doctors that help the homeless in RI
Mark and Kathleen Alperin Fund
Patty and Melvin G. Alperin Fund
Mark and Christina Braun
Burke Bryant Family Fund
Cynthia Buxton
William and Jill Caskey
Eileen Cavanagh
Charities Aid Foundation of America
Jeanne and David Cox
Cornelis and Kathryn de Boer
Wendi B. DeClercq and Raymond R. DeClercq, Jr.
David Dugas
Marilyn and David Ferkinhoff
Muriel Ria Flood 1998 Declaration of Trust
Gates Team A Teachers in honor of Dori Read, and in memory of Doris Farrar—an artist, a sailor, a lover of nature and a dreamer.

Danielle Germanowski
The Robert & Lisbeth Gett Giving Fund
Barry and Phyllis Gilbert
Richard J. Gladney Charitable Endowment Fund
Louis Hafken, M.D. and Lee Ann Johnston
Harvey Family Fund
Mark and Deborah Jennings
Judith Alperin King and Timothy King
Catherine Larson-Morin in memory of Robert Maynard
Joseph Light
Bhikhaji Maneckji Fund
Shannon Massaroco in honor of the Rhode Island Foundation
Michelle Maynard in memory of Robert E. Maynard
Tony Mendez
Paul O’Donnell
Linda Ohsberg
Michael G. Patch
Nina Eichacker and Johann Patlak
Anne M. Pearson
Garry and Virginia Plunkett
Joanne Pozzo in honor of Mr. David Cicilline, President and CEO, Rhode Island Foundation and former Representative to the U.S. Congress
Whitney Priest
David Salvatore
Edward Sneesby
Frank and Sandra Spadazzi
Robert Spear in honor of the Spear Family
Anita L. Stafford Charitable Lead Trust
Peter and Celeste Tudino
Vogel, Califano, Dimase, Iannuccilli Fund
The Weatherlow Foundation
Coleman B. Zimmerman Memorial Fund
Samuel Zwetchkenbaum
Today's design

- How can we improve the drip pan?
- How can we connect the systems together?
March 2023
Long Term Education Planning Committee

With its focus on establishing a world class education system in Rhode Island, the Long Term Education Planning Committee—convened five years ago by the Foundation—outlined a policy framework to offer legislative strategies for implementation.

Michael DiBiase, president and CEO of the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council and co-chair of the policy subcommittee, says that Rhode Island “must establish incentives to recruit and retain a diverse, qualified teaching force, provide resources for high quality professional development..., and have adequate funding to meet the needs of all students.”

The Committee also recommends amending Article XII (the Education Article) of the state constitution to define public education as “a fundamental right of all Rhode Island residents.”
April 2023
ARPA Funds

Within six months, the Foundation got $20 million circulating throughout the state—the single largest pool of grants in our 107-year-history. State leaders tapped the Foundation to distribute the funding from Rhode Island’s $1.1 billion share of the federal American Rescue Plan Act allocation for COVID-19 recovery.

In April, the Foundation completed the undertaking—240 nonprofits working in food security, housing, and behavioral health have been enabled to continue serving communities where need is the highest. Many of the organizations were still reeling from the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

House Speaker K. Joseph Shekarchi thanked the Foundation “for getting this critical funding out the door so quickly...supporting Rhode Islanders as we collectively get back on our feet and move forward.”
"The challenges in front of us are many times brutally simple to identify and very difficult to solve. We need to break them down, work together, think big and act boldly, focused on solutions. The social and economic will needs to overcome the political will. We can be empathetic and understanding while maintaining high expectations. And then you will be surprised and impressed by what we can all do...”

—Neil D. Steinberg, former President & CEO, Rhode Island Foundation
More than a decade ago—early in Neil Steinberg’s tenure at the Foundation—we established the Civic Leadership Fund—an annual fund that allows us the flexibility to push beyond traditional grantmaking efforts to take real-time opportunities and challenges head on.

The establishment of that Fund and the work we can do, thanks to the generous support of our donors, has increased our influence as the state’s community foundation, and even more importantly has made a real impact on civic efforts across the state.

Whether it was convening a summit to spur economic recovery after the Great Recession, funding efforts to increase Census participation, leading long-term health, and long-term education planning, working with partners and the community to structure a proposal for use of American Rescue Plan Act dollars, or encouraging action on housing and homelessness—civic leadership has become a Rhode Island Foundation calling card.

In 2023 we renamed this fund the Steinberg Civic Leadership Fund in honor of his retirement and 15 years of leadership at the Rhode Island Foundation. We thank those who supported our civic leadership efforts in 2023. This work creates a stronger, more vibrant community; encourages collaboration to solve important issues, seizes emerging opportunities, and funds valuable research.
2023 Steinberg Civic Leadership Fund Donors

Anonymous (4)
Adrienne Adeyemi
Lorne A. Adrain Fund for Community Leadership
AICU Rhode Island
in honor of Congressman David Cicilline’s Retirement
Michael and Kirstin Allio
The Grace K. and Wesley S. Alpert Charitable Foundation
in honor of Neil Steinberg
The Warren Alpert Foundation
Amica Companies Foundation
Berndt Anderson
Angela Ankoma
Kerri L. Anzivino, Esq.
Applegate Fund
Bank of America
Bank of America Charitable Foundation, Inc.
Bridget Baratta
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Chris and Susanna Barnett
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island
Community Health Fund
Karen and Leon Boghossian III, Esq.
Raymond and Brenda Bolster
in honor of Neil
Bosman Family Fund
Brown University
in honor of Neil
Burke Bryant Family Fund
Marjorie W. and George B. Bullock, Jr. Fund
Fred and Joyce Butler
Richard and Louise Carriere
Carter Fund
William and Jill Caskey

Elizabeth Z. Chace Fund
Paul and Libba Choquette
Citizens Bank of Rhode Island
Coastal Credit Union
Sharon Collier
Ann F. Conner
Connors and Murphy Family Fund
Marianna L. Crawford
Daugherty Family Fund
Jessica David
in honor of Neil Steinberg
DCG Synergy Fund
Maria DeCarvalho and A.T. Wall in honor of Neil!
Carol and Richard J. DeRienzo
David and Elaine DeSousa Family Fund
Kimberly and Bradford Dimeo
Melissa R. DuBose
Julie and Jon Duffy
Charles and Nancy Dunn Family Fund
Dan Egan
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Jonathan and Ruth Fain Fund
Malcolm Farmer III, Esq. in honor of Neil Steinberg
Carrie Bridges Feliz and Ruben Feliz
Fidelity Investments
Joseph and Roberta Fisler
Paul Follett
Frueh Family Charitable Account
Genesys Consulting Associates
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Louis Giancola and Pamela C. High, MD
Gilbert Charitable Fund
Gail A. Ginnetty
Richard J. Gladney Charitable Endowment Fund
Richard Glenn III
Robert H. I. Goddard and Hope Drury Goddard Fund
The Honorable Maureen McKenna Goldberg
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Carol Golden and Stuart Einhorn
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Leon and Barbara Goldstein Fund
Henry Gonsalves Family Fund
George Graboys Leadership Fund
Lois W. and George Graboys Family Fund,
“In memory of George Graboys, who recognized Neil’s
tremendous capabilities and knew what an asset he would
be to The Foundation and to the State of Rhode Island.”
Haffenreffer Family Fund
Ned and Polly Handy
Ann-Marie Harrington
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Harvey Family Fund
Hayes & Sherry Real Estate Services
Hinckley, Allen & Snyder LLP
in honor of Neil Steinberg
David and Hope Hirsch
Barry and Kathleen Hittner Fund
Allen and Katharine Howland-Gammell Family Fund
The Helen Hudson Foundation
Meghan Hughes and Kimball Mayer
in honor of Neil!
Imperial 718 Fund
Alison and Ryan Jackson
Constance Jordan
Bruce Keeler
Daniel Kertzner in honor of Neil Steinberg
Hank Kniskern
Sharon and Al Kurose
Adam and Phyllis Kurzer Family Fund
Marie Langlois and John Loerke
Philip Leis
Eunice and Harold Levene Family
Memorial Donor Advised Fund
Edward Levine and Isabella Porter
Carl and Maryann Lisa Family Charitable Fund
Local Initiatives Support Corporation
Kathy and Brian MacLean Fund
Kathleen and Ed Malin
Liz Manchester and Partridge, Snow, & Hahn, LLP
Mancini Family Fund
Mandel & Tracy, LLC
Bhikhaji Maneckji Fund
Maranatha Fund
Ruth and Samuel Markoff Fund
Shannon Massaroco in honor of the RI Foundation
Matthews-Kennedy Family Fund
Frederick R. Mattis
Dorothy S. McCluskey Fund
in honor of Neil
McConnell Family Fund
Samuel M. and Ann S. Mencoff Foundation
in honor of Neil Steinberg
Meridian Printing
Peter Miniati in recognition of Neil S’s Service to our neighbors.
Dorothy Carol Mitchell Charitable Fund
Theresa Moore in memory of Clifton A. Moore & Joan D. Moore
Nicholas C. and Allison M. Moore Fund
Russell Morin Fine Catering Fund
Murray Family Charitable Foundation “in honor of your retirement and to thank you for all you have done to strengthen the RI Foundation and its positive impact on RI citizens.”

Mutual of America

Erik Anders Nelson and Sanaa Nelson

Jane S. Nelson in honor of Neil Steinberg

NetCenergy

Paula and Robert O’Brien

Ali Dunn Packer Memorial Fund

Lauren Paola

Partnership for Rhode Island

Pearlman Charitable Fund

Anne M. Pearson

Christine Pellegri and Miguel Rojas

Peter Phillips in honor of retiring President and CEO Neil Steinberg.

Pledgeling Foundation in memory of Dorothy Licht

Porter Braden Fund

Prime Buchholz, LLC

Providence Performing Arts Center in honor of Neil Steinberg

Residential Properties, Ltd. in honor of Neil Steinberg

Kelly Riley

Henry and Jan Rines Fund

Janet L. Robinson

Fred Roses and Deidre Brown Charitable Fund

Mark and Donna Ross

Anne and Bob Rothenberg in honor of Neil Steinberg, this gift is a salute to him, and all that the RIF does.

Rykat Fund in honor of Neil’s retirement

George M. and Barbara H. Sage Fund

Saint Elizabeth Community in recognition of Neil’s retirement and as a symbol of our gratitude for all the RI Foundation has accomplished under his leadership

Jim and Erika Sanzi in honor of Neil Steinberg

Paul Silver and Katherine Haspel in honor of Neil Steinberg

Arthur P. Solomon

Joan and Paul Sorensen in honor of Neil

Linda A. Steere and Edward R. DiLuglio Fund

Neil Steinberg and Eugenia Shao

Cynthia Stewart Reed in honor of Neil Steinberg

Elaine and Kevin Stiles Fund

Everett and Kristine Stuart

Shivan and Jyothi Subramaniam

Suglia Family Fund

Jeff Sullivan Hope Fund

Taylor Sullivan Fund

Karen LaRose Sylvia in honor of Neil Steinberg, his dedication and compassionate service to all Rhode Islanders. Neil, it has been my honor.

Anne and Michael Szostak Fund

Maureen Taylor and Dexter Strong

Rupert C. Thompson Fund

Constance Kane Tucker Fund

Jerome and Mary Vascellaro

Robert W. Daly and Mary (Polly) B. Wall Fund

Washington Trust Charitable Foundation

The Weatherlow Foundation

John Webb and Sandra Chucnin Webb

Nancy Whit Fund

Martha Wofford in honor of Neil Steinberg

Richard and Kathleen Wong

Wright Family Giving Fund

James and Kate Wright

Cheryl King and Bernard Zimmermann

Stephen Ziobrowski
Legacy donor story

We honor a member of the 1916 Society who recently passed away.
Margaret Hinkley Gruver
Women’s Education Fund

Margaret Hinkley Gruver of Bloomington, Minnesota established the Women’s Educational Fund “to enable women to further their education within a broad framework. Innovation in the use of these funds is expected, as well as traditional grants such as scholarships.”

Her deferred gift provided her with an income for life, followed by the life of her niece Margaret Hicks, after which the remaining assets will be used for the charitable purposes outlined above.

Margaret Hinkley Gruver grew up around deaf children: Both of her parents taught deaf students, and her father was principal of several institutions for the deaf.

For 40 years Miss Gruver dedicated her life to helping the deaf including 20 years as assistant principal of the Rhode Island School for the Deaf. She was also a long-term volunteer for the Rhode Island Lung Association. A 1933 graduate of Wheaton College (MA) with a degree in sociology, she first taught at a school for the deaf in Pennsylvania.

“My aunt knew everything about teaching the deaf,” said Margaret Hicks of New Jersey. “She played with deaf students who were boarders of the institutions.” It was from these students that she learned sign language, her niece said.

After a few years, she went to teach at the Rhode Island School for the Deaf, and in 1945 was promoted to assistant principal. She maintained that position until 1966, when she went back to teaching. She then taught at the Governor Baxter State School for the Deaf in Maine and the Moses Brown School for Boys in Rhode Island.

Gruver, who went by Peg, died in 1999. She was 88. She retained a lifelong commitment to women’s education.
Generations of generous “someones” have helped shape Rhode Island into the amazing place we call home, by leaving a philanthropic legacy that will benefit the state, and its people, long into the future.

Setting up a legacy gift is simple and deeply satisfying. Rhode Islanders who name the Foundation in their estate plans or establish deferred gifts become members of the 1916 Society, and we acknowledge them as the special partners in philanthropy that they are.

This was the first 1916 Society Luncheon led by David N. Cicilline in his official capacity as president and CEO of the Foundation—he took on that role on June 1, but not his first as a guest—he is a member of the Foundation’s 1916 Society.

A list of our current 1916 Society members follows.
1916 Society Members

We thank and recognize the members of our 1916 Society, individuals who have informed us of their plans to leave a legacy through a bequest or other future gift to the Foundation. Members listed as of 12/31/23. New members are in red.

Anonymous (63)
Michael D. and Roberta Hazen Aaronson
Noreen Ackerman
Candy Adriance
William and Amabel Allen
William R. and Marlies H. Allen
Patty and Melvin Alperin
Berndt W. Anderson
Judith L. Anderson and Marcia Blair
Benzel Ankrah
Peri Ann Aptaker and Robert A. Lieberman
Jason E. Archambault
Barbara and Doug Ashby
Karin and Jim Aukerman
Marilyn Baker
Michael and Wendy Baker
Lockett F. Ballard Jr.
Mary G. Barry
Robert L.G. and Ruth L. Batchelor
Pamela Beaulieu
Ralph and Laura Belleville
Patricia A. and John M. Biasuzzi
Judd and Joan Bishop
Raymond and Brenda Bolster, II
David E. and Kara K. Borah
Robert E. and Ann M. Borah
Ellen Borden
Karen S. Borger
Tracy Breton
Sandra C. Bristol-Irvine
Lee J. and Christine A. Brooks
Gian Brosco
Jeffrey A. Brown and Barbara Horovitz Brown
James Buttrick
Richard M. and Ida C. Cabral
Steve J. Caminis
Patricia B. and Paul C. Carlson
Julie Casey and Chris Holm
Annie T. Castelnovo-McMullen and William M. McMullen
Sara E. Chadwick
Mary Ann Greer Chase and Robert J. Chase
Paul and Elizabeth Choquette
Howard P. and Nancy Fisher Chudacoff
David N. Cicilline
Mary H. Clark
Mary L. Clark
Marcia Clayton and William A. Maloney
John W. and Lillian Clegg
Richard A. and Lois H. Cole
Robert B. and Ann F. Conner
Gib and Diane Conover
Kathryn G. Converse
Sheila M. Cooley and Mark J. Fagan
Peter B. Corbridge and Cynthia Y. Corbridge
Michael Costello
David and Mary Cram
Marianna L. Crawford
Kelly Cummings
Anthony and Christine D’Acchioli
Christine E. Dahlin
Joanne M. Daly
Peter S. and Anne Damon
Bill and Tracy Daugherty
Karen A. Davie and Garrison A. Hull
John C. Davis
Joseph H. Dawson
Andrea B. Decof
Helen Deines
Daniel de Leiris
Anthony and Grace Del Vecchio
H. Chris Der Vartanian
Charles Denby II, M.D.
James DeRentis
David and Elaine DeSousa
Donna L. Dexter
Yanny and Dianna DiFebbo
Stan Dimock
Maura A. Dowling
David A. Duffy
John R. Duhamel
Neil G. Dunay and R. Darrell McIntire
Wayne K. and Bernice C. Durfee
John Lyman Dyer
Marilyn G. Eanet
Catherine English
Linda Fain
Donald and Maia Farish
Stephen Feinstein
Steven R. Fera and Kathe A. Jaret
Sanford M. and Beverley A. Fern
Dr. Dorothy C. Fishman
Elizabeth and Paul Fitzgerald
Heather and Ronald Florence
Sarah and Gerald Fogarty
Dennis W. Forget
James A. and Beverly A. Forte
Gwendolyn Fortes
Robert and Wendy Fournier
Becky and Charles Francis
Mary Frappier
Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Freeman
Richard and Joanne Friday
Fredric C. Friedman, Ed.D.
Jeffrey F. Fuller
Thomas E. Furey
Jane Fusco
Susan Garlington
Henry and Nancy Gauthier
Vera Gierke
Gayle L. Gifford and Jonathan W. Howard
Arlene Golden Gilbert
Jodi L. Glass and Ruth E. Horton
Richard M.C. Glenn III and Mary Goodyear Glenn
Carol Golden and Stuart Einhorn
Christine L. Gonsalves
Susan F. Gonsalves
Donna Marie Goodrich
Geoffrey Gordon
Robert J. Gormley
Gary and Charleen Gosselin
Richard and Ellen Gower
Meghan Grady and Eric P.W. Hall
Joya Weld Granbery-Hoyt
John Greichen Jr. and Patricia Greichen
Mary Grinavic
Suzanne Oringel Goldman Grossman
Hope Rex Gustafson
Kathleen F. Hagan
Stephen A. Haire
John E. and Janet S. Hall
Ann-Marie Harrington
Kathleen McKeough
William Lynn McKinney and Ronald D. Margolin
Vera Bidwell McMillin
Cornelia M. McSheehy
Robert J. Meehan
Terry A. Meyer
Gladys F. Miller
John W. Miller, Jr. and Emily Henderson Miller
Dorothy Carol Mitchell
Edward G. and Susan L. Montagna
Heidi Keller Moon
Peter L. Moreau
Edward and Pamela Morschauser
Sandra M. Moyer
Ruth K. Mullen
Arthur Murphy
David and Marylu Nadeau
Dr. Martin C. Nager and Dr. Denise Shapiro
Jane S. Nelson
Bernard and Doris Nemtzow
Linda A. Ohsberg
Judith Oliveira
Ruth Oppenheim
Robert and Lidia Oster
Sandra Oster
Joseph W. Pailthorpe
Elizabeth S. Palter, Ph.D.
Normand R. Parenteau
Joseph Pari and Richard Davia
Robert Pella
Ruth and Leonard Perfido
Carol A. Peterson
Richard and Margaret Philpott
Michael Pierce
Wells M. Pile and Marguerite Ofria Pile
Stacie L. and Angelo R. Pizzi, Jr.
Garry and Virginia Plunkett
Mary Ann Podolak
Alfred K. Potter, II
T’Sey-Haye M. Preaster
Robert H. and Rebecca A. Preston
Joanne M. Quinn
Paul P. and Tina M. Racine
Robert and Melisa Radoccia
Donna-Jean White Rainville
Walter Reed
P.E. Gay and Leslie Alan Regenbogen
Steven E. and Beverly Reinert
in Memory of our Beloved Daughter Nicole Meredith Reinert
Nicholas E. and Rebecca Reynolds
Russell and Carla Ricci
Derwent Jean Riding
John and Liliana Risica
Pablo and Diane Rodriguez
Joanne J. Rongo
Herman H. Rose
Barbara A. Rosen
Geraldine J. Roszkowski
Alan R. Rote, MD
John Rotondo, Jr.
James Rubovits
Janice M. Ruggieri and Kathy S. Lerner
The Honorable Deborah Ruggiero
Josephine Ruggiero and Helmut Reinhardt
Stephen A. Santos and Susan L. Moskowitz
Erika and Jim Sanzi
Donna and Michael M. Scalzi III
Patrice Scarvalone
Barry and Elizabeth Schiller
Kenneth and Sheryl Schongold
Paul and Barbara Schurman
Mary and Michael Schwartz
MaryAnn Scott
Arthur J. Sepe, Jr.
James Serzan
Marjorie Simmons
Robert and Cynthia Sinclair
George and M. Patricia Sisson
Robert H. Sloan, Jr. and Catherine B. Sloan
Eric and Peggy Smith
Dr. Holly Snyder
Mary Ann Sorrentino
Raymond Soucy and Dr. Nancy Thompson
Lillian Sparfven
James L. Spears
Richard and Elizabeth Staples
Dennis E. Stark
Linda A. Steere and Edward R. DiLuglio
Neil Steinberg and Eugenia Shao
Susan Steiner
Myriam E. Stettler
Ronald G. Stevens and Patricia E. Moore
Cynthia Stewart Reed
William J. and Judith D. Struck
Robert and Cheryl Suglia
Jeffrey P. Sullivan
Peter A. Sullivan
Meredith P. Swan
Donna Sweeney
Yarrow Moon Livingston Thorne
Harle Tinney
Philip E. Tracy and Sarah J. Thomas Tracy
Nancy E. Tripp
Denise Tucker
Doris M. Tucker
Janice Berchielli Tunney
Robert B. and Virginia R. Urquhart
Richard Vangermeersch
Victoria Veh
Deborah A. Venator
David and Doreen Verity
Martha B. Vida
Arlene Violet, J.D.
Mary Brooks Wall
Judith P. and Thomas W. Walsh
Margaret H. Warner
Howard S. and Elaine S. Weiss
Nancy T. Whit
Rob and Susan Wilson
Richard and Kathleen Wong
Joanna C. Wood
Kenneth and Dorothy Woodcock
David C. and Ina S. Woolman
Carol Hudson Young
Peter and Patricia Lee Young
Laura Mason Zeisler
More than 300 scholarship recipients, along with families and friends, joined the Foundation at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet to celebrate their achievements. “Donors and review committee members were able to hear firsthand from students how these scholarships would impact them,” said Monica Benson, scholarship and special funds administrator at the Foundation. “What an emotional evening.”

“The significance of this philanthropy will be felt for years to come as these young people join the workforce and contribute to the civic life of their communities,” said David N. Cicilline, Foundation president and CEO.

Nearly $4 million in scholarships were awarded through the Foundation in 2023 because of dozens of individual and organizational funds that help students defray the cost of tuition as well as other educational expenses such as fees and books. While most are general scholarship assistance, many are targeted towards specific fields or careers—from journalism to nursing to urban planning. The Carter Roger Williams Scholarships are among the largest, worth up to $80,000 over four years.
New fund stories
Adoption Rhode Island
Children First Fund

“Kids need a sense of belonging, of family, of connection,” affirms Darlene Allen, CEO and Executive Director of Adoption Rhode Island, speaking on behalf of the young people and families she and her organization serve. Founded 40 years ago in the yellow cottage on the grounds of Rhode Island College with a staff of two, this private nonprofit has grown and evolved, but remains committed to its mission to create safety, belonging, and permanency for adopted and foster children, vulnerable youth, and families through compassionate services, advocacy, and education.

From the beginning, Adoption Rhode Island (then known as the Ocean State Adoption Resource Exchange), sought to help abused and neglected children in state care find permanent homes, but over time, the organization, its board, and staff realized the necessity to expand the breadth of its services to achieve healthier, more positive outcomes. “We learned early on that the children we served had many needs,” explains Darlene. Supporting mental health, child welfare advocacy at state and national levels, and contributing to a skilled workforce are additional ways that the organization meets its mission.

Ensuring that young people do not age out of foster care to homelessness is of particular concern. Without a meaningful education, life skills, and career counseling, the futures for these young adults can be bleak. To combat these negative social impacts and cycles of hopelessness, Adoption Rhode Island also offers direct services to older youth, including housing support opportunities. “We provide a safety net for young people who don’t have one,” says Darlene. “With intervention there is a path.”

With the desire and passion of 40 years of helping young people, the Adoption Rhode Island board decided it was time to solidify the organization’s future and take the important step to long-term sustainability by partnering with the Rhode Island Foundation and establishing the Adoption Rhode Island Children First Fund. Priorities for the fund include growing the organizational endowment so that for years to come its annual return will benefit children, youth and families who need the organization most.

Concludes Darlene, “I come at this from my heart; these are all our kids. The impact is generational and from an economic standpoint, the return on investment is huge—for our children and the well-being of our state.”
either of us came from philanthropic families. The idea that you could create a fund that would grow and continue to give in perpetuity was something we learned on our own,” explains author and game designer Matthew Derby, who recently established the donor-advised Mary-Kim Arnold and Matthew Derby Fund, with his wife: writer, artist, and educator Mary-Kim Arnold.

When Matt’s father passed away in 2013, he wanted to do something to honor his dad and his family. Through his local community foundation, Matt started a donor-advised fund, a charitable investment account, to support organizations and causes that had meaning for his family. Says Matt, “It was all very new to me...but it brought our family together in a powerful way.” In 2023, Mary-Kim and Matt found themselves with a similar opportunity to make a contribution, and they reached out to the Rhode Island Foundation to find out what was possible.

No strangers to the Foundation, Mary-Kim and Matt, both published, professional writers, were recipients of the MacColl Johnson Fellowship, grant awards which helped bring clarity and momentum to their creative careers. Mary-Kim served for a time as the Foundation's Director of Evaluation and Learning. The pair met at Brown University as graduate students in the 1990s and have made Rhode Island their home ever since. “We’ve found such rich and diverse creative communities here that have meant so much to us. Individually and as a family, we’ve all benefitted greatly from the arts and cultural life in Rhode Island.”

Goals for their fund include support for the arts and culture sector. Says Mary-Kim, “While the impact of funding the arts can sometimes seem less immediate than in other sectors, we believe the arts can really transform communities. Having access to programming and events, being in community with other artists, and cultivating imagination and creativity in our children are essential for societal health and well-being.” Mary-Kim and Matt are also interested in the possibilities the arts offer for social change.

“This fund feels like a way to direct our resources to something that could live beyond us,” concludes Mary-Kim, “we are so grateful to be able to contribute to the organizations and artists that have sustained us.”
“This is a love story,” begins Nate Chace, when speaking about the inspiration for the Nathan W. and Mary E. Chace Fund for the Benefit of Friends of Pomham Rocks Lighthouse. “As a kid, I grew up with a view of Pomham Rocks Lighthouse; it was my neighborhood.” Lighthouse Keeper “Mr. Howard,” a widower, was a frequent guest at the Chace family Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, and, in exchange, Mr. Howard would bring Nate and the local children out to the Lighthouse to see the 4th of July fireworks over the water.

As time passed, the Lighthouse, built in 1871 just off the East Providence shoreline, was decommissioned as a navigational aid on the Providence River, and fell into disrepair. The nonprofit Friends of Pomham Rocks Lighthouse was formed in 2004 to restore the aging structure that was “one good storm away from falling in on itself.” By 2018, both the interior and exterior restoration efforts had been completed, and electricity had been brought back to the property. As a result of this loving restoration, the Pomham Rocks Lighthouse and its maritime museum are now open to the public for guided tours on a seasonal basis, with an option to climb to the lantern room to experience its beautiful view of Narragansett Bay.

Nate, one of the founders of the Friends, and still a board member of the organization, acknowledges the need for continued maintenance and preservation of this historic landmark, and thus established this designated fund at the Rhode Island Foundation to assist in providing the finances needed for annual expenses and capital projects, creating a stream of income to the Lighthouse in perpetuity. Through the Fund, Nate also hopes to inspire curiosity and support for the structure that has been “a guiding light and constant all my life... it is truly one of the jewels of Narragansett Bay.”

“It means so much to me to ensure the long-term security of the Lighthouse” concludes Nate, who can still see Pomham Rocks Lighthouse from his home. “It is gratifying to know that I’m doing it for the benefit of the whole community, on all sides of the Bay. I’m very proud of the organization that has worked so hard to ensure that the Lighthouse will be there forever.”
The late Jeannine Chartier was a lifelong advocate for the visibility, rights, and inclusion of people with disabilities. For more than three decades, she worked tirelessly to ensure a voice for people with disabilities in the Rhode Island arts and culture community.

Jeannine's work in the arts stemmed from her personal story. She was born in Pawtucket to third generation working-class French-Canadian immigrants. In 1953, at three months old, she got polio. Along with hundreds of thousands across the country, she faced a childhood of medical interventions to ‘cure her’ and make her ‘normal.’ After several years, her parents put their faith in Jeannine's dauntless spirit and let her find her own way on her own terms.

Her own way and terms were through the visual and performing arts. The spark that started in all those hospital beds and clinics was ignited by Trinity Repertory, RI Philharmonic, and RISD Museum's children's programs and youth theater classes. Her close friend of 30 years, Rosemary Burns, relates that “Jeannine found out how to navigate, how to learn, how to communicate.”

She surmised that others with disabilities would be just as impacted by the arts. Gloria-Jean Masciarotte, another close friend and colleague—a professor and lecturer at both Providence College and RISD—says that Jeannine resolved “to grease the hinges, provide the keys, and jiggle the doorknob open for others.”

She became a costume designer for Trinity and alternative theater, a breaking-the-barriers disabled catalogue model, a regular participant in alternative dance and performance and, over the years, an ADA compliance consultant.

In 1986, Jeannine became the executive director of the Rhode Island branch of the federal Very Special Arts (VSA) program out of the Kennedy Center. She worked tirelessly to create participatory arts programs for the disabled. When that federal program was defunded by Congress, undaunted, Jeannine started her own renamed and refocused state program, Arts Equity.

The Jeannine Chartier Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation has been launched to continue her work at opening doors, creating spaces, and inviting everyone into art expression. The fund will support organizations that demonstrate clear commitment to artists with disabilities.

Jeannine knew that access to the arts has the potential to expand one's world—that those with disabilities can feel a spark when presented with a pathway to create art.

“They love, they get hungry, they want connection,” continues Rosemary. “Singing, drawing, performing are natural acts of humanity and, for many, doing it is necessary to finding their own place in the world.

“She has touched thousands of lives, ensuring that they were seen, that they belong. It is through Jeannine's spirit—and through this Fund—that this work must and will continue.
“There’s nothing like seeing kid’s faces when you put them in a boat and they can make it go...pull the stick, and off you go,” says Jonathan Howard, Adult and Community Program Director, and sailing instructor at the Edgewood Sailing School in Cranston, Rhode Island. Offering sailing instruction to both youth and adults since 1952, the Edgewood Sailing School’s Youth Sailing Program annually serves between 100 and 150 students, ages 7 to 17, at all skill levels, from the “Starter Sailor” introduction to boat safety, to more advanced, competitive sailing on Narragansett Bay.

The Sailing School seeks to create connections in the community, providing access to the urban waterfront of the Providence River and a way for local children to develop sailing skills and enthusiasm for the sport. Members of the Sailing School’s board value authentic and lasting learning experiences. Explains Board President George W. Shuster, Jr., “If you are going to truly learn, you need to learn with consistency; you need to be able to get enough instruction. One week of sailing instruction is not enough for kids to become comfortable and skilled at the helm.”

To help achieve that goal, students are not required to have access to their own boat or to provide any of their own equipment. And, in order to defray the cost of tuition, the Edgewood Sailing School created the MacNeil-Westcott Youth Sailing Scholarship Program, named for late Edgewood Yacht Club members Rick MacNeil and Jean Westcott, loud voices in support of youth sailing in Edgewood.

Once the initial scholarship fund reached a level of long-term sustainability, the Edgewood Sailing School board chose to move the scholarship platform to the Edgewood Sailing School MacNeil-Westcott Scholarship Program Endowment Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. Concludes George, “This generation of Sailing School board and staff has been dedicated to the future financial health of the scholarship program...we want to leave the scholarship fund in a position that it can continue indefinitely, beyond us. Our emphasis is on stability. Regardless of the School’s revenues in any year, we will still be able to support the kids.”
How do we keep youth busy and engaged? How do I help communities that face different challenges? How do I address problems, issues, and opportunities for the elderly?” These were questions Central Falls Mayor Maria Rivera was seeking to answer for the residents of her city.

One solution, Mayor Rivera concluded, was the creation of a new intergenerational community center for Central Falls, a centralized resource connecting residents to essential social services, with space for a senior center, fitness facilities, meeting rooms, afterschool programming, youth activities, and more. To be located steps from City Hall in the DeNevers Building at 702 Broad Street, the city’s new El Centro community center will consist of four floors, and feature the Office of Constituent Services and Health, a gym, marketplace, office space, space for after school activities, and senior programming.

Without a community center in the city for over ten years due to issues of sustainability, the Mayor began to devise a plan for financial stability. Through federal earmarks, grant funding, and private donations, the city has been successful in raising over $4 million dollars to support the project, now in the planning stages. Architects are in the process of designing the new center, and the city has partnered with several local nonprofit and community wellness organizations to provide much-needed services via satellite offices at the facility. Blackstone Advocacy Center, Progreso Latino, Family Service of Rhode Island, Tides Family Service, The Elisha Project, and the Commonwealth Care Alliance of Rhode Island will all be available to aid residents at El Centro.

To assist in maintaining the center’s financial future, Mayor Rivera also sought partnership with the Rhode Island Foundation, establishing the El Centro Facility Endowment Fund for the general operating support of the new center. The Mayor credits the Foundation’s reputation in the community and the support of its leadership in her pursuit of developing and fostering this vital and exciting new resource for the people of Central Falls.

“We are a large immigrant city, with language barriers and travel barriers...this is my way of giving back...to make sure residents have the access to the services they need, and access to a sense of community,” says Mayor Rivera.
The Filomena Fund was inspired by the spontaneous generosity of the viewers of Providence Municipal Court Judge Frank Caprio’s popular program “Caught in Providence,” televising the judicial work of Judge Caprio and his compassionate approach to those who came before him in his courtroom.

In 2018, Angie Chesser, a single mother from Indiana and viewer of the program, was so moved by the plight of a motorist who came before Judge Caprio, that she mailed a $25 donation to the court, requesting it be used to help another single mother. In response, the Judge used the funds to assist a woman without many resources, paying forward Angie’s act of kindness. Days after the case aired, dozens of donations were received from viewers looking to help others in need. These unsolicited donations soon became known as the “Filomena Fund.” Named for Judge Caprio’s mother, Filomena, the fund embodied her life-long generosity and efforts to help others in her Federal Hill neighborhood and beyond.

After almost 40 years on the bench, Judge Caprio retired in 2023, but the donations to the fund in memory of Filomena and to help those less fortunate continued. The donations were then dedicated to assisting various charities and organizations that provided essential assistance to those in need.

The Board of Directors of the Filomena Fund said it was an “easy call” to transfer the fund’s contributions to the Rhode Island Foundation, and the donor-advised Filomena Fund at the Foundation was created to continue its charitable work.

The professional staff, philanthropic expertise, impeccable reputation, and flexibility to direct financial assistance to help in all sectors were important considerations in choosing to partner with the Rhode Island Foundation. Goals for the fund include support for organizations like the Federal Hill House, which had a profound impact on Filomena, the Fund’s namesake, raising children as a young mother on Federal Hill, and for other nonprofits focused on basic human needs and education. Although Judge Caprio has retired, the Filomena Fund and its good work carries on.
When Becky Galoob, an educator at South Kingstown High School, lost her thirteen-year-old daughter, Lily, in 2021, weeks before school started, the community gathered in support, searching for a way to commemorate Lily’s exuberant spirit and passion for life. With the many generous contributions received in Lily’s memory, Becky made the decision to establish the Lily Galoob Memorial Scholarship Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation for students at South Kingstown High School pursuing post-high school education.

For Becky, “It was a big learning curve to collect and manage funds, and I didn’t feel equipped to manage it on my own.” Referred to the Foundation by a friend, the connection to the professional assistance and investment of the funds brings Becky and her family peace of mind. “All fell into place when I learned about this resource,” she explains.

About to enter the eighth grade at Curtis Corner Middle School, Lily was “a very social kid, with a large circle of friends…she was game for anything,” shares her mom and older sister, Ellen. Lily was actively involved in the arts, enjoyed many sports, and travelling was a big part of her life. At her young age, she had explored parts of Europe by bicycle, adventured west, to Oregon, and north, into Canada. Lily loved and cared for animals, including her golden retriever, chickens, and pet rabbit, and shared her joyful outlook and boundless energy with her family and friends.

The first fundraising effort for Lily’s scholarship was a talent show at South Kingstown High School, with Lily’s friends participating as performers, helpers, and judges. Says Becky, “It was a great event that brought people together, and a way for them to know that this fund exists. It will be an annual show for support of the scholarship…Lily would have loved it.”

The inaugural Lily Galoob Memorial Scholarship will be awarded in 2026, the year that Lily would have graduated. “It’s nice to have her name attached to the scholarship,” reflects Becky, “I know her friends miss her, and I am so grateful for the way the community continues to come together. This fund has been a comfort and a positive place to put our grief.”
In his 2016 book, Hope: A School, a Team, a Dream, the late Bill Reynolds wrote about young men—plagued with domestic uncertainty and unwarranted obstacles—pursuing a basketball championship with their mentors but achieving so much more.

The new scholarship in honor of Reynolds, the beloved author and nearly 40-year Providence Journal sports columnist who died at the age of 78 in July 2023, is equally one to celebrate Hope (the feeling and the school), inspiration, and resilience.

Hope High Dollars for Scholars became an endowment fund with the Rhode Island Foundation in 2018, but the scholarship process was officially transferred from a chapter of Scholarship America to the Foundation in January 2024. With the transfer, it was also given a new name: the Hope High Endowed Scholarship (HHES).

The Bill Reynolds Scholarship is the newest of the named scholarships—others include Donald Salmanson, the Markoff Sisters, and Richard D. Greenberg—within HHES.

“Personally, for me, nothing makes up for the loss of Bill, but honors such as this new scholarship under the auspices of the Rhode Island Foundation goes a long way,” said his longtime companion Elizabeth “Liz” Abbott, who met Reynolds while they both worked at ProJo. “The Hope kids were dear to Billy’s heart. He saw how hard they worked to just get to school, and so he would be thrilled by the idea of helping these kids in his memory.”

Since 2012, a year after Jane Rosenbloom Bermont, Class of 1965, started Hope High Dollars for Scholars, donations have funded $450,000 in scholarships for 119 Hope students. Current Hope students with demonstrated need can get a minimum of $2,000 towards their college costs if selected for Reynolds or any of the other named HHES scholarships. The money goes directly to the school.

Reynolds grew up as a star basketball player at Barrington High School and later Brown University. He continued to play pick-up games at Brown as an adult, and often noticed while there the diversity of kids who filled Thayer Street when school was dismissed at 2 o’clock. Said Abbott, “He was just fascinated that there could be this whole other world in close proximity to Brown that coexisted side by side but didn’t interact. He wanted to know them.”

Including the one about Hope, another way for him to know the Hope kids, Reynolds wrote 12 books in all. He was inducted into the Brown Athletic Hall of Fame, the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame, and the National College Basketball Writers Hall of Fame.
A fter they moved to the Ocean State in 2001, Alison and Pete Kaczmarek settled into raising their children and building their new lives here. They grew to love Rhode Island and sought ways to give back to the community.

“Even from childhood, I was very aware of volunteering and giving back. That’s what my parents taught me. I’ve always been an active volunteer in the community. And while I love that, there are times when you want to do more,” Alison explains. “You see where the challenges are, particularly for small nonprofits that are doing great work, but don’t have the bandwidth to sustain and grow. It could be something simple, like a key staff person to answer the phone, organize volunteers, or maintain a website.”

Over time they learned more about our state and found ways to make a difference. They began to volunteer at nonprofits that support their values, including community building, gun violence prevention, social justice and equity, refugee resettlement, and accessibility to the arts for everyone. Their active volunteerism continues today.

Alison and Pete were familiar with community foundations. When they lived in Ohio, Alison worked for and with several nonprofits that received funding from the Cleveland Foundation. That got them thinking about whether the Rhode Island Foundation could help them play a bigger role through philanthropy. “From the time we got here, the Foundation seemed to play a leadership role in tackling many of the same causes that we cared about,” Pete says.

As time passed and their means allowed, the Kaczmareks wanted a partner that could help them identify nonprofit organizations that could do more with targeted financial support.

“Providing support locally to causes and people that we really believe in—that’s what drew us here. We’re confident that the Foundation will help us find those organizations that align with our beliefs,” Alison and Pete say. “Our children grew up in Rhode Island, and also want to see our state, in all its wonderful diversity, grow, and prosper.”
“She was always exceptional” responds Shawn Martin when asked about his daughter, Krista, who passed at the age of 44 from metastatic melanoma in November 2023. Krista graduated sixth in her class from Westerly High School with four varsity letters in three different sports, but she was most proud of being a “band geek,” joining the marching band in eighth grade. That band was accomplished enough to be selected to march in the presidential inaugural parade in Washington, DC.

While studying electrical engineering at URI, Krista joined the Rhody Marching, Concert, and Pep Bands. The Pep band travelled with the basketball team across the country to the Elite Eight, igniting a passion for travel that stayed with her throughout her life. According to her brother Shawn Michael, a fellow band member, “you just couldn't beat a band trip.”

After graduating from college, Krista went to work for the Department of Defense at the Naval Undersea Warfare Center in Newport, travelling extensively both for her job and to see her favorite rock bands.

Krista's passions also extended to her favorite TV show, “Supernatural”. She was a superfan attending 87 “Supernatural” conventions held all over the world, making friends everywhere she went. When the show's cast and crew found out about her illness the Supernatural weekend held in Washington DC was renamed “KristaCon” in her honor.

After her diagnosis, with unique grace and courage, it was Krista who made the decision to create a scholarship for graduating seniors at Westerly High School who are passionate band or color guard members to pursue higher education. “She always felt that she was on the outside—the ‘geek,’” explains Krista's sister-in-law and best friend, Sara. “She didn’t want anyone to feel that they were not a part of something. Krista believed in being kind to people, and her quote ‘be your own kind of weird’ shows how she always made you feel comfortable. You could always be yourself around Krista.”

Krista established the fund at the Rhode Island Foundation to be impactful on the lives of young people and to, perhaps, motivate more kids to join the band. The Martins came to the Foundation through their financial advisor, and were appreciative of the organized, timely, and positive interaction of the staff in achieving their goals at a difficult time.

In keeping with Krista's selfless generosity, she wanted her lesser-known form of cancer to be studied, contributing to a cure. To that end, Krista chose to donate her body to the Dana-Farber rapid autopsy research program to continue the study and understanding of metastatic melanoma.
He was just a regular guy with an enchanting smile—bigger than life. Everyone was his friend. He was perfectly ours for 27 years, and we were blessed with his presence,” says Janet McCarthy of her son, Michael, who passed away in September 2004, in a tragic accident.

Michael, a 1995 graduate of Middletown High School, was a student athlete. Never the star but always an eager participant, he was the ultimate team player. He was on the football team, captain of the basketball team, and manager of the baseball team his senior year. A lover of all sports and a devoted Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots fan, he was always willing to share his analysis of the latest game with anyone who would listen.

Michael attended Stonehill College, graduating in the class of 1999. He began his career in the public sector working in Boston and San Francisco. In 2001, after 9/11, Michael returned home to be closer to family and to, in his words, “find a job with meaning.” He found fulfillment as a special education resource teacher at Tiverton High School, and as a member of the coaching staff for the school’s football and freshman baseball teams, and his love for basketball brought him back to the role of assistant basketball coach at his alma mater, Middletown High School.

In memory of Michael, the McCarthy family chose to create a scholarship fund, awarding scholarships to students at both Middletown and Tiverton High Schools beginning with the graduating classes of 2005. The Michael E. McCarthy Scholarship Fund, a nonprofit organization, was founded and a board of directors was set up to manage the fund. Scholarship giving was expanded, awarding additional scholarships at Stonehill College, and at Rogers High School, in honor of Michael’s dad, Edward, who died in 2015. Additionally, a youth sports grant program was established to help families in need to enroll their children in activities that support a healthy lifestyle. “The outpouring of support has been overwhelming,” shares Janet. Since the inception of the scholarship fund, over $250,000 has been given in Michael’s name.

“Approaching the twenty-year mark for the scholarships program, we considered many things,” explains Janet about the decision to establish the Michael E. McCarthy Scholarship Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. “While the administration of the scholarships and fundraising was exhilarating, it was also an emotional event every season.” The board of directors began to look for an organization to manage the Fund in the way that they wanted it managed, to make sure that “every cent went to the kids.” As a result of their research and interaction with staff, the Fund’s board agreed that the Foundation was a good fit to continue its mission and vision responsibly and professionally.

Reflects Janet, “This has gone way beyond our expectation. Little did we know that this scholarship would provide so much help to so many. When the scholarship is mentioned, I’m proud of all the members of the board, past to present, what we have done, and how we have done it, with the help and support of an amazing community.”
"It takes a community to educate a child," says Larry Purtill, President of the National Education Association of Rhode Island's (NEARI) Children's Fund. Established in 1985 by the NEARI Executive Committee, the Children's Fund provides a safety net for struggling students of any age whose personal needs interfere with their ability to come to school ready to learn. Continues Larry, “This fund was created based on the premise that every child needs to be fed, clothed, and ready to learn; otherwise, they will not be successful.”

Since 1985, NEARI’s all-volunteer board, together with one staff person, worked to connect students and parents to the appropriate resources. With money raised solely through member donations and fundraisers, like their Annual Golf Classic, more than $2 million has been distributed to communities across the state, providing clothes, shoes, groceries, eyeglasses, medication, special education equipment and supplies, vocational uniforms, test and licensing fees, tutoring, summer school, and more to students in need.

As calls for assistance continued to increase, Larry and the NEARI Children's Fund board came to realize that, instead of having just one staff member handling requests and connecting families with help, they could invest their contributions in a donor-advised fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. The NEARI Children's Fund at the Foundation allows the nonprofit to grow its investment, while giving funds directly to community partners like Clothes to Kids RI, Foster Forward, Hope & Faith, and the Jonnycake Center, organizations with the expertise and resources to get the most out of the funding available, to get the most help to Rhode Island’s kids.

A recognizable name and professional reputation, as well as opportunities for co-funding, assistance with connecting to embedded charities, and the freedom and flexibility to direct funds to where they are most needed, brought the NEARI Children’s Fund to the Rhode Island Foundation. “This partnership has stretched our imagination — it has allowed us to think bolder and execute some of the ideas that we have that are new,” says Larry. “As we partner with the Foundation and community organizations, we can make our funding go further to help more kids – I’m excited about it!”
Operation Clean Government Fund

“O peration Clean Government (OCG) has great history...let’s see if we can keep our name alive in perpetuity,” explains Frank Lennon, long-time Vice President of OCG, about the decision to establish the Operation Clean Government Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation.

In 1993, Bruce Lang and others launched a nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens’ advocacy group. Operation Clean Government was formed by merging three other groups: Operation Clean Sweep, the Rhode Island Taxpayers Association, and UsPAC. By the early 2000s, Operation Clean Government had become a force to be reckoned with in governmental accountability, with approximately 2,200 dues-paying members and supporters.

To fulfill its mission of promoting honest, responsible, and responsive state government, the organization focused on several issues, including candidate and voter education, ethics in government, and government accountability.

Operation Clean Government was well-known for its excellent non-partisan Candidate School, held every election year from 2002 to 2016. The School educated new candidates about the election process, and benefitted experienced campaigners by suggesting new approaches to winning. Successful officeholders led workshops and roundtables covering campaign strategy, campaign finance reporting, and get-out-the-vote activities.

As time went on, however, the organization achieved several of its goals—to include separation of powers, elimination of the master lever, and the return of the General Assembly to the purview of the ethics commission. Those accomplishments, coupled with an increasingly polarized and partisan political climate, contributed to a drop-off in active participation and membership. As a result, Operation Clean Government began to wind down and eventually ceased its operations.

Created with residual membership dues, the Operation Clean Government Fund will continue to pursue the goals of the now-shuttered organization. This field of interest fund will support civics education, non-partisan candidate schools, and other reform efforts as Frank, late President Margaret Kane, and their board envisioned.

“The Rhode Island Foundation had the stewardship and the infrastructure for the good use of the funds,” says Frank. “We lit the pilot light, and now our name and our work will live on.”
It’s about impact,” says Amy Orth of the decision to open a fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. “The Foundation gives us a vehicle to have an impact.”

Kevin goes on to say, “We have worked to make a difference on our own. We give time and money to a number of charitable organizations. We support local causes and local businesses. But The Foundation can help us do better. It is totally Rhode Island-based, knows every aspect of the community. They have been around a long time, we can trust them, they can educate and engage us. We are excited to become more connected to local outcomes in housing and homelessness, education, conservation and environmental stewardship—all things that we care about.”

Kevin and Amy moved to Rhode Island 20 years ago as a conscious choice—neither had any real ties to the state. They were living in California and wanted to find a great place to raise their family. Amy is a teacher and Kevin just needed to be near a good airport. They agreed: “Rhode Island feels wonderful—let’s make a home here.”

Kevin Orth has long been committed to affordable housing and 25 years ago, founded a business to advance his dedication to the issue. His company acquires large apartment properties, renovates and maintains them, making them available to low- and moderate-income families— he and his partner have developed more than 5,500 affordable apartment homes in markets across the country. In addition, they engage community-based partners to provide residents with supportive services. “The venture has been good for me personally while providing a better quality of life for many families.”

Eventually, the couple would like to get their three children—ages 20, 18, and 16—involved in philanthropy. “I think our children are our best work,” states Amy. “We have taught them how to better the place they live in and to better the world, to use their voice and other resources that they have to make positive change.”

The Rhode Island Foundation first came to the Orth’s attention through its centennial campaign for Roger Williams Park in 2016. “We love that park but it really needed some TLC. When the Foundation stepped up to the task, we made our first donation.

“We liked how the Foundation offered the option of investing our family fund’s assets with The Parnassus Fund—a top fund for socially-responsible investing. We want to put our money where it aligns with our values.”
When asked to describe their mom Kathy Plouff, daughters Amy Rocco and Alie Plouff respond with enthusiasm: “Caring nurse, giving of her time and resources, always the one to help, a generous spirit, and a beautiful, bright light in all of our lives.” Kathy, a lifelong Rhode Island resident and graduate of St. Joseph’s School of Nursing, served as a Registered Nurse at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital in North Providence for 29 years. “My mom always wanted to be a nurse,” says Amy, “...it was more than just a job.”

Kathy worked as an emergency room nurse for most of her career, and later worked in endoscopy, when she was diagnosed with cholangiocarcinoma, a rare form of bile duct cancer in 2013. With unwavering strength and positivity, Kathy selflessly continued her healing work during her cancer treatment, caring for her patients, and helping her family understand and cope with the progression of the disease. “She had so much insight; we were lucky during her illness to have her knowledge,” reflects Alie.

When Kathy passed in 2017, Amy and Alie felt compelled to honor their mother’s memory by offering a nursing scholarship for a student to enter a career that had been such a meaningful part of Kathy’s life. They started their own 501(c)3 charitable organization, began fundraising, managing donations, and reaching out to schools in search of applicants. After several years, Kathy’s daughters realized that “if we want to grow, there is so much more we can do – we are not the pros.”

Their research led to the Rhode Island Foundation. By establishing the Kathy Plouff Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund, a field of interest fund which supports nursing scholarships for Rhode Island residents, Amy, Alie, and their family can focus on fundraising, with the work of administration and investment taken care of by the Foundation. They are also able to reach more potential applicants via the Foundation’s online suite of nursing scholarships.

Following in their mother’s footsteps, Amy and Alie continue their work to give back, supporting education and the next generation of nursing students in memory of Kathy. “We wanted to make the impact we dreamed up at our kitchen table,” explains Alie. “This is a wonderful way to carry on my mother’s memory...she would have loved this idea.”
Mayor Joseph Polisena Scholarship Fund

Johnston native Joseph M. Polisena has had a storied career: firefighter, nurse, state senator, town mayor, and professor. But what he gets most excited about is helping high school kids get their EMT certification (Emergency Medical Technician—the most basic provider of emergency medical services).

Polisena teaches the EMT program at Roger Williams University’s downtown Providence campus, at CCRI, and is now teaching about a dozen Central High School students who may want to be firefighters or nurses when they graduate. “I have fun with the kids at Central,” he says. They’re good kids.” An EMT certification qualifies them to take the state license exam and then the national registry exam.

“When I was mayor, we used to get 300-400 applicants when we hired firefighters. Now they’re lucky to get 40. It’s a great opportunity—you can make $85K a year and have health care for the rest of your life.”

After Joe ‘retired’ from politics, he had money remaining in his campaign account, and decided to create a scholarship fund for Johnston High School. Himself a Johnston HS graduate, Polisena wants to leave a legacy. “So I called the Foundation and got in touch with Christine. Why would I go anyplace else? I know the Foundation—I trust them. We’ve set it up so that any Johnston student who goes to CCRI, URI, or RIC* studying something in the medical field is eligible.”

He encourages other former elected officials who have left-over funds in campaign accounts to do the same, to “see how they can make a difference for high school students in their communities.

“Hopefully this will help some students go to CCRI for two years for nothing, and then go to RIC for two years for nothing and get a bachelor’s degree. I make this suggestion to all of my students. We’re going to be in trouble someday—you’re going to call 911 and no one will come.

“Johnston High School graduates tend to stay in the state, and that’s what I am trying to do. I tell them ‘You will get respect and gratitude from your community.”’ Having been a nurse, an EMT, an elected official, and now a professor, Polisena wants to steer young people in this direction. He’s doing it to help students, and teachers and parents tell him he is having an impact.

“Not everyone can work in financial services. You’re using your hands; you are saving lives.”

*Community College of Rhode Island, University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College
Self-described as a “colorful philanthropist,” Providence native, Juan Wilson, Jr., founded The Muse Foundation of Rhode Island to assist in removing barriers of entry for people of color by fostering connections and building bridges. Established as a nonprofit in 2021, the Muse Foundation’s mission — to create opportunities designed to cultivate creativity and innovation in communities of color through philanthropic investment and initiatives — will now be supported by its new organizational endowment fund, the Rhode Island Black Philanthropy Month Legacy Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation.

The Muse Foundation’s motto, “Enrich. Empower. Equip.”, manifests through initiatives like “TurnUpRI,” a bi-annual youth empowerment leadership summit and career exploration conference for Providence County students in grades 8-12, offering workshops, personal, and professional development opportunities conducted by an intentional, diverse group of community leaders, encouraging youth education and development. To raise awareness and demystify philanthropy for the Black community, the Muse Foundation has established a Giving Circle, providing the chance for members to contribute monthly and award mini-grants, and Juan continues to work to bring people together around the topics of philanthropy and its positive effects.

Through Juan’s leadership, the Muse Foundation collaborated with local and state government officials, who recently signed proclamations making the City of Providence and the State of Rhode Island the first city and state in New England to officially recognize Black Philanthropy Month, the Fund’s namesake.

Rhode Island Black Philanthropy Month Legacy Fund

A generous participant in the Rhode Island Foundation’s Black Giving Circle, Juan and the Muse Foundation Board of Directors opened the Fund with a goal of financial sustainability, and to grow the nonprofit’s resources, creating an accessible pool of unrestricted funds to fill gaps that more restrictive grant funding could not. Additionally, Juan hopes to inspire philanthropy in communities of color, and he is leading by example. Says Juan, “What can we do to focus on the positive and create solutions? This is the way. This is how.”
Rhode Island Dental Foundation Fund

“We wanted to establish some way within the dental community to contribute to a fund that would provide support to the Rhode Island community for care, access, and manpower,” explains Nicholas Barone, Board Chair, about the inspiration for the Rhode Island Dental Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to funding education and research, improving access to dental care, and offering scholarships for those studying the dental professions.

Created in 2001 by the Rhode Island Dental Association, a professional organization of dentists committed to advancing the profession and improving public health, the Rhode Island Dental Foundation, started “without one penny,” but through fundraising and contributions, steadily grew, eventually appointing a formal board in 2016. This all-volunteer group has worked tirelessly to improve access to oral health care, awarding grants to organizations such as the Rhode Island Mission of Mercy, Rhode Island Dental Lifeline Network, Wood River Dental Health Center, and the East Providence High School Dental Assisting Program, as well as providing scholarships to students enrolled in dental education programs.

Over the years, however, as the need increased, the management and administration of the grants and scholarship process became challenging. Shares John Underhill, Rhode Island Dental Foundation Treasurer, “These were things that we wanted to continue to do, but we were maybe biting off more than we could chew. We simply did not have the manpower or expertise to manage it all.”

Through the guidance of Aaron Guckian, Rhode Island Dental Association Executive Director, Nicholas, John, and their board learned more about the Rhode Island Foundation. To maintain the Dental Foundation’s committed legacy of care, a field of interest fund was established to support charitable and educational projects or programs related to oral health in Rhode Island and scholarships for residents in accredited programs studying dentistry or oral hygiene. The Rhode Island Dental Foundation Fund allows the organization to maintain its goals to make health care more accessible and equitable, and to grow even further, with access to the Rhode Island Foundation’s professional administration, expertise, and investment. Concludes Nicholas, “This fund provides good—good for the recipients of the funding and good for the giver, enriching the lives of the dental community at all levels. This is an easier way to make an impact.”
Let us never consider ourselves finished nurses. We must be learning all our lives.” These were the sentiments of Florence Nightingale, founder of modern nursing, and a driving force behind the Rhode Island Hospital Nurses Alumni Association, a dedicated group of alumni of the former Rhode Island Hospital School of Nursing.

Originally known as the Rhode Island Hospital Training School for Nurses, established in 1882 with just two students, the nursing school provided professional training on the grounds of Rhode Island Hospital, which had relied solely on informally trained male medics since its founding in 1863. By 1896, the school’s alumni association had grown to 122 members. Three dormitories for nursing students were established on the property, providing housing for students, until the school’s closing in 1973.

“We went to the best nursing school in the state,” says Susan McNamara, Rhode Island Hospital School of Nursing Class of 1965 and Treasurer of the recently disbanded Alumni Association. “We were 18 years old, and capably dealing with birth and death.” Until its dissolution, the Rhode Island Hospital Nurses Alumni Association offered professional lectures, assistance with continuing education credits, held seasonal annual meetings, as well as hosted luncheons, group activities, and a Reunion Tea. They were also custodians of a historical collection of nursing uniforms, including that of Louisa White, Class of 1917, and the first dean of the University of Rhode Island College of Nursing, where the uniform is currently displayed.

With a diminishing group of members and the desire to preserve the legacy of the Rhode Island Hospital School of Nursing alumni, the group came to the Rhode Island Foundation and made the decision to establish the Rhode Island Hospital Nurses Alumni Association Fund to support nursing scholarships, as part of their dissolution plan. The Fund will assist those seeking nursing education for generations to come, as part of the Foundation’s extensive nursing scholarship portfolio, and will continue the Association’s long tradition of learning, service, compassion, and care in honor of the 4,150 graduates of the Rhode Island Hospital School of Nursing.
The Rhode Island School for Progressive Education (RISPE), the first higher education institution in the state founded to diversify the state's teacher workforce, is moving into a new season of growth. Established in 2019 by Christine Alves, Melanie Griffith, and Victoria Thomson, RISPE has been steadily working to achieve its vision to bring about a significant and fundamental change to Rhode Island's public schools by cultivating a diverse teacher pipeline and instilling the use of anti-racist pedagogy to make a high-quality and culturally competent public education available to every student in the state.

RISPE received unanimous approval from the Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education in 2019 and has gone on to serve as a pathway to certification for over 100 English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) teachers, accounting for more than 41% of newly certified teachers statewide. For those with bachelor's degrees and school-based work experience, RISPE offers an Elementary Accelerated Teacher Certification (ATC) program as a pathway into full-time teaching, as well as a Multilingual Learner (MLL) Endorsement program to further train teachers working in Rhode Island's classrooms every day. RISPE is also seeking approval for additional secondary education certifications.

"In order to make lasting change, we have to have a level of sustainability, and we can achieve that through this endowment," shares Melanie, now Vice President of Strategy and Partnerships, about the inspiration for establishing RISPE's fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. This new organizational endowment will also assist the school with the accreditation process. Once accredited, RISPE plans to offer full degree programs, as well as financial aid. “We can't have people going into profound debt to become educators. We want to make every available option open to RISPE students,” explains Christine, RISPE's President. Christine received her first planning grant through the Rhode Island Foundation, and the successful philanthropic partnership continues through this endowment. “We owe the Foundation a debt of gratitude. We have shared interests and a shared story to tell,” says Christine. “If it weren't for the Rhode Island Foundation's belief in this transformational mission, and in me as an educator and person of color, we would not be here.”

Concludes Christine, “There is a consensus that having a high-quality education is a human right. At RISPE, we are doing the work, not simply having the conversation. We want RISPE to live on, beyond its founders. Our donors and supporters are part of this historical moment.”
“If we can draw enough attention to the issue, perhaps we can make a bigger impact, and more people will notice and be drawn to support the cause,” responds the anonymous creator of the Save the Lakes Fund. Annual distributions from this designated fund will support the nonprofit organization Save the Lakes, the only statewide nonprofit organization committed to the health, preservation, and protection of Rhode Island’s lakes, ponds, and fresh water.

Of special concern to Save the Lakes, an all-volunteer organization composed of lake association and watershed groups from across the state, is the threat of aquatic invasive species, such as milfoil, infesting many of Rhode Island’s freshwater resources. These underwater plants take root in lakes and ponds, creating dense ‘carpets’ of weedy growth, choking off native species, and reducing plant diversity. These infestations are hazardous to boaters and swimmers and can lead to the filling in of lakes and a reduction in lake property values.

Solution-driven, Save the Lakes is dedicated to protecting the State’s waters from invasive species, and other threats, such as algae blooms and contaminated runoff. To prevent weeds from hitchhiking on vessels and being transferred from one lake to another, Save the Lakes, in partnership with the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, initiated a Boat Greeter Program. Conducted by volunteers at local boat ramps, this program is designed to educate boaters about cleaning their vessels before entering freshwater.

Save The Lakes also works with property owners to develop lake associations and lake management plans. Educating the public and encouraging legislative action is another top priority, as the nonprofit works to research and implement successful initiatives adopted by other states to advance their mission of protecting, preserving, and improving all lakes in Rhode Island.

For this donor, establishing the Save the Lakes Fund was a way to meet an unmet need in the community, and to make a big difference to a small organization, whose funding comes almost exclusively through membership dues and donations. It was also a means to inspire giving, and, ultimately, to preserve a critical and beautiful natural resource. “My wife’s family built a cabin on a lake in 1939, and she grew up there; a stunning forested area with 150-year-old trees...a paradise just seventeen miles from Providence. It didn’t take me long to fall in love with it too.”
Honoring the life of a cherished individual who was a beacon for educational equity, racial, and social justice has been a deeply meaningful endeavor. The Paul Cuffee School community, under the leadership of Head of School Christopher Haskins and its Board, embarked on a heartfelt mission to commemorate this beloved community member by launching a grassroots fundraising campaign to establish the Earl N. Smith III Memorial Scholarship at the Rhode Island Foundation.

Who was this man for whom this scholarship is named? “Earl N. Smith III was a mentor and motivator for many who doubted their academic potential. He was a bridge for countless students and adults, guiding them towards realizing their higher education dreams and career aspirations,” recalls Christopher Haskins.

In 2010, while Assistant Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Rhode Island (URI), Earl became an active member of Paul Cuffee School’s community, joined its Board of Trustees, and later became Board President. Christopher explains, “Earl was an inspiring presence for everyone he encountered. He was a passionate voice against institutional racism and was acutely aware of the uneven playing field affecting people of color. He shined a light on those issues to catalyze systemic change.”

Ana Barraza, a Rhode Island Foundation Equity Leadership Initiative alumna and URI graduate who is now Director of the URI Women’s Center, met Earl during her freshman year of college. Their friendship was immediate and endured throughout adulthood. Ana describes Earl as a loyal friend who shared his wisdom and selflessly guided others. Despite facing serious health challenges, she remembers him regularly checking in on his friends and family and offering his unwavering support.

A URI alumnus and now Academic Advisor for the university’s Talent Development Department, Earl’s younger brother Kevin Smith described his brother’s integrity, humility, and perseverance, and his genuine interest in and support of others. “He taught me to get involved, to try my hardest, and to have confidence in myself. I wouldn’t be where I am today without his influence on my life,” reflects Kevin.

“There simply aren’t enough words to express our gratitude for Earl,” Christopher Haskins concludes. “Continuing to grow the Earl N. Smith III Memorial Scholarship at the Rhode Island Foundation will allow us to continue his legacy for generations to come. We are grateful that donor contributions and annual distributions will make it possible to assist exemplary graduating seniors at Paul Cuffee School, who like Earl, are determined to pursue higher education while uplifting and supporting others along the way.”
Last year’s honorees for the Tech10 Awards demonstrated the immense ways technology impacts and enhances the way we live, work, and play.

One honoree helped create a virtual resource guide and community for people battling oral cancer. Another led the project to eliminate constant internet connection headaches for Block Island residents.

Yet another, after seeing his cousin who was born with one arm struggling to play video games, revamped the traditional controller so all the buttons needed to play can be reached with one hand.

The Rhode Island Foundation now has a permanent Tech10 Technology Scholarship to support students pursuing an education or training in the field of technology.

“One of the reasons the awards exist, and now the scholarship exists, is because tech, and especially information technology, is so foreign to so many people that they just think it is supposed to work and they don’t even want to know how,” said David Marble, chief executive officer of OSHEAN and a member of the Tech10 Advisory Group. “We wanted to honor the people who actually make this stuff work.”

The awards program—the only one in the State for the tech industry—started in 2011 with a group called the Tech Collective. Rhode Island Monthly Communications Inc., of Pawtucket, and the Foundation joined in to keep the awards going.

The awards are now presented by Rhode Island Monthly and the Tech10 Advisory Group, which is comprised of Rhode Island Foundation staff and Lifetime Achievement Award recipients. It was Rhode Island Monthly’s publisher, John Palumbo, who first suggested creating the scholarship.

He and all involved see how meaningful technology is to every industry and all parts of life from cybersecurity to a health patient’s maintenance to gaming or to improve the health of Narragansett Bay.

“Some of past Tech10 winners also have an entrepreneurial spirit,” said Advisory Group member David Hemendinger, the chief information officer for Brown Medicine. “They are the spark for innovation. The scholarship piece is the gas on the fire, adding oxygen to the spark, that really allows them to mature.”
Brian had great promise—I have thought a lot about what he could have done with his love of learning and his leadership qualities,” says Ora Wry, the great-aunt of Brian Tutunjian, who died unexpectedly at age 31. “Brian was a sincere, caring, and kind soul.” She notes that he showed intelligence and creativity at an early age. He learned to walk at nine months and rode a bicycle at age three. He was designing and constructing since he was a toddler.

He loved Cape Cod and enjoyed years of family fun in Centerville. Trips to the Penny Candy Store, swimming at the local ponds, and walks to the end of Long Beach all were staples of Brian’s upbringing.

He was an avid reader and thinker. A self-taught musician, Brian could play any instrument he picked up but excelled on the guitar. He loved to read about history and places in the world. Brian traveled to England, on his own, to visit his relatives as an eighth-grade graduation gift, an adventure that only heightened his desire to explore. After college, he traveled cross-country with a group of friends.

He then lived in Oregon for a year, where he worked on an extended family member’s farm before packing up to make a permanent move to Denver, Colorado, where he could be fully immersed in nature—spending his days hiking, riding his motorcycle through the Rocky Mountains, and hiking with friends.

The fund is dedicated to Tommy’s Place, a Massachusetts-based nonprofit that owns and operates year-round vacation homes on Cape Cod for kids fighting cancer. One family at a time, along with their extended family and friends, visits one of their 10+ bedroom homes for a week to relax, make memories and have fun. Ora calls it “a magical escape” for families of children affected by cancer.

“Brian’s life may have been comparatively short, but it was a life packed with action,” declares Ora. “His love of life, his sense of humor, and his compassion resonates with all who knew him. We know that he would be overjoyed to continue his legacy of kindness, especially helping children.”
“W e aren’t just a museum, we tell the story of real people, real Rhode Islanders, who served our country,” explains Patrick Donovan, President and Executive Director of the Varnum Continentals, an all-volunteer organization committed to preserving and sharing Rhode Island’s military history. Founded in 1907 and named for Major James Mitchell Varnum, commander of one of George Washington’s Continental Army Brigades, the organization owns and operates Varnum House Museum and the Varnum Armory Museum, located in East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

Major Varnum’s residence, where he once entertained General Lafayette, the Varnum House Museum contains historical artifacts dating from the late 17th century, such as American furniture, household items, children’s toys, paintings and more, while the Varnum Armory Museum displays the largest collection of Rhode Island military history. Some of the most treasured items in the Armory’s vast collection of art, uniforms, weaponry, flags, literature, documents, and other military ephemera include the oldest flag in America, a letter authored by a Black soldier in the 1st RI Regiment of 1778, musical instruments used at the Battle of Bull Run by Rhode Island’s American Brass Band, and a 1775 Rhode Island militia Artillery hat, one of only five in existence from the Revolution. In addition, the Varnum Continentals operate a textile and document conservation lab staffed by highly trained volunteers to conserve not only the museum’s collection, but to assist other local organizations and institutions in caring for fragile, irreplaceable objects.

Over the last ten years, through membership and community support, the Varnum Continentals organization has grown financially, and, to build on that success, they looked to the Rhode Island Foundation to establish the Varnum Continentals Fund, an organizational endowment fund, to maintain sustainability, security, and growth through professional financial management. “The Foundation has the finest reputation in the state; a symbol of service to the community...where else would we go?” responds Patrick, when asked about the organization’s decision to form a philanthropic partnership.

Through this fund, the Varnum Continentals will continue to share and responsibly steward its collections, ensuring that the rare and important history of Rhode Island’s military past will be preserved in perpetuity for generations to come.
“Providing support locally to causes and people that we really believe in—that’s what drew us here. We’re confident that the Foundation will help us find those organizations that align with our beliefs.”

—Alison and Pete Kaczmarek
Kaczmarek Family Fund
“Equity leadership is not a destination, but a journey. Equity leadership is not just a mission statement, but an action plan. It’s a way of thinking and acting that is focused on creating a more just and equitable world,” so says Ralph Tavares, a member of the newest cohort.

In August we celebrated the Equity Leadership Initiative Cohort II graduation as the culmination of the 12-month leadership development program that includes monthly learning and development sessions, regular one-on-one coaching sessions, an annual retreat, and extensive networking with high-level connections across sectors.

The high-energy event featured a keynote address from Mu Sochua, a Rhode Island resident who has spent her life fighting for women’s rights and democracy in Southeast Asia. As the daughter of disappeared Sino Khmer parents, Sochua spent most of her young-adult life in exile in the United States.

The Equity Leadership Initiative is just one facet of the Rhode Island Foundation’s core commitment to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in all its activities.
Funds

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Adams Public Library
Adoption Rhode Island
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Lorne A. Adrain Fund for Community Leadership (1997)
Lorne A. Adrain Fund for Special Olympics (1998)
Mark G. Adrain Memorial Scholarship Fund (2014)
AIA Rhode Island
Supported by: AIA Rhode Island / DF Pray Scholarship Fund (2014) and AIA Rhode Island Scholarship Fund (2014)
Paul J. and Joyce T. Aicher Fund (2017)
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Louise M. Aldrich Fund (1987)
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Allen Family Fund (1994)
Alliance Francaise of Providence Endowment Fund (2016)
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Alumnae Association of Newport Hospital School of Nursing Fund (2018)
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Deacon Charles and Patricia A. Andrade Scholarship Fund (2021)
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Rhea Archambault Memorial Fund (1987)
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Mary-Kim Arnold and Matthew Derby Fund (2023)
Robert Paul Arrigan Memorial Scholarship Fund (2022)
Artists Development Fund (1987)
Asbury United Methodist Church Fund (1993)
Audubon Society of Rhode Island Endowment Fund (2015)
Karl Augenstein Memorial Fund (1989)
Jean H. and Stanley E. Auslander Fund (2010)
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Bach Organ Scholarship Fund (1985)
Dr. Omar Bah and Teddi Jallow Scholarship Fund for Refugees (2021)
Baker Family Fund (2021)
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Hildred F. Bamforth Fund (1992)
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Harold R. Bannister Fund (2011)
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Edward J. and Gloria M. Barlow Fund for Ronald McDonald House (2017)
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Barrington Christian Academy Supported by: Barrington Christian Academy Endowment Fund (1993); Barrington Christian Academy-Stratton Scholarship Fund (2005); and Barrington Christian Academy Scholarship Fund (2014)
Barrington Congregational Church Supported by: Barrington Congregational Church Fund (1990) and Barrington Congregational Church Flex Fund (2017)
Barrington District Nursing Association Fund (1989)
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Beacon Brighter Tomorrows Fund (1998)
Sara G. Beckwith Fund (1990)
Friends of Beechwood North Kingstown Endowment Fund (2014)
Behavioral Health Fund (2018)
Belmont Chapel Preservation Endowment Fund (2014)
Frederick J. Benson Scholarship Fund (1975)
Paul A. Berchielli Memorial Fund (2015)
Alvin Benjamin Berg Fund (2002)
Zabel Yaghjian Berg Fund (2001)
Bernadette and Douglas Bernon Charitable Fund (2010)
Berry Family Fund (1971)
Thomas Beswick Fund (1960)
Patricia A. Biasuzzi and John M. Biasuzzi Scholarship Fund (2017)
Bradford R. Bibeau Memorial Scholarship Fund (2021)
Bickford Family Charitable Fund (2019)
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Frederick S. Blackall IV Fund (2017)
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Patricia and Steele Blackall Fund (1986)
George T. Blackburn and Susan H. Blackburn Fund (2004)
Blackstone Valley Heritage and Environment Education Fund (2020)
Victor Blanco Memorial Scholarship Fund (2008)
Alice W. Bliss Memorial Fund (1981)
Block Island Conservancy
Block Island Fund (1994)
Block Island Medical Center Endowment Fund (2008)
Blount Fine Foods Fund (2014)
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island Community Health Fund (2005)
Raymond J. and Brenda B. Bolster Community Fund (2005)
George H. Bond and Mary K. Bond Fund (2016)
Bonnet-Eymard Family Fund (2007)
Daniel R. Borah Fund (2005)
Emilie Luiza Borda Charitable Fund (2008)
Borden Lyon Family Fund (2018)
The Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center Supported by: The Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center/H. Alan & Ellie Frank Fund (2014); The Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center Fund (2015); Jewish Motorcyclists Alliance of The Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center Endowment Fund (2017); Fred, Gertrude and Henry Regenstein Library Fund of Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center (2017); Touro Fraternal Association of The Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center Endowment Fund (2017); and Dr. Howard S. Lampal Memorial Education Fund of The Sandra Bornstein Holocaust Education Center (2018)
Bosman Family Fund (2012)
Bosworth Fund (1999)
Family of Eugene M. Boutiette Fund (1979)
Michael A. Bova Memorial Scholarship Fund (2006)
Bowen Haven Fund (2009)
Richard M. Bowen Fund (1927)
Boyajian Family Fund (2011)
Mary A. Boylan Memorial Fund (1997)
Boys & Girls Club of Newport County Fund (2002)
Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket Supported by: Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket Fund (2002); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Brian Agin Memorial Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Allen P. Barker Memorial Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/A. Henry Soar Memorial Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Crown Collision Centers ASAP Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/John J. McMahon Memorial Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Andrew Dimant Memorial Scholarship (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Arthur & Mary Kaufman Fund Est. in Loving Memory of James T. Boylan (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Dennis M. Lynch Memorial Basketball Tournament Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Mike Pappas Athletic Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/Anthony & Lisa Ruddy Fund (2004); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/The Collette Vacations Endowment for Baseball (2005); Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket/William B. Macaulay Endowment for the Arts (2005)
Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence
Supported by: Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence Operational Fund (2014); Robert P. Brooks President’s Scholarship Endowment for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence (2016); Solomon A. Solomon College Education Endowment for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence (2016); Raymond A. DeCesare Food Endowment Fund (2021); Ian N. Muir Aquatics Endowment Fund for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence (2021); Lisa Bisaccia and Robert Naparstek, M.D. Performing Arts Endowment Fund (2021); Armand E. Sabitoni/New England Laborers’ Education and Workforce Development Fund (2021); and Anthony R. Leone Educational Programs Fund (2022)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Warwick Fund (2017)

Bradford Family Fund (2018)


Brain Injury Association of Rhode Island Fund (2014)


Alma Brewster Fund (1978)

Brickle Group Charitable Fund (2014)

Roberta H. Bridenbaugh Fund (1996)

Harriet M. Briggs Memorial Fund (1978)

Brightman Hill Fund (2017)

Bristol Children’s Home Fund (1967)

Bristol Female Charitable Society Fund (2003)

Bristol Historical & Preservation Society Helene L. Tessler Fund (2009)


Olive C.P. Brittan Memorial Scholarship Fund (2001)

Helen E.B. Bromley Memorial Scholarship Fund (2001)

Brooks Family Fund (2000)

Robert and Rhea Brooks Family Fund (2016)

Miya D. Brophy-Baermann Scholarship Fund (2021)

Abbie A. Brougham Memorial Fund (1988)


Georgia A. Brown Fund (1991)


Jean Margaret Young Brown Fund (2006)


Robert H. Brown, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund (2022)

Walter G. Brown Fund (1964)


Bubba Fund (2009)


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Alfred Buckley Fund (1977)

Helen H. Buckley Fund (2003)

Marjorie W. and George B. Bullock, Jr. Fund (2001)

David P. Bulman Memorial Scholarship Fund (2005)

Bernard V. Buonanno Classical High School Fund (2010)

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Krista Weller Burns Scholarship Fund for the Arts (2019)

Butler Family Fund (2017)

Virginia B. Butler Fund (1978)

Button Hole

Edith T. Cabot Fund (1966)


John C. Cahill Memorial Fund (1997)

Rose M. Calandrelli Scholarship Fund (2017)
Ann Burton Cameron and Louise Cameron Hintze Fund (2012)
CANE Child Development Center Fund (2005)
Canepari Family Fund (2016)
Friends of Canonchet Farm Endowment Fund (2013)
Ruth A. Capron Fund (1991)
Anthony and Attilia E. Caran Fund (2007)
Donald and Suzanne Carcieri Fund (1998)
Patricia B. and Paul C. Carlson Fund (1994)
E. Bruce & Dorothy Q. Carlsten Charitable Giving Fund (2020)
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September 2023
Rhode Island Foundation travels the state

Having been a congressman, mayor, and a state representative, one might think David Cicilline knows his way around the state pretty well. And indeed he does.

After taking over at the Foundation it was important for him to get to know the community in a new way—to meet with grantees, donors, fellow funders, and everyday Rhode Islanders throughout the state and to hear more about opportunities, challenges, and their impressions of the Foundation.

First, Newport County, for a summertime visit to the Boys and Girls Club, among other stops. Then it was Providence, where he learned something about robotics from the youth at PASA, and visited with grantees throughout the City.

And on to Westerly, with a tour of the newly restored and reopened United Theatre and the Westerly Education Center. WEC (in this photo) is a public-private collaboration bringing together education, business, and industry to expand postsecondary degrees and certifications. General Dynamics/Electric Boat and CCRI are partners in the delivery of instruction in maritime trades. A ballistic-missile nuclear submarine mock-up is in the hands-on section of the facility, allowing trainees to practice their new skills.

Woonsocket, Central Falls, and Cumberland provided a glimpse of affordable housing, workforce development, education, immigrant services, and more.

Finally, a visit to South County provided a deeper dive into what some of our grantees are doing in the realm of food insecurity, housing, animal welfare, and healthcare.
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Robert H. and Catherine B. Sloan Charitable Fund (2021)
Florence M. Smart Fund (1976)
Eugenia Smetisko Fund (2002)
Charles Stuart Smith Fund (2019)
Dorothy Hackney Smith Fund (1980)
Ellen and Harry Smith Fund (2010)
Eric and Peggy Smith Family Fund (2001)
George E. Smith Fund (1964)
Jack & Patricia Smith Fund (2002)
John W. Smith Fund (1981)
Friends of Smithfield Rotary Scholarship Fund (2004)
Smith's Castle Fund (1998)
Andrew H. Snyder Dream Fund (2020)
Dianne B. Snyder Memorial Fund (2002)
Socio-Economic Development Center for Southeast Asians Endowment Fund (2001)
Sock/Myers Memorial Fund (2016)
Soloveitzik/Rhode Island for Community and Justice Fund (1992)
Harold B. Soloveitzik/American Association of University Women Fund (1992)
Harold B. Soloveitzik Fund (1986)
Sophia Academy
Lewis D. Sorrentino Fund (2004)
Lily and Catello Sorrentino Memorial Scholarship Fund (1978)
Edith B. Soule Fund (1999)
South County Ambulance and Rescue Corps Fund (2002)

South County Art Association
Supported by: South County Art Association Founder’s Fund (2016) and South County Art Association Fund (2016)
South County Garden Club of Rhode Island
Supported by: South County Garden Club of Rhode Island/Margaret Dunbar Fund (2004) and South County Garden Club of Rhode Island Susan B. Wilson Fund (2010)
South County Habitat for Humanity
Supported by: South County Habitat for Humanity Endowment Fund (2012) and Lou Raymond Building Endowment Fund (2018)
South County Health Medical Staff Scholarship Fund (2018)
South County Museum
Supported by: South County Museum Endowment Fund (1996) and South County Museum Rhode Island Red Endowment Fund (2004)
South Kingstown Education Foundation Fund (2003)
Southern Rhode Island Volunteers Fund (2019)
Southside Elementary Charter School Fund (2016)
Soutter Family Fund (2013)
Virginia and Thomas Soutter Fund for Dorcas Place (2010)
Lillian Sparfven & Ethel Ferrara Fund (2022)
Spartina Fund (2007)
Mary C. Speare Charitable Fund (2017)
James L. Spears Charitable Fund (2005)
St. Martin's Church Endowed Pledges Fund (2015)
Madeline Standish Fund (2010)
Staples Family Fund (1986)
Star of the Sea Fund (2020)
Starkweather & Shepley Charitable Fund (2010)
Station Fire Memorial Foundation Endowment Fund (2022)
Station Nightclub Fire Children’s Scholarship Fund (2004)
Henry A. Stearns Fund (1977)
Cameron Duke Stebbins Memorial Fund (2001)
Abraan Steele-Feldman Fund (2023)
Shirley Steere, Battey-Campbell Memorial, and Book Endowment Fund (2013)
Steinberg Civic Leadership Fund (2011)
Steinberg-Shao Family Fund (2021)
Steinberg-Shao Family Unrestricted Fund (2008)
Doris Stephens Mariposa Fund (2014)
Myriam Stettler, RN Nursing Scholarship Fund (2018)
Ronald G. Stevens and Patricia E. Moore Fund (2013)
Frank M. Stewart Fund (2012)
William Laverne Stillman and Elizabeth C. Stillman (Class of ‘33) Scholarship Fund (2008)
Stone Bridge Volunteer Fire Department Scholarship Fund (1991)
Stonehouse Mountain Family Fund (2017)
Henry A. Street Fund (1956)
Sylvia Street Fund in Memory of Ruth Ely (1981)
John O. Strom, MD Memorial Fund (2008)
Mary Lou Strong Fund (2018)
William J. and Judith D. Struck Fund (2005)
Sturges Fund for Grace Church (2008)
Cornelia B. Sturgis Memorial Fund (2023)
Suglia Family Fund (2016)
Jeff Sullivan Hope Fund (2020)
Bruce and Marjorie Sundlun Scholarship Fund (1990)
Surti Family Scholarship Fund (2020)
Kim and Howard Sutton Fund (2015)
Helen E. Swanson Fund (2003)
Jeffrey L. Swanson Memorial Scholarship (2016)
Karen M. Swanson Memorial Scholarship Fund (2020)
Miss Swinburne Fund (2002)
Anne and Michael Szostak Fund (2009)
Richard W. Szumita Memorial Scholarship Fund (2001)
Hope and Roland Talbot Fund (1979)
Hope and Roland Talbot Scholarship Fund (2021)
Helen E. Talcott Fund (1930)
Tamburro Family Charitable Fund (2015)
David D. Tarnapol Scholarship Fund (2006)
David L. Taton Family Vocational/Technical Scholarship Fund (2020)
C. George Taylor Fund (1999)
Taylor Strong Charitable Fund (2017)
Arthur L. Teal, Sr. Scholarship Fund (2018)
Teatro ECAS Fund (2023)
Tech10 Technology Scholarship Fund (2023)
Test Fund (2013)
Rupert C. Thompson Fund (1987) (2)
Hope L. Thornton Fund (2001)
Thorpe Family Scholarship Fund (2006)
Kerri Lynn (Estrada) Thurber Memorial Fund (2021)
Tides Family Services Endowment Fund (2017)
James E. Tiernan Memorial Fund (2005)
Albert Harris Tillinghast Fund (1949)
Tiverton Land Trust Fund (2000)
Tiverton Library Endowment Fund (2017)
Tomaquag Museum Fund (2023)
Clinton and Mary Tompkinson Memorial Fund (2010)
Peter and Sunny Toulmin Fund (1986)
Touro Synagogue
Supported by: Touro Synagogue Foundation Educational Initiatives Fund (2020) and Touro Synagogue Foundation Campus Improvements & Preservation Fund (2020)
Lilly C. Tow Fund (2015)
Geraldine Tower Education Fund (2002)
Town Dock Charitable Fund (2017)
Town Fair Tire Foundation Rhode Island Scholarship Fund (2021)
Christopher Townsend-Child and Family Services of Newport County Fund (2007)
Christopher Townsend-Newport Public Library Fund (2007)
Agnes Meade Tramonti Memorial Scholarship Fund (1998)
Trinity Repertory Company
Raymond H. Trott Scholarship Fund (1980)
Troy Fund (1979)
Trudeau Center Fund (2021)
Constance Kane Tucker Fund (2015)
Sarah Peabody Turnbaugh and William A. Turnbaugh Family Fund (2020)
Brian G. Tutunjian Memorial Fund (2023)
UBS Rhode Island Fund (2004)
United Way of Rhode Island
United Welfare Committee Fund (1982)
Universal Homes, Inc. Fund (1978)
Urban Education Fund (2021)
Urban League of Rhode Island
Supported by: B. Jae Clanton Scholarship Fund of the Urban League of Rhode Island (1990); Andrew Bell Scholarship Fund (2004); and Urban League of Rhode Island Scholarship Fund (2004)
Virginia R. Urquhart Scholarship (2022)
Anne Utter Fund for the Performing Arts (2006)
Jessie G. Valleau Fund (1967)
Valley Breeze Scholarship Fund (2017)
Valley Resources Fund in honor of Charles Goss, Eleanor McMahon, & Melvin Alperin (1993)
Willard Boulette Van Houten and Margaret Lippiatt Van Houten Fund (1991)
Louis J. Van Orden Fund (1990)
Margaret Hanley Van Orden Fund (2007)
Margaret Hanley Van Orden Scholarship Fund (2007)
Early in the year, the Foundation called upon the Boston Consulting Group to review the depth and breadth of the housing and homelessness challenges in Rhode Island. In October, we followed up on their findings with a workshop that brought together the key stakeholders, strategists, and experts in the state seeking solutions to what sometimes feel like intractable issues.

Small group discussions identified challenges and potential solutions, concluding that addressing Rhode Island’s housing and homelessness crisis will be an ongoing process that will require planning, advocacy, fundraising, and policy research.

October 2023
Housing and Homelessness Convening
Dr. Stanley Van Wagner Memorial Scholarship Fund (1987)
Richard Vangermeersch Fund (2013)
Varnum Continentals Endowment Fund (2023)
Doctor Domenic A. Vavala Charitable Fund (2006)
Vax Gives Back Fund (2021)
Dominique Velociter Founder's Endowment Fund (2014)
Venard Fund (1988)
Veterans Memorial Auditorium Endowment Fund (2014)
William A. Viall Fund (1939)
Scott F. Viera Memorial Fund (2017)
Vinny Animal Welfare Fund (2009)
Alice Viola Fund (1998)
Visual Arts Fund (2022)
VNA of Rhode Island Legacy Fund (2021)
Vogel, Califano, Dimase, Iannuccilli Fund (2001)
Nondas Hurst Voll Scholarship Fund (2006)
Volunteer Services for Animals
Frederick & Rosamond von Steinwehr Fund (1998)
Evelyn Pierce Vories Fund (1983)
Irene Vose Fund (2006)
Ralph C. and Joyce L. Vossler Fund (2013)
W.H.S. Alumni Scholarship Fund (2014)
WAB Family Fund (2022)
Wadleigh Family Fund (2005)
Waite-Menson Fund (2007)
Wakefield Rotary Charitable Foundation Fund (2019)
Mattie A. Walcott Fund (1999)
Elayne Walker-Cabral Medical Scholarship Endowment (2018)
John and Mary Wall Fund for Grace Church (1990)
John and Mary Wall Fund for Rhode Island Hospital (2010)
John and Mary Wall Fund for the Rhode Island Historical Society (2010)
John and Mary Wall Fund for the United Way (1985)
Robert W. Daly and Mary B. (Polly) Wall Fund (2010)
Howard A. and Lillian M. Walsh Fund (2023)
Kevin B. Walsh Memorial Scholarship Fund (2005)
Lily Walsh Fund (2001)
M. Martha Walsh Fund (1997)
Alice Ward Fund (1991)
Alice Ward Fund (1993)
Julia P. Ward Fund (1966)
Marjorie A. Ward Fund (2005)
Harriet P. and Isabella M. Wardwell Fund (1942) (2)
Simon W. Wardwell Fund (1978)
William D. & Margaret H. Warner Scholarship Fund (2021)
Warren Preservation Society Fund (2022)
Lucy M. Warren Fund (1947)
Warwick Public Library
Supported by: Warwick Public Library Endowment Fund (1999); Janice Percie DiFranco Fund (2019); and Pia DeConcillis Endowment (2020)
Washington County Veterans Council Endowment Fund (2013)
Martha W. Watt Fund (1973)
Webb Moscovitch Family Fund (2005)
White Pine Fund (2023)
Robert and Vicki Weisman Family Fund (2012)  
Herbert J. Wells Fund (1970)  
WeRI Rhode Island Fund (2020)  
Harold B. Werner Fund (2008)  
Harold B. Werner Scholarship Fund (2009)  
David and Ellie Greenhalgh Scholarship Fund for West Bay Christian Academy (2021)  
Westerly Cancer Fund (2006)  
Westerly Education Endowment Fund (2001)  
Westerly Hospital Auxiliary Fund (1992)  
Westerly Lions Club Scholarship Fund (2005)  
Westerly Senior Citizens Center Endowment Fund (2014)  
Westminster Senior Center Fund (1994)  
Wexler Family Fund in Memory of Edmund, William, Rose, & Benjamin Wexler (1980)  
Miriam Weyker Thanatological Fund (1989)  
What Cheer Flower Farm Capital Fund (2022)  
Mark Wheeler Scholarship Fund (2017)  
Nancy Whit Fund (2022)  
Erskine N. White, Jr. and Eileen Lutz White Fund (2017)  
Maureen A. and Christopher D. White Memorial Fund (2001)  
Frederick B. Wilcox Endowment Fund (2016)  
Mary E. Wilcox Fund (2007)  
Virginia A. Wilcox Fund (1990)  
Wildlife Conservation Fund (1966)  
Deborah E. Wiley Fund (2022)  
Willett Free Library Endowment Fund (2016)  
Joanna Pozzi Williams Scholarship Fund (2016)  
Margaret H. Williamson Fund (2013)  
Rob and Susan Wilson Mental Health Fund (2022)  
Leonarda S. Winiarski Fund (2005)  
Gertrude L. Wolf “Class of 1902” Fund (1987)  
Women Ending Hunger Fund (2006)  
Women's Education Fund (2023)  
Women's Fund of Rhode Island (2000)  
Women's Refugee Care Fund (2023)  
Helen Wood Memorial Fund for Langworthy Public Library (2009)  
Wood Memorial Scholarship Fund (2010)  
Mrs. Kenneth F. Wood Fund (1935)  
Woodcock Charitable Fund (2000)  
Michael J. Woods Fund (2009)  
Mabel M. Woodward Fund (1946)  
Mabel M. Woodward Fund (1963)  
Marilynne Graboys Wool Scholarship Fund (2000)  
Christi K. Work Family Fund (2022)  
Work Urquhart Charitable Fund (2012)  
World War II Memorial Fund (2018)  
John J. and Eleanor Q. Wrenn Memorial Fund (2001)  
James and Kate Wright Family Fund (2020)  
Kit Wright Fund for Jamestown (1979)  
Ora E. Wry Fund (2007)  
Alan Edgar Wurdeman Scholarship Fund (2014)  
Harrison Yaghjian Fund (2000)  
Harry Yaghjian Trust Fund (1997)  
Dr. James J. Yashar Charitable Family Fund (2007)  
Judge Marjorie Yashar Charitable Fund (2008)
Carol Hudson Young Fund (2015)
Sergeant Cornel Young Jr. Scholarship Fund (2000)
James A. Young Fund (1974)
Jason Ellis Young Memorial Fund (2008)
Mary A. Young Fund (1990)
Mary A. Young Cancer Fund (2005)
Young Voices Endowment Fund (2016)
Youth Pride Fund (2023)

YWCA Rhode Island
Supported by: YWCA of Northern Rhode Island Endowment Fund (1990) and YWCA Rhode Island Gini Duarte Memorial Scholarship Fund (2012)

Eunice and Rubin Zeidman Fund (2015)
Laura Mason Zeisler Fund (1997)

Zelman Family Fund (2023)

Dorothy Davis Zimmering and the Zimmering Family Memorial Fund (1989)

Coleman B. Zimmerman Memorial Fund (1993)


Kimberly and John Zwetchkenbaum Family Fund (2007)

Supporting Organizations
Subsidiary public charities benefiting from the Foundation's community knowledge and professional investment and philanthropic services.

Downcity Partnership, Inc. (2000)
Haffenreffer Family Fund (1987)
Jewish Federation Foundation (2018)
June Rockwell Levy Foundation (2011)
Rhode Island Charities Trust (1991)
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Gift Processing Administrator
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Grants Database Coordinator
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IT and Facilities Technician
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November 2023
Big Bets with Dr. Rajiv Shah

Last October, Dr. Rajiv Shah, president of the Rockefeller Foundation, published *Big Bets: How Large-Scale Change Really Happens*. In the book, Dr. Shah shares a dynamic new model for realizing transformative change, inspired by his own work on some of the biggest humanitarian efforts of the 21st century.

For the past 25 years, Shah has been making one ‘big bet’ after another. At the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, he helped vaccinate a billion children; as USAID Administrator under President Obama, Shah led responses to the 2010 Haiti earthquake and the Ebola epidemic; he participated in the passage of the Global Food Security Act and the Electrify Africa Act.

He visited Rhode Island in November to meet with Foundation donors, where he told them that “making big changes to improve the world isn’t just the work of presidents, saints, and billionaires. It requires thinking differently, not settling for incremental improvements but embracing the mindset to solve the problem.”
Financials

Generous Rhode Islanders have entrusted their philanthropy to the Rhode Island Foundation for more than a century.

To better our communities and our state requires more than good intentions. It requires good vision, strategy, and discipline. The Foundation deploys prudent, long-term financial strategies to have the most impact today while preserving and growing our endowment for the future.

Investments
The Foundation’s investments are managed by a committee of directors and community members with expertise in the field, along with the support of an investment consultant and the Foundation’s chief financial officer. The Investment Committee establishes the investment policy, selects investment managers, and monitors performance.

For long-term growth and to help minimize volatility, the funds are broadly diversified across asset classes, investment styles, and economies.

As a reflection of the Foundation’s commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and access, the Investment Committee recently amended its policies to make the following clear: We believe that effectively accessing and managing diverse talent—inclusive of varied backgrounds, age, experience, race, sexual orientation, gender, ethnicity, and culture—leads to improved outcomes. The Foundation expects investment managers and other third party providers to respect and reflect the priority we place on equity, diversity, inclusion, and access.

### Investment performance net of fees*:

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*As of 12/31/2023

**Equity 55%**
- Domestic Equity 30%
- International Equity 20%
- Emerging Markets 5%

**Alternative Investments 40%**
- Flexible Capital 15%
- Private Capital 15%
- Real Assets 10%

**Fixed Income 5%**

Our scale allows us access to some of the top-performing investment managers in the country, and we set high performance standards for those managers. Our long-term endowment returns consistently rank us in the top quartile compared to our community foundation peers.

**Spending Policy**
Our spending policy ensures that our endowment continues to grow even as we continue to meet the needs of the day for the people of Rhode Island. The spending policy of 5.5% and 5.75% (including our support fee) calculated over a sixteen-quarter trailing average, allows us to provide a predictable stream of grants to organizations that serve our community, while maintaining a prudent rate of endowment growth. The spending policy is reviewed annually by the Foundation’s board of directors.
Financial Statements

A summary of the financial statements is shown below. The financial information contained in this report is unaudited and summarized. Audited financial statements, once issued, are available on our website at www.rifoundation.org

Selected Financial Information

Years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. Full financial statements are available upon request. Form 990s are available at www.rifoundation.org.

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<td>Cash</td>
<td>371,612</td>
<td>418,844</td>
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<td>Investments, at fair value</td>
<td>1,382,321,005</td>
<td>1,266,819,322</td>
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<td>Other assets</td>
<td>10,482,208</td>
<td>15,839,118</td>
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<td>Other receivables</td>
<td>4,599,852</td>
<td>4,727,668</td>
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<td>Fixed assets, net</td>
<td>2,723,615</td>
<td>2,676,685</td>
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<td>Notes receivable</td>
<td>3,011,283</td>
<td>3,148,180</td>
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<td><strong>Total Assets</strong></td>
<td>1,403,509,575</td>
<td>1,293,629,817</td>
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| **LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:**               |                |      |
| Liabilities:                                 |                |      |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses         | 3,441,330      | 3,726,534 |
| Grants payable                               | 2,524,762      | 4,255,788 |
| Grant advance                                | -              | 9,252,500 |
| Charitable trusts                            | 3,969,524      | 4,326,430 |
| Agency endowment funds                       | 148,098,950    | 123,349,191 |
| **Total Liabilities**                        | 158,034,566    | 144,910,443 |
| **NET ASSETS:**                              | 1,245,475,009  | 1,148,719,374 |
| **Total Liabilities and Net Assets**         | 1,403,509,575  | 1,293,629,817 |

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<th>Consolidated Statements of Activities</th>
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<td><strong>REVENUE:</strong></td>
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<td>Contributions and grant revenue</td>
<td>36,989,362</td>
<td>50,016,578</td>
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<td>Net investment return</td>
<td>148,866,813</td>
<td>(158,467,392.00)</td>
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<td>Royalties and other income</td>
<td>2,088,752</td>
<td>3,207,219</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td>187,944,927</td>
<td>(105,243,595.00)</td>
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| **GRANTS AND EXPENSES:**                     |                |      |
| Net grants appropriated                      | 77,159,190     | 78,668,474 |
| Administrative expenses                      | 14,897,625     | 13,882,057 |
| **Total Grants and Expenses**                | 92,056,815     | 92,550,531 |
| Change in value of investments held in trust | 867,523        | (1,121,190) |
| Change in Net Assets                         | 96,755,635     | (198,915,316) |
| **Net Assets, Beginning of Year**            | 1,148,719,374  | 1,347,634,690 |
| **Net Assets, End of Year**                  | 1,245,475,009  | 1,148,719,374 |
December 2023
Animal Welfare Grants

Nearly two dozen animal welfare programs across the state were awarded $530,000 in grants in 2023 through the Program for Animal Welfare at the Rhode Island Foundation. The funding supports a range of uses including low-cost vet care for pets in low-income households, preparing animals for adoption, and seal rescues.

“The pleasure that pets bring to our lives spills over into our own health and well-being,” says David Cicilline. “Keeping pets healthy and preparing animals for adoption is just one way the Foundation helps Rhode Islanders lead healthier lives.

“We could not offer this help without the generous support of the donors who establish funds with us for this purpose.” Donors have established 14 special funds that enable the Foundation to lead on animal welfare issues.

The largest recipient is the Potter League for Animals, which received $110,000 to support four activities at three locations. In the past year, the Potter facilities found homes for 2,012 animals, performed 1,126 spay or neuter surgeries at its Middletown facility and 5,689 in Warwick, and treated 4,066 pets at its Pets In Need Veterinary Clinic in East Providence.
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