Dear Friends,

We are excited to share the Foundation’s 2021 Annual Report with you. Last year was filled with uncertainty, but the Foundation was able to make significant impact at the same time—as we continue to focus on the needs of all the people of Rhode Island.

As we write this letter it feels as if we—as a community—are hopefully turning a corner toward COVID-19 reaching endemic status. For some of us that means that lingering risks won’t as readily impact our daily decision making, but for many of our neighbors here in Rhode Island the impacts of the pandemic will be felt for years to come.

To assist in meeting the needs of our neighbors, we continue to focus on providing ‘help and hope’ thanks to generous donors. In 2021, our donors thoughtfully trusted the Foundation with $98 million in new funds. Our investment returns for the year were over 20%, and our endowment now stands at $1.4 billion.

Thanks to those factors, and more, we were able to make $76 million in grants last year—spread across all sectors and throughout the state—many of which helped to address the challenges faced by historically marginalized Rhode Islanders, those hit hardest by COVID-19, and community members who feel the incredible strain of economic insecurity, physical and behavioral health challenges, and education achievement gaps.

Last year was one of our busiest and most productive in the Foundation’s history. The results you’ll read about on the following pages would not have been possible without the able leadership of Mary Brooks “Polly” Wall, our immediate past board chair. Polly held the tiller with a steady hand, grace, and compassion during a time of tumult in our world and our community, as well as a time of growth and evolution at the Foundation. Thank you for your service, Polly!

With that, we are excited for you to spend some time reading through our Annual Report. In it you’ll find stories about our support for organizations creating community, educators inspiring the next generation, local scientists focused on promising medical research, the Foundation’s civic leadership efforts in health, our enhanced focus on equity for all, and you’ll read the stories of many, many new and legacy donors to the Foundation. Please enjoy, feel free to share your feedback, and as always—we’re grateful to partner with you.

With warm regards and deep gratitude,

Al and Neil

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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.
Vision

Lead.
We have earned the trust of our donors, community leaders, and Rhode Islanders through a century of effective investments, strategic grants, and responsible decisions.

Transform.
We align our fundraising, grantmaking, and leadership to inspire and engage Rhode Islanders to address today’s challenges and create lasting improvements in our community.

Inspire.
We challenge and encourage Rhode Islanders to become active and involved in the community, to form meaningful partnerships, and to work together for the good of Rhode Island.
The financing for King Street Commons includes low income housing tax credits, funds from Building HOMES RI, an RI Housing Preservation and Revitalization Loan as well as an RI Housing mortgage, and an additional mortgage from LISC Rhode Island.
Housing is health, housing is hope

30 years of fighting for affordable housing in RI

Jennifer Pereira, Vice President of Grants & Community Investments

The struggle to find housing that everyday Rhode Islanders can afford is not new. Thirty years ago, Rhode Island was coming off its first big leap in real estate prices, when the median price of a single family home doubled between 1986 to 1989. Suddenly, policymakers started to see the reality that many had been living for years: housing was unaffordable to the average Rhode Islander. Seeing the scope of the problem, the Rhode Island Foundation responded with its first big foray into the housing sector: helping bring the national organization Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) to Rhode Island in 1991.

“The Foundation stepped up early with a leadership grant that set the stage, helping bring LISC and its much-needed national resources to Rhode Island,” remembers Barbara Fields, LISC-RI’s original executive director.

During Fields’ 20-year tenure, LISC provided crucial support for the building of 6,500 affordable homes for Rhode Island families.

“Nobody believed community development corporations could build at scale, but when they began constructing dozens and then hundreds of homes, heads turned.
Those early wins sparked a change and brought homes, jobs, and renewed pride to neighborhoods across the state,” says Fields.

Soon, the Foundation was investing in LISC’s Neighborhood Development Fund, which helped build the capacity of nonprofits like the Woonsocket Neighborhood Development Corporation (WNDC). Long-time Executive Director Joe Garlick remembers the early days.

“By the mid-1990s, Woonsocket was suffering. The economic disruption caused by the state’s credit union bust and other national bank failures had caused massive housing abandonment and neighborhood disinvestment,” he explains.

By the end of that decade, WNDC—now called NeighborWorks Blackstone River Valley—had attracted millions of dollars in private and public sector investment to breathe new life into the Constitution Hill neighborhood, which had more abandoned multifamily properties than any other section of the city. The centerpiece was rehabbing 26 of those derelict buildings into 90 affordable apartments.

Troubled neighborhoods all over Rhode Island were being transformed by the catalyst of affordable housing. Nonprofits like Church Community Housing Corporation in Newport, West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation in Providence, and Valley Affordable Housing Corporation in Cumberland were pioneers in this crucial work.

Rhode Island’s production of new homes had fallen precipitously; largely as a result of high land and construction costs, and a demanding permitting process. In 1986, developers built 7,274 units. But by 2004, the number of authorized building permits had fallen to 2,532. The growing imbalance between housing supply and demand had caused prices to rise six times faster than incomes since 1998. And the number of clients at homeless shelters increased more than 25% between 2002 and 2004.

That’s when the Rhode Island Foundation took an unprecedented step: investing in housing advocacy together with Rhode Island Housing and the United Way. The goal of the original HousingWorks campaign was passage of a $50 million bond for affordable housing—the first such bond in state history.

Brenda Clemont, then the executive director of the Housing Network, which represents many of the state’s community development corporations, remembers the campaign brought new voices to the table to convince legislative leaders to put a housing bond on the November ballot and then conduct a statewide advertising campaign in support of it.

“We needed to reposition affordable housing as something other than ‘the right thing to do.’ Housing advocates have always said that the ‘path to economic opportunity begins at your front door,’ so the campaign focused on the importance of housing to our state’s economic health and growth,” she says.

That 2006 bond passed with 66% of the vote. Within a few years, a second bond passed and then a third. But, housing creation still wasn’t keeping pace with demand. By 2014, new residential building permits had fallen to just 952. Rhode Island ranked last nationally. Not surprisingly, the average renter could not comfortably afford the average two-bedroom apartment in any of the state’s cities and towns.

While the affordability gap persisted, one thing was changing. The Foundation began to focus on housing as a tool to address health and economic security. The work included substantial investments in innovative housing programs like Housing First
RI, which combines stable, affordable apartments and case management to address the underlying causes of homelessness.

“We help people who have been homeless turn their lives around by removing barriers to getting a place to live, helping them acclimate to tenancy, and assisting them in achieving their goal of stability and independence,” explains Thrive Behavioral Health CEO Dan Kubas-Meyer.

The new approaches are coupled with continued support for long-time partners like LISC-RI, the Rhode Island Coalition to End Homelessness, and HousingWorks RI. The Foundation also has a seat on the Rhode Island General Assembly’s special legislative commission to study the Low and Moderate Income Housing Act; the commission is looking into barriers to affordable housing creation and will identify ways to help cities and towns meet their obligations under the Act. Furthermore, Rhode Island’s $1.1 billion share of the federal American Rescue Plan Act funding represents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to move the needle. In fact, the Foundation’s “Make It Happen: Investing for Rhode Island’s Future” report recommends that more money be spent on housing—$405 million—than any other use.

“As a state, we’ve got to produce more housing. Let’s start at the lower income levels, but there is a shortage at almost every level,” says Foundation President and CEO Neil D. Steinberg. “It’s way past time to just do it.”
Building much more than homes

ONE Neighborhood Builders

Jennifer Pereira, Vice President of Grants & Community Investments

ONB brings healthcare to the community at William D’Abate Elementary School, one of their many vaccination sites during COVID.

They build and renovate affordable housing, but ONE Neighborhood Builders does much more than that. They build communities. In their mission to address pervasive social and economic inequities, they have been doing innovative work to cultivate healthy, vibrant, and safe communities through a wide range of programs and collaborations that extend far beyond construction.

ONE Neighborhood Builders (ONB) has established itself as a community development leader in Rhode Island, focusing on place-based efforts to improve
economic mobility for residents in the nine Providence neighborhoods located in the 02908 and 02909 ZIP codes: Elmhurst, Federal Hill, Hartford, Manton, Mount Pleasant, Olneyville, Silver Lake, Smith Hill, and Valley.

The neighborhoods they serve have similar demographics and face enormous health disparities: 41% of individuals in these areas live in poverty. The homeownership rate is 25%, far lower than the 61% regional average. A bleak indicator of just how poor conditions of existing housing are: 22% of kindergarten children in the Olneyville, Valley, and Federal Hill neighborhoods of Providence were identified with elevated blood-lead levels. These inequities impact overall quality and duration of life—in fact, the average life expectancy in Central Providence is nine years lower than that of other Providence neighborhoods.

Founded in 1988 as Olneyville Housing Corporation (OHC), ONE Neighborhood Builders became the name of the organization when OHC merged with Community Works Rhode Island in 2015. Over the past two decades, the Foundation has invested more than $1.5 million in the various iterations of One Neighborhood Builders.

In response, ONB has developed over 500 affordable homes for families, transforming neighborhoods characterized by blight and crime into safe communities with high-quality housing and vibrant retail shops. One of the early recipients of the Foundation's Impact Investing Initiative, ONB received an $806,000 loan in 2018 to support the Protecting Providence Property program, a pilot effort to provide affordable homes to middle income households. In June 2021, ONB celebrated the completion of King Street Commons and Sheridan Small Homes, representing a nearly $20-million investment. The 2.5-acre King Street Commons development includes 30 new affordable rental apartments and a child care center in Olneyville. Clustered on three-quarters of an acre and adjacent to the Fred Lippitt bike path, five Sheridan Small Homes were built with first-time homebuyers in mind.

“Whenever we launch a new housing development, we focus on the fact that we’re not simply developing housing; we’re building community,” says ONB Executive Director Jennifer Hawkins. “We investigate the needs of each neighborhood where we build.” ONB calls upon neighborhood residents and stakeholders inquiring about their strategies and priorities to note efforts to revitalize
neighborhoods without displacing existing residents and businesses.

They know that 80% of what makes people healthy happens outside of healthcare settings—and that safe and stable housing and living wages are the primary determinants. A multi-year grant from the Rhode Island Foundation’s Fund for a Healthy Rhode Island enabled ONB to develop their Community Health Worker Registered Apprenticeship program. Community Health Workers—there are currently 14 participants—help residents with a variety of supportive services and assistance, including rent relief, food assistance, and healthcare. During the COVID pandemic, they provided vaccine site support—64 vaccine sites hosted, with 1,385 people vaccinated, and almost 300,000 masks distributed. Further, $1.1 million was distributed as direct cash assistance to clients with immediate needs, assisting them with rent and utilities relief. Their work helps ONB understand the needs of community residents.

In 2020, ONB received a two-year, $8 million investment from Blue Meridian Partners to support place-based investments for city residents in the 02908 and 02909 zip codes to address social and economic disparities through systems change. Rhode Island Foundation serves as the fiscal sponsor of this Central Providence Opportunities Initiative.
In partnership with the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH), ONB has also launched the **Doula Workforce Development Initiative**. This training series will strengthen the network of doulas living or working in the nine neighborhoods of 02908 and 02909. Increased access to doula services has been shown to have positive long-term impact on Black maternal health, early education outcomes, and economic mobility. This program will allow more doulas and clients to connect when new legislation goes into effect that requires all insurance providers to cover doula services.

The ONB 18-member **Resident Advisory Council** supports resident leaders in creating the community change they want to see. It has overseen distribution so far of $100,400 in Community Impact Funds to 21 businesses and organizations. The grants, of up to $5,000 each, are used to support creative, community-driven projects that impact residents in the 02908 and 02909 zip codes. Their combined resident voices have been central to policy recommendations to the state and the City of Providence for how Federal stimulus funds ought to be spent.

A collaboration between ONB and Social Enterprise Greenhouse (SEG) has produced a **business support center** in Olneyville, providing small-business owners access to resources to launch and grow their business. Tailored to the needs of local merchants and makers in central Providence, the center will provide access to SEG’s network of business experts, programs and services, free internet and use of computers, technology training and advising, one-on-one support, workshops and community events, and resources to connect individuals to economic and workforce development opportunities.

ONB’s commitment to **early education** and affordable, high-quality child care for community residents resulted in a state-of-the-art child care center at King Street Commons, to be opened and operated by Children’s Friend this Spring. The 8,645 square foot daycare facility will have three pre-kindergarten classrooms, two infant/toddler classrooms, and an outdoor playground area.

And ONB remains committed to creating **on-ramps to living wages**, marrying workforce development with housing development through their partnership with construction-apprenticeship programs, including with Building Futures, an organization that meets industry need for skilled workers through the Registered Apprenticeship system while creating high-wage career opportunities for low-income adults.

“While we know that safe, stable housing is the foundation for all else—it will always be paramount—we also know that we have to support good jobs, early education, and quality health services in order to generate and sustain community-wide change,” says Jen Hawkins. “Comprehensive community development has always been in our DNA.”
Maria Taveras came to the U.S. from her native Dominican Republic when she was four years old. “I was in a bilingual class—I went to George J. West, Mary Fogarty, and Gilbert Stuart because we moved a lot. When I became a teacher, I knew I wanted to connect with kids in the same situation, to give the students someone who is ‘just like me’ to connect with,” says Maria.

Teachers of color are dramatically under-represented in U.S. schools, particularly in large urban districts. In Providence public schools—serving almost 22,000 students at 37 different schools—80% percent of the teachers are white while 80% of the students are Black or Latino. Meanwhile, the evidence is clear: ethnoracial diversity in the teaching profession has been shown to have positive impacts on student outcomes.

According to the Learning Policy Institute, which conducts independent research to improve education policy and practice, the benefits of diversity in the teacher workforce are considerable for all students, regardless of their race or ethnicity. Schools that are more ethnically and racially diverse produce better academic results, create environments with reduced anxiety levels, and help improve students’ social and emotional learning. Exposure to diversity better prepares all students for life and work in an increasingly global and diverse world.

Teachers of color also boost the academic performance of students of color, including improved reading and math test scores, improved graduation rates, and increases in aspirations to attend college. It is not that children of color can or should only learn from teachers of color; rather, public schools need a teaching pool that is more reflective of the population of students. All students benefit from seeing and knowing that individuals from varied racial and ethnic backgrounds can and do have the potential and desire to excel in academic institutions.

That is why the Rhode Island Foundation has raised $3.2 million to increase the number of teachers of color in Providence public schools. The funding is being used to offer candidates a college loan-repayment incentive totaling up to $25,000 in the first three years of employment, over and above their regular compensation. Newly-hired, full-time teachers who identify as Black, Asian, Indigenous, Latino, or multi-racial are eligible.

In Maria’s case, her higher education path took her first to the University of Rhode Island (URI), then to the Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI), and ultimately to Rhode Island College (RIC) where she graduated with a degree in Early Childhood Education. Along the way, she accumulated student loan debt. Now teaching dual-language second-graders at Alfred Lima Elementary School, Maria is thankful that the loan forgiveness program has reduced her debt burden.

If we can see it, we can be it

In Providence, recruiting teachers that look like their students

Lisa DiMartino, Senior Strategic Initiative Officer
“We’re grateful to the passionate donors who joined with us to embrace this opportunity to continue improving the educational success of the city’s students,” said Foundation President and CEO Neil Steinberg. The district hopes to hire more than 125 teachers of color over the next five years through the program.

In its first academic year (2021-2022), the loan forgiveness program already appears to be a game changer for improving diversity. The program is providing an incentive large enough to impact decision-making, either for external candidates to relocate or internal candidates to change careers, and taps into a real, identified need among educators and prospective educators.

The initiative is just the latest in a string of programs the Foundation has funded in partnership with Providence Public School District (PPSD) to increase the number of educators of color. With a multi-year $220,000 grant from the Foundation, PPSD has hired a Diversity and Pipeline Design Specialist to coordinate all efforts related to the recruitment of teachers of color, including collaborating with existing teacher certification programs and developing supports for retention.

If the pipeline of teachers of color is to increase, teacher preparation programs—particularly alternative certification programs—must play an active role. Districts and schools need to create more pathways into the profession for potential...
teachers of color. The Equity Institute, a Rhode Island nonprofit that works toward building diverse, equitable, and inclusive learning environments, has received a $125,000 Foundation grant to help a diverse group of non-certified teaching assistants to become state certified teachers.

“Often when we discuss issues around diversity, folks support the ideas but often few resources are committed to make a substantial shift in the work. This financial investment opens up the opportunity to pursue something tangible,” said Carlon Howard, chief impact officer at the Equity Institute.

“Students in minority communities need a model for success—teachers that speak to students in a way that touches something deeper than math or science,” says Carlon. “If we live in a society that affirms equity, how do we have the one profession that touches virtually everyone that is predominantly made up of people from only a very particular background—the one profession that touches everybody should reflect our beliefs.”

Through their Educator Pathway Program, the Institute has identified a pool of talented professionals of color who are ideally suited to become teachers and education leaders. They are the paraeducators, teacher’s aides, student services coordinators, and administrative assistants who have been working in their neighborhood schools for years. They are multilingual, racially and ethnically diverse, live in the community, and have forged deep, trusting relationships with students. Many of them seek to grow into teacher roles, but they face significant barriers to obtaining their BA and teaching credential. A new collaboration between the Equity Institute and College Unbound, an accredited postsecondary institution for returning adult learners, is removing those barriers, offering a pathway to a college degree and teaching credential in less than three years.

There is no magic solution for recruiting and retaining teachers of color, and Providence public schools face an ongoing challenge to grow a pipeline of educators of color. But where there is concerted action, there is hope—hope for an education system that recognizes identity and connection as fundamental to teaching and learning, that fosters sociocultural consciousness and an affirming attitude towards all students.
At the Foundation, we recognize that we will never achieve our mission—to meet the needs of all Rhode Islanders—if we don’t invest with purpose in making equity a reality.

Late in 2020, our Board committed $8.5 million (above and beyond our traditional grantmaking and civic leadership efforts) over three years to advance diversity, equity, inclusion and access. At the end of 2021 we had allocated nearly $1.5 million of that commitment.

In addition, we’ve initiated both a Black and Latino Giving Circle—raising funds from community members, matching their gifts one-to-one and supporting a grantmaking process led by the Giving Circle members themselves. We’ve also engaged high net-worth donors to raise over $3 million for the Fund to Recruit and Retain Teachers of Color (for more on this see page 15), and to fund the expansion of E for All (Entrepreneurship for All) into Rhode Island.

Last year, we launched the Equity Leadership Initiative (ELI), led by Angela Bannerman Ankoma, who serves as a Foundation vice president and executive director for the program. Angie has been working across and within departments at the Foundation to maximize this effort’s impact, first recruiting and stewarding a community advisory board and steering committee to assist in developing the Initiative. Then by identifying—via an open application process—31 individuals who identify as Black, Hispanic or Latino, Indigenous, Asian, and multiracial to participate in the inaugural cohort. Through a 12-month curriculum of monthly meetings, mentoring, and sessions tailored to their individual needs, participants are experiencing regular recruitment by search companies and community members for job opportunities, board recruitment, and more. Already, a strong sense of community and connection—personal and professional—has developed among ELI members.

We also continue to forge ahead in creating systemic change through long-term education and long-term health planning efforts—keeping equity front-and-center. And, our focus on equity has produced measurable results in 2021. When we look at our traditional grantmaking portfolio: 40% of Foundation-directed grants went to organizations led by a person of color, primarily serving communities of color, or for specific programs benefiting communities of color. And, 58% of $1.4 million in scholarships that we gave out in 2021 went to applicants self-identifying as students of color.

Eliminating disparities, and providing equitable access to resources and opportunities is a cornerstone of the Rhode Island Foundation. We are grateful to the thousands of donors who have made this possible, and to our Board of Directors and team members who are committed to doing this work. And, we’re humbled by the call to build on and complement the work our many grantee partners are already doing. We hope other community and corporate leaders, as well as a wide range of donors, will be inspired and join us to make a better, equitable future a reality for all.

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$300,000 to fund the first year of the Foundation’s Equity Leadership Initiative

$300,000 to fund Anti-Racism Training Grants for 26 local nonprofit organizations

$330,000 to fund the first year of our Community Organization Capacity Building Grant program for 11 organizations, led by people of color

$560,000 in additional funding for programs like Fair & Impartial Policing and Implicit Bias Awareness training for the 400+ members of the Providence Police Department; partnering with RI Supreme Court Committee on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts on public awareness campaign, When Justice Works, and more.
Big medical advances start small

Grants for promising researchers

Zachary Nieder, Senior Strategic Initiative Officer

Did you know:

I. An estimated 6.2 million Americans age 65 and older are living with Alzheimer’s dementia in 2021.

II. One person dies every 36 seconds in the United States from cardiovascular disease.

III. The cost of prescription opioid misuse in the United States is $78.5 billion a year.

These three important health issues are currently being addressed by researchers at the University of Rhode Island thanks to grants from our pool of medical research funds here at the Foundation.

I.

As the lifespan of the human population is increasing, so is the incidence of neurodegenerative diseases, with Alzheimer’s disease (AD) at the forefront of all forms of dementia. “We still do not understand enough about the molecular mechanisms that underlie the disease,” says Jaime Ross, assistant professor at URI’s George and Anne Ryan Institute for Neuroscience. In her laboratory in the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences within the College of Pharmacy’s state-of-the-art Avedisian Hall, she and her team are studying the interplay of genetic
background, toxins, and lifestyle in Alzheimer’s disease. Age, cardiovascular risk factors, and the inheritance of some genetic traits all contribute to the development of AD, but their role in its onset and progression remains elusive. Ross hopes to shed some light on this by exposing mice to an environmental toxin—microplastics—pervasive in water, foods, clothing, personal care products, textiles, and particulates. Tests to assess different behaviors, including locomotion, learning and memory, anxiety, and sensorimotor tasks will be performed, as well as the collection of brain and peripheral tissues.

II. Yang Lin, an Assistant Professor in Mechanical, Industrial & Systems Engineering within URI’s College of Engineering, is looking at the leading cause of death—cardiovascular disease (CVD)—in an attempt to develop a noninvasive method for its diagnosis through analyzing microvascular blood circulation in the human eye. “The eye shares the same vessels, the same blood, that is flowing to the brain. We start with the eye because the eye is accessible,” says Lin. Currently, measurement of human blood flow involves an invasive procedure. He views his work as a first line of defense to determine if someone is at high risk for CVD. “Once we have collected sufficient data, we will work with a real eye, but that’s another clinical phase and will require FDA approval.”

To accomplish his goal of finding a noninvasive procedure, he has constructed a microfluidic chip with vessel-like microchannels and controllable pulsating flows where pig blood will be used as a surrogate for human blood. He will then develop a deep learning model (a key technology behind driverless cars) that can achieve accuracy that exceeds human-level performance for optical flow estimation that will evaluate the velocity and viscosity in order to diagnose and treat CVD.

III. Matthew Bertin believes he can help find a safe, effective, non-addictive strategy to manage chronic pain as an alternative to the misuse of and addiction to opioids—a serious national crisis that affects public health as well as social and economic welfare. “We never had the project or the personnel in place to tap into Rhode Island Foundation medical research grants—and to go for an NIH grant at this point would be difficult. They typically want to
see you a little further along,” says the assistant professor of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences in the College of Pharmacy at URI. “With the Foundation grant we’ll be able to gather the data necessary to move this forward.”

The overarching goal of the proposed research strategy is to discover new natural products that activate both the mu opioid and delta opioid receptors (MOR and DOR, respectively), and reduce neuroinflammation to ultimately treat chronic neuropathic pain.

His laboratory has identified and isolated a molecule—unnarmicin D—that binds with the body’s natural opioid receptors to produce pain relief. And it appears to do this with potent efficacy, diminished side effects, and a reduced risk of dependence. In other words, without many of the side effects that have contributed to the opioid crisis.

Unnarmicin D has been extracted and isolated from Trichodesmium blooms collected from the Gulf of Mexico, among the most abundant bacteria in the marine environment. In fact, according to Bertin, the marine ecosystem is a virtual repository of new molecules that have potential use in the therapeutic realm.

“Rhode Island Foundation funding has been critical to jumpstarting the careers of some of our brightest and most promising young faculty. They have gone on to do amazing things and launch significant research careers. Without the Foundation’s help, this would not have been possible,” says URI President Marc Parlange.

We are able to provide seed money to help researchers like Jaime Ross, Yang Lin, and Matthew Bertin achieve medical advances in these and a multitude of other fields thanks to the commitment of our generous donors. The Medical Research Grants program awards 10-12 grants per year of up to $25,000 each. It is designed to help early-career researchers advance projects to the point where they can compete for national funding. With this round of grants, the Foundation has awarded nearly $4.5 million since 1997. In previous years, grants have been awarded to Brown, Bryant, Miriam Hospital, Rhode Island Hospital, Women and Infants, Johnson & Wales, and more. Our hope is that their successes will lead to healthier lives as well as a robust Rhode Island research community.
How do we make Rhode Island the healthiest state in the union?

By using every tool at our disposal

Sometimes the most important thing we distribute isn’t funds—it’s influence. When huge structural or political decisions are being debated, there are inevitably lobbyists, corporations, politicians and the usual powerbrokers making sure their agendas are heard. The people who are often the most affected by these decisions are simply not at the table.

This is when we put down the checkbook and pick up the megaphone. Because we believe we have a responsibility to use our platform to be a voice for those who might not otherwise have one.

One such opportunity arose in 2021, a potential merger that would bring together Lifespan, Care New England, and Brown University to form an integrated academic health system. As of the publishing of this story, the proposed merger will not be moving forward. However, well before that determination was made, we recognized that the creation of an integrated academic health system at the scale and scope contemplated would have significant impact on the health and well-being of Rhode Islanders across the state, far into the future.
During the pandemic, Care New England and Lifespan worked more closely together than ever, and renewed merger talks that had stalled several times in the past. Combined with the academic and research resources at Brown University – particularly within the Warren Alpert Medical School and the School of Public Health here in Rhode Island – the merger would yield a more forward-focused and integrated health system.

At the Foundation, one of our key priorities is Healthy Lives. In this case, our strategic focus and this potential merger converged to become one of those moments for us to go beyond our traditional grantmaking.

So we pulled together a group of community stakeholders and health system experts to coordinate an independent effort – combining research, committee input, and outreach – to develop a set of recommendations that we believed could bring an important outside perspective to inform decision-making around this consequential proposal.

While the merger will not be moving forward, the idea of it is just one facet of the incredibly complex challenge of making and keeping Rhode Island healthy. We are deliberate in “connecting the dots” between this effort and other health initiatives the Foundation has led.

For example, we’ve published—and are tracking against—indicators for our health planning effort, Health in Rhode Island: A Long-Term Vision (available at www.healthinri.com). Health-focused recommendations were also integral in Make it Happen: Investing for Rhode Island’s Future (our report aimed at influencing how state leaders invest federal American Rescue Plan Act resources: www.rifoundation.org/arpa). And in the case of this particular work, we publicly offered recommendations related to the regulatory approval and private merger processes associated with the potential academic health system (www.rifoundation.org/iahs).

Uniting these efforts are strong common themes that, as they are internalized by decisionmakers and the broader public, will begin to effect changes in policy, practice, and resource allocation. As this work weaves together it has the potential to put Rhode Island on the map as the healthiest state in the country in ten years—a goal which was endorsed by the governor and General Assembly in 2020.

Rethinking and redesigning systems with a commitment to population health and well-being is no small task. But it is essential. As Dr. Nicole Alexander-Scott, former director of the R.I. Department of Health noted, “The pandemic reinforces how important it is to address the underlying community-level factors that impact health the most. Health care accounts for only a small portion of a person's and community’s health outcomes.”

When your goals are this ambitious, it is a collective responsibility—leaders in the public and private sector, and each community member—to do whatever it takes to make our community’s health and well-being a top priority.

So yes, we will continue to make grants. And when necessary, we will make noise.
A HEALTHIER RHODE ISLAND

HEALTH EQUITY FOR ALL
ensuring all Rhode Islanders can be in optimal health, and live, work and play in healthy communities.

ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY, AFFORDABLE, AND ACCESSIBLE CARE focusing resources to maximize health outcomes for Rhode Islanders, reduce waste in the system, ensure appropriate care in the most appropriate settings, and truly support behavioral health needs across the population.

ELIMINATE SYSTEMIC DISPARITIES focusing (and in some cases, refocusing) resources on addressing underlying inequities that influence health, and invest in the root causes of these disparities such as access to safe and affordable housing, a high-quality education and stable income sources.

SUPPORT AND DEVELOP THE WORKFORCE ensuring that the health sector workforce reflects the community it serves. Adequately compensate, train and support health sector workers, while developing the health sector workforce of the future.

ENSURE SUSTAINABILITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND OVERSIGHT Changing systems is challenging. With sustainable plans, clear oversight, and the ability to hold stakeholders accountable, change is possible.
2021 Civic Leadership Fund Donors

We thank those who supported our civic leadership efforts, like those described in the preceding story, in 2021. This work creates a stronger, more vibrant community, encourages collaboration to solve important issues, seizes emerging opportunities, and funds valuable research.

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2021 in Numbers

$98M
Total Funds Raised

$1.46B
Total Foundation Assets

$76M
In Grants

To
2,300
Nonprofit Organizations

$2.8M
In Scholarships Awarded

$800k+
Raised for Civic Leadership

20.4%
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Mrs. Tallanty
@tallanty

Woohoo! So exciting! Thank you @RIFoundation for supporting educators. @HamiltonMusical

Dear Melissa,

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been selected to receive TWO (2) complimentary tickets to HAMILTON THE MUSICAL at the Providence Performing Arts Center along with a $50 gift card from Newport Restaurant Group, courtesy of the Rhode Island Foundation.

Megan Ranney MD MPH
@meganranney

Proud to have been part of the group @RIFoundation that created this plan, with deep community input & consideration of how funds can be used for true transformative impact.

Project Weber/RENEW
@Weber/Renew

Grateful once again to the @RIFoundation, which mobilizes generous RIs to fund critical services, including our work responding to the #COVID19 pandemic. This includes distributing 1000s of masks, transport to testing and co-hosting vaccination clinics.

Sheldon Whitehouse
@SanWhitehouse

Glad to see this CARES Act funding going where it’s needed. Thank you to @RIFoundation and @GovDanMckee.

RI Hospitality
@RIHospitality

The last year has been really hard, but what got us through it was the amazing support and help from our friends like at @ProvidenceRI @RIFoundation @fntpvd. THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU.

GoProvidence @ProvidenceRI · 26 May 2021
So happy to celebrate the success of the @buylocalRI T-shirt campaign this morning with @fntpvd, @RIHospitality, and @RIFoundation, in which $7,000 was donated to RI hospitality workers in need.

Plus, cake from @eatwicked!

Governor Dan McKee
@GovDanMcKee

Congrats to the next 12 #RIgives4Vax $10,000 grant recipients! Keep up the good work, RI 🎨💪

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Read more here 👉 bit.ly/3ruvcK9

And see the recipients below 👇

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Legacy donor stories

We honor legacy donors who have recently passed away. Following are some of their stories.
Robert G. and Joyce Andrew College Scholarship Fund

The Robert G. and Joyce Andrew College Scholarship Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation will soon help send dozens of Rhode Island high school graduates to college every year.

“Bob and Joyce loved Rhode Island. It was home. They recognized the importance of education but realized most kids couldn't afford it; they certainly couldn't afford it when they were young. They wanted to pass along the opportunity and gift of education, yet keep it in Rhode Island,” remembers family friend Drew Davies.

Married for 59 years, Bob and Joyce grew up in Providence’s West End in the 1930s and 1940s. Times were tough. Joyce’s older sister had to drop out of high school to help support the family.

After Bob returned from serving with the U.S. Army in Germany, he and Joyce began buying up real estate in their neighborhood. Joyce was a teller at Citizens Bank in Providence until her retirement. Bob had a long and successful career as a businessman. He began his career at the former Fleet Bank, which was then known as Industrial National Bank. Afterwards, he went on to become vice president of one of the largest real estate firms in Rhode Island. He then launched several small businesses and went into commercial real estate before his retirement.

“Bob was an extremely shrewd businessman. His analytical mind was second to none. He could look at a balance sheet and in three minutes he could tell you whether a deal was viable or not. He was right every time. He had the Midas touch. I can’t explain it. Everything Bob did was successful,” says Drew. The Andrews made the decision to trust the Rhode Island Foundation with their legacy gift almost 25 years ago. Bob passed away in 2015 at age 81. When Joyce passed in 2018 at 84, Drew tied up the loose ends for them. By then, their generosity had grown to be worth $12 million.

“It is an honor to help bring this scholarship fund to Rhode Island students. Bob and Joyce would be humbled by the joy their gift will bring. The magnitude of this gift will carry on for generations and change many lives,” Davies says. “This is a celebration of their lives. Helping these students fulfill their educational dreams is their legacy.”
Sidney Clifford, Jr. was born in Providence in 1937, the only child of Sidney and Elizabeth (Freeman) Clifford. With the exception of his college years and the early years of his marriage, he lived in the same house all his life: the Freeman Parkway home on Providence’s East Side that was part of a 50-acre plat his grandfather, hydraulic engineer John R. Freeman, owned. The family summered in Little Compton.

Jerry, as he was known by all, passed away in 2020 after contracting COVID-19 at the age of eighty-three. His life was shaped by lifetime friends, an extended family of relatives and, most importantly, by the educational, social, religious, and civic institutions prominent in his Rhode Island community.

His estate plan provided for the creation of The Sidney Clifford, Jr. Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation and was funded with bequests of approximately $18 million to provide financial support—in perpetuity—for several of those organizations.

His life was led by strong family influences and traditions: his father was a prominent attorney and Jerry pursued a career in law, graduating from the University of Virginia School of Law after attending Moses Brown School, Brown University and Marlboro College. His mother was a fixture in many Providence organizations and influenced his charitable giving instincts: she created the Elizabeth Freeman Clifford Fund at the Foundation upon her death in 1994.

Jerry’s interests and community activities reflected the family’s traditions. He was a third-generation parishioner at Grace Episcopal Church and a supporter of Episcopal Charities. He served on the vestry of Grace Church in Providence, was treasurer of St. Andrew’s By-the-Sea in Little Compton, served on the Diocesan Council and Budget Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, and was president of Episcopal Charities.

He was devoted to Masonry, as was his father, and rose to be a 33rd Degree Mason, providing leadership in multiple Masonic organizations as a Grand Master. It was through the Masons that he met his wife, Irene (Kulpa Clifford), whom he married when he was 52. They were generous supporters of Women & Infants Hospital where Mr. Clifford served on the Development Foundation board of directors for almost 20 years.

Irene, who passed away in 2016, enthusiastically provided the organizational support Jerry needed to keep up with his civic responsibilities. They had no children. His social activities revolved around many local clubs - he was an avid tennis player and well into his seventies would be hitting tennis balls weekly with the pros at The Agawam Hunt Club or Sakonnet Golf Club. His interest in genealogy—he was proud of his Clifford and Freeman family histories—led him to programs promoting awareness of American Colonial and Revolutionary War history. He volunteered as president of the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, as president of the Rhode Island Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots (whose members can trace their ancestry to a forefather who fought in the American Revolution), and as deputy governor general of the Society of Colonial Wars.

Working through the Foundation in estate planning was something of a tradition for the Freeman-Clifford families. In addition to his mother, his aunt also established a fund at the Foundation. “My mother thought so well of the Foundation. I respect my mother’s judgment,” Mr. Clifford said of his decision to continue the family practice in a 2009 interview. His establishment of the Sidney Clifford Jr. Fund acknowledges that sentiment.
“The idea that was instilled in us (when we were growing up) was that if you’re able, you give back. It was part of what we all believed, the importance of contributing to things,” the late Dr. Dorothy Donnelly, Ph.D., told us in a 2007 interview.

It is a value she lived throughout her life and now, through her estate plan, she will forever be contributing to organizations that were important to her: Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island, ACLU Foundation of Rhode Island, and George A. Wiley Center (in honor of Henry J. Shelton), all for general operating expenses, and Women’s Fund of Rhode Island for its grantmaking.

Born and raised in Rhode Island, Dorothy worked as a sales representative for the telephone company before pursuing higher education. She earned three degrees, all in literature: a bachelor of arts from the University of Rhode Island (URI), a master of arts from Brown University, and a doctorate of philosophy from Brandeis University.

While at Brandeis, she was recruited for - and joined - the English department at URI. She taught there for 44 years, serving 12 of those years as department chair. “It kept her going, along with her union work,” says her niece, Patricia Maguire. “She was instrumental in bringing two faculty unions to URI, one for full-time faculty members and one for part-time faculty. She had a lot of institutional knowledge and patience. It was admirable to see someone so dedicated.”

Noting her aunt’s lifelong commitment to helping the underserved, Patricia shares that Dorothy participated in a Civil Rights march in Alabama in the 1960s and co-founded Changing Lives through Literature, Rhode Island chapter, a program that offers alternative probation sentences to offenders.

Of her decision to channel her philanthropy through the Rhode Island Foundation, Dorothy told us in 2007, “I really want a place that I trust and that is known for doing good things. I talked with people, and I always came back to the Rhode Island Foundation. The reputation is superb...and the handling of assets is impressive. You’re a good financial steward.”
A year before her death in March 2020 at age 82, Joann Turo worked with Rhode Island Foundation staff to outline criteria for a scholarship that would be established following her death.

A graduate of Westerly High School, class of 1955, and the University of Rhode Island (URI), Joann stated that she wanted students of her alma maters to benefit from her gift. Thus, the Joann K. Turo Scholarship for Advocacy of American Democracy and Governance was created “for Westerly High School for scholarship(s) for senior(s), male, female, or transgender planning to attend the University of Rhode Island upon graduation.”

Joann further noted that the following should be considered in selecting candidate(s): interest in the study of liberal arts, especially the humanities; interest in government and current events; high moral character; strong leadership abilities; and above-average scholastic achievement.

When meeting with Foundation staff, she shared, “In 1955 I was the recipient of the American Legion Auxiliary nomination to attend Girls State at the Rhode Island State Capitol in Providence. This experience represented a developmental milestone in the future steps in my educational, personal, professional journey as a citizen in my treasured American Democracy.”

Her educational journey following URI took her to Ohio University where she earned a master’s degree and later New York University where she did advanced graduate study.

Joann’s obituary states that she was a licensed psychoanalyst and psychoanalytic psychotherapist in New York City for more than 30 years, as well as a training and supervising analyst at the Training Institute of the Contemporary Freudian Society where she had served as vice president.

The obituary further notes, “She stayed devoted to her hometown (of Westerly) and her Irish-Italian heritage. She returned often to support family and friends in their difficult times and to celebrate their good times... She was looking forward to spending more time with her loving family and reuniting with treasured friends from her high school and college years. She was hoping for more sunny days at Watch Hill beach and leisurely walks to Napatree Point.”
The 1916 Society

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. The list here is current as-of December 31, 2021. Members who wish to remain anonymous are not listed, and new members appear in red.

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New fund stories
Deacon Charles and Patricia A. Andrade Scholarship Fund

“I have nothing but love and praise for both Charlie and Pat. I’ve always known them to be warm, strong people of faith,” says John M. Murphy, trustee of the John and Gracilda Murphy Family Foundation, which established this fund in honor of Deacon Charles and Mrs. Patricia Andrade.

The fund is designated for St. Patrick Academy, Providence, for students’ tuition. The school, which provides Catholic college-preparatory education to urban young people was transitioned from an elementary school to a high school in 2009 by Rev. James T. Ruggieri, pastor of St. Patrick Parish, where Charles Andrade served as a deacon.

“Charlie was among those instrumental in getting the school reopened after it had been closed for a year due to falling enrollment and financial problems. The parish and school have meant a lot to both Charlie and Pat,” John states.

“I’ve known the family all my life,” he shares, noting that the Andrades were married for 70 years and together raised five children. Charlie worked at the former Outlet Company before being approached by St. Patrick to become a deacon. “It was a life-changing experience, but he was up for it. His ministry for more than 20 years was in the state prison. It was a tough job trying to give hope to the prisoners, but Charlie dedicated himself to the work. He and Pat had been partners all the way doing selfless jobs on earth, and I admire them both,” John says.

Their selfless ways are honored through this fund in support of St. Patrick Academy students who are 70% Latino, 25% African/African American, and 5% of other heritages. In terms of tuition, families pay on average $1,000 or less per student per year. The rest is procured through donations. “The school is full of enthusiasm and faith. Students are getting a good, religious education and know they are needed, wanted, and loved there,” John believes. This is the fourth fund John and Grace Murphy have established at the Rhode Island Foundation. “I wouldn’t go anywhere else,” John exclaims, noting the caliber of staff he has worked with through the years.
Three things came together for Dr. Ora Wry to establish her new fund that provides a scholarship to Rhode Island College specifically for refugees with financial need: “I had the good fortune to be able to make a gift, I already had a relationship with Rhode Island Foundation, and Dr. Bah and his wife, Teddi Jallow, provided the inspiration.”

Ora began volunteering at the Refugee Dream Center in Providence and learned of local refugees who want to adapt and flourish. The Bahs, who co-founded the Center, are building bridges between refugees and the community. Ora’s drive to help was further fueled by reading Omar’s book, “Africa’s Hell on Earth: The Ordeal of an African Journalist.”

Omar Bah strives to address human rights abuses. In his home country of Gambia, he studied to be a lawyer; became a journalist, and ultimately a “wanted man” because of his work. Having fled to Ghana, Omar was defeated, living in a cardboard box, when someone at the American Embassy took an interest in him. With refugee status, Omar was assigned to Rhode Island.

Here, Omar saw refugee kids not finishing high school, in need of mentoring, bullied at school, trying to fit in, joining gangs and in trouble with the police. Omar knew they needed hope, education, and support. “When refugees come, they want to succeed, they want to work. Often, they are large families with single mothers because the fathers have been killed.”

Teddi Jallow recalls her determination to get an education. When Teddi was a girl, she and her mother were walking when they saw a woman wearing a beautiful purple dress. Teddi exclaimed that she wanted a dress just like that. Her mother told her she would have to go to school and work in government to have a dress like that. Her father refused because a woman’s place is in the home. But Teddi went anyway. The teacher gave her a pen and a book, and she was a student. “All we need is that little push.” At the Dream Center, Teddi’s work includes mentoring, she says, “Having women as part of the solution is just as important as the men.”

Dr. Wry, a former teacher, knows refugees are often older students; balancing work, home, and school—it’s hard, so school can often be only part time. Reflecting on this new scholarship to support education for refugees, Ora said, “there is no greater investment than education, I have been blessed, and I wanted to help a good cause in need.”
We’re a close family and great messages have been instilled in us from prior generations ... the idea of giving and looking out for your community,” says Amy Baker Zabele.

It’s something Amy, her sister Gay, and their father Michael intend to do through this donor advised fund. Michael notes that he was an advisor of a fund his parents, Royal and Stephanie Baker, established many years ago at the Boston Foundation for the purpose of providing continuing support for their favorite organizations. Michael explains that he and his late wife, Wendy, had included the Rhode Island Foundation in their estate plan for the same purpose. “We intended for the Baker Family Fund to provide continued support for our interests for 20 to 25 years after our deaths.”

He has decided to start this fund now. “I want to give Amy and Gay some feel for directing the resources of the fund while I’m still around for guidance,” he shares.

“My daughters will represent the fourth generation of our family to be involved with philanthropy. It all started with Samuel M. and Tilda B. Stone, my maternal grandparents. Among many interests in their hometown were the Attleboro Art Museum and the Capron Park Zoo,” Michael relates.

Wendy Baker was active in the establishment of the Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk and served on its original board of directors. She also volunteered at Person-to-Person in Darien, CT where food, clothing, and furnishings were provided to individuals and families in need.

“When I think of my family I think of education and knowledge,” Gay shares. Amy graduated from the College of Wooster with master’s degrees from both the University of Delaware and Case Western Reserve University. She worked for 20 years as a hospice social worker and lives in Pennsylvania. Gay graduated from Arizona State University, has built her career in customer-facing operations. She currently lives in Oregon.

“Giving back to the community is something that’s been passed down through the family. It’s in our blood, and it’s a beautiful thing to be able to carry forward,” Gay concludes.
Mark was very genuine, loving, and gentle. One of his smiles would make your day,” Mary Bassaly shares of her brother who died in August 2020 at age 27.

“He was never able to speak, not even one word, but he was still able to impact the lives of everyone he met. The effect he had on friends and family was amazing. Those who knew him can attest to his fun-loving spirit,” she continues.

Mark’s mother, Neveen, recalls her son’s graduation from Tiverton High school in 2012. “When he got up on stage to receive his diploma, everyone in his class stood up and applauded him.” “The simple things in life were the things he most appreciated, such as spending quality time with family and friends, food (especially pasta and rice, his favorites), and going to Grinnell’s beach with his dad (Emad) to enjoy the sand, sun, and water. Music was always running through his veins. He was almost never seen without his headphones,” Mary explains.

Mark also was remembered for being a non-judgmental and kind friend to all. Natasha Zuzarte, a family friend, shared, “He couldn’t speak but he communicated his love and friendship to everyone.” “He was someone that people gravitated to,” Mary agrees, adding, “He was very affectionate, and his eyes were very expressive. They would smile when he smiled. Mark was an angel living on earth.”

Mark received services through the now-closed Resources for Human Development-RI (RHD-RI), through which he became a regular member of the YMCA of Middletown. He also became involved in community activities, including a recycling program in his hometown of Tiverton and Meals on Wheels. A young gentleman who worked with Mark through RHD-RI shared with the Bassaly family, “Mark was such a kind, outstanding young man. Your house was always filled with happiness and love, both in general and for each other.”

Mark’s parents are continuing Mark’s legacy of impacting others through two special efforts: a scholarship fund at their church for individuals pursuing careers working with individuals with disabilities and this fund which forever will “support nonprofit organizations working with clients with developmental disabilities, and prioritizing organizations that work with those with Autism Spectrum Disorders.”
Bradford R. Bibeau Memorial Scholarship Fund

Brad Bibeau was “born, bred, and educated” in Westport, MA, states his wife, Marjorie Houston, who explains, “Brad’s family’s roots are in this town and run deep, well over 200 years. Brad’s father was a science teacher and later principal at the high school, and Brad and I believe in the power of education. Our lives and the lives of our children were made better because of our college education and we want to give someone else the same chance.”

It is the students of Westport who will benefit from this fund which will provide scholarships to graduating seniors at Westport Junior-Senior High School who have an interest in math or science and plan to attend the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

After graduating from Westport High School, Brad continued his education at UMass Dartmouth where he earned a degree in accounting. His first job after college was as an accountant for the March of Dimes. He earned promotions through the years and, upon his retirement after 40 years with the organization, was regional comptroller with the March of Dimes National Foundation.

“He loved Westport and grew up on the river here, fishing and boating. He was very much an introvert and found great solace on the river,” Marjorie shares. This was especially true, she notes, as Brad’s ALS advanced. “He faced ALS with an enormous amount of courage and accepted it. He was determined to live each day, and he did. It was then that he especially found strength in watching the ebb and flow of the river.” Brad died in December 2020 at age 65.

“Brad will always be regarded as a kind, loving man who was always there to help anyone,” Marjorie acknowledges. Through this fund, his name will forever be associated with helping the students of Westport Junior-Senior High School further their educations.

“I’ve long known about the Rhode Island Foundation,” Marjorie says, noting her career was in advancement in higher education in Rhode Island. “It’s always a big part of the conversation about philanthropy and plays a vital role in the state. I have confidence in the Foundation; it’s been managed well.”
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rhode Island

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rhode Island (BBBSRI) takes the long view. Its focus is to build strong, long-term mentoring relationships that provide positive growth for every “Little” in the program.

“Every young person could benefit from a mentor. There are youth in the program who simply need an adult who is not going to judge them, but who will be there to help them make decisions in their life,” explains CEO Katje Afonseca.

The organization's Community Based Mentoring Program pairs youth between the ages of 7 and 15, in long-term, one-to-one relationships with volunteer mentors who are 19 years or older. Although the program only requires a minimum commitment of 18 months, many relationships last long after the program concludes. Many become lifelong friendships.

“We might have a child who is considering their future. Do they want to continue with school? Do they want to go on to college? Do they want to go into a trade or not? Do they want to get into a fistfight at school the next day because their friends are telling them to? And you can't always talk to your parent or guardian about that, but you can talk to your mentor about that. I think those are the little moments that really create a big impact in our society,” says Katje.

The conversation about investing with the Foundation began casually. Over time BBBSRI learned more about the quality of the Foundation’s advisors and planned giving assistance, and when it came time for the organization to invest a portion of its endowment, the Foundation was a natural fit.

“We know the reputation of the Rhode Island Foundation in the community and we benefit from its grant-making priorities,” says Katje. “The Foundation has been a tremendous resource for us making connections with prospective board members, offering training programs for nonprofits, and helping us explore collaborations with other nonprofits.”
She was hard working, super sentimental, an amazing friend, and loved her family,” says Michelle Brophy-Baermann of her daughter, Miya, the innocent victim of a drive-by shooting in Providence in August, 2021. Miya was 24 years old.

Born in Cooperstown, NY, Miya and her family lived in Wisconsin until Miya was nine and the family moved to Rhode Island. She attended Providence schools, graduating from Classical High School in 2015 before pursuing higher education and earning a bachelor’s degree, magna cum laude, in communicative disorders from the University of Rhode Island in 2019.

Miya continued her education at Northeastern University, receiving a master’s degree in speech-language pathology in May 2021. “She was always interested in science and neurology, and liked working with people. Miya loved being in a medical setting, working with dementia patients, patients with traumatic brain injuries, and stroke victims. The field just clicked for her. It was a perfect balance of science and working with people,” her dad, Bryan, relates.

She had just started her first job as a clinician at a rehabilitation center in North Providence three weeks before her death.

“Miya was a selfless person who will be remembered for her infectious and optimistic personality. She made complete strangers feel welcomed and treated everyone equally and as a friend. She had an unbelievable work ethic for her own goals and the causes she believed in. In her pursuit of social justice, Miya lived the experience many just talk about,” her parents wrote in her obituary.

Noting that nearly 700 people have contributed to the fund, most through a GoFundMe page set up by one of Michelle’s colleagues at Rhode Island College, Bryan states, “We’re honored how the community came together so that we’re able to do this. It’s important to us that Miya’s legacy lives on.”

Through this fund, scholarships will forever be awarded in Miya’s name to students pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees in the field of communicative disorders (speech-language pathology and audiology) at Rhode Island College and the University of Rhode Island, with preference for those students traditionally underrepresented in the profession.
Through Irving H. Crandall’s estate, he specified that two scholarships be established by members of the Crandall Family Association (CFA) to benefit students at Westerly High School.

Judith Crandall Harbold, CFA president, explains, “It would be hard for the family association to manage these.” The CFA’s purpose is “to encourage interest in the family history, genealogy, traditions, and customs relating to the descendants of Elder John Crandall of Rhode Island.”

David Crandall, trustee of the Irving H. Crandall bequest to CFA, was familiar with the Rhode Island Foundation as a member of the Masons’ Franklin Lodge #20, beneficiary of the Edward Leon Duhamel Scholarship Fund at the Foundation. “We’ve always been happy with how that Fund is handled, and I suggested we look into having the Foundation manage these scholarships.” The Crandall Family Association Agriculture Scholarship, in recognition and memory of Irving’s paternal grandfather, Charles Henry Crandall, is open to any graduating Westerly High School senior who will continue his/her education with the goal of a career in a field associated with agriculture.

The family history indicates that Charles Henry Crandall (1849-1932) was a relatively prosperous, hard-working farmer, kept animals and poultry, and sold white cedar for posts, telephone poles, lumber, and boats.

The Crandall Family Association Education Scholarship, in recognition and memory of Irving’s paternal grandmother, Lovina Jane Crandall, is open to any graduating Westerly High School senior who will continue his/her education with the goal of becoming a certified teacher.

Lovina Jane Crandall (1861-1942), according to the family history, was a public school teacher prior to her marriage and six children. An avid reader and artist, she played piano, organ, and violin.

Irving Crandall, who died in 2015 at age 94, was the eighth generation to live on the Elder John Crandall Homestead in Westerly. In 1991, Irving and his wife deeded the property back to its original owners, the Narragansetts, with an agreement that the couple could live on the homestead until their deaths.

Of Irving’s instructions for these scholarship funds, Judith states, “We’re pleased that we found the Foundation and are confident with how the funds will be handled.”
Annie De Groot, MD, is an internationally-known researcher who has chosen to make Rhode Island her home since 1993 when she joined the faculty of the Brown University Medical School (now the Warren Alpert Medical School) and established the TB/HIV Research Laboratory there.

An outgrowth of the work she did at that laboratory was EpiVax, an immunology company that is now 23 years old. EpiVax applies its tools to re-engineer therapeutic proteins and to design new vaccines. She also helped found two nonprofit organizations, the GAIA Vaccine Foundation in 2001 and Clinica Esperanza/Hope Clinic in 2007. All three organizations have expanded 10 to 20 fold in terms of breadth of activities, income, and employees, since inception.

GAIA (Global Alliance to Immunize Against AIDS) supports the development of a “globally relevant, globally accessible” AIDS vaccine, while Clinica Esperanza is a community clinic that offers free medical care and preventive health services to Rhode Islanders who do not have, and cannot afford, health insurance.

Annie remains deeply involved with both nonprofits, serving as scientific director at GAIA and volunteer medical director at Clinica Esperanza. She notes, “I would like to use the funds that I set aside in the family funds to challenge these organizations and employees to start thinking more about raising funds for the period after I am not there to encourage them.”

She continues, “In addition, I would like my nonprofit donations to establish better benefits for the employees, and they need money to do that.

There’s a huge competition for the people that organizations hire and train, and employee benefits are a great way of keeping employees.”

Annie also is hoping to involve her adult son and daughter in the family fund. “I’d like to get my kids involved in choosing organizations that we give to as a family. This fund provides a way to start talking about how to be a conscious, engaged philanthropist. I hope to share ways to choose organizations that use the money responsibly. Through this fund, I want to pass the (philanthropic) baton to the next generation.”
On its 50th anniversary, the East Greenwich High School (EGHS) Class of 1972 is honoring its two class advisors, the late Lois Scialo Ellis and Leo Barbary. “Our class advisors were great mentors, and we thought scholarships would be a good way to honor them,” explains Rick Walsh, who was class president both his junior and senior years.

The majority of the class of about 180 graduates is, according to Rick, still in Rhode Island or in Massachusetts, although class members are spread out around the country. “Most of us received a good education, and Lois and Leo were a big part of that. They were wonderful teachers and took an interest in their students,” Rick says.

Lois taught history and American government at EGHS for 34 years after earning an undergraduate degree at Salve Regina University and a master’s degree in political science at Tufts University. Her August 2020 obituary in the East Greenwich News, states, “She was a beloved educator and colleague touching the lives of nearly 5,000 students through direct instruction as well as serving as class advisor for six different classes. Her students brought her joy while she brought them inspiration.”

The scholarship in her name will be awarded to a graduating senior at EGHS who is pursuing a bachelor’s degree.

Leo Barbary, who now divides his time between homes in Bristol and New Hampshire, was an industrial arts teacher at the high school after earning his undergraduate degree at Rhode Island College. “He had a real connection with his students,” Rick recalls.

In a January 2014 column in the East Greenwich Patch, Bob Houghtaling, substance abuse coordinator for the Town of East Greenwich, recalled former EGHS teachers and noted Leo’s “thoughtful patience.”

The scholarship in his name will be awarded to a student seeking further education at a technical school.

Rick, a North Kingstown lawyer, says, “My experience with clients who expressed great satisfaction with the way the Foundation handled their funds led our group to select the Rhode Island Foundation because we know its management will ensure the scholarship fund will benefit EGHS students in perpetuity.”

East Greenwich High School Class of 1972 Scholarship Fund
East Greenwich Historic Preservation Society Fund and East Greenwich Historic Preservation Scholarship Fund

After the colonial era Brick House in East Greenwich was scheduled for demolition in 1966 – just two years after the beautiful old Town Hall was razed – lovers of local history rallied to save East Greenwich’s historical buildings. The result was the founding in 1967 of the East Greenwich Historic Preservation Society (EGHPS).

Two years later, the Old Kent County Jail at the foot of King Street in East Greenwich was scheduled to be torn down by the town. Instead, EGHPS took on ownership and maintenance of the building, restored it, and made it the Society’s headquarters. EGHPS sold the building in 2021 subject to a historic preservation easement held by Preserve RI due to the unsustainably high cost of maintaining the building and its declining use by the Society’s members.

“We now have more funds to work on public education efforts and on being more connected with what’s happening in East Greenwich today,” states Jennifer Suellentrop, vice president of EGHPS. Thomas Plunkett, president of EGHPS, notes that in addition to their free monthly speaker series and newsletter, The Packet, EGHPS is working on new self-guided tours and interpretive signs in Hill and Harbor.

“Throughout COVID-19, we’ve held our meetings on Zoom and have been able to engage both more speakers and more people who are unable to attend in person,” he shares, noting that they will, post-COVID, offer a hybrid model. The all-volunteer organization has nearly 100 members. “We’re always looking for new members. If you want to get involved or have a specific interest, we want to help. There’s a place for you at EGHPS,” Jennifer says.

EGHPS established both an organization endowment and a scholarship fund with the Foundation. Of the latter, Jennifer explains, “It’s another way to give back and to connect with the younger community.”

The scholarship fund is intended for graduating students at East Greenwich High School who will attend a two or four-year institution, with preference for students who demonstrated an interest and service to history-focused causes and projects.
Elizabeth “Betty” Egan knew what it was like to overcome challenges. Widowed at age 29, Betty became the sole support for her five children as a nurse at Newport Naval Hospital. She later met and married Jack Egan in 1965, and they welcomed two more children.

“In the fifties, it was common for women to become nurses, and with her love of learning and high intelligence, she could have excelled at any path she chose. A nursing career gave her many opportunities to exercise her compassionate nature. The job fit her personality and her kindness,” her daughter Gigi explains. “My mother was a fun-loving mom, an incredible friend, and an inspiring role model.”

Despite her debilitating fear of flying, Betty, who would not allow any obstacles to get in her way, took pilot lessons and obtained her pilot’s license. “She grew to love it. She used to meet up with a pack of gals that she got to know, not only from Newport Airport, but also Long Island and Manchester, NH. They would meet for coffee once a week,” Jack remembers.

“When the kids reached their teens and needed less of her time, she decided to pursue a new career and studied nightly to obtain her real estate broker’s license,” he says.

“My wife knew how to handle what life threw at her. As a cancer survivor, young widow, and pediatric nurse, Betty was sensitive to the challenges facing people who wanted the best for their kids, but who had less financial resources to draw upon. Minorities, in particular, got the worst of the bargain because they didn’t have the same access to college because of their incomes. Betty would have appreciated the idea of leveling the playing field,” says Jack.

The family has a strong connection to Rogers High School in Newport; five of the couple’s seven children graduated from there. Wishing to make an impact locally, her family has chosen to honor her life with the creation of the Elizabeth L. Egan Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. In recognition of her legacy, this fund will support four-year college scholarships every year for students of color at Rogers.
Rhode Island Foundation has always been one of my favorite recommendations to clients,” states Arthur Everly, a financial planner who has referred philanthropic clients to the Foundation. Now, Arthur and his wife Linda have established their own donor advised fund at the Foundation.

Born and raised in Pawtucket, he began work as an insurance agent at MetLife in 1976, followed by Old Stone Bank where he was a vice president and trust officer. While at Old Stone, he earned his Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) professional designations from The American College of Financial Services.

His career took him to the Guardian Life Insurance Agency where he served as a specialist for estate and financial planning before he co-founded Wealth Management Resources where he is owner/principal. “We offer independent financial advice, and that philosophy has served us very, very well,” Arthur says, referring to the company’s services as advisory rather than sales.

Arthur taught in the Certified Financial Planning program at Bryant University and has been active in numerous professional organizations, including the Foundation’s Professional Advisory Council from 2001 to 2003.

Linda was born and raised in East Providence. After graduating from East Providence High School, she completed the medical assistant program at the former Sawyer School. For the past 20 years, she has trained the couple’s Samoyeds and competed with them all over New England and in national competitions. “It’s a lot of fun. The dogs like it, and Linda likes it. It’s a good thing for all,” Arthur says.

The couple has three adult children – Bradford who works for the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority and Marissa and Scott who both work at Wealth Management Resources – and two grandsons. “Hopefully, over time, we can develop a sense of philanthropy in them,” Arthur shares.

He continues, “The business has become quite successful, and we now have more money to donate to charities. A donor advised fund is going to work well for us.” The couple’s interests include education, health, and medical research, as well as Christian organizations.
For many years, Warwick-based Financial Independence hosted an annual client appreciation event. “We looked forward to these events, much like family reunions, to regroup with longtime friends and make new friends,” states Financial Independence President Rick Campbell.

Rick continues, “The wonderful memories we have of these events are in stark contrast to the realities of the ongoing hardships caused by the pandemic; the least fortunate amongst us are experiencing a disproportional impact. COVID opened our eyes to the growing needs of our community and new opportunities to show our appreciation.”

The change Financial Independence made was to contribute the funds it would have used for its 2021 appreciation event to establish this corporate advised fund. In a letter to clients, Rick explained, “At a time when there seems to be so much dividing our country, I think we can all agree on the importance of taking care of our children. This new fund will address the needs of children, including birth to three years of age, childcare, preschool education, abuse treatment and prevention, and food security.”

He shares, “The client reaction to the fund has been positive. They’re a very generous group and helping young children is something our clients can rally around.”

“I looked for a similar organization in Rhode Island. I found the Rhode Island Foundation, and was very impressed with what I saw,” he shares.

“We are proud to expand our family by joining such a generous and well-established group of donors focused on addressing the needs of our community and children. There’s credibility in working with the Foundation,” Rick concludes.

“Rick has always focused on helping individuals achieve greater meaning in their lives. This fund is a natural extension of that focus,” states Jude Capalbo, vice president and chief operating officer. Jude became familiar with community foundations when he moved to the Lake Placid, NY area, home of the Adirondack Foundation. “When we started to think about this fund,
Youth who age out of the foster care system at age 21 are more likely than the general population of this age to identify as LGBTQ, be a racial minority, have lived in a group home, have experienced trauma in their lives, and have not earned a high school diploma or GED.

“I don’t know how you could find a more vulnerable group. They’re disadvantaged in every way,” explains Lisa Guillette, executive director of Foster Forward, a nonprofit organization with a mission “to empower lives impacted by foster care.”

While the organization provides resources to foster children of all ages and their families, Lisa indicates their “sweet spot” is serving youth who are leaving the foster care system. “We all need supportive, caring adults in our lives, and many of these kids have never had the benefit of family support.” Foster Forward focuses its efforts on assisting the youth in the areas of educational achievement, workforce development, and securing stable housing, while connecting the youth with supportive adults. “Our programs are based on authentic youth engagement, listening to them, and putting them at the center of what we do,” Lisa states.

The organization also provides financial education and financial planning support through its ASPIRE program which seeds a youth’s savings account with $100 and matches savings up to $1,000 annually until the individual’s 26th birthday. “An endowment strategy is the only way we can maintain this program. That’s the snowball we have to stay ahead of,” Lisa says, noting the organization needs at least $60,000 annually to fund the asset matches of its ASPIRE program.

John Conforti, a long-time board member and current board treasurer, states, “The board takes a lot of pride in the good work the organization is doing. We know that building our investments and the endowment is pivotal to the long-term success of the organization.”

Of Foster Forward’s decision to establish an organization endowment at the Foundation, John shares, “Rhode Island Foundation is a stellar organization that has been serving Rhode Island for more than 100 years. It’s incredible the huge impact the Foundation has throughout the state.”
A son’s desire to honor his father’s legacy will benefit everyone who enjoys our state parks, beaches, and more. Charlie Milot—in honor of his father, Arthur Milot—provided the initial gift to this Fund which is designated to support Rhode Island State Parks.

Charlie explains, “My father would take me for walks around Fort Wetherill as a child and it was a magical place for me. When he died in 2019, we approached the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) to place a bench in his memory at one of his favorite outlooks. Working with DEM, we realized that the budget for Fort Wetherill, and for Rhode Island parks in general, is inadequate for their maintenance and improvement. All Rhode Islanders, and especially those of us who live nearby, benefit greatly from the parks and owe them our support.”

Rhode Islanders agree with Charlie’s assessment of the parks’ value. More than 400 attendees to the Rhode Island Foundation-hosted Together RI events in 2018 concurred, citing “Rhode Island’s natural resources and open space” as our state’s biggest strength, with the coastal environment and beauty of the state among their reasons.

“Our parks are so loved and so visited, but we’re not taking care of them appropriately. This Fund provides a very meaningful way for people to support Rhode Island, augmenting and enhancing state funding,” explains Janet Coit, immediate past director of DEM. Among areas the Fund could support are recreation and education, habitat and historic preservation, and infrastructure improvements and resilience.

“While taxpayers fund the ongoing operational and capital needs of our state park system, we want to look beyond the line items in the annual budget and think about what’s required to protect the long-term sustainability of these public places. The Fund for Rhode Island State Parks is an investment in our future,” says Frank Floor, administrator of DEM’s Bureau of Natural Resources and Parks.

Of the partnership with the Foundation, Janet states, “We’ve worked with the Rhode Island Foundation on conservation and environmental issues in the past. That focus makes this a natural fit.”
At the ‘Y’, we believe that the zip code you are born into should not determine your destiny or limit your potential,” says YMCA of Greater Providence CEO Steven O’Donnell. “Every day we work side by side with our neighbors to make sure everyone regardless of age, income, or background, has the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive.”

In order to close existing opportunity gaps, O’Donnell and his Board of Directors are looking to grow the organization endowment they recently established at the Rhode Island Foundation. They especially look to expand their approach to planned giving—legacy giving.

“We have a story to tell and have not been tapping into the Rhode Islanders who might actually leave a legacy through charitable giving in their estate plans,” says O’Donnell. They currently have a handful of bequests from different estates but O’Donnell wants to become proactive: “I want to talk to people of means about our mission and suggest that we have a conversation about planned giving.

“Furthermore, I have a strong relationship with the Foundation and since I’ve become CEO, I am trying to push everything possible to Rhode Island, including our investments,” using everything that the Foundation represents to further invest in the community. “What better partnership can you ask for than the Rhode Island Foundation and the YMCA?”

O’Donnell dreams of a multi-million dollar “Y” in the heart of Providence. “I want to pull together neighborhoods. I grew up in Providence. We have a youth problem, and I want to help young men understand that there are opportunities, that they don’t have to follow the crime route. If you can teach kids to swim, you can teach them how to get a job.”

“People are dedicated to the Y because of the Y, because it’s an organization that makes a difference. We have not wavered in our goals. We have a strong community presence but a big shiny ‘Y’ that we can share with other partners—other nonprofits who can provide other services—is important. People want opportunity. That’s the key, and that’s what we want to provide.”
Mora Hammonds taught first grade for more than 40 years, largely in the Newport Public Schools. “She taught three generations of students,” explains her son, Craig, recalling a time three women visited his elderly mother. He asked them which one of them – a grandmother, her daughter, and her granddaughter – had his mother for a teacher and they replied, “We all did.”

Born in Newport, Mora graduated from Rogers High School in 1941, then earned an undergraduate degree at Cheyney University of Pennsylvania near Philadelphia, the city where she began her teaching career. Her career took her around the country, as well as to Puerto Rico and Cuba, as she taught where her military husband was stationed at the time.

Upon their return to Rhode Island, Mora taught in Newport while earning a master’s degree in education at Rhode Island College and raising the couple’s three children, Michelle, Craig, and Brian. “Mora was the kind of woman who, if you weren’t doing something correctly, would correct you with words of love. And you would stop what you were doing because you didn’t want to disappoint Mrs. Hammonds,” explains Mrs. Victoria Johnson, a long-time friend and former Rogers High School principal.

The Mora E. Brown Hammonds Scholarship Fund was established in 1994, shortly after its namesake’s death, “to assist post-secondary bound minority students on Aquidneck Island.” Both Mrs. Johnson and Craig credit Ruth Thumbtzen, another long-time Newport teacher, with establishing the fund that has awarded more than 130 scholarships since its inception.

Of their decision to transfer the fund to the Foundation, Mrs. Johnson explains, “We (on the board) all are getting older and, looking down the road, there’s no one to continue it. This is what we need to do to assure the fund continues in perpetuity. We know it will be in good hands and continue long after we’re gone.”

The scholarship will be awarded annually to a Rogers High School student of color with financial need, good academic achievement, and school and community involvement for their continuing education.
Chris Herren has a personal story that inspires others. When he was at his lowest point, having just overdosed on heroin, Chris had friends who reached out and offered him a road to recovery. He in turn wanted to do that for others,” Kevin Mikolazyk, former executive director of the Herren Project, says of the organization’s origin.

Chris, a former professional basketball player, has been in recovery since 2008. He founded the Herren Project in 2011 “to support, inspire, and empower those affected by substance use disorder.”

The Portsmouth, RI-based, national nonprofit has served thousands of individuals and families through four key programs: Individual recovery services help individuals and families navigate treatment and recovery services. “It’s a real hands-on, high-touch approach,” Kevin explains. Family support is offered through more than 20 online support groups, educational webinars, and workshops. “It’s important that families learn how best to support someone who is struggling,” Kevin continues.

Prevention services are provided through Herren Project Clubs. Of the program that serves more than 200 schools across the country, Kevin notes, “It impacts kids who are struggling with mental health issues, peer pressures, and societal pressures.”

Finally, Team Herren Project raises money and awareness for the organization. Noting that more than 900 people have been involved, Kevin shares, “People have powerful stories of why they participate. Through the events, they support each other while also helping to fuel the growth of our organization.”

The COVID pandemic resulted in a 300% increase in people reaching out for service between March 2020 and March 2021, according to Bonnie Sawyer, executive director. She credits Herren Project’s “loyal supporters” for providing funding to allow them to respond to the increased demand. “People have really stepped up. We feel we’re poised to no longer be a grassroots organization. An endowment has been in the back of my mind for some time. I knew if we were going to do it, that it should be with the Rhode Island Foundation. We always try to align ourselves with like-minded organizations, and Rhode Island Foundation shares our values and commitment to helping others.”
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—Bonnie Sawyer
Herren Project Fund
Hinckley Allen's commitment to equal opportunity starts at the top with its Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee. The most recent example of the firm's commitment is the new Hinckley Allen Social Justice Fund at the Rhode Island Foundation. The fund will support work throughout the firm's New England footprint.

“The DEI Committee is comprised of the firm’s top leaders—including the managing partner, the COO, practice group chairs, members of the executive committee, the Chief Marketing Officer, the Chief Talent Officer, and the Chief Human Resources officer. This is a committee designed to get things done,” says Noble Allen, partner and chair of the DEI committee.

“We felt that we needed to do something impactful and certainly contribute to racial equity and social justice in our communities and our industry,” says Allen.

Hinckley Allen has long ties to Rhode Island, where it was founded in 1906. The firm opened its first fund with the Rhode Island Foundation in 2003.

“We have an existing relationship with the Foundation, so it was a natural fit for us to deepen this partnership and create this fund,” says Allen.

Hinckley Allen is proud of its diversity, equity, and inclusion work. Its annual “Just One Thing Campaign” asks each member of the firm to do one thing focused on diversity and social justice. The firm then tracks each practice group to determine the percentage of members who have participated. That group then gets to select a nonprofit to receive a contribution from the firm.

“Achieving a diverse workforce takes focus and dedication. You need leadership at the top that appreciates and values the benefits that diverse attorneys and staff bring to the table. The leadership team at Hinckley Allen is invested in all our DEI efforts. Our Social Justice Fund is just one component of our commitment to creating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive work environment,” explains Allen.
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—Noble Allen
Hinckley Allen Social Justice Fund
Len Iannacone Legacy Fund

When the East Providence Historical Society transformed the 1750 John Hunt House into a museum and the Society’s headquarters, Leonard Iannacone was one of its first visitors. “In the 1990s, Len came here to sketch a lot. He loved the national parks, and we’re at the southernmost tip of the Blackstone Valley National Heritage Corridor,” Cheryl Faria, co-president of the Historical Society, says.

“Len had a dream of opening his own gallery, so he purchased a building in East Providence, and filled four rooms with his artwork,” Cheryl shares. Len’s works of local historic sites and landscapes became the property of the Historical Society after his death in January 2020, and his “gallery” now is in the John Hunt House. Dozens of his works, largely pen and ink drawings, fill the walls and tables of the gallery. Among the drawings are two from the Hunt’s Mills Heritage Park property, a beautiful rendering of the John Hunt House and a drawing of the original 1643 grist mill which once occupied the property.

In addition to his works of art, the Historical Society received a generous gift from Len’s estate which they used to create this organization endowment in his name. “Through this fund, Len’s legacy will live on and on. And it was a ‘no strings attached’ gift which is wonderful. We’re just a small organization; it will be nice to have this money we know we can count on,” Cheryl exclaims.

An East Providence native and U.S. Army veteran, Len was educated at the Rhode Island School of Design and made a living as a professional draftsman and interior designer.

“His pen and ink work is masterful, and his interpretations in oils are fanciful and inventive,” Cheryl says of the Historical Society’s benefactor who, for 50 years, traveled throughout Rhode Island, drawing and painting historic sites.

Len’s obituary states, “A friend to many of us, Lenny also had a generous and soft heart for those in need.” The East Providence Historical Society is grateful to be a beneficiary of this “generous and soft heart.”
Sharon and Al Kurose have made Rhode Island their home since 1988, and say they’ll never leave.

“We came here from St. Louis in our twenties, and we had a plan,” Sharon says. “Al was finishing med school and I was working as a geriatric nurse.” They decided the Brown program in internal medicine at Rhode Island Hospital would be Al’s first choice in the residency match. “We grew up around the water, and knew Rhode Island was beautiful,” Al says. “Our plan was simple. We’d move to Rhode Island, I’d finish my training and practice medicine, and we’d raise our family here.”

Sharon and Al both marvel today at how many things have turned out as they planned. “We’re grateful for our good fortune,” says Sharon, “and could not have chosen a better place to live.” Sharon and Al were high school sweethearts in Norwalk, CT. Their three adult children, Ben, Alex, and Megan were educated in the East Greenwich public schools, and the couple recently moved to Tiverton. Sharon says, “Wherever the kids’ lives may take them, we know they’ll always come back to visit us…and the Bay and the ocean, too!”

Sharon’s work included medical-surgical, geriatric, perinatal, and hospice nursing. She finished her career as a Nurse Case Manager for chronically ill and disabled patients, where her role included helping patients to access support for basic needs such as food, housing, utilities, and transportation. Al practiced primary care internal medicine in East Providence for 20 years and then transitioned to healthcare leadership. He has been President of Coastal Medical since 2008 and is now also a Senior Vice President for Primary Care and Population Health at Lifespan. Along the way, he also completed an executive MBA at Yale. “If I had it all to do over again, I wouldn’t change a thing,” he says.

Al has worked on healthcare transformation locally and nationally, and through this work came to know the Rhode Island Foundation. “I met Neil (Steinberg) in 2014 when the Foundation and Senator Whitehouse convened a group to address healthcare costs and payment reform.” He has served on the Rhode Island Foundation board since 2017 and was elected as its chair, effective this past January.

Through their fund at the Rhode Island Foundation, Sharon and Al plan to support basic human needs, civic leadership, and healthcare for the underserved.
After what he refers to as a “40-year hiatus,” Adam Kurzer is back in the Ocean State. A Rhode Island native and graduate of both Cranston High School West and Brown University, Adam’s career enabled him to travel the world. Now, he has returned to his roots, moving back to Rhode Island in 2020 with his wife, Phyllis. “I love Rhode Island. The state has so much promise,” he states.

Adam began his career at IBM, followed by Wang Laboratories, Data General, and BRAE Transportation. In 1987, Adam pivoted and began a 21-year tenure in leveraged finance at Credit Suisse, including 10 years as a Managing Director. He joined Shenkman Capital, an investment management firm, in 2009 where he is currently the Vice Chairman and a member of the firm’s Executive Committee. Since 2018, Adam has been focused on helping build out the firm’s international business.

He met Phyllis, a Long Island native and Pace University graduate, when they both worked at Data General. She continued her career at McGraw Hill, before becoming a full-time mother to the couple’s son, Harrison, and daughter, Dylan. Once the children were grown, Phyllis, who practices yoga, created a nonprofit business called Karma Mala. She designed, created, and sold mala bead necklaces and bracelets, donating all profits to the STOP Girl Trafficking Project of the American Himalayan Foundation. Her efforts funded one year of full-time schooling for 600 girls, who were also kept safe from trafficking.

Adam also gives back to the community. He is a Partner at Social Venture Partners Connecticut, whose mission is to close the opportunity gap in CT through support of education and workforce development. Adam is active with Five Frogs, a CT-based organization working to provide diverse leaders with opportunities to learn and lead. Adam explains that, following the move to Rhode Island, “I reached out to the Rhode Island Foundation and wanted to get plugged in to see what the Foundation is doing. I immediately felt connectivity with their work, and I want to be giving in my backyard.”

Adam and Phyllis Kurzer Family Fund
His Kappa Alpha Psi brothers use words like dear friend, advisor, consulting expert, and strategic thinker to describe James H. Monroe, Jr., who died in 2020 at age 53.

“James was a passionate person. He had an opinion on just about everything. Every conversation I had with him was an eventful one,” recalls Chris Clipper.

“He had a very logical, methodical way to give you whatever opinion he had,” continues Brian Hunt, with Adam Leichtling adding, “He always had an answer for everything, and he would, directly—and often colorfully—help you see that answer.”

Chris, Brian, and Adam all were James’ Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity brothers at Brown University. There, James earned a degree in electrical engineering followed by an MBA at Stanford University. His career included jobs with Sony, Disney, NASCAR, and Intel, but it was the personal side of James that they remember best.

“James interacted with people in a way that made him a very good friend. He was the type of person who inspired thought on meaningful things and really had an impact on people,” Brian shares.

“Many of his fraternity brothers wanted to do something to honor the life and legacy of James, something that would be impactful to the community at large. This scholarship is enduring and could allow others to achieve the academic, professional, and personal success that James had,” Chris states.

The fund also is in line with the objectives of Kappa Alpha Psi, a historically Black public service fraternity. It will provide scholarships for Black students with financial need who are either Rhode Island residents pursuing higher education in the United States or non-Rhode Island residents pursuing higher education in Rhode Island. As the fund grows, it also will support broader initiatives within Rhode Island’s Black community.

Of their decision to partner with the Foundation, Arnold West says, “From our start, Lambda Xi has been involved in the Rhode Island community. The Foundation’s infrastructure and enduring commitment to Rhode Island made a natural fit for us to create a vehicle that sustains and augments that involvement. Chris notes, “Also, because of the flexibility we have, in terms of the beneficiaries, it made sense to us.”
“Teaching was her calling,” Kirk Lamboy states of his late wife, Lucy. “She put forth so much effort, gave attention to everyone equally, and loved to brag about what her students had learned. Her dedication to teaching was incredible.”

Born in Puerto Rico, Lucy came to the States as a young child, settling in Brooklyn, NY, with her parents and siblings. She attended school there, meeting her future husband while in high school. She continued her education at Hunter College and Lehman College, both in New York City; she earned her undergraduate degree from Lehman. She and Kirk married after her graduation and before his senior year at the University of Rhode Island. While they intended to return to New York, both found jobs here and soon made Rhode Island their home.

In the years that followed, the couple had two sons, Justin and Brendan, and continued working. Lucy went back to school, attending URI at night to earn her teaching certificate. “She fell in love with teaching,” Kirk recalls.

Lucy taught for 30 years in elementary schools in Providence, including Sackett Street School and Webster Avenue School. She led many after-school activities, including teaching students the Macarena. “She got along with everyone and had a lot of influence on her students. She gave them her undivided attention, and they loved her. Her goal was to see every student succeed,” Kirk shares. Her family and friends are furthering her goal through this scholarship fund, designated for Hope High School for a graduating student of color with financial need and demonstrated academic and leadership success.

Gifts to the fund have been made by the Lamboy family, from proceeds of a golf tournament, and through the sale of face masks, the latter which Lucy’s daughter-in-law’s mother had started making even before Lucy contracted the coronavirus which ultimately took her life in April 2020.

“I know she would have wanted this,” Kirk states, adding, “She would be happy to help give kids the opportunity to go to college. Education was so important to her.”
Sally Lapides remembers as a child standing outside a supermarket selling cakes her mother had baked. The proceeds supported civil rights marchers in Selma, Alabama. “My parents felt strongly that everyone is the same, regardless of where they come from or who they love,” Sally explains.

It was only the beginning of her lifelong commitment to social justice, something she plans to continue through this fund and to involve her two adult children, Ian and Emmett Barnacle. “This is something I’ve always wanted to bring my kids’ names into. Rather than teaching hate and fear, we should teach our children to give back and to support what they value,” Sally states. Noting the Winston Churchill quote, “You make a living by what you earn and a life by what you give,” she shares, “That has always been a guide for me. I feel both obligated and thrilled to give back what I can.”

Raised in Barrington, Sally earned a bachelor’s degree in art history from Boston University and intended to enroll in graduate school. Her mother (a realtor) suggested she try her hand at real estate in the months between programs. Now president and CEO of Residential Properties Ltd, which she co-founded in 1981, Sally says, “I found my calling. It’s been a challenging, remarkable journey.”

Sally has long been associated with the Rhode Island Foundation, having chaired the successful Million Dollar Challenge Campaign for Equity Action in 2008, the same year she established her first fund at the Foundation, the Sally E. Lapides Fund for Equity Action.

Sally’s sons both are lifelong Rhode Islanders, with Ian now broker/manager of Residential Properties’ Barrington office and Emmett operating Emmett Barnacle Glass Sculpture. Emmett (with wife Lauren Jette) and Ian both have children born in the summer of 2019.

Of the family, Sally acknowledges, “We talk about equity all the time, and my priority is to support equity however I can. For me, the Rhode Island Foundation is a role model for a million people in the state. I talk with people all the time who have been touched by the Foundation.”
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—Sally Lapides
Lapides Barnacle Fund
My mother knew she wanted to be a teacher at a very early age. I never heard her express that she wanted to do anything else,” Karen Sylvia says of her mother, Barbara LaRose, a long-time Warwick teacher who died in June 2021.

“It was her passion to teach children how to read. She taught all elementary grades, but she loved teaching kindergarten and first grade the most,” Karen says of her mother’s dedication to her career and the young students she taught.

Born in Providence, Barbara spent her early years in Warwick before, at the age of 12, the family moved to Germany where her father was stationed in the Army. Karen shares that her mother attended the Girl Scout Chalet in Switzerland one summer, and acknowledges the impact time abroad had on her mother.

The family returned to Warwick after three years, and Barbara graduated from Warwick Veterans High School. She worked as a cashier and babysat in order to pay her tuition at Rhode Island College, where she earned her teaching degree.

She taught briefly in Pawtucket, then married, and moved back to Warwick where she taught elementary school, later becoming a literacy specialist with the Warwick School Department. Her efforts had a lifelong impact on her students, with Karen noting that nurses in the hospital caring for her mother would say, “You taught me how to read, Mrs. LaRose.”

Barbara retired in 1989 after being diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, but her passion for literacy continued. After moving to Florida, she opened an educational bookstore supporting children and teachers.

“After my mother died, I asked myself how I could best perpetuate her life’s work and her legacy. She was so fond of Rhode Island College, of children, and of teaching,” Karen notes. An employee of the Rhode Island Foundation since 2017, Karen quickly decided to partner with the Foundation. “I could not think of a better way to honor my mother,” she states.

This fund, designated for Rhode Island College for scholarships for students planning careers in early childhood education and/or literacy, will forever educate students following in Barbara’s footsteps.
This field of interest fund established by Linda McGoldrick “to support programs and projects focused on public health quality and access” combines two of Linda's core values – health equity and giving back to the community.

“Through my career in international health care, I’ve witnessed infinite need. I care about global health and focusing on the inequities that exist,” Linda explains.

She is Founder, Chair, and CEO of Financial Health Associates International, a strategic consulting company specializing in health care and life sciences. As a dual national (United Kingdom and United States), Linda works with public and private health care corporations, NGO’s, foundations, and Ministries of Health internationally.

To prepare for her career that requires expertise in both healthcare and finance, Linda earned a Master of Social Work (MSW) in Healthcare from the University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Finance from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. She is nearing completion of her PhD in Global Health from Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Linda has called numerous places home, including London where she lived for 22 years, and says of her home for the past 14 years, “I chose Newport and feel very fortunate to be in such a beautiful place. I have always lived near water. Here, I can live in beauty and among a wonderfully rich depth of culture for Rhode Island being so small.”

She continues, “Wherever I live, I get involved in serving on boards of organizations I care about. Community service is important to me. I grew up in a family business, and we had a very strong work ethic. It never occurred to me that you don’t give back to the community. Imagine if every single person in the world gave back, the impact we could have.”

Linda's extensive board service in her brief 14 years in her now “permanent home” of Rhode Island spans her many interests...Rhode Island Public Radio, Festival Ballet Providence, Aquidneck Land Trust, Newport Art Museum, Women and Infants Hospital, and Delta Dental Rhode Island, to name a few.

“I’ve known about the Rhode Island Foundation for many, many years. The Foundation has evolved over time and is a fundamental, core, and important part of the fabric of Rhode Island,” Linda believes.
Moosup Valley Congregational Christian Church Endowment Fund

Moosup Valley Congregational Christian Church, a member of the United Church of Christ (UCC), was founded in 1868. In addition to Sunday worship services, this one-room country church in Foster welcomes all to monthly concerts with area musicians on an outdoor stage they built next to the church, a resource available to the larger community. Currently, during COVID, they host weekly Bible studies, Evening Prayer meetings, and a newsletter, “Gather ‘Round,” to connect people during a time of isolation. They look forward to resuming their Women’s Fellowship once COVID is past.

Of the church, Rev. Betsy Aldrich Garland, says, “Size isn’t what matters, only that we work together to care for our neighbors, near and far. Recently, we raised funds for Educational Assistance for Children of Haiti, rebuilding schools after the earthquake and helping families with food. Little country churches like ours are community centers, and we are thriving.”

Throughout COVID, services have been remote or hybrid, and Reverend Betsy shares that as a result, attendance at worship services has doubled. “We apply Biblical principles to love God and our neighbor as ourselves, and we encourage a critical, open-minded look at the scriptures.”

Patricia Safstrom, church treasurer, notes, “With the exception of support for the minister’s compensation from a family Trust, regular income is from offerings and special donations which grew even during COVID. Those funds, along with a good sum a beloved local woman left to the church, allow us to start this endowment. We invested with Rhode Island Foundation because I am familiar with it and know how great it is.” (In 1998, Pat established the Robert H. Lenth Scholarship Fund for Ponagansett High School to memorialize her late husband.) Lee Goodyear, assistant treasurer, continues, “We want to make the money work for us. We’re stewards of our members’ money and want to invest it well. The Foundation has a good record of fiduciary responsibility.”

Of the church, Lee concludes, “As we say in the UCC, ‘No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.’”
Providence Fire Fighters Local 799 Scholarship Fund

Providence Fire Fighters Local 799, is one of the oldest and largest local labor union affiliates in the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), representing more than 500 active and retired members of the Providence Fire Department.

“Nearly everyone who is associated with the fire service – no matter where they are from – will tell you that being a firefighter is far more than a job,” said Derek Silva, Local 799’s president. “We’re family — we care for each other, provide for each other, the way a family should – and for the Union that means finding ways to support our members both on and off the job.”

One of the ways Local 799 has chosen to support its members is by establishing a children’s scholarship fund. Originally the fund was established and managed by the Union and has been funded by each member through a modest bi-weekly payroll deduction. A volunteer committee of Local 799’s members evaluate applications submitted each year by children of active members who attend an accredited two or four-year post-secondary school.

The scholarship program has offered support to countless students over the years, but the funds were not endowed — until recently.

“Each year we review the scholarship fund’s financials and our application process,” said President Silva. “Recently we realized that the money we save for the program could be invested more wisely by a local community institution like the Rhode Island Foundation that is adept at growing and managing scholarship funds into perpetuity.”

Local 799’s members voted to approve transfer of the scholarship fund’s assets to the Foundation in mid-2021, and the Union will continue to make contributions to the Fund via member’s payroll deductions and proceeds from Local 799’s merchandise sales. Foundation team members will manage the yearly application process and award scholarships to up to 25 dependent children of active members, in good standing, who are enrolled at an accredited two or four-year university/college, junior college, or post-secondary technical or vocational school.

“With support from the Foundation we’re confident the scholarship fund will grow and will always be a stable asset for the children of Providence Fire Fighters,” President Silva concluded.
Maxine Roy Richman Fund to Reduce Poverty

“Once Maxine gets an idea in her head, she doesn’t let go. She’s been the dynamo behind the Coalition,” Rabbi Jeffrey Goldwasser says of Maxine Roy Richman, founder of the Rhode Island Interfaith Coalition to Reduce Poverty.

Established in 2008, the Coalition is “an advocate for sound legislation and public policies that address the causes of poverty and that promote economic well-being for all Rhode Islanders.” Its 27-member Steering Committee is comprised of faith leaders from throughout Rhode Island and individuals with public policy expertise.

David Veliz, executive director and lead organizer of the Coalition, explains, “We care about people and how we see God’s love in action. We should not have inequality. We should not have poverty. These shared beliefs unite us. We have a moral obligation to fight poverty in Rhode Island.”

“This past year was our most successful legislative year yet,” Rabbi Goldwasser, a member of the Coalition’s Steering Committee, states, noting passage of legislation to increase the minimum wage, passage of the Fair Housing Practices Act which prohibits housing discrimination against renters based on their source of income, and an increase in cash assistance to needy families through the Rhode Island Works program.

“Rhode Island has direct service providers, but we need to change the system,” David states, with Rabbi Goldwasser continuing, “Our work is to challenge the underlying structures that allow so many people to live in poverty. This is what we believe in our deepest core... what we’re called to do.”

This endowment, established by the Jewish Alliance of Greater Rhode Island, the Coalition’s fiscal sponsor, will support that work. Named to honor the Coalition’s founder and her decades of advocating for social justice and eliminating poverty, the fund will “be used for the exclusive support of the Rhode Island Coalition to Reduce Poverty.”

Establishing the endowment at the Foundation, Rabbi Goldwasser says, “was a natural. The Rhode Island Foundation has been central to the story of the Coalition. It’s been Maxine’s partner. With the Foundation in the business of honoring legacies, this partnership is a beautiful thing to happen.”
Tim Rishton had an eye for art, as evidenced through thousands of landscape photographs he took – utilizing infrared photography – and which he gave intriguing names such as Golden Blue Lake, Hey There, I Watched the Spirits Go, and Just Peace.

At the same time, he had a love of music, spending countless hours with friends incorporating piano and guitar melodies they created and posting them online under the label, Embrace the Spirits.

A lifelong South Kingstown resident, Tim grew up playing football, hockey, lacrosse and his favorite sport, soccer. He graduated from South Kingstown High School (SKHS) in 2011. He continued his education at New England Institute of Technology where he earned a bachelor of science degree, with high honors, in digital media production in 2019. He worked as a videographer and editor at WPRI-TV 12 at the time of his death in March 2021 at age 27.

“Tim had the most caring heart,” his father, Timothy states, noting that “whether he met you at work, in school, or on the field, he considered you a friend.”

His mother, Jo-Anne, shares, “His true passion was music. His feelings and moods were present in his music. Often the music on the piano just flowed through him to the amazement of his parents, family, and friends.”

She continues, “Tim was a natural artist and always pushing to perfect his craft. He had an ability to see beauty in the landscape and to capture it with his lens. He was an infrared photographer who enjoyed many hours taking thousands of photos in nature.”

“A friend of Tim’s organized a gallery of his art at the Courthouse Center for the Arts and more than 100 people attended. That one event was a big part of making this fund possible. It’s a good way to keep Tim’s memory alive,” his father explains.

Tim’s name will forever be connected to his two passions – photography and music – through this scholarship fund for graduating students at SKHS who are pursuing the visual arts or music at a two-year or four-year college or university.
Bob’s whole adult life was dedicated to making art. He was devoted to it, and when I think of him, I think of art first. Making art and teaching were two of the most important things in his life,” Candy Adriance says of her late husband and internationally known sculptor and educator Robert Rohm.

This past spring, WaterFire Providence presented an exhibition of his work - Down to Earth: Robert Rohm Sculpture, 1963-2013 - that chronicled the evolution of his artistic style through the decades. His early works were based on the use of industrial materials including heavy hawser rope, corrugated metal pipe, and wood elements. As his work evolved, he moved toward figuration and narrative imagery. Reflecting on the exhibition, Candy shares, “Bob’s art had never been seen like that. This man’s life literally unfolded, portraying the beauty and effort of a lifetime. It connected with mortality, effort, and a life well lived.”

Bob earned an undergraduate degree in industrial design from Pratt Institute in New York and a master of fine arts from Cranbrook Academy of Art in Michigan. He taught briefly at Pratt before joining the art department at the University of Rhode Island in 1965. During his more than 30 years at URI, Bob helped establish the modern practice of sculpture education, worked to establish the Visual Arts Program of Sea Grant, and influenced hundreds of students. Bob’s works are exhibited in museums and galleries around the world, and his archives are housed at Cranbrook Academy of Art.

“Cranbrook was a place that was important to Bob and he felt great gratitude to them. He thought it was where he took the biggest steps to becoming the artist he was,” Candy explains.

And it’s the students at Bob’s alma mater who will benefit from this permanent endowment, designated for the Cranbrook Educational Community for a graduate student(s) in the sculpture program at Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Of her partnership with the Foundation, Candy states, “The Foundation has made it easy to accomplish something I didn’t know how to do on my own.”

Robert Rohm Art Scholarship Fund
Seekonk Land Conservation Trust Fund

“One of the delights of Seekonk is that we have so much forest and green space. We’re trying to preserve the rural nature of Seekonk,” says Thompson “Tom” Webb, president of the Seekonk Land Conservation Trust (SLCT).

Tom has been involved with the SLCT since he and his wife, Joan, purchased the home of the nonprofit organization’s founder, Mary Wilson, in 1995. The home is adjacent to several of the Trust’s preserved properties. “It’s been a wonderful way for us to get involved and to get to know our neighbors and other like-minded people,” Tom explains.

Since its founding in 1967, the SLCT has worked with the Town of Seekonk and other organizations to conserve and steward nearly 800 acres of land. Two of its preserves – the Cushing Conservation Area and the Edna Martin Wildlife Refuge – are open to the public. Noting that maintenance of the properties takes both effort and money, Tom has taken a leadership role in both areas. Of the first, he shares, “I love getting my hands dirty, and I get a lot of my exercise working on the properties.”

To support the financial operation of the Land Trust, Tom established this endowment which will enable SLCT to receive annual grants. “The Land Trust recently hired its first employee, a part-time stewardship coordinator,” Tom says, adding, “It’s a big step forward for us, and this Fund will help provide money to support that person.”

Of this endowment, Tom states, “This was a good time for us to provide extra funds to the Land Trust and to support activities that I’ve been promoting. We’re partnering with the Rhode Island Foundation because we’ve had such a good relationship through our donor advised fund (which the Webbs established at the Foundation in 2005). We knew we wanted to put the funds where they will do some good for a very long time.”

In addition to preserving open space, SLCT supports environmental education through grants to Seekonk public school teachers to involve their students in environmental activities and through an annual gift to support the Environmental Resource Center at the Seekonk library.
Robert H. and Catherine B. Sloan Charitable Fund

“I’m convinced that much of the world’s unhappiness is related to a lack of financial planning. If people planned even a little bit, it would smooth out the bumps,” says Robert “Bob” Sloan, with his wife Catherine “Cathi” adding, “There’s a lot of stress around financial insecurity. A little discipline helps a lot in the long run.”

The Sloans know a lot about financial planning, having made it their profession for more than four decades. Bob earned a BA in business administration from Rochester Institute of Technology before beginning what he refers to as “a 45-year adventure in financial services.”

Cathi, who earned a liberal arts degree from the University of Delaware, knew she didn’t want to enter fields traditionally held by women at the time. She was attracted to financial planning, sharing, “In fields where your pay is production based, you can control what you make by what you do.”

Their careers brought them to Rhode Island in 1988, where they worked together until selling the business, Sloan Associates, in 2020. Through their work they became familiar with the Rhode Island Foundation and Cathi was a member of the Foundation’s Professional Advisory Council.

They have two adult children and a granddaughter. Both Bob and Cathi have families with a history of volunteering and giving, so it was natural for them to follow suit.

Cathi served on the board of the Community College of Rhode Island Foundation, is a teacher’s aide for ESL classes, and is active in the couple’s church. Bob is chairman of the board of the Rhode Island Historical Society, president of the Hope Club, a member of the Rhode Island Yacht Club, and a member of Rotary for over 30 years.

The Sloans own financial planning has enabled them to travel extensively – they’ve visited six of the seven continents, with only Australia left to go – to sail, to volunteer, and to open this fund.

They see a donor advised fund at the Rhode Island Foundation as the perfect way to continue to support organizations that are doing great work to make Rhode Island a better place.
Our philanthropy is very personal. Through this fund, we’re making a more permanent and strategic approach to our giving and taking advantage of the value added by the Foundation and the convenience of how a donor advised fund works,” explains Neil Steinberg, president & CEO of the Rhode Island Foundation, who established this fund with his wife, Genie Shao.

Genie continues, “We truly want to help people. A donor advised fund is a logical step for people with specific interests.”

Born and raised in Connecticut, Neil first stepped foot in One Union Station - now home of the Rhode Island Foundation – when he got off a train from New Haven and headed to Brown University for his freshman year. There, he earned a degree in applied math and sociology and was a co-captain of the indoor and outdoor track and field team. “His participation in track is probably his most enduring legacy and memory of Brown,” Genie shares.

It was while Neil was at Brown that he met Genie. Born in Taiwan, Genie immigrated to the United States at the age of six and attended public schools in Massachusetts. At Brown, she majored in biology, minored in American history, and was a member of the university’s first women’s varsity gymnastics team.

After graduation, Neil began what would become a long career with Fleet National Bank, followed by four years as vice president for development at Brown University before he took over the reins of the Rhode Island Foundation in 2008.

Genie worked for Jordan Marsh, followed by nearly 20 years as an aerobics teacher. She served on the board of the former International Institute and, over the course of a decade, cared for both her and Neil’s aging parents, noting, “My culture stresses taking care of your family, and family is the care system.” The couple’s family also includes two adult sons, Jason and Eric, both graduates of the Pawtucket public schools.

Their many interests - including Hospice, refugees, and education - stem from their personal experiences, as well as a commitment to basic human services in Rhode Island. “We see the need in the community, and we want to help,” the couple concludes.
Roland and Hope Talbot may not have thought of themselves as trailblazers when they established the first donor advised fund at the Foundation in December of 1979, but it's an act that has been replicated by approximately 400 other individuals and families in the four decades since.

The Rhode Island Foundation News reported, “While the Talbots are interested in a number of cultural, medical, and educational institutions, they feel that a donor advised fund provides them with the flexibility they desire to address new charitable interests in the future.”

Roland Talbot earned a degree in business administration from Bryant College (now Bryant University) and built a 25-year career with the Bulova Watch Company. He was a trustee of the former Cranston General Hospital Osteopathic and was president of the Providence Chapter of the National Association of Accountants and the Administrative Management Society. He received Bryant’s Nelson Gulski Service Award and was a charter member of its President’s Leadership Council. He died in 1998.

Hope Talbot earned a diploma in nursing from the former Children’s Hospital School of Nursing in Boston, served as a First Lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II, and earned a bachelor’s degree in nursing education at Boston University. She worked as a pediatric supervisor at Roger Williams Hospital and served on the board of the VNA of Rhode Island.

In a 2005 interview with the Foundation, Hope explained of her husband, “He’d say, ‘We’ve got so much to be grateful for and this (the donor advised fund) is what we should do.’ He felt he was successful in life because of his education.”

Through the years, the Talbots used their donor advised fund to support the Hope and Roland Talbot Scholarship Fund at Bryant College, as well as many local organizations.

With Hope’s death in 2020, the couple’s philanthropy will continue, as they instructed, through the scholarship at Bryant, as well as for unrestricted charitable purposes and fields of interest including economic/community development, education, children and families, arts and culture, and health.
Kerri Lynn (Estrada) Thurber had two passions: horses and the military. It’s the first that Luis M. Estrada, Jr. is honoring through this fund, designated for the Mustang Heritage Foundation. “Kerri was a country girl and loved horses,” Luis says of his wife, who died in December 2019 at the age of 42.

Kerri was living at Countryside Farm in Atteboro when she and Luis met in 2012. She had been riding and competing since she was a young girl, and Luis estimates she earned 50 awards in competitions through the years. “I think she loved horses more than people,” he says, smiling, and sharing that Kerri’s bucket list included owning a farm with a couple of horses.

Kerri addressed her second passion, the military, through her service in the Army, beginning when she was 18 and concluding with a medical discharge in 2019. “She was an infantry gal, a real boots on the ground soldier,” Luis explains.

“It’s unfortunate that her life was cut short. She loved to travel, and there was so much we wanted to do,” Luis says. The couple’s six-year-old son Jayden shares his mother’s love of traveling and wants to visit every state capital, a goal he and Luis are actively working to achieve.

While deciding how best to memorialize his wife, Luis learned of the Texas-based Mustang Heritage Foundation through a friend in the local equestrian community who trains mustangs for the organization. The Mustang Heritage Foundation has a mission “of helping decrease the number of wild horses and burros in holding by increasing the number of successful adoptions and placement into private care.”

Luis has been familiar with the Rhode Island Foundation much longer, having been introduced to it by former Providence Mayor Angel Taveras about 15 years ago. More recently, Luis was involved with the Census 2020, for which outreach and education efforts were funded by the Foundation. Working with the Foundation, he says, “has always been in the back of my mind. The Foundation is at the forefront of so much that’s happening in the state.”
In 1967, Neil Mellen had what John Sheehan refers to as a “visionary concept” – to sell multiple brands of tires at one location, something that was not done at that time. Neil, John, and Neil’s brother, Michael, opened the first Town Fair Tire store that year in Fairfield, CT. Now with 105 stores, Town Fair Tire is in all six New England states, as well as New York; eight of the retail stores are in Rhode Island. The company website indicates Town Fair is the largest tire dealer in New England.

“Over time, we have grown and here we are. It proved to be a very successful concept,” John states.

That success led Neil, president of Town Fair Tire, to establish the Town Fair Tire Foundation in 2000. “We said we wanted to help people in need, and we fund a lot of smaller 501(c) organizations such as food pantries, shelters, mental health agencies, and youth organizations. We’ve supported more than 1,000 small organizations in 2021. We just want to help people who are disadvantaged and give back to the communities where our stores are located. We’re fortunate we’re able to do it.”

“We’ve also funded 55 vocational technical schools throughout New England with toolship award programs for 2022,” John continues, noting that when students graduate they need tools and other equipment and supplies for their first jobs. “We want to help vocational schools. It’s something I feel personally. You can never get enough good, qualified mechanics,” John says by way of illustration.

“I was looking to see how else we could help vocational schools, called community foundations in New England, and learned that the Rhode Island Foundation could assist us,” John relates. It’s not the first time Town Fair Tire Foundation has partnered with the Rhode Island Foundation; in 2020, Town Fair made a generous donation to the COVID-19 Response Fund.

This new fund “for trade/vocational education scholarships” will help students forever. “It’s really rewarding to help people,” John remarks.
The J. Arthur Trudeau Memorial Center was founded in 1964 with a mission to promote an enhanced quality of life for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

“It started with one family who was fighting to get help for their son Ken, and it has grown to be a respected community resource and an integral part of the disability community,” explains Judith Sullivan, president and chief executive officer at Trudeau.

She continues, “Trudeau is unique in that it serves people of all ages, from infancy to end of life.” Programs for the organization’s younger clients include early intervention (birth to three years), home and center-based children’s services (infancy to 21 years), and the Pathways Strategic Teaching Center (three to 21 years), an education and treatment program for children with autism and related disorders. Programs for adults include day community services, shared living, residential services, and employment supports.

Trudeau works with thousands of children and adults each year and employs more than 400 people. “We’re Warwick-based and Rhode Island-focused,” Judith says, noting that the organization also serves individuals in nearby cities and towns in both Massachusetts and Connecticut.

She sees this endowment as an investment in the future. “We were impressed with the financial health and stability of the Rhode Island Foundation but, more importantly, we were drawn to their mission and vision. The Foundation does so much to help so many Rhode Island nonprofits. They stay connected to the community and focus on long-term success.

They’re the best of the best. Having an endowment here will help the Trudeau Center enhance the lives of more individuals with disabilities, like Ken, for years to come, and that is a wonderful legacy.”
At EpiVax, we believe that it is our common responsibility to support the community in which we live and work... EpiVax knows the importance of ‘giving back’ and is dedicated to making a positive impact both locally and globally,” states the company’s website.

This has been the philosophy of EpiVax, an immunology company that applies its tools to re-engineer therapeutic proteins and to design new vaccines, since it was founded in 1998 by Anne De Groot, MD CEO and CSO, and Bill Martin, CIO/COO. EpiVax has long supported the GAIA Vaccine Foundation and Clinica Esperanza / Hope Clinic. GAIA (Global Alliance to Immunize Against AIDS) supports the development of a “globally relevant, globally accessible” AIDS vaccine, while Clinica Esperanza is a community clinic that offers free medical care and preventive health services to Rhode Islanders who do not have, and cannot afford, health insurance.

In 2017, the company established “VaxGivesBack” to give employees the opportunity to decide where charitable donations should be made. The Providence Animal Rescue League, Junior Achievement of Rhode Island, and the Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council are just three of the organizations that employees have selected to support.

“The idea is to focus on the Valley neighborhood, and to help the neighborhood become more economically stable,” says Anne, noting staffers can see the Woonasquatucket out their office windows. She continues, “We also challenge our clients to donate and we match the gifts. We get so much good feedback for doing this. They like the idea of working at, or working with, a company that’s philanthropic.”

Cliff Grimm, chief finance and business officer at EpiVax, states, “We announced the establishment of this fund at a recent state of the company meeting and it was one of the highlights. In working with the Rhode Island Foundation, we are working with a trusted organization that can help us determine where funds can best be used. Rhode Island Foundation is the way to go.”

“We like the flexibility of donating today and deciding throughout the year how we want to support the community. This is a huge milestone for us. Everyone at the company is excited about it,” Anne concludes.
William “Bill” Warner, a Rhode Island architect and urban planner, is remembered for reimagining the urban landscape of the City of Providence during the 1980s and 1990s, most notably the I-195 Relocation Project and the design of the “I-Way” Bridge, as well as the Providence River Relocation and Waterplace Park. In 1997, President Bill Clinton awarded him the Presidential Design Achievement Award for these transformational pursuits.

Bill also designed the Manchester Street Power Station, the new Gordon School, and India Point Park. In 1959, he directed the study for the Providence Preservation Society that resulted in the restoration and revitalization of College Hill. Bill earned more than 50 national and regional awards for his projects.

This scholarship is intended to inspire students to follow in his footsteps and will be awarded, “to a junior, senior, or graduate student(s) enrolled in the architecture program at Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), with a preference for students interested in urban planning.”

In addition to his Providence legacy, Bill oversaw the master plan for the 3,600-acre Rockefeller estate, Pocantico Hills, in Tarrytown, NY, and, closer to home, created the master plan and designed five buildings for the URI Graduate School of Oceanography.

Bill earned both his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He met his wife, Margaret “Peggy” Warner in Providence in 1980 while she was the scenic artist for Trinity Rep.

Things changed after she met Bill. “I became the interior designer for his practice. We worked on everything together,” Peggy says.

Mark Motte, co-author of Providence, The Renaissance City, states, “Bill was a visionary. He was a political architect, and he saw ways of stitching things together so that they made sense both functionally and aesthetically. He had a huge impact on Providence.”

Noting that Bill also was an instructor at RISD, Peggy explains, “This scholarship is the best way to honor our work. When I consulted with friends about establishing a scholarship, they said, ‘What about the Rhode Island Foundation?’ And I agreed because I believe RISD students will be the ideal beneficiaries.”
To many people, Dr. David and Ellie Greenhalghs’ name are synonymous with West Bay Christian Academy. David was the school’s first headmaster when it opened in 1981 and served in that role until 1993. His wife, Ellie, worked alongside him teaching music and physical education.

After continuing their Christian education work with children and schools throughout the US and in numerous developing countries, the Greenhalghs returned to West Bay in 2018. For the next two and a half years, David was the school’s interim headmaster and Ellie was chaplain for the lower and middle schools. David retired at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year, while Ellie continued as school chaplain. David now is headmaster, emeritus.

Through this endowment, made possible by many donors who helped the Christian school exceed the goal of its Greenhalgh Legacy Campaign — including one generous family who designated their gift for this scholarship fund — the Greenhalghs’ names will continually be associated with West Bay Christian Academy.

Elsie Wright, a member of West Bay’s board of directors, states that the highly-successful campaign was “an opportunity to look back and to look forward,” while referencing the campaign brochure which states, “David poured his heart and soul into helping West Bay achieve its mission to be distinctively Christian and academically excellent.”

When David was first hired, the school had no students, no faculty, and no curriculum. “The idea to shape something from the beginning was exciting. How to make the core values of the school alive and well was interesting and challenging to me,” he shares.

The school opened in the fall of 1981 with 60 students in kindergarten through sixth grade. It has since expanded to include seventh and eighth grades, as well as a pre-kindergarten and preschool, and enrolls nearly 200 students.

“We often hear families say, ‘I would love to give my child this type of schooling, but I can’t afford it.’ It just breaks your heart, and we ask ourselves, ‘Can’t we do more for these families?’” David relates. This permanent fund, established “to provide financial assistance for the neediest students,” will do just that.
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Paul D. Lynch Scholarship Fund (2013)

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<td>Kimberly and John Zwetchkenbaum Family Fund</td>
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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)
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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<th>Period</th>
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<td>1 year</td>
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<td>5 years</td>
<td>12.6%</td>
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<td>10 years</td>
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<td>20 years</td>
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*As of 12/31/2021

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 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.
Selected Financial Information
Years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020. Full financial statements are available upon request. Form 990s are available at www.rifoundation.org.

### Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

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<th>ASSETS:</th>
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<td>Cash</td>
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<td>$1,160,387</td>
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<td>Investments, at fair value</td>
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<td>Other assets</td>
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<td>Other receivables</td>
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<td>Fixed assets, net</td>
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<td>Notes receivable</td>
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<td><strong>Total Assets</strong></td>
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<td>Grants payable</td>
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<td>Charitable trusts</td>
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### Consolidated Statements of Activities

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<th>REVENUE:</th>
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<td>Contributions and grant revenue</td>
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<td>Net investment return</td>
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<td>Royalties and other income</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
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<td>Administrative expenses</td>
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<td><strong>Total Grants and Expenses</strong></td>
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