



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY

Since our founding in 1979, the Community Foundation has counseled New Jersey families and businesses on how to use philanthropic funds to target and increase the impact of their giving in the areas that matter most to them. We are proud to partner with donors of all means because we know every gift can make a difference.

The Community Foundation of New Jersey educates and engages the people of New Jersey on the power of charitable giving to effect positive change in our communities.

Driven by a deep commitment to bring our fundholders' philanthropic visions to life, the Community Foundation is known for our unique ability to listen to donors and help translate their passion and gifts into impact.

\$600M

in charitable assets

1,100

charitable funds

\$380M

in gifts to funds
over five years

\$190M

in grants from funds
over five years

Fund types



DONOR ADVISED



LEGACY



SCHOLARSHIP



BUSINESS ADVISED



SPECIAL PROJECTS



DESIGNATED
AGENCY



AGENCY
ENDOWMENT

We know our fundholders. We know the community. And we're proud of the many ways we're able to bring them together for good.

Advising families and businesses on their current giving

With more than \$600 million in charitable funds, the Community Foundation provides fundholders with many efficient options to direct and manage their charitable giving. Through philanthropic funds, fundholders choose when, where, why, and how best to give their philanthropic dollars.

Advising families on their charitable legacies

Many fundholders and other members of our community designate the Community Foundation as the beneficiary of their philanthropic funds. They trust the Community Foundation to implement their charitable interests in perpetuity and to identify the very best ways to steward their philanthropic legacies. Families can use a variety of charitable vehicles (e.g. bequests, life income gifts, retirement assets) to implement their goals.



Left: Increasing enrollment of Newark youth in i2 Camp to deepen their interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

Center: Expanding summer job programs for more than 80 young people in northern New Jersey every year

Right: Increasing access to educational field trips

Receive a full range of support

Because giving should be easy and convenient, the Community Foundation provides a full range of support to our fundholders—processing more than 6,000 grants on their behalf annually. We eliminate administrative requirements and screen organizations for grant eligibility—and we even offer the unique flexibility to pursue other charitable purposes in addition to grants to 501c3s. Every fundholder has online fund access to review grant contributions, income, and balances, and to make grant recommendations at any time.

Make a measurable impact

For fundholders who want to make a measurable impact with their giving, we work on a customized basis to explore, plan, and create a charitable strategy with expert ideas on how best to reach objectives. The Community Foundation researches and evaluates organizations serving fundholders' areas of interest, and can arrange site visits before, during, or after grants are made. We also help fundholders determine the impact of their funds' grants and will steward a fund's grantmaking in perpetuity to ensure a lasting philanthropic legacy.

Learn about important community issues

Fundholders and members of the community join us regularly to learn about important community issues and how to give in ways that work best for them. The Community Foundation also works closely with professional advisors to help New Jersey residents incorporate charitable giving into their financial and estate planning in simple and tax-beneficial ways.

Address critical imperatives

Time and again, fundholders tell us they are interested in addressing critical imperatives in the state. The Community Foundation makes it possible for fundholders to pool dollars with other like-minded philanthropists and the Foundation to have greater impact.

Involve family

Giving can go beyond helping others to helping the givers and their families as well. The Community Foundation can facilitate the involvement of family by providing an open and honest platform for discussing values, interests, and the importance of wealth. Family relationships and legacy can be strengthened all while helping those in need and teaching about money and finances in an engaging and relevant way.

Grants from funds support thousands of charitable causes



60% New Jersey

39% National

1% International

Investment options

The Community Foundation offers maximum flexibility for investing the dollars in your fund.



Please contact Hans Dekker
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973-267-5533 to open your
fund and experience the
power of charitable giving.

Fees

Many financial institutions offer philanthropic funds. What distinguishes the Community Foundation is that our fees help fuel a philanthropic organization that directly benefits the community alongside its fundholders and supports many worthwhile projects and initiatives that make New Jersey a better place.



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