



2011 Yearbook







Message from the Chair and President

More than 26 years ago, the founding Trustees of the Community Foundation began the important task of building endowment for our region. Thanks to their foresight and the gifts of thousands of generous donors, this permanent community capital is available in perpetuity to improve lives in southeast Michigan.

In addition to responding to acute needs during this particularly challenging time, the Community Foundation is also making long-term investments that will help continue to move our region forward. Through our grants, programs and partnerships, we seek to balance the demands of the present with the need to take the long view and help prepare individuals and institutions for a brighter and more secure future.

In 2010, the Community Foundation authorized the second-largest dollar amount of grants in our history more than \$52 million through nearly 2,900 grants. Our assets at year-end totaled more than \$600 million. We thank our donors for providing more than \$37 million in new gifts and for establishing 36 new funds. Strong investment performance also contributed to our growth.

We were honored to partner with the Max M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Foundation to establish the Community Foundation Challenge–Emergency Food & Shelter to help nonprofit organizations meet the increasing need for services at a time of sharp declines in public funding. The year-long program is helping to secure more than \$3 million in operating support for 21 food and shelter organizations, and is providing hands-on fundraising education and training to a broader group of food and shelter organizations throughout the seven counties of southeast Michigan.

Through our leadership on long-term initiatives, we continue to support both neighborhood and regionwide development. In recent years the Community Foundation has invested nearly \$25 million in Detroit's near-east side

neighborhoods. One highlight in 2010 was the launch of a significant new project by three of the region's leading providers of health care, housing and services for seniors, which you will read more about in this report. A second important outcome of these investments is the establishment of the East Jefferson Corridor Collaborative, a new organization representing the diverse interests of the area including businesses, residents, charitable organizations and schools. This organization holds great

promise to leverage continued investment and address

multiple needs in the community.

The GreenWays Initiative, now in its 10th year, celebrated the completion of new trails and pathways in the seven-county regional greenways network. Already comprising more than 100 miles and connecting more than 80 municipalities, this signature Community Foundation project contributes every day to the health and well-being of tens of thousands of area residents. We are pleased to report that the Midtown Loop Greenway, now under construction, will create walkable pathways among some of Detroit's premier cultural institutions. It also represents the latest link in what will be eight miles of continuous greenways extending from Wayne State University all the way to Belle Isle.

The fourth year of the New Economy Initiative demonstrated the effectiveness of 10 national, regional and local foundations working together toward the shared goal of reinventing and reinvigorating the economy of southeast Michigan. The initiative achieved new levels of impact, particularly in the area of entrepreneurial training and support. This goal was greatly advanced by bringing the region's four largest business accelerators together to form the Business Accelerator Network for Southeast Michigan, a regional collaborative to support business formation and growth.

We would like to thank the staff and volunteers of the Community Foundation for their continued dedication and hard work. We are especially grateful to our extraordinary Trustees, whose guidance and expertise we value highly. We express our thanks to Ronald P. Marcinelli and Thomas S. Wilson, who completed their service in

Most of all, we thank you for everything you do to make southeast Michigan a better place to live and work. Each year, we are inspired by the generosity of those who care about our region. Even in the face of enormous challenges, your continued commitment and enthusiasm give us hope and inspire our work.

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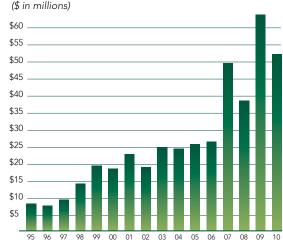
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2010 HIGHLIGHTS

- The Community Foundation and its affiliates received more than \$37 million in new gifts.
- Donors established 36 new funds.
- The Foundation distributed more than \$52 million, through nearly 2,900 grants, to a wide range of charitable activities.
- By the close of 2010, the Foundation had awarded more than \$450 million in more than 37,000 grants since its founding.

Grant Authorizations per year



Asset Value per year



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Programs and Grants

Through our grantmaking, the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan seeks to build a stronger, more competitive region by encouraging regional thinking and cooperation, fostering innovation and creative solutions, and leveraging additional resources for area organizations and communities.

In 2010 we awarded more than \$52 million to a wide range of charitable organizations and activities. On the following pages you will find a small sample of the nearly 2,900 grants made by the Community Foundation last year. Many grants responded to the current pressing

needs of our community, funding the vital work of many of the region's charitable organizations. The Community Foundation also continues to invest in long-term positive regional change through multiyear projects that target specific issues. Community Foundation initiatives such as the GreenWays Initiative, the Detroit Neighborhood Fund and the New Economy Initiative bring together dollars, knowledge and expertise from local and national sources to strategically focus on challenges and opportunities in the region. All of these efforts are the result of collaboration with others and support from many partner foundations.

100 Black Men of Greater Detroit Inc. Support for a prostate health awareness program for the African-American community\$ 25,000
American Civil Liberties Union Fund of Michigan Support for educational equity, legal protection for immigrants and court reform programs in southeast Michigan\$50,000
American Lung Association of Michigan Support for general operations in 2011 \$ 26,695
Ann Arbor Teen Center Inc. Support for a youth-driven entrepreneurial initiative \$ 48,000
Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) Support for public programs to accompany an exhibit about Arab-American contributions in civilian and military service
The Arc of Oakland County Inc. Support for the 2010 Michigan Performing Arts Talent Show for developmentally disabled persons \$711
ArtServe Michigan Support for the Michigan Cultural Data Project\$75,000
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit Support for the continuation of a mentor recruitment project\$50,000
Birmingham Musicale Support for internships for music therapy and the arts \$500
Bloomfield Hills School District Support for summer camp programming for children who are physically impaired

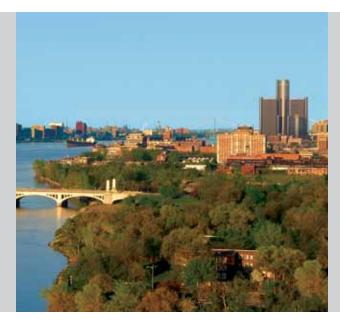
foundations.
Chamber Music Society of Detroit Support for educational outreach activities to build on the ensemble residency program and to extend collaborative programming to schools and other nonprofit organizations
Chelsea Center for the Arts Support for the expansion of artistic initiatives including the artist-in-residence program, songwriting workshops and Midwest Literary Walk activities
Christ Church Grosse Pointe Support for a planning and pilot initiative to help older residents age successfully in place \$ 81,000
City Connect Detroit Inc. Support for Census 2010: Detroit Nonprofit Mobilization Plan
Community Action Network Support for a youth leadership development program \$8,725
Community House Association Support for a classical music series
Corporation for a Skilled Workforce Support for a regional interdisciplinary coalition on mature employment, training and volunteerism \$ 25,000
Council of Michigan Foundations Support for annual membership
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Detroit Area Agency on Aging Support for a program to offer economic security case management services to low-income seniors \$ 25,000

	Detroit Auto Dealers Association Charitable Foundation Fund
	Detroit Hispanic Development Corp. Support for a leadership development program for southwest Detroit youth \$ 50,000
	Ele's Place Support for the expansion of children's bereavement support groups \$ 20,000
	Oakwood Healthcare System Foundation Support for a mentoring and leadership development program for teens with disabilities
	Real Life 101 Scholarship Fund Support for a mentoring program for youth in southeast Michigan
	Southfield Centers for Youth Inc. Support for a youth news reporting project \$25,000
	Winning Futures Support for the development of a train-the-trainer program
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Su Su Th Su	etroit Institute for Children pport for rehabilitative services programming\$50,000 pport for general operations in 2011\$46,835 e Detroit Institute of Arts pport for visitor engagement and nor development activities\$300,000
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	Belle Isle Women's Committee Support for a feasibility study and community planning activities for the Belle Isle Conservancy on the near-east side of Detroit
	Community Legal Resources Support for strategic vacant property services for the near-east side of Detroit and for citywide civic engagement services
	Detroit Economic Growth Association Support for an expansion of the Detroit City DNA project, aimed at better understanding the city's demographics and business environment \$15,000
	Detroit Neighborhood Fund Support for program activities to strengthen neighborhoods on Detroit's near-east side\$104,323
	Downtown Detroit Partnership Support for Clean Downtown services in the East Jefferson corridor as part of the East Jefferson Corridor Collaborative

Eastern Market Corp. Support for a demonstration neighborhood farm stand program on the near-east side of Detroit and to build capacity as a wholesale food hub \$435,200
Funders Network for Smart Growth & Livable Communities Support for the engagement of community leadership in the development of a sustainability strategy for the city of Detroit
Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan Support for the Villages Neighbor to Neighbor program for development of a community-based service delivery mode
Support for the improvement of the Gleaner's campus and neighborhood outreach\$500,000
The Greening of Detroit Support for development of the Detroit Market Garden and urban agricultural programming in Detroit's near-east side neighborhoods \$1,111,677
Jefferson East Inc. Support for the establishment of the East Jefferson Corridor Collaborative to develop the East Jefferson Corridor into a clean, safe and accessible thoroughfare \$ 600,000
Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion Support for a neighborhood development and equity initiative led by churches in the near-east side of Detroit
Michigan's Children Support for the expansion of a neighborhood- based leadership program for the near-east side of Detroit
NCB Capital Impact Support for the development of a program to help older residents in the near-east side of Detroit and Grosse Pointe age successfully in place \$100,000
Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Support for the development of the East Jefferson Neighborhood Project, in collaboration with United Methodist Retirement Communities and Henry Ford Health System
University Cultural Center Association Support for the planning of Phase III of the Detroit greenway, Midtown Loop
Villages Community Development Corp. Support for the development of a capacity-building strategy for the Villages Community Development Corp
Support for the development of a greenways master plan for Detroit's near-east side \$ 213,000
Warren/Conner Development Coalition Support for the Lower Eastside Vacant Land Reuse Planning Project

Neighborhood Investment

In 2006, recognizing that the development of the Detroit RiverWalk would serve as a catalyst for the surrounding area, the Community Foundation began to make significant investments in Detroit's near-east side neighborhoods. Our goal was to help existing residents benefit from the transformation of the riverfront. Neighborhood redevelopment is, by nature, a long-term proposition. Building on extensive conversations and engagement with community groups in the area, a wide range of projects and partnerships were developed that have already delivered promising results. A cleaner and more engaged community stands poised to participate in a renaissance on Detroit's near-east side.





The Community Foundation's strategic long-term investment in the neighborhood, which has totaled nearly \$25 million, gained important momentum with the launch of the East Jefferson Neighborhood Project. This innovative joint project of the Henry Ford Health System, Presbyterian Villages of Michigan and the United Methodist Retirement Community will provide affordable housing and health care to seniors. A \$2 million grant from the Community Foundation made it possible for the partners to purchase property and leverage broader funding.

Several other investments reached important milestones this year. The University Prep Science and Math High School, a globally competitive charter school, opened its doors in 2010. The Villages Community Development Corp. led residents in the successful completion of a comprehensive greenways plan, designed to enhance the walkability of their historic neighborhoods and provide greater access to parks and the Eastern Market. And the Detroit Economic Growth Corp., the Downtown Detroit Partnership and the East Jefferson Business Association made substantial gains in their work together to revitalize the commercial corridor along Jefferson Avenue.









Opposite, left to right: An aerial view of the Detroit's near-east side and riverfront. I Among the distinctive assets of the area is **Eastern Market**, featuring more than 250 independent food vendors and merchants. I Above, clockwise from top: **The East**Jefferson Corridor Collaborative helps to promote a cleaner, safer Jefferson Avenue commercial district. I University Prep Science and Math High School is dedicated to preparing urban youth for success in college. I The East Jefferson Neighborhood

Project will provide health care and housing for area seniors. The project is expected to achieve an overall economic impact in excess of \$250 million in its first decade. I The Villages of Detroit, located two miles east of downtown, are a unique collection of communities, each with authentic personality and charm.

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