

THE POWER OF MANY...













...is the power to face a monumental challenge together and say, "Yeah, we can do something about that."

It's the power to restore Great Bay. To revitalize the North Country's economy. To battle the disease of addiction.

It's the power to help a refugee child grow into a thriving adult member of his American community.

It's the power to break down barriers of class — and dance together.

It's the power to touch the future.

Here are a few examples of how thousands of people are giving and working together to make a difference for New Hampshire.

A few examples of the power of many.













Richard Ober and Matt Pierson at 3S Artspace in Portsmouth.

FROM THE CHAIR AND PRESIDENT

The power of many: It's the definition of a community foundation.

A community foundation combines the passion, resources, time, talent and hard work of thousands of people. Together, we have the power to help 1,500 students each year afford college. To preserve our most fragile natural resources. To make progress in battling the substance use crisis. We have the power to expand opportunities for all of New Hampshire's kids.

There is a tremendous amount of work to be done.

But the numbers are with us: the hundreds of generous people who have established more than 1,700 charitable funds. The record \$38.8 million put to work in our communities in 2015. Grants supporting more than 1,600 nonprofits, where thousands of people work to make New Hampshire better every day. The 124 volunteer regional advisors and board members guiding our Foundation's work. Hundreds of partners in the public sector, business and education — and dozens of regional and national funders working with us to support innovative efforts in New Hampshire.

Each year, more people join in this good work. With every person who steps up, the power of many grows a little stronger. And New Hampshire gets a little better.

Thank you for being part of it.

Matt Pierson

Chair, Board of Directors

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2015 HIGHLIGHTS

A small sampling of accomplishments made possible by our Foundation community.





PREVENTING DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADDICTION

The Foundation awarded \$2.7 million in grants in 2015 to help alleviate the state's addiction crisis. That funding helped the state secure a \$13 million federal grant to prevent substance use disorders among young people and create the position of Advisor on Addiction and Behavioral Health in the governor's office.

NEW WAYS FOR DONORS TO INVEST

Two new investment options for donors were launched in 2015. **Individually Managed Funds** allow donors to retain their current investment advisor to manage their fund. And the **Impact Investment Fund** invests charitable dollars in projects that create jobs, protect the environment and spread opportunity — while earning a return that can be used for grantmaking.



STRONGER NORTH COUNTRY COMMUNITIES

The Neil and Louise Tillotson Fund, one of the largest permanent rural philanthropies in the country, made \$3 million in grants in 2015 including \$373,800 that continued strategic investments in entrepreneurship, business development and early childhood development. In partnership with the Northern Forest Center, the fund also launched the Northern Forest Regional Symposium, bringing together leaders from four states to help shape the future of the region.



\$38.8 MILLION

Total grants and scholarships awarded in 2015 — the largest total in the Foundation's history. **More than \$510 million has** been awarded in grants and scholarships since 1962.



71 NEW WAYS TO DO GOOD

charitable funds at the Foundation in 2015. The Phyllis Wheeler
Bennett Fund memorializes the regional advisor and longtime activist whose newspaper, Publick Occurrences, broke the story of a proposed oil refinery on Great Bay in 1973. The fund, to which friends and family have contributed, is for broad charitable purposes with a preference for preserving the Great Bay watershed and supporting citizen journalism. See page 28 for a full list of new funds.

IMPACT, MULTIPLIED

The Entrepreneurs' Fund of New Hampshire extended its reach in 2015, conducting three regional "pitch camps" and awarding three \$25,000 grants. And EFNH expanded its "engagement model" of grantmaking. After surveying nonprofit participants about needs, EFNH hosted a seminar with experts in social media, board engagement and marketing.



BY THE NUMBERS

NEW HAMPSHIRE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION 2015

\$59,342,040

\$38,809,527

\$626,137,475

Total grants, program initiatives, scholarships and loan awards

Total assets

3,714

Total gifts

Grants to 1,611 nonprofit organizations

\$33,257,417

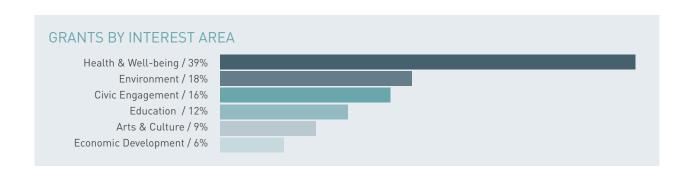
Total grants and program initiatives

1,708

Scholarships and loan awards to 1,483 students

\$5,552,110

Total scholarships and loan awards



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ASSETS	2015	2014
Cash and cash equivalents	\$24,944,065	\$24,363,082
Investments	\$570,582,125	\$586,806,681
Other assets	\$30,611,285	\$14,107,431
Total Assets	\$626,137,475	\$625,277,194
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Grants payable, accounts payable and other liabilities	\$20,738,226	\$22,784,960
Funds held as agency funds	\$34,508,698	\$35,588,754
Total Liabilities	\$55,246,924	\$58,373,714
Unrestricted	\$446,924,171	\$462,949,673
Temporarily restricted	\$54,035,105	\$43,412,878
Permanently restricted	\$69,931,275	\$60,540,929
Total Net Assets	\$570,890,551	\$566,903,480
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$626,137,475	\$625,277,194

The final audited statements will be posted on our website when they become available. Please visit www.nhcf.org.

INVESTMENT REPORT

The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation is committed to serving as a prudent steward of the generous gifts entrusted to us by donors past and present. The primary goal of the Investment Committee is to achieve the best-possible return on behalf of the Foundation without taking on undue risk. Secondly, the committee seeks to invest wisely to generate the most grant dollars today while simultaneously preserving resources to meet future needs. The committee is assisted in its efforts by Cambridge Associates, the Foundation's investment consultants.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015	TRAILING 1 YEAR	TRAILING 3 YEAR	TRAILING 5 YEAR
NH Charitable Foundation Combined Investment Fund	-2.1%	5.6%	5.3%
Cambridge Associates Endowment median*	-2.4%	5.2%	5.0%
Global stocks 70% (MSCI ACWI)/ Bonds 30% (BC Aggregate)	-0.9%	6.3%	5.8%

^{*}The Cambridge Associates Endowment median is comprised of more than 400 client academic institutions and foundations.

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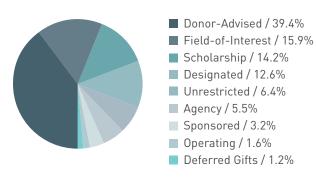
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NEW FUNDS

The 71 new funds created at the Foundation in 2015 will touch thousands of lives across New Hampshire for years to come. Every fund at the Foundation represents a promise for New Hampshire. We celebrate the generosity and vision of the people who created them.

ASSETS BY FUND TYPE



NUMBER OF FUNDS

71

New funds established in 2015

1,759

Total number of funds at the Foundation

Agency Funds are established by charitable organizations that want a source of long-term capital to support their missions.

Arts for Life Fund

Monadnock Region

Designated Funds are established by individuals, families or businesses to support specific nonprofit organizations.

Anna M. Lauste Fund
Upper Valley Region

Connie Davis Watson Park Fund North Country Region

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Nashua High School South — 1963 Alumni Endowment Fund Nashua Region

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Monadnock Region

CB and Ruth Jacobs Charitable Fund Monadnock Region

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Capital Region

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Piscatagua Region

Curtis Lintvedt Contribution Fund *Piscataqua Region*

Daisy Hale Fund Capital Region

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North Country Region

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Mann Family Fund Monadnock Region

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Lakes Region

NHMM Trail Protection Fund Monadnock Region

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Viviana Leon Memorial SIDS Fund

Manchester Region

Wilhelm Family Fund

Manchester Region

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Alice Hale Penniman Memorial Fund Monadnock Region

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NH Tomorrow Fund for College and Career Readiness

NH Tomorrow Fund for Early Childhood Development

NH Tomorrow Fund for Family and Youth Supports

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Scholarship Funds are established by individuals, families or businesses to help students realize their educational goals.

Christopher David Burke Daoust Memorial Scholarship Fund *Piscataqua Region*

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Eugene Manfredi Medallion Fund Manchester Region

Harry Rosenblad Scholarship Fund *Piscataqua Region*

John Cooper Hubbard Fund Piscatagua Region

Nate Dokmo Scholarship Fund Nashua Region

Robert P. and Dorothy P. Hubbard Scholarship Fund Monadnock Region

Susan H. Raasch Scholarship Fund Piscatagua Region

Unrestricted Funds are established by individuals, families and businesses who entrust the Foundation to direct the funds when and where they will do the most good.

E. Story Wright Fund Monadnock Region

Impact Investment Fund

This fund listing will not match the total number of new funds established in 2015 as we do not list anonymous funds and deferred gifts.

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More than 100 volunteers comprise the Foundation's board of directors and regional advisory boards. These community leaders, from all corners of the state, play a crucial role in advancing our mission of creating stronger communities and inspiring greater giving in New Hampshire.

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WE PROMISE to be an enduring source of philanthropic capital equal to the potential of the communities and causes, the donors and doers we serve. WE COMMIT to be a compassionate partner and a creator of partnerships: To generous donors, so that they can amplify the power of their giving. To visionary *nonprofit leaders*, so that they can get their best ideas off the ground and keep them there. To students, as they map their pathways for education and success. To thinkers and dreamers, who convene at our table to solve the biggest problems of our great state. WE SHOW, through our daily actions, our passion and our resolve, that WE BELIEVE in the people of New Hampshire. TODAY, TOMORROW AND ALWAYS.

OUR MISSION

We seek to strengthen communities and inspire greater giving by:

- Investing charitable assets for today and tomorrow
- Connecting donors with effective organizations, ideas and students
- Leading and collaborating on important public issues

OUR VISION

We envision strong, just and resilient communities where:

Arts & Culture

...arts and culture organizations preserve heritage, celebrate self-expression and foster appreciation of diversity

Civic Engagement

...residents give back to their communities and participate meaningfully in civic life

Economy

...economic opportunity is available to all

Education

...students of all ages improve their lives through appropriate education and job training opportunities

Environment

...significant environmental assets are permanently protected and available for long-term public benefit

Health & Well-being

...all residents have access to quality health care, food, housing and other critical needs

OUR VALUES

As a Foundation and as individuals, we are:

Committed

...to achieving results in pursuit of our vision and mission

Collaborative

...because we are better together

Accountable

...to the community, our constituents and each other

Adaptive

...to change, because we take the long view

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Martin Gross 1938 – 2016

Director and Chairman, Board of Directors, 1988 - 1996

Few people have had a greater impact on the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation than Martin Gross. During his tenure on the board, he was instrumental in the launch of the New Hampshire Center for Public Policy Studies and led the effort to acquire and renovate the Foundation's offices. He established the Caroline Gross Fellowship, helping to strengthen a generation of civic leaders. His wide-ranging efforts made New Hampshire a better place.



UP TO THE PROMISE



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