

Ogemaw County

2006 Annual Report

North Central Michigan Community Foundation
Serving Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda Counties

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A Message to the Community,

We are fortunate to live in Ogemaw County. As an area rich in natural beauty and good people, our communities continue to grow. Times are changing, people are changing, and our communities' needs are changing.

The North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF), which serves Ogemaw, Crawford, and Oscoda Counties, strives to meet these evolving needs through our grants, which are the heart of our good work in our communities.

With total assets of \$2,210,280 at the end of our 2006 fiscal year, we awarded \$109,544.14 in grants and scholarship during 2006. Even with this great number, the real measure of our success lies in how these grants make a real difference in the lives of Ogemaw County residents and improve the quality of our communities.

Throughout the year, we funded many youth projects, provided for recreational activities and community development, as well as supported programs for the general improvement of our communities.

Of course, none of these grants are possible without the generosity of our donors. As we look into the next year, we invite you to join us in helping to make Ogemaw County even better. Your contribution, and those of your neighbors will help us do just that.

On behalf of the NCMCF Board of Directors, staff, and entire community, thank you for helping us make a difference in our communities, and for the vision of recognizing Ogemaw County's remarkable possibilities. Together, we are preparing today for the future of our communities.

Warm regards,

NCMCF Board of Directors

NCMCF Grant Supports Young Writers

Getting the creative juices flowing isn't always easy, but once the ideas begin to pour in, the result is often a brilliant work of art.



First place winner Michael Krebs reads his winning piece, "Solitude" at the award recognition ceremony for Imagination Association's writing contest.

Several Ogemaw Heights High School students had the opportunity to enter the *Write Out of Hibernation Fiction Writing Contest* organized by Imagination Association. NCMCF's Ogemaw County Youth Advisory Council provided a \$500 grant to OHHS to support the contest.

Michael Krebs's story, "Solitude", earned him first place in the writing contest, with Cassie McKindles' "Choose" taking second place. Jory Piglowski placed third for his mystery, "Cold Case".

As part of the entire program, students also got to attend three writing workshops, and hear Doug

Allyn, a nationally known Michigan author, give a motivational speech.

NCMCF is proud to be able to sponsor such a wonderful project that engages youth in the creative arts.

NCMCF awarded a \$300 mini-grant to Church of the Living Hope to support their 4th Annual Women's Outreach Day – an opportunity for women in Ogemaw County to be pampered for a day and be treated like a princess. For one day of spa-like activities and healthful information, it's all about the women!



Youth Advisory Council

Empowers Students to Make a Difference in Ogemaw County

It was John Bunyan, a famed English author from the 17th century who said, "You have not lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you."

Students in NCMCF's Youth Advisory Council (YAC) get a first-hand look at this important lesson as they work to serve their community through the allocation of grant money.

Each year, the students gather for several grant cycles to review grant applications from organizations seeking assistance in implementing

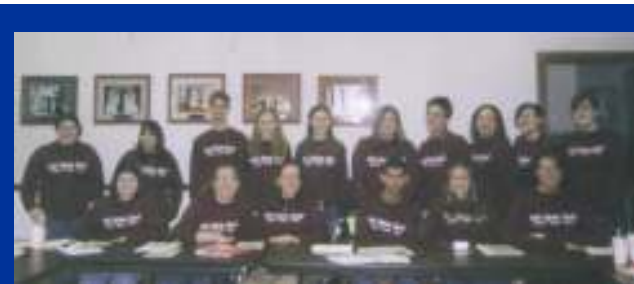


The Ogemaw YAC students listen as a grant applicant gives a presentation on his organization's project.

youth-oriented projects throughout Ogemaw County.

Based on available monies and under the guidance of an adult advisor, the committee determines award amounts for each applicant while considering the NCMCF *Needs Assessment Survey* – a compilation of the biggest concerns and issues of students throughout Ogemaw County.

Working with the nearly 30 students in YAC, the experiences prove to be very educational for



Ogemaw County Youth Advisory Council

the committee members. They must learn to think as a team and also be understanding of differing opinions, while learning the functions of acting as a board.

Like all YAC members, after graduation they are bid a fond farewell from their time with the group with hopes that the experience, as well as philanthropic values and an awareness of the communities' needs will stay with them throughout their adult life. See YAC, page 3.

For good. For ever.SM



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NCMCF 2006 Grants

Ogemaw County NCMCF awarded \$59,826 from its charitable funds during our 2006 fiscal year.

Ogemaw County Community Endowment Fund

\$300 to Church of the Living Hope
\$500 to City of West Branch
\$300 to Ogemaw County Child Protection Council
\$475 to West Branch-Rose City Schools
\$300 to West Branch Crisis Pregnancy Center

Ogemaw County Kellogg Youth Fund

\$2,483 to Ogemaw County MSU Extension
\$1,483 to Ogemaw County Sheriff Department
\$500 to Sanford Brigade
\$2,500 to West Branch Assembly of God
\$3,200 to West Branch-Rose City Schools
\$1,500 to OHHS/Imagination Association

West Branch Kiwanis Club Education Fund

\$1,000 to Alma College for Michael Budge
\$1,000 to Kirtland Community College for Drew Goulette

Sheryl Krantz Memorial Scholarship Fund

\$500 to Saginaw Valley State University for Kimberly Babcock
\$500 to Central Michigan University for Erin Jill Grezeszak

Reynold A. Gogarn Memorial Scholarship Fund

\$34,000 to universities for students from Ogemaw County

ESP Scholarship Funds

There are 19 scholarship funds within the Educational Support Partnership (ESP).

\$250 to Kirtland Community College for Drew Goulette
\$250 to Adrian College for Andrea McFarland
\$500 to Eastern Michigan University for Joseph Evans
\$275 to Kirtland Community College for David Schumacher
\$500 to Kirtland Community College for Kelsey Clark
\$500 to Central Michigan University for Kalya Noble
\$300 to Saginaw Valley State University for Patricia Gaddy
\$200 to Surline Elementary
\$250 to Saginaw Valley State University for Ashley Killinger
\$500 to Michigan State University for Tasha Likavec
\$250 to Kirtland Community College for Cherie Noble
\$500 to West Branch-Rose City Schools
\$500 to Michigan State University for Caitlin Hisscock
\$500 to Kirtland Community College for Julia Meed
\$250 to Kirtland Community College for Andrew Tuttle
\$500 to Ferris State University for Lindsay Reder
\$500 to Kirtland Community College for Nicole Denstedt
\$825 to University of Michigan for Kadie Sandford
\$135 to Alma College for Michael Budge
\$325 to Michigan Technological University for Barney Bloss
\$325 to Lake Superior State University for Ashley Brauning
\$325 to Grand Rapids Community College for Tiffany Charles
\$325 to Kirtland Community College for Diane Zierler
\$500 to Alma College for Kim Bray



Ogemaw County NCMCF Funds



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- Briney Ethical Fund
- Monnie Orr Memorial Fund

Designated Funds

- District Health Department #2 Fund
- JL Howard Fund
- St. Joseph School Endowment Fund
- West Branch Regional Medical Center Endowment Fund

Field of Interest Funds

- Ogemaw County Kellogg Youth Fund
- Ogemaw County Tobacco Settlement Fund

Scholarship Funds

- ESP Arthur E. Short Memorial Scholarship Fund**
- ESP Bernice Ruh Scholarship Fund
- ESP Chester Surline Memorial Scholarship Fund**
- ESP Daniel Wilber Memorial Scholarship Fund
- ESP Edwin Shiel Memorial Fund
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- ESP Ogemaw Heights Student Activities Scholarship Fund**
- ESP Phillip John Manina Scholarship Fund
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- ESP Rose City Medical Careers Scholarship Fund
- ESP Scholarship Fund
- ESP Steuermol and McLaren Funeral Home Scholarship Fund
- ESP VFW Oren Fox Scholarship Fund
- Kirtland Community College Educational Fund
- Sheryl Krantz Scholarship Fund**
- Optimist Club of West Branch Education Fund
- Reynold A. Gogarn Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Rose City Lioness/Lions Club Scholarship Fund
- Sharon Sutton Memorial Scholarship Fund
- West Branch High School Alumni Scholarship Fund**
- West Branch Business and Professional Women's Association Scholarship Fund
- West Branch Kiwanis Club Education Fund

Unrestricted Funds

- Ogemaw County Community Endowment Fund
- North Central Affiliate Administrative Needs Fund

***Fund established in 2006 fiscal year*

NCMCF Launches New Website

This year, NCMCF launched a brand new website at www.ncmcf.org.

Whether you are a donor, grant applicant, member of the media, or simply interested in finding out more about what NCMCF is doing for its communities, visit us online where you'll now find:

- ☑ Safe, secure online giving
- ☑ Downloadable grant applications
- ☑ Current newsletters, annual reports, and press releases
- ☑ Complete listings of funds and their descriptions
- ☑ Information on scholarships



Pictured above is the homepage of NCMCF's new website at www.ncmcf.org.

Ogemaw County Committee

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Grants Information

NCMCF Common Grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations in Ogemaw County that work to improve and help residents of our communities.

Grant Application Deadline: June 30

NCMCF Tobacco Grants are awarded to projects and programs that promote smoking cessation, and provide education about the dangers of tobacco and drug use for senior citizens and youth under the age of 18.

Grant Application Deadline: March 31

Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations in Ogemaw County to support projects and programs that benefit youth under the age of 18 in our communities.

Grant Application Deadline: December 31

All applications are available at www.ncmcf.org. Please call the Community Foundation for help in completing your application.

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Perhaps, they will even choose to put special effort into giving back to the area they hold dear.

NCMCF YAC, with the assistance of an adult advisor, awards grants to youth-oriented programs in Ogemaw County using funds from the Ogemaw County Kellogg Youth Endowment Fund – money donated to Michigan community foundations through the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Each year, the YAC is able to provide about \$12,000 in grants to area programs. As the endowment grows, through interest and future gifts, the amount available to grant also grows.

How do you want to help your community?

The North Central Michigan Community Foundation serves three counties: Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Crawford, providing a unique opportunity for donors to support their philanthropic, charitable interests. With over 57 funds from which to choose, and 38 funds specifically benefiting Ogemaw County, NCMCF provides much needed funding to causes ranging from the environment and recreation, to youth programs and education. When you give a gift to NCMCF, you can choose to donate to any established fund that suits your charitable interests.

Most of our funds are permanently endowed, which means they will exist forever. The principle amount of the fund is never spent; only the interest accumulated through investment is granted out to programs that benefit Ogemaw County.

What's more is that for a minimum of \$1,000, donors may also establish a fund to support whatever cause they hold dear. The different types of funds are as follows:

Agency Fund – May be started by a non-profit with its own money for the purpose of preserving itself.

Deferred Income Fund – Charitable Remainder Trusts that are given to the foundation with money being paid to the beneficiary of the trust. Upon death of the beneficiary, the balance of the fund will be used by the foundation for charitable purposes.

Designated Funds – Created by an interested person or organization exclusively to assist another non-profit organization

Donor Advised – Distribution of grants is made by recommendation of the person or organization that started the fund.

Endowment Fund – When a gift is given to an endowment fund, the gift itself can never be spent. Only the income from the gift can be spent. Gifts to endowment funds continue to produce income forever.

Field of Interest Funds – Used for general grant making for a specific purpose.

Non-Endowed Fund – May use all or part of its assets (both income and principle) for the purpose designated by the donor.

Scholarship Funds – Used towards assistance with the expenses of attending a college or university. These are granted to individuals.

Unrestricted Endowment Fund – Used as general funds to meet the needs of a community. These grants are not restricted as to what they may be used for. The NCMCF Grant Screening Committee reviews grant applications and make their recommendations to the CFNEM Board of Trustees for final approval.

...Talk to us. We're listening.

NCMCF Board of Directors



NCMCF's 2006 Board of Directors. Pictured from left to right are Hugo Burzlaff (Oscoda), Bernie Bak, (Ogemaw), Bob Carpenter (Oscoda), Mark Clements (Ogemaw), Dr. Carolyn DiPonio (Crawford), Jim Howard (Ogemaw), Dave Waltz (Crawford), Bill Gascoigne (Ogemaw), and Joe Porter (Crawford). Not pictured is Kent Davison (Ogemaw).

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Contribution	Federal Tax Reduction	State Tax Reduction	Net Cost
\$50.00	\$7.00	\$25.00	\$18.00
\$100.00	\$14.00	\$50.00	\$36.00
\$200.00	\$28.00	\$100.00	\$72.00
\$400.00	\$56.00	\$200.00	\$144.00



Businesses

Contribution	Single Business Tax Liability	State Business Tax Reduction	Federal Tax Reduction	Net Cost
\$100.00	\$500.00	\$25.00	\$26.00	\$49.00
\$200.00	\$1,000.00	\$50.00	\$51.00	\$99.00
\$500.00	\$5,000.00	\$250.00	\$85.00	\$165.00
\$1,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$500.00	\$170.00	\$330.00

Consult your tax advisor to determine how your contribution will affect you. Our community foundation number for tax credit purposes is 29.

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