



MACF INSIDER

The newsletter for friends of the Mechanicsburg Area Community Foundation



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A LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Hello everyone,
My name is Amy Bockis and I currently serve as the chair of the Mechanicsburg Area Community Foundation Advisory Committee, having begun my service on the advisory committee in 2020.

When I joined MACF, I was eager to work with other members who shared a deep commitment to our community. I've learned a lot from the veterans of the committee and am excited by the energy and ideas of the newer committee members.

I'm looking forward to learning more about the organization, its impact on the larger community, and how Mechanicsburg Area Community Foundation can continue to help make change in our community.

I'm excited for the journey ahead!

Warm regards,

Amy Bockis, MACF Advisory Committee Chair



Pictured are the 2023 MACF Advisory Committee

CURRENT GRANTEE IMPACT

Junior Achievement of South Central PA 2023 Grant Recipient of \$6,000

Project and Community Need:

Junior Achievement of South Central PA empowers young people to own their economic success. The volunteer-delivered, K-12 programs foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy skills, and use experiential learning to inspire kids to dream big and reach their potential. In 2023, Junior Achievement was awarded \$6,000 to support programs in the Mechanicsburg and Cumberland Valley School Districts. Through this grant, Junior Achievement was able to offer BizTown for students in fifth and sixth grade and YES (Your Economic Success) for students in grades sixth, seventh, and eighth. All Junior Achievement programs are provided at no cost to the schools or students.

Success:

"As principal of the Mechanicsburg Middle School, I have personally witnessed the positive impact that the Junior Achievement program has on all of our 6-8 grade students in the Mechanicsburg Area School District. JA BizTown and the JA YES! Program have both provided opportunities for our students, staff, administration and many members of the Mechanicsburg Community to come together and be part of an authentic learning experience." -Joel A. Yohn, Principal, Mechanicsburg Middle School



DONOR TESTIMONIAL

"TFEC provided a framework and support for scholarship management. TFEC handles all aspects of scholarship applications, provides Operation Wildcat scholarship committee members with scholarship applications to review. Operation Wildcat notifies TFEC who we are awarding the scholarships to and they handle all the rest. As a nonprofit ALL volunteer organization, TFEC makes it easy for Operation Wildcat to provide scholarships to worthy applicants without getting bogged down in all the paperwork. We chose TFEC for this reason and to support the regional foundation MACF."

-Leslie Collins, President, Operation Wildcat



PREVIOUS GRANTEE IMPACT

New Hope Ministries

2022 Grantee Recipient of \$10,000

Total number of individuals served: 4,762



Sharing Christ's love by meeting human needs

Project and Community Need:

New Hope Ministries is a non-profit organization that offers assistance to Mechanicsburg area residents in need. We provide basic resources such as food, housing, heat and utilities, transportation, workforce development, and job training to low to moderate-income individuals and families. Our services are aimed at helping those who are facing financial crisis, including single parents, seniors living in poverty, and the working poor (known as ALICE: Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed). We meet people where they are and provide them with the tools and resources needed to achieve self-sufficiency. In the context of this grant, we served a total of 4,762 individuals from 1,667 families residing in the 17050 and 17055 zip code. This represents an increase of over 30% from the same time period last year.

Success:

"There were so many successes at our Mechanicsburg Center over this past year. We would like to highlight Ms. Chepkong, a Mechanicsburg resident who attended our April 2023 nurse aide pre-clinical class. She did superb during the pre-clinical training and has passed her two nurse aide state exams to earn her nurse aide certification. We just found out she recently started a new job," said Michelle Zemba, Development Coordinator, New Hope Ministries.

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