

*Our mission is to improve the quality of life on Whidbey Island by **providing support** for the nonprofit sector, **assisting donors** to build and preserve enduring assets for charitable purposes, and meeting community needs through **financial awards***

ANNUAL REPORT 2018

With the help and encouragement of our neighbors and supporters, the Whidbey Community Foundation (WCF) has been successful in achieving our 2018 goals:

- Numerous free trainings offered for Non-Profits, with over 300 participants;
- Strategic communications with key community members and civic groups;
- Fifteen grants provided to support the work of non-profit groups.

Our outreach efforts and training workshops were offered on North, Central and South Whidbey. Special appreciation goes to Goosefoot and Whidbey Island Bank for their generous grant support which provided capacity funding for the 2018 WCF training programs. We worked collaboratively with Washington State Non-Profits to deliver valuable training on legal issues, fundraising and board member responsibilities.

Workshops for Nonprofits:



- April - **Tools for Running an Effective Nonprofit**, co-sponsored with Washington Nonprofits in Mount Vernon. A daylong workshop for leaders of small organizations that are completely or mostly run by volunteers, covering the basics on how to deliver on their missions.
- May - Board members and staff of Whidbey nonprofits attended free training provided by WCF Board Member Sara Kelly and her father Doug Kelly, both attorneys, on the **Legal and Financial Responsibilities of Nonprofit Board Members**. The workshops were held at the South Whidbey Community Center and the Oak Harbor Senior Center.
- September - More than 100 attended **Boards in Gear** training in Coupeville, a four-hour nonprofit board training experience provided by Washington Nonprofits. This course is the only board training sanctioned by the Office of the Secretary of State.

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- November –**Fundraising Training** was provided in Coupeville in coordination with Washington Nonprofits. The fundraising fundamentals explained during this session can be applied to direct mail, special events, and major donor gift acquisition.

Grants for Nonprofits:

- This summer, Whidbey Community Foundation was able to run our first annual grant offering for Whidbey Island nonprofits, thanks to generous local donors. Grant awards for human service projects were provided to Whidbey Homeless Coalition, Friends of Friends Medical Support Fund, Medical Safety Net of North Whidbey, and Small Miracles Coupeville Medical Support Fund.
- Through the Christmas Sculpture Fundraiser, grants were provided to Readiness to Learn, South Whidbey Good Cheer, Hearts and Hammers, South Whidbey Children’s Center, Helping Hand of South Whidbey, Island Shakespeare Festival, SPIN Café, Mother Mentors Whidbey Island, and Island County Back Country Horsemen.
- Generous private donors supported nonprofit work through grants provided by WCF, including two grants to ACVR Foundation to support veterinary medical services.



Permanent Endowment Funds to support Whidbey Nonprofits in Perpetuity:

- Through our mentoring relationship with Community Foundation of Snohomish County, two local families have set up permanent endowed funds to support Whidbey Island:
 - Debora Valis & Steve Shapiro Family Fund.
 - George & Sheila Moy Saul Family Fund.

Financial Statement

All accounting records of WCF are reviewed annually by the firm Aiken & Sanders, Inc., PS; Certified Public Accountants.

As of 12/31/18, WCF accounts were as follows (not including Permanent Endowment Funds held at the Community Foundation of Snohomish County):

Operations Fund:		Donation Funds:	
Beginning Balance	\$34,821	Beginning Balance	\$ 8,305
Revenues	40,632	Revenues	64,432
Expenses	<u>20,705</u>	Grants	<u>48,905</u>
Ending Fund Balance	\$54,748	Ending Funds Balance	\$23,832

We are grateful to our Investors in 2018:

- **Cornerstone Donors** (cumulative donations of \$10,000 or more)
 - Whidbey Island Bank, a division of Heritage Bank
 - Robert Kramer and Sharon Hummel-Kramer
 - Debora Valis and Steve Shapiro Family Fund
- **Partner Donors** (cumulative donations of \$5,000 - \$9,999)
 - Gary and Diane West, West Family Foundation

100% Volunteer in 2018

Throughout 2018, WCF remained 100% led and supported by volunteers, including our Executive Director Nancy Conard. 15 volunteers contributed more than 800 hours of time and service to support nonprofits on Whidbey Island, including the active Board of Directors:

- Steve Shapiro (President), founder of Island Athletic Club
- Sara Kelly (Vice President), attorney
- Robin Hertlein (Secretary/Treasurer), owner of Hertlein Grant Writing
- Nancy Conard (Executive Director), former Mayor of Coupeville
- George Saul, former technology company executive, community volunteer
- Helen Price Johnson, Island County Commissioner
- Brian Jones, owner of Ellkay/CareEvolve
- Bob Severns, Mayor of Oak Harbor

