When I was 14, my family moved to a new home. It is the only time we moved while I was growing up and my father declared he was never moving again! So far, he has held to that. My parents still live in that same house. We just moved the CKCF office last month. I may be ready to agree with my father – I don’t want to move again. Fortunately, our new Home of Philanthropy offers space and opportunity that will serve the foundation and community for decades. It is our new home.

I found quotes about what home means to people that spoke to how we view the Home of Philanthropy.

“A place to build memories as well as a way to build future wealth. A place where we can truly just be ourselves. And whether our houses are big, small, fancy or modest, they are our shelters and our sanctuaries.”

“A home means a stable foundation.”

A stable foundation, stability and connectedness. Home offers this in our personal lives. CKCF’s Home of Philanthropy offers these same qualities to the region we serve.

We look forward to introducing you to your newest community asset, the Home of Philanthropy. I really hope you will join us for our Grand Opening on November 7 from 5-7 p.m. Come by anytime during our housewarming for a tour and enjoy refreshments with us. Even though we’ve already moved in, it takes a little while to get everything in order. We look forward to having the finishing touches in place so we can welcome you into the community’s new home.

Community comes home to celebrate philanthropy

When we think of home, many images come to mind, but behind them are feelings. Home is more than a building, it’s a place where you feel safe, where you learn and explore. It’s the place you belong.

It was those feelings that inspired this year’s Celebrating Community Philanthropy’s theme – Home. It is more than a caring spirit that drives giving. It’s a desire to make your home, your community better, to make the lives of people better.

Many stories shared at Celebrating Community Philanthropy were inspired by that desire, the one that drives us to make our home better. For Jennifer Moran of St. James Catholic School, CKCF opened many doors for funding opportunities.

“We’ve worked with CKCF on several funds over the past couple of years, not just for the school but for the parish as well,” she said, adding that some of them were established to help students and the parish forever.
One of those funds is the Tai Sy Le Memorial Fund which funds annual service projects for students at the school to execute. “We felt with gifts in his memory, that something toward community service just felt right,” said Dr. Tao Le, Tai’s father. “We’ve been really fortunate and really appreciate the help developing a fund to support future service projects that would allow students at St. James to learn about service and how that ties into the community.”

The fund was one of five featured at the annual luncheon.

For Dr. Robert “Bob” Jackson and his siblings, establishing the Harold and Dolly Jackson Endowment Fund for Magnolia Cemetery was a way to honor their parents and preserve a piece of home. “I’m fortunate to have grown up in this region. We were taught to always give back more than you take,” he said. “And this is a way to give back to our home.

“I hope it shows others a way where we need to take care of our history, our genealogy, and the community’s investments,” he added.

Helping people invest in the place they call home is our mission. For that work and with the help of the community, we built the Home of Philanthropy. “There’s a reason why the phrase ‘There’s no place like home’ resonates,” said Dustin Humphrey, who is part of the Home of Philanthropy’s Capital Campaign Committee. “It’s true on a very deep level that you have to have a place that is home. This will give our foundation a home to do our work and it’s going to serve as a great visual reminder to the community when you go by and see it.”

It was a day truly focused on home and we thank those who made it possible and work to make our home a better place for all.
Heels Together took the women-led initiative’s motto to heart recently when they helped a homeowner build a better life for her and her family. Heels Together partnered with Hardin County Habitat for Humanity on Sept. 14 for Women Build Day. During the build, women worked alongside homeowner Whitney Jones to install siding and insulation. They also painted a shed on the property. Heels Together also named its 2019 Grant Finalists. Congratulations to Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, the Hardin County Attorney’s Office, and Silverleaf Sexual Trauma Recovery Services for having their grant proposals selected as finalists.

These organizations will present their proposals at our annual Heels Together Investors’ Banquet on Thursday, Oct. 24 at the Home of Philanthropy. Awards will be made that evening for up to $25,000 in grants.

Laura Boozer, front, Sarah Mothersell and Hardin County Habitat for Humanity homeowner Whitney Jones install siding on Sept. 14 for Women Build Day.

We invite you to join us for our

GRAND OPENING

November 7
5-7 p.m.
at the
HOME OF PHILANTHROPY
200 Jim Owen Drive
Elizabethtown

Tours and refreshments

“There’s people in our community who are visionaries who have ideas and they’ve got things they would like to do, but that doesn’t mean they necessarily have the funding to make it happen. But then you have people who have the resources, but maybe not the time or the clarity of vision to make that happen. The Home of Philanthropy becomes that link where we join these two aspects of our community together.”

- Jeff Noel, Home of Philanthropy Capital Campaign committee member

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DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS are becoming the most popular tool of family philanthropy in America today. Although they are not new, they also aren’t widely known. Donor-advised funds are a simple, flexible, cost-effective way for you to give. A donor-advised fund allows you to establish and fund an account with Central Kentucky Community Foundation by making tax-deductible contributions to it. Then you recommend grants from the fund to nonprofit organizations. We help you to manage those funds so you don’t have to.

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Learning is music to our ears and now its melodies can be heard on the newly dedicated PNC Music Garden at the Home of Philanthropy.

The region’s newest early childhood learning attraction is thanks to a nearly $50,000 grant to CKCF from PNC Foundation’s Grow Up Great initiative. The garden includes multiple colorful musical instruments and art features in a fully accessible space where art, music and nature come together in perfect harmony.

“We believe every child has a right to build priceless childhood memories through play,” said Chuck Denny, PNC regional president for Louisville. “We are dedicated to working with Central Kentucky Community Foundation to provide enriching opportunities for preschoolers to explore and discover the world around them.”

After installation, the PNC Music Garden has quickly become an attraction for children visiting the adjacent Hardin County Public Library in Elizabethtown.

The PNC Music Garden was dedicated October 2, with representatives from PNC and CKCF on hand for a brief ceremony.

“PNC Foundation’s Grow Up Great has always been a wonderful partner for our early childhood education programs,” said CKCF President and CEO Davette B. Swiney. “This Music Garden is yet another example of PNC’s commitment to early learning and our community. We can’t thank them enough for their help in bringing this unique feature to the Central Kentucky region.”