

CKCF News



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A Note From Davette

Working on the program for Celebrating Community Philanthropy last year, our staff tossed around several ideas for a theme, including "Dream". It didn't resonate with me. We ultimately decided on Connections and it worked perfectly with our focus and work in 2022.

Since then, something would happen and I would hear, "Hey -that would work with a Dream theme," or "Remember we discussed Dream for the 2023 theme." I even found artwork of a Dreamcatcher on my desk one day. The subtle hints weren't lost on me. Early conversations this year were leading to Dream as the theme and I started to notice more cues. Not just the intentional ones.

While travelling this summer, I wandered by a few local artisans at an outdoor market and what was hanging from the top of one display? Dreamcatchers. All sizes, colors and designs. I got the message.

We may think of dreams as those mystical ideas Walt Disney puts in our head of princesses and castles, far off visions or the unlikely lottery winnings. As I've wrestled this thought of Dream as it connects to our community and philanthropy, I believe it really is the starting point for everything we as individuals want for our community.

I'm looking forward to showcasing some Philanthropic Dreams we've seen come to life at Celebrating Community Philanthropy on Thursday, September 28th. I think you will enjoy the stories and the people behind the Dreams. I hope you will join us on Thursday, September 28th.

Until then, what is your Dream?

Planting begins at Central Kentucky Community Orchard



The community came together May 23rd to plant the first trees and bushes at the Central Kentucky Community Orchard, as part of a sustainability initiative grant provided by Dow. The City of Elizabethtown partnered on the project providing a prime location in Elizabethtown's Nature Park.

It took many months of research, planning, designing and selecting varieties of plants that would thrive in our climate. The first planting was a big step in the project. Over 40 people, consisting of area students, Dow team members, city council members and community neighbors planted 29 apple and pear trees and 57 bushes.

"We're very appreciative of the partnerships that we have with Central Kentucky Community Foundation and also with Dow," said Elizabethtown Mayor, Jeff Gregory.

The Central Kentucky Community Orchard represents a powerful endeavor that goes beyond the act of growing

fruits. It creates opportunities for individuals to reconnect with nature, build relationships, and promote sustainable practices.

There's still room for people to get involved in everything from watering and regular maintenance to planning programs and marketing. This is a multi-year planting project so we will need help planting and maintaining the orchard for years to come. If you are interested in volunteering at the orchard or want to learn more on how you can help, please contact us at 270-737-8393 or info@ckcf4people.org.



Nancy McCoy and her daughter, Leia, held a pear tree steady while Patrick Wallace filled in the hole with dirt.



City Councilman, Tony Bishop, is all smiles while planting a blueberry bush.

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CKCF's first Learn and Lead Luncheon



Eighteen nonprofit leaders enjoyed learning from one another and gained insight about the state of nonprofits in our community.

Leaders from area nonprofits gathered at the Brown-Pusey House on May 25th for the first Learn and Lead Luncheon giving them a chance to connect, learn from and share their expertise with fellow nonprofit executive leaders. This event came from feedback from the Nonprofit Roundtable that happened last summer.

Collectively, there was more than 316 years of nonprofit experience in

the room as participants shared and learned about the state of nonprofits and how they can help lead their organization through the challenges their organizations face.

CKCF plans to offer another Learn and Lead Luncheon before the end of the year. If your organization would like to attend, please email info@ckcf4people.org.



The event gave a chance for people to reconnect as Nelle Thomas, Executive Director for Hope Academy for Kids, hugs Rose Harris, board member for Project L.E.A.R.N.



Rob Thurman, Lincoln Museum, listens during the presentation of the state of nonprofits.

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Celebrating Achievement - A meaningful night for all

CKCF awarded 182 scholarships to 142 students totaling \$352,000 during Celebrating Achievement events that were held this spring in Bardstown and in Elizabethtown. These awards were made from 443 students who submitted scholarship applications through Scholarship Central, CKCF's online scholarship portal. This fall, the scholarship recipients will continue their educational careers at colleges and universities across the country.

The scholarships are made possible by generous donors who established scholarship funds with CKCF. Currently, CKCF has 98 scholarship funds totaling over \$11 million.

Over 450 recipients, parents, donors, and scholarship supporters attended the events. The programs were also featured virtually on CKCF's Facebook page and YouTube Channel. See a full list of recipients and scholarships on CKCF's website - www.ckcf4people.org.



Recipients had fun taking candid photos after the program.

Lila and Dale Foster (middle) take a photo with Justice Edlin, (right) from Thomas Nelson High School and Eleanor Hite, (left) from Nelson County High School, recipients of the Tyler Foster Memorial Scholarship.



CKCF Board Chair Matt Hess congratulates David Boyd from North Hardin High School on receiving the Glenn D. and Bennie Lou Hammons Family Scholarship.



Dave French presents the Randy Pinkston Memorial Scholarship to Carson Mattingly from Nelson County High School.

SAVE THE DATE

Granted Applications

Deadline Tuesday, August 1st

Heels Together Applications

Deadline Tuesday, August 15th

2023 Nonprofit Roundtable -

Sponsored by Signarama Elizabethtown

Thursday, August 17th 9:00am - 3:30pm ET
CKCF's Home of Philanthropy
Community Hall

Celebrating Community Philanthropy

Thursday, September 28th at 11:30am
Grace Heartland Church



WAYS TO GIVE

Central Kentucky Community Foundation is proud to offer many ways for you to support local programs that enhance the communities we serve.

Give to a Featured Fund

Choose from one of our funds for specific programs, scholarships or area of interest. **M.A.D.E. Fund:** this endowed fund was established to provide flexible funds for community ever-changing needs through flexible grantmaking. This fund contributes to the projects and programs from our Granted program.

Give to a Nonprofit Fund: Choose one of 28 funds that offer long-term support for local nonprofits. To see a complete list of CKCF's Nonprofit/Designated Funds, go to www.ckcf4people.org.

If you would like to make a contribution to Central Kentucky Community Foundation or one of our funds, you may make your gift online at <https://ckcf.fc suite.com/erp/donate>, or mail your check to 200 Jim Owen Dr., Elizabethtown, KY 42701. Your gift is tax-deductible .

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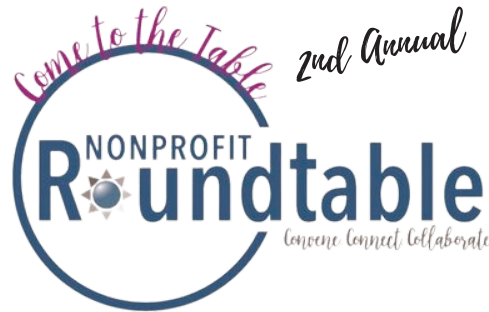
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Be a part of this one-day opportunity to learn from nonprofit
experts and connect with your colleagues in the region.

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Thank you to our event sponsor:



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