

An Update from the Council of Michigan Foundations



“As a result of a community foundation grant, the Delta County Tobacco Reduction Coalition has been able to develop and implement an effective and creative means of tobacco prevention in our county.”

—Renee Barron,  
Delta County  
Tobacco Reduction  
Coalition

# Healthy Youth & Healthy Seniors:

Community Foundations Distributing  
Tobacco Settlement Funds

# What is a Community Foundation?

Michigan is fortunate to have all 83 counties served by community foundations and their geographic affiliate funds. A community foundation is a nonprofit, tax-exempt, community organization, created by and for the residents of communities throughout our state. It has three distinct features. The first is creating and building permanent endowment funds. The community foundation awards grants from the earnings of endowment funds and invests the funds to protect and ensure the long-term growth of gifts made by donors. The second distinct feature is broad, flexible purpose. As the community foundation monitors all community needs, it can support high-impact opportunities, help bring new organizations into existence, and serve as a neutral, nonpartisan convener for the community. The third distinct feature is personalized giving. Through unrestricted, field-of-interest, designated and advised funds, a donor (individual, family or corporation) has a variety of ways to contribute in creating a lasting legacy for their community interests.

Michigan community foundations now have collective assets exceeding \$1.5 billion and annually award grants exceeding \$50 million. As community foundations have grown in the 1990s thanks to major support from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation many have partnered with local government and the state to address a variety of needs ranging from homelessness prevention to access to health care to HIV-AIDS to IDAs and the environment. The community foundations have adopted **“For good. For ever.”** as their common positioning statement to help residents better understand their mission and their permanence.

## About the Michigan Tobacco Settlement Partnership

In 1999, a unique state/local partnership was created in Michigan. As a result of legislation receiving bipartisan support and signed into law by Governor Engler, the Council of Michigan Foundations (CMF) distributes tobacco settlement funds received from the state to 65 certified Michigan community foundations. The purpose of the distributed funds is to support programs at the community and regional level contributing to **“healthy youth and healthy seniors.”** Community foundations are certified by the State for the Michigan Community Foundation Tax Credit. (For more information on the Tax Credit, see the last page of this brochure.) The funds come from interest earned on the portion of tobacco settlement revenue received by the state from the national tobacco master settlement agreement that is not deposited in the Michigan Merit Award Trust.

CMF receives the funds through the Michigan Community Service Commission in accordance with a grant contract from the Department of Career Development. Including the \$4 million allocated in the State's current budget, more than \$20 million will have been distributed. The Michigan Tobacco Settlement Partnership is the first effort in the country to involve community foundations in the distribution of settlement funds and is serving as a model for other states.

**“The state can be proud of the partnership it has created with community foundations. Tobacco settlement funds are reaching local communities through well-run programs for tobacco cessation and health issues. It is a resounding success.”**

—Alfred R. Glancy III, Chair,  
Healthy Youth and Healthy Seniors  
Fund Advisory Committee,  
Community Foundation for  
Southeastern Michigan

# For the Benefit of Communities



## How community foundations distribute Tobacco Settlement Funds throughout the State of Michigan

### Allocating funds to local community foundations

Each community foundation receives \$10,000 from CMF in Tobacco Settlement funds. Of the remaining funds, individual community foundations receive an allocation based on the population of youth under the age of 18 and seniors over the age of 65 in the foundation's service area. The allocation is calculated from the most current population data available from the State.

Each community foundation has created a local advisory committee including representatives of local health organizations, public health and community tobacco reduction coalitions, and two representatives from its youth advisory committee or other youth if it does not have one to oversee the distribution of the funds.

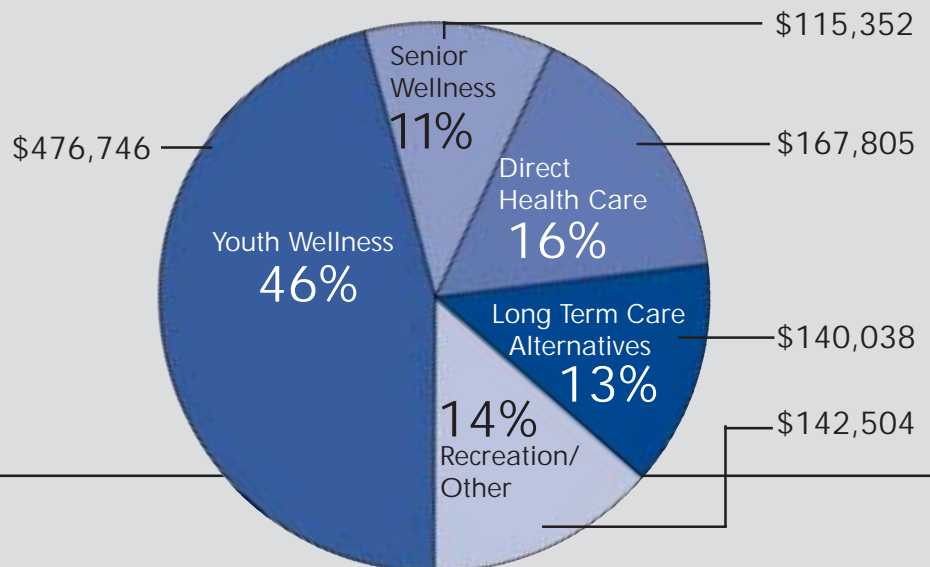
Community foundations are using 50% of the funds received to create permanent endowed funds for healthy youth and healthy seniors' needs with the other 50% used for direct pass-through grantmaking for the same purposes as recommended by the local advisory committee.

"Without funding from the Healthy Youth & Healthy Seniors Fund, some of the programs that help to combat teenage smoking would cease to exist and new programs would never be started."

—Ken Kraus, Muskegon County Health Department

### Distribution of monies in support of Healthy Youth & Healthy Seniors (Round 1)

As noted in this chart, a total of \$1,042,445 was distributed by community foundations to eligible programs during the **first round** of the Partnership in 2000. Youth wellness and senior wellness categories include programs that focus on health and nutrition, family counseling, early childhood development, smoking prevention and cessation, day care, preschool and after-school care. Data on programs funded in rounds 2 & 3 in 2001, is now being collected.



# In support of Healthy Youth & Healthy Seniors

## Examples of programs receiving support

### Community Foundation for Delta County

Grantee:  
Gladstone Area Schools & Public Library  
**Don't Go Up in Smoke**  
Designed to educate students about the danger of smoking and to encourage an overall healthy lifestyle. Contact: Jana Aho, 906/428-4224.

### Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan

Grantee:  
Boys and Girls Club of Alpena  
Smoking cessation program for teens.  
Contact: Susan Nielsen, 989/356-0214.

### Leelanau Township Community Foundation

Grantee:  
Leelanau Memorial Health Center  
**Eden Alternative Program**  
For seniors already dealing with the challenges of tobacco use.  
Contact: Kathy Garthe, 231/386-0029.

### Community Foundation for Muskegon County

Grantee:  
Lakeshore Lung Society  
Lung screening referrals for seniors and students in the It's Never Too Late to Kick the Habit cessation program. Contact: Stella Burns, 231/722-2361.

### Kalamazoo Community Foundation

Grantee:  
Kalamazoo County Human Services Department  
Greater Kalamazoo County STOMP OUT (Tobacco) SMOKE Campaign. Designed to increase youth and elderly citizens' awareness of tobacco and decrease their exposure to second-hand smoke. Contact: Beverly Solik, 616/373-5262.

### Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation

Grantee:  
St. Joseph Mercy Hospital  
**Senior Smoking Cessation Program**  
To increase access for seniors to smoking cessation programs.  
Contact: Debra Moffat Longo, 734/712-2804.

### Gratiot County Community Foundation

Grantee:  
Gratiot County Commission on Aging  
**Senior Emergency Prescription Program**  
Offers financial assistance to low-income seniors to purchase prescriptions.  
Contact: Craig Zeese, 989/875-5246.

### Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan

Grantee:  
Arab Chaldean Community Social Service Council  
Support for an anti-smoking awareness and treatment campaign for Arab and Chaldean students, region wide.  
Contact: Haifa Fakhouri, 248/559-1990.

### Midland Community Foundation

Grantee:  
Midland Community Cancer Services  
**Quit and Win Program**  
Provides smoking cessation support services (instruction, discussion, and personal planning for behavior change) to students attending the charter alternative high school in Midland County. Contact: Susan Dusseau, 517/835-4841.

"We specifically liked the peer mentoring programs. Mentoring builds relationships so kids can relate more to the anti-tobacco information."

—Amy French, Junior at Kenowa Hills High School; Member, Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Advisory Committee of The Grand Rapids Foundation

# Michigan Community Foundations

Certified for participation in the Tobacco Settlement Partnership

Albion Community Foundation  
City of Albion and 5 surrounding townships  
(Calhoun County)  
517-629-3349

Alger Regional Community Foundation  
Alger County  
906-387-3900

Allegan County Community Foundation  
Allegan County  
616-673-8344

Anchor Bay Community Foundation  
New Baltimore

Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation  
Ann Arbor Area (Washtenaw County)  
734-663-0401

Baraga County Community Foundation  
Baraga County  
906-353-7898

Barry Community Foundation  
Barry County  
616-945-0526

The Battle Creek Community Foundation  
Battle Creek Area (Calhoun County)  
616-962-2181

Bay Area Community Foundation  
Bay County  
989-893-4438

Berrien Community Foundation, Inc.  
Berrien County  
616-983-3304

Branch County Community Foundation  
Branch County  
517-278-4517

Cadillac Area Community Foundation  
Cadillac and Missaukee counties  
231-775-9911

Canton Community Foundation  
Canton Township  
734-398-5000

Capital Region Community Foundation  
Ingham, Clinton, and Eaton Counties  
517-485-1630

Central Montcalm Community Foundation  
Part of Montcalm County

Charlevoix County Community Foundation  
Charlevoix County  
231-536-2440

Community Foundation for Delta County  
Delta County  
906-786-6654

Community Foundation for Muskegon County  
Muskegon, Mason and Oceana counties  
231-722-4538

Community Foundation for Northeast MI  
Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena,  
Crawford, Oscoda, Alcona, Ogemaw, and Iosco counties  
989-354-6881

Community Foundation of Greater Flint  
Genesee County  
810-767-8270

Community Foundation of Greater Rochester  
Rochester area (Oakland county)  
248-608-2804

Community Foundation of Monroe County  
Monroe County  
734-242-1976

Community Foundation of Southeastern Michigan  
Wayne, Macomb, Washtenaw, Oakland, St. Clair, and  
Monroe Counties  
313-961-6675

Community Foundation of St. Clair County  
St. Clair County  
810-984-4761

Community Foundation of Holland/Zeeland Area  
Holland Area (Ottawa County)  
616-396-6590

Dickinson County Area Community Foundation  
Dickinson County  
906-774-3131

Four County Community Foundation  
Romeo Area (Lapeer, St. Clair, Oakland, and Macomb  
counties)  
810-798-0909

The Fremont Area Community Foundation  
Newaygo, Lake, Osceola and Mecosta Counties  
231-924-5350

Grand Haven Area Community Foundation  
Tri Cities Area (Northern Ottawa County)  
616-842-6378

Grand Rapids Community Foundation  
Kent and Ionia counties  
616-454-1751

Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation  
Antrim, Kalkaska, Grand Traverse, Benzie, and Leelanau  
counties  
231-935-4066

Grafiot County Community Foundation  
Grafiot County  
989-875-4222

Greater Frankenmuth Area Community  
Foundation  
Frankenmuth area (Saginaw County)  
989-652-6104

Greenville Area Community Foundation  
Greenville Area (Montcalm County)  
616-754-2640

Hillsdale County Community Foundation  
Hillsdale County  
517-439-5101

Huron County Community Foundation  
Huron County  
989-269-2850

Jackson County Community Foundation  
Jackson County  
517-787-1321

Kalamazoo Community Foundation  
Kalamazoo County  
616-381-4416

Keweenaw Community Foundation  
Keweenaw Peninsula  
906-482-9673

Leelanau Township Foundation, Inc.  
Village of Northport (Leelanau County)  
231-386-9000

Lenawee Community Foundation  
Lenawee County  
517-263-4696

Livonia Community Foundation  
Livonia  
734-522-2285

M&M Area Community Foundation  
Menominee County  
906-864-3599

Mackinac Island Community Foundation  
Mackinac Island area  
906-847-3701

Manistee County Community Foundation  
Manistee County  
231-723-7269

Marquette Community Foundation  
Marquette County  
906-226-7666

Marshall Community Foundation  
Marshall Area (Calhoun County)  
616-781-2273

Michigan Gateway Community Foundation  
Buchanan Area (Berrien County)  
616-695-3521

Midland Area Community Foundation  
Midland County  
989-839-9661

Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation  
Isabella and Clare counties  
989-773-7322

Northville Community Foundation  
Northville  
248-374-0200

Petoskey/Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation  
Petoskey/Harbor Springs Area (Emmet County)  
231-348-5820

Saginaw Community Foundation  
Saginaw County  
989-755-0545

Sanilac Area Community Foundation  
Sanilac County  
810-376-3325

Sault Area Community Foundation  
Northeast portion of Chippewa County  
906-635-1720

Shelby Township Community Foundation  
Shelby Township  
810-469-3600

Shiawassee Community Foundation  
Shiawassee County  
989-725-1093

Southfield Community Foundation  
Southfield  
248-351-1320

Sterling Heights Community Foundation  
Sterling Heights  
810-446-2489

Sturgis Area Community Foundation  
Sturgis Area (St. Joseph County)  
616-659-8508

Three Rivers Area Foundation  
Three Rivers Area  
616-279-7402

Troy Community Foundation  
Troy  
248-740-7600

Tuscola County Community Foundation  
Tuscola County  
989-673-8223

Upper Peninsula Community Foundation Alliance  
Gogebic, Ontonagon, Schoolcraft and Luce counties  
906-428-3075

\*Schoolcraft County Community Foundation has  
become an affiliate of the Upper Peninsula  
Community Foundation Alliance.



# Making Headlines

Community Foundation for Southeastern MichiganóDecember 9, 2000

## **Community Foundation for Livingston County awards grants to help keep teens tobacco free**

Ionia Sentinel-StandardóApril 10, 2001

## **Tobacco settlement funds creativity**

Grand Rapids PressóSept. 17, 2001

## **Eaton-Barry District Health Department receives grant to help smokers extinguish habit**

Brighton ArgusóNovember 13, 2001

## **New weapon in war on underage smoking**

Shelby Utica NewsóDecember 13, 2001

## **Stubbing out smoking: USC studentsí artwork converted to anti-smoking ads**

The Source/AdvisoróDecember 16, 2001

## **Community groups, police share tobacco settlement funds**



*Serving grantmakers. Advancing giving.*

The Council of Michigan Foundations is an association of more than 490 family, private, community, and corporate foundations and corporate giving programs making grants for charitable purposes. As a membership organization, its mission is to increase, enhance, and improve philanthropy in Michigan.

### Using the Tax Credit to grow Healthy Youth & Healthy Seniors Funds

Thanks to the support of the Governor and the legislature, Michigan is one of only two states in the U.S. that provides a state tax credit for gifts to permanent endowment funds held by certified community foundations. For single individuals, or married taxpayers filing separately, the maximum credit is \$100 (for gifts of \$200 or more). For married couples filing jointly, the maximum credit is \$200 (for gifts of \$400 or more). For corporations and other businesses which pay the Michigan Single Business Tax, the maximum credit is \$5,000, or 5% of tax liability before claiming any credits, whichever is less. Gifts by local citizens and corporations to their local community foundation's Healthy Youth & Healthy Seniors Fund, created as a result of the Partnership, are eligible for the Tax Credit.