

2018-2019

AnnualReport



Mission... Statement

Consistent with the Potawatomi heritage, the mission of the Forest County
Potawatomi Foundation is to fight poverty, promote economic opportunity, strengthen communities and provide an example of responsible citizenship by assisting charitable organizations and support the pursuit of education by offering scholarships.









About the Foundation

The FCP Foundation has operated in Milwaukee since 1999 with a commitment to provide funding support to charitable organizations for neighborhoods with very low and low-income residents. The Foundation is governed by the Forest County Potawatomi Executive Council and works directly under its supervision to ensure transparency and maintain its commitment to the Milwaukee community; as outlined in the resolution adopted by the Forest County Potawatomi Community on Feb. 13, 1999.

The goals of the Foundation are to continue the Potawatomi tradition of sharing while protecting and preserving the cultural heritage and to support and enhance the image of the Potawatomi enterprises and to maintain those commitments. Even more, on Jan. 5, 2017, the Foundation created a scholarship program for Wisconsin residents wanting to attend a Wisconsin college or university. These scholarships help to support communities by addressing the need for affordable education and training in order to build a more educated and skilled workforce.

· · · Message from the Chairman

The Forest County Potawatomi has called Wisconsin home for many generations, having fished the waters and hunted the woods and forests of this great state for centuries. From the beginning, our ancestors have served as stewards of their surroundings, guided by a deep appreciation and respect for the people around them and communities in which they lived. We continue to uphold and honor this rich tradition today as we actively work to support our neighbors and give back to our communities in both Milwaukee and Forest County.

Since its inception in 1999, the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation has been helping provide pathways to self-improvement in our communities. By supporting education, health services, youth outreach and cultural enrichment, the Foundation continues to provide many valuable opportunities to worthy recipients. While each year brings its own unique challenges, we remain committed to facing those challenges together in fellowship with our neighbors. Together we will strengthen the community that binds us and ensure a better future for our children.

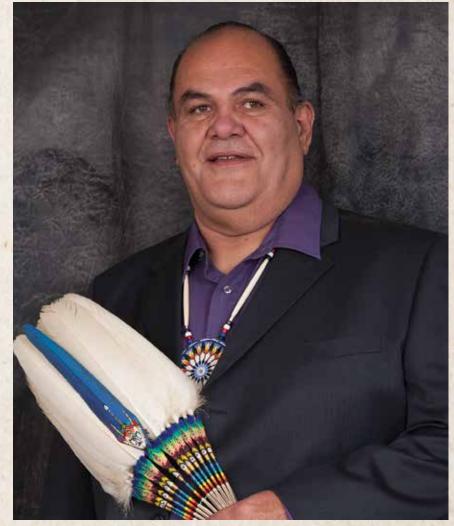
The Forest County Potawatomi Foundation has invested millions of dollars to spur positive change in Wisconsin. We make these investments with humility, recognizing that our position of privilege is the result of the collective efforts of those who have come before us. We are honored to contribute towards the shared success of the diverse people of our state.

Respectfully,

Ned Daniels, Jr.

Chairman

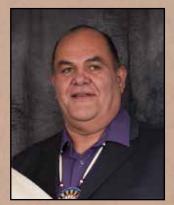
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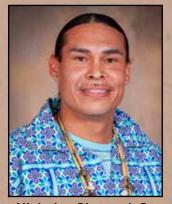
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The Advisory Committee of the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation provides advice and counsel to the Foundation on matters important to help the Foundation meet its mission of: fighting poverty, promoting economic opportunity, strengthening communities, provide an example of responsible citizenship, and assist in the evaluation of grant and scholarships requests. Members of the Advisory Committee have attained prominence in their respective careers and are chosen because of their value in providing sound advice and counsel.













ArtWorks for Milwaukee, Inc.

Thanks to the support of the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF), four high school students. worked with lead artists Mikal Floyd-Pruitt and Nicholas LaGrone to create two new murals in Lindsay Heights. The team incorporated themes they learned through conversations with residents: nature, community, and reducing violence and drug use. Over the seven-week paid internship, the teens, many of whom were working for the first time, learned transferable job skills and received career coaching from Manpower-Group. ArtWorks worked in partnership with Walnut Way Conservation Corp. to accomplish this project. Antonio Butts. Executive Director of Walnut Way, told the interns about the importance of their work: "Our imagination has been wounded. Through art, you are doing healing work and building a bridge of people inside and outside the community."



Black Arts MKE, Inc.

Terriana's Story

Terriana explored drama for the very first time at her after school-arts camp play. Bronzeville. Being in the play helped her to understand that through discipline and hard work, she could handle both the play and her cheerleading activities. "Being in the play made me feel awesome. Acting helped me to understand what I can be good at, and my friends said I did a great job," says Terriana. Black Arts MKE, with the help of FCPF, purchased arts supplies and collaborated with local artists of color to deliver over 5,000 hours of performing arts (drumming, dance, choir, drama, spoken word/video production and more) for at-risk youth during the 2018-19 school year. The FCPF also helped inspire youth like Terriana through special youth matinees of our annual musical production of Black Nativity by Langston Hughes. The Foundation's support helps our youth begin to discover who they are and to envision a promising future of possibilities.

Express Yourself Milwaukee

The FCPF grant supported Express Yourself Milwaukee's Out-of-School Time In-Studio Programming and expanded access to healing-centered engagement through the arts for vulnerable youth. The support we provide builds trust and confidence, laying a foundation for meaningful community contribution. We believe deeply that everyone has something creative to contribute, and all of this creativity comes together in a public performance on a professional stage each May. Our program year culminated in an annual performance, the 2019 KINTSUGI Show on May 9, 2019, where 100 youth performed alongside 30 local, national and international guest artists, for over 1,000 audience members. For most youth, it's a rare experience to have their contributions celebrated in public. For all, it was proof that art is a powerful tool for connection.



Walker's Point Center for the Arts

Through the support of FCPF. Walker's Point Center for the Arts was able to continue to provide yearround art programming for Milwaukee's youth serving more than 5,000 youth and families. We strongly believe that art education is important in building confidence, critical thinking, and collaboration skills in youth. Specifically, our signature Summer Art Camp provided eight weeks of extensive and creative art experiences to 200 youth and their families. Each week, we focused on a different art medium and explored various topics and themes. Additionally, student artwork produced during our Summer Art Camp was curated for our 6th Annual Youth Art Exhibition, which centered student voice in our exhibition space - drawing more than 300 people in our community to this celebration.

Woodland Pattern, Inc.



Woodland Pattern Book Center's Native Writers in the 21st Century series would not have been possible this year without support from the FCPF. The series was able to bring four nationally-recognized Native writers to Milwaukee: Cherokee two-spirit poet Qwo-Li Driskill, Choctaw multi-genre writer LeAnne Howe, Lakota prose writer Theodore C. Van Alst Jr., and Kumeyaay poet Tommy Pico - all in co-sponsorship with the Milwaukee Native American Literary Cooperative. Each writer taught a community workshop, and each read to a packed house and signed books after their events. We have no doubt, thanks to the success of this year's series, that the FCPF's gift has made a real difference for Native writing in the upper Midwest.













Fondy Food Center



With support from the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF), families, elders, and farmers had greater access to fresh produce and economic opportunity in 2018 through the Fondy Farmers Market's Market Match program. Market Match doubles the amount that low-income customers have to spend on produce when using their federal nutrition benefits. People with SNAP (FoodShare) benefits and WIC or Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Vouchers receive double the dollars, double the produce, and farmers receive double the income. We know firsthand how important the Market Match program is to our shoppers and farmers. As one mother recently told us. "The double dollars benefit was a huge benefit to my family. As a single parent, it was a huge help in keeping my children fed and supplied with healthy fruits and vegetables."

Hope Street Ministry, Inc.

The Baby Acorn Fund that FCPF supports ensures that families can stay at Hope Street for an affordable rate of membership. What this means is so much more than a fully-furnished apartment in a safe building. Families at Hope Street are a vital part of our community make-up. The children who call Hope Street home create connections between our adult members by simply being kind, warm. and loving. Our men and women are drawn together by our children - there is a desire to care for them and to give each child the love they crave. Having families at Hope Street has been one of the most transformational changes to our community over these last 20 years. With thanks to FCPF, we are able to continue cultivating the space that makes this possible.



Hunger Task Force, Inc.



Hunger Task Force's Fresh Picks Mobile Market brings healthy foods to local food deserts in Milwaukee, and is stocked with over 50 types of fruits, vegetables, meats and dairy items. Thanks to the FCPF's support, the Mobile Market served nearly 15,000 people in 2018, making 36 stops each month at senior centers, community organizations and college campuses.

Near West Side Partners

In 2018, with support provided by the FCPF, the Near West Side Farmers Market was able to provide a dollar-for-dollar match to shoppers using their SNAP (food stamp) benefits. This support not only helped to increase the purchasing power of Near West Side residents and improve access. to fresh, healthy foods, it also helped to share an experience with many families with young children who had not previously visited a farmers market. The Near West Side Farmers Market featured unique programming designed to engage families, including a kid's culinary camp led by Lisa Kaye Catering, and fitness classes led by the downtown YMCA. The Farmers Market also provided opportunities to connect the greater Milwaukee community and even hosted the annual Mayor's Walk.

Voces de la Frontera



Over 80 immigrants in our community became naturalized citizens in Voces de la Frontera's New Americans Program (NAP) in 2018. One of them is Maria, who came to the United States with her father and five siblings when she was 12 in 1986. She started working at age 17 selling cloths to help provide for her family, and has worked hard ever since. She is now married and a mother of three beautiful children. She was proud to graduate from Voces de la Frontera's NAP and become a U.S. citizen in October 2018 - just in time to vote for the first time in the November midterm elections. Maria now volunteers for NAP's citizenship classes when she can in order to help others become citizens as well. She is also studying to be a minister so that she can continue to make a difference in her community.







CUPED Corporation

Photo credit: Steve White Films









ACTS Community Development Corporation

Forest County Potawatomi Foundation's (FCPF) support allowed ACTS Community Development Corporation to support 131 families through the process of becoming homeowners in 2018. One example is the Delgado family. Jose Delgado has experience with construction, but has spent most of his life renting. Jose and his family were determined from the start to own a slice of their neighborhood and put in the hard work needed to reclaim Milwaukee communities. ACTS Community Development Corporation is able to provide homebuyer counseling, real estate services. home rehab counseling, and a loan product to successfully transition families from renters to owners. This work cannot be done without the support of partners like FCPF.

CUPED Corporation

With support from the FCPF, the Sherman Phoenix opened its doors in Milwaukee's Sherman Park neighborhood in November 2018. Sherman Phoenix was developed in response to the civil unrest that occurred in the summer of 2016. Co-Developers JoAnne Sabir and Juli Kaufmann transformed a fire-damaged former bank building into a vibrant community entrepreneurial hub offering prepared foods, wellness services, art and culture, and social gatherings. Since opening, it is now widely seen as a hub for entrepreneurs of color and a popular place for thousands of Milwaukeeans to enjoy lunch, attend a class, and self-care. Grant funding supported the Sherman Phoenix Entrepreneurship program, which assists the 27 business tenants. Programming is implemented in partnership with WWBIC and provides skills workshops, business resources and technical assistance. The program helps advance a more diverse and inclusive economy in Milwaukee.

Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership

This graduation class is sharing its big day with Mayor Barrett as it will be starting employment the next week at Leonardo DRS. The training leading to employment, illustrates WRTP/BIG STEP fulfilling its mission to link typically underrepresented groups to careers in manufacturing. Funding from the FCPF helped support this training that linked Milwaukeeans to family-sustaining iobs starting at \$18.85/hr. and which have a real future. Leonardo DRS is a premiere provider of naval and marine power distribution, power conversion, motor controls, drives, and automation/ control equipment and has a manufacturing facility in the heart of Milwaukee. To date, they have employed over 75 new employees through the training provided by WRTP/ BIG STEP. Most of the new hires reflect Milwaukee's diversity and community. Of this diverse-entering workforce, one individual was a homeless veteran and two are Native Americans.

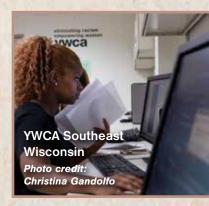
Wisconsin Womens Business Initiative Corporation

Daddy's Soul Food & Grille

This minority- and veteran-owned business was started by Bennie and Angela Smith, a couple who were entrepreneurs at heart and motivated to stop working for others and open their own restaurant. The perfect location became available in the heart of Milwaukee's Near West Side, and a 2015 Wisconsin Womens Business Initiative Corporation (WWBIC) small business loan officially opened the doors of a family-style restaurant specializing in traditional soul food and catering. The popular destination has grown to 18 employees and is an anchoring business in a neighborhood for greater prosperity. WWBIC is actively engaged with the Near West Side Partners collaboration. which includes institutional stakeholders, civic leaders and residents who set goals to revitalize and sustain the area through economic development, improved housing, unified neighborhood identity and branding, and greater safety for residents and businesses.

YWCA Southeast Wisconsin

For over 125 years, YWCA Southeast Wisconsin has been dedicated to facilitating access to opportunity for low income, under-served individuals. Through the Opportunity Advancement Center, they mitigate barriers caused by the digital divide for no- and low-income individuals through access to and assistance with technology in support of their economic aspirations. YWCA Southeast Wisconsin also provides staff who coach participants to use digital job search tools and connect them to economic opportunities as well as extensive community resources.





Education

Artists Working in Education

Artists Working in Education launched SmART Toolkits, which are boxes of art supplies with an accompanying instructional booklet, as a pilot program last year. SmART Tool-kits were developed by experienced professional art educators to be provided to families. The accompanying Truck Studio visit involved a hands-on art-making activity for children facilitated by a teaching artist. Numerous unexpected benefits emerged throughout the project, which resulted in an overall positive experience for all involved. Results from our project outcome measurement tools were overwhelmingly positive. Support from the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) has enabled us to continue and expand this program in 2020, helping us serve more families in Milwaukee.

College Possible Milwaukee

College Possible Milwaukee is helping nearly 400 Milwaukee high school seniors from low-income backgrounds earn college admission and enroll in college. AmeriCorps members, supervised by fulltime members of our leadership team, provide students with intensive one-on-one and group guidance through every stage of the college process. High school seniors attending 15 Milwaukee partner schools complete college applications, apply for financial aid and private scholarships, complete college acceptance tasks and successfully enroll in college in the fall following high school graduation. The student and coach work together to achieve milestones that advance college enrollment and persistence to earn a college degree.

Summit Educational Association, Inc.

Summit One-On-One Tutoring and Mentoring Programs work with disadvantaged youth. It places a great deal of emphasis on academics. individual attention, character-building and parental involvement. This helps students reach their grade level, excel at a young age and nurtures them through their high school careers - a much-improved chance of succeeding in college and beyond. Students who attend the academic and character programs receive a great deal of individual attention that teachers cannot provide and are thus able to develop their potential much more than they would with school alone. In 2018 we served 496 students in our summer program and 250 students in our school year programs. Families at our new north side location at Dineen Park have been grateful for this new expansion where we are serving 80 students. Our students are from a demographic whose median household income and high school graduation rates are both about half that of the national average.





College Possible

Photo credit: College Possible

Forest County Potawatomi Foundation Scholarship Program

The Forest County Potawatomi Scholarship program was created to allow deserving students to attain their educational goals, meet their professional objectives and succeed to their fullest potential.

The FCP Foundation Scholarship Program is unique because of the mixture of scholarships available. The program is intended to promote education, assist students with reaching their educational goals, and help develop skilled professionals that can make a positive impact in various communities of Wisconsin. Our primary focus is the \$10,000 Lois Crowe Scholarship awarded to a Wisconsin high school senior seeking to enroll or currently accepted as a full-time, first-year undergraduate student at an accredited Wisconsin institution. Our second focus is on the \$5,000 Delores Pemma Scholarship for a two-year associates or technical degree. Our last scholarship focus is on the \$5,000 Chief Simon Kahquados Scholarship which assists those students continuing or returning to college.

"We believe that this scholarship program will help provide a means towards their education that will open doors for many different career opportunities."



We look forward to many more years in helping to make a difference and bridging the gap of the educational needs in our communities.

– James Flores





FCP Foundation Scholarship Program

Photo credit: FCPF Scholarship Program





Indian Council of the Elderly

The Indian Council of the Elderly and the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) share some of the same goals. They both strive to help the most vulnerable people - our elders become more self-sufficient, enhance their quality of life, and afford them an opportunity to contribute to the strength of his/her community. Contributing to Indian Council of the Elderly and its operation of the All Nations Senior & Cultural Center allows the provision of nutritious meals in a congregate setting three times a week. This gives many members who live alone the ability to stretch his/her limited budget, an affordable opportunity to have good food, learn about resources, health education. recreation, prevent isolation and improve the quality of life. The funding from FCPF also providea a festive atmosphere when celebrating holidays, changes of the seasons, birthdays, Senior Prom. and other special occasions. The food baskets and gifts during the holidays are greatly appreciated by the members.

Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul

For more than 50 years, American Indian families have come to us seeking food support. Food insecurity remains an issue for them. As the sole culturally specific food shelf serving Saint Paul's American Indian community, we deeply understand these social determinants that lead to health disparities in our community. Our emergency services are critical to helping families in need and providing an atmosphere of cultural and spiritual understanding is equally important in supporting them on their journey. Because of the increase in demand, we often run out of food by month's end and have to either dip into the next month's budget or ask families come back in a week when we would have more healthy options for them. Funding partners are an important piece of our success as we strive to serve every one of our community members in need - thanks to ongoing and increased support from the FCPF.

Lutheran Home, Inc.

A generous grant from the FCPF has made it possible for the Lutheran Home to develop innovative memory care programming for families and caretakers. There is no shortage of reasons to build Elaine's Hope, our new memory care assisted-living community. We owe it to our existing residents and families to give them a home that is both comfortable and well-designed for individuals with memory loss. We owe it to the community to be able to serve more individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. And, we owe it to everybody everywhere to develop innovative programming for not just our residents, but for families and caretakers.



Milwaukee Christian Center, Inc.

With the FPCF's help, the Milwaukee Christian Center's (MCC) Older Adults Center provided 147 low-income older adults a safe, welcoming place to stay connected, healthy, and well. On a weekly basis, participants exercised, met with the program nurse to monitor their health, learned easy ways to stay well, and connected with friends through arts activities, games, and excursions throughout the city. MCC has especially mattered to Jerome. When he first arrived, his expectations were simple: a hot meal. Staff encouraged him to participate in other activities. MCC helped him get a new birth certificate and offered him a safe, a place for him to store his personal documents. With MCC's help, Jerome applied for affordable senior housing. In April, he moved into a one-bedroom apartment in a safe neighborhood. MCC helped him with essentials a mattress, table, shower curtain, pillows, sheets, cleaning supplies, and food to stock his cupboards. Once settled, Jerome felt immense relief.

Walworth County Food Pantry

We have been blessed with the donations of the FCPF in support of our Senior Assistance Mission. Of the more than 1,250 people we provide services to each month, over 300 of them are senior citizens over the age of 60 who live at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (or about \$1,300/month total income). These senior citizens receive an additional box of food called a Senior Stock Box which contains basic foods like shelf stable milk, cereal and peanut butter to help them get along a little longer through the month. These people represent the hands of those who have worked their whole lives and defended this country and, yet, do not have enough money for food for the entire month. We have been proud to be able to also add a bag of essential toiletries and incontinence supplies to their shopping carts each month. Not all of our seniors who are registered for this program come to the pantry each month, most are very proud and come only when they need to, averaging about every six weeks.





Environmental





Neighborhood House of Milwaukee

Photo credit: Neighborhood House







Eco-Justice Center, Inc.

We are thankful for the support from the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) and its commitment to strengthening our relationships with children in our community (the lowest economic bracket), in hopes of building a healthier community all around. Our Healthy Eating, Healthy Living Program provides a twohour field trip experience to the EJC for inner-city youth in schools with primarily 82 percent or higher free and reduced lunches at no cost to the schools. A second part of the program, the Ecology Camps on the Farm and hoop house, sample produce from the garden, walk the labyrinth, explore the role of compost and the ecology of this place, and learn about new ways to live a healthier life. Lastly, we hope to increase our native plants, add mulch, and improve labeling in our Medicine Wheel Garden. This is a powerful teaching tool for our Healthy Eating, Healthy Living program in the realm of holistic health through the use of native plants and reverence for earth.

Gathering Waters

Forest County Potawatomi Foundation's support of Gathering Waters has helped strengthen land trusts, connect people to nature. and celebrate the dedication of those who work so hard to protect our land and water. Over 250 land trust leaders from around the state benefited from educational-training opportunities covering nearly 20 subject areas. More than 40 land trusts were provided with up-to-date knowledge, technology, and conservation tools, including a new land conservation database that will help improve the overall strategy for land acquisition and management. Nearly 2,000 people connected to nature through the FCPF's support of Wisconsin Land Trust Days — a series of events and activities held in August and September. all over the state. The FCPF also helped celebrate and recognize individuals and organizations who demonstrate an extraordinary commitment to protecting the land and water of Wisconsin, through the Land Conservation Leadership Awards Celebration.

Milwaukee Riverkeeper

Thanks to the FCPF, the Annual Milwaukee Riverkeeper Spring Cleanup was the most expansive cleanup in our organization's history. In total, we restored more than 40 miles of river at 64 locations throughout the Milwaukee River Basin, In one day, 3,600 volunteers removed more than 70.000 pounds of trash from Milwaukee's three rivers. The most frequently-found items were chip bags, plastic bottles, metal cans, plastic bags, and cigarette butts. In addition to trash removal, we were even able to broaden our efforts by including invasive plant removal at a select-few sites. We are forever grateful to FCPF for all of its support. and we look forward to collaborating in the future.



Neighborhood House of Milwaukee

Lead & Learn Conservation Corp is a youth leadership development program focusing on low-income, urban youth. Lead & Learn teaches urban agricultural. environmental and natural/ cultural history education using Native American, African American, Latino and Asian cultures as its platform to hundreds of children ages 6 to 19. The program empowers interns to develop leadership skills and help other youth learn how they are connected to the earth and the need to take care of it. The leadership initiative also includes paid internships for qualified high school and college students. One intern in particular, Nelicia, a second-year intern, embodied the purpose of this initiative. Nelicia stepped up to become not only a born educator, but a model employee. She independently created lesson plans and grew to be able to take on lead-teacher duties for four Nature Time sessions with our youngest children. The professional classroom teachers as well as the students all love and relate to her enthusiastic love of nature and education.

River Revitalization Foundation

Young people living in the Milwaukee area are offered an exciting employment/ volunteer opportunity that allows them to invest in and impact their city. Thanks to the FCPF, Riverine-Terns gain soft job skills and exposure to and education about urban greenspaces; handson training, education opportunities and field experience in the environmental sector. After completing the internship or volunteer opportunity, interns have gained the skills and practical applications necessary to pursue jobs within the natural resource management field, which is not very diverse and needs a new crop of caretakers who have a solid stewardship ethic, especially in an urban area. Exposure to nature in the city will promote a healthy connection to these spaces. Increased diversity will benefit the organization with fresh, young ideas that will enable us to better serve the surrounding community. Preparedness and a paycheck for low-income youth will also benefit them and their families. Sustainability is achieved by cultivating this next generation of stewards.









Health & Human Services

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Wisconsin Dental
Association Foundation



AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin

A diabetic patient seen in behavioral health emphasized a lack of food in the home. When the provider suggested carrying snacks in case this happens again, the patient said there isn't food in the house. A case manager spoke to her since she hadn't visited the pantry in the past. During the intake, a few discoveries were made: 1) client's insurance ended due to loss of job. 2) client was uncertain how to pay rent, 3) client was planning on not attending future appointments until insurance was reinstated. and 4) client's understanding of her diabetes diagnosis had some gaps. The case manager provided resources and referrals to client, which included rental assistance and access to BadgerCare. The conversation evolved to include the provider and a dietitian was linked in. Before leaving the office, the client was back on track with her treatment goals. She also received enough food to last her household 6-10 days and a referral to another food bank to get her through further if it was still needed.

Hope Center, Inc.

With limited disposable income, those who visit the Clothing Shop can budget their resources for other necessary living items. Adults can receive work and job interview clothing items; children can dress appropriately for school with items provided by the Clothing Shop. In 2018, 4,407 unduplicated individuals have visited the Clothing Shop 33,529 times. Approximately 39 percent of all visits were for children and 83.684 articles of clothing were distributed. In addition, 8,104 pieces of underwear and 10,019 pairs of socks were given out.

Nia Imani Family, Inc.

Over the past year, the mothers and children of Nia Imani Family have greatly benefited from the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) grant awarded to us. Mothers and their children have displayed an ample amount of growth and enrichment. We were able to provide the children with educational toys, books and outings. During the year our mothers were able to experience family-fun activities such as visiting Christmas tree lights, the state fair, going to the movies, and special in-house spa days where the mothers focused on self-care.

IMPACT 211

Every day, those who've fallen on hard times find a warm meal. Women and children who feel threatened escape their abuser. Individuals experiencing drug addiction establish a recovery plan. Impact's 2-1-1 crisis call center provides the motivation and means to achieve stability, 24-hours a day.



St Joseph's Medical Clinic

St. Joseph's Medical Clinic (SJMC) is honored to have received a grant from FCPF in 2018. The funds have allowed SJMC to offer a new Hispanic Wellness Clinic to our community which focuses on specialized care to the Hispanic community. In September 2018, a Spanish-speaking patient came to SJMC with a history of multiple bone fractures and a number of major surgeries. The patient was having pain with weakness and fatique that caused her to fall numerous times. Her lab results indicated she had illnesses that caused her to have depleting calcium levels and worsened her osteoporosis. SJMC purchased her medications to help stabilize her calcium levels. She was also offered physical therapy. tests, x-rays, and was provided a higher level of treatment that is more expensive. Due to this expense, SJMC assisted with getting the patient free medication. The care this patient continues to receive was made possible by FCPF.

Wisconsin Dental Association Foundation, Inc.

The Mission of Mercy is a biennial program of the Wisconsin Dental Association Foundation and the WDA. It directly addresses the oral concerns of individuals to rapidly improve their health. and ultimately improve their lives. The Mission of Mercy is a 100-chair temporary dental clinic that opens for two days of service to provide basic oral treatment to those in need. Anvone who is willing to wait for service and does not have a medical condition is invited to participate. Children (with a quardian) and adults are welcome. There are no residency requirements nor is financial status or insurance information requested. All treatment is provided by fully-licensed dental professionals. Treatment provided generally includes x-rays, fillings, extractions, cleanings, sealant/fluoride treatments, root canals and a limited number of treatment partials. FCPF's generous grant helped the Mission of Mercy that was held at the Wisconsin State Fair Park in June 2018. Some 8,332 dental procedures were performed by more than 1,400 volunteers during the two-day clinic.







Haskell Foundation
Photo credit:
Haskell Foundation

American







American Indian Center of Chicago, Inc.

Thank you Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) for supporting the after-school mentoring program Positive Paths (PP). This program provides a safe, structured environment focused on academic success, environmental sustainability, cultural growth, positive identity development and leadership for Native youth to succeed in urban environments and "Indian Country". PP also focuses on teaching youth from diverse cultural backgrounds how to develop cross-cultural bonds. Through all parts of the program, youth learn respectful ways of living in the world around them. Students engage in holistic programming to strengthen their intellectual, emotional, physical and mental wellness which is all grounded in InterTribal Medicine Wheel teachings. We engage youth and community mentors in connecting/ reconnecting to traditional American Indian, Alaskan Native and First Nations practices to promote sustainable living while exploring how these values and traditions are interconnected to contemporary issues.

Haskell Foundation

The Off-Campus Club at the Haskell Indian University has been running for two semesters with the help of some amazing sponsors like the FCPF and students. The Club is structured toward students who live on and off campus. The goal is to reach those students who are in need of some extra support whether it be with creating a family environment or help them out with some basic household items and school supplies.

United Indians of Milwaukee

United Indians of Milwaukee's main objective is to develop educational services and programs for Native youth and to create and provide family-oriented activities. The FCPF's support of our Cultural Enrichment Programs are vital to our mission as it strengthens our ability to educate, empower and engage our Native community. Our committed volunteers, board members and instructors are aligned with our mission and committed to the education and preservation of our Native American heritage.

WI Inter-Tribal Pink Shawl Initiative

American Indians in Wisconsin have a higher cancer incidence rate than any other population in the state, and the highest lung-cancer incidence rate of American Indians in the U.S. The Share the Care Wisconsin conference began 16 years ago; it is the only known statewide American Indian cancer conference in the U.S. Thanks to FCPF, this free annual conference increases cancer awareness and knowledge, promote screening and support survivors and caregivers.



Wisconsin Indian Education Association



Every spring the Wisconsin Indian Education Association (WIEA) hosts an annual conference. The conference is an opportunity to bring together community members, educators, businesses, and organizations who are interested in Indian education. This is the only state conference that specifically addresses Native American issues. The 2018 WIEA conference was held at the Menominee Casino Resort in Keshena, Wis., in April. The theme was "Revitalizing Tribal Nations through Community Engagement." This conference is made possible through the engagement of tribes throughout Wisconsin. The FCPF generously provided a grant to support conference activities. The keynote speaker, Matika Wilbur is from the Swinomish and Tulalip peoples of coastal Washington. For the past

several years, she has been traveling and photographing Indian County in pursuit of the goal to "Change the Way We See Native America." Wilbur's photography project, Project 562, aims to photograph and collect stories of Native Americans from each federally recognized Indian tribe in the United States to create comprehensive visual curricula and publications representing Native America. Not only did Wilbur address the conference's students who attended Youth Day, she gave the Friday keynote address to the full conference, and then visited the Forest County Potawatomi community on Friday evening.







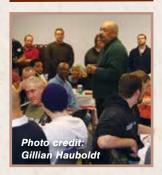
Veterans







Center for Veterans Issues



Thank you Forest Country Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) for your continued support that allows us to serve more veterans each year. In 2018, Center for Veterans Issues (CVI) served more than 3.000 veterans who found themselves homeless due to unemployment, mental health, AODA-related or a variety of other issues. At CVI, our veterans obtain a customized program to address their individual needs to become productive members of the community, and are provided with a safe, clean and alcohol/drug-free environment in which to live with three meals per day.

Honor Our Military, Inc.

In 2018. Honor Our Military, Inc., received a grant from the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (FCPF) to purchase commemorative dog tags for the 2018 Veterans Day of Honor (VDOH). The purpose of the dog tags was for all veterans to have a commemorative from the event and which highlight the year's special guests of honor. The 2018 VDOH was a commemoration of the WWI Centennial. The 2018 event included a WWI lecture series beginning in October highlighting Wisconsin's contribution to the Great War leading up to the VDOH on November 10. Activities for the VDOH included a breakfast, parade, military fly-over, memorial service, displays and reception. WWI became known as the War to End All Wars and ended on Nov. 11, 1918.

This date became known as Armistice Day and later Veterans Day. On the first commemoration of Armistice Day, President Wilson wrote: "To us in America. the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..." WWI was not the war to end all wars and soldiers continue to this day to fight in the name of democracy and freedom. The WWI Centennial dog tags are a visual reminder of those who fought the Great War and all who have served our country since.



Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative

In 2018, we experienced a significant increase in women veterans and children in need of emergency relief, mental health services and employment counseling; housing, furniture, and emergency food. Due to the generous support of the FCPF, we set-up 230 apartments with furniture, appliances and other household items. The Emergency Food Pantry provided 484 bags of groceries. Bikes for Stripes distributed 92 bicycles, and our Women Veterans Initiative Program served 134 female vets. Our outreach Program served 311 veterans with bus tickets, sleeping bags, clothing, and hygiene kits.



Rocky Boy Veterans Center



The Rocky Boy Veterans Center saves the lives of American Indian veterans. Those veterans whom they currently assist struggle to provide a stable quality of life for themselves and their families. Veterans in the Rocky Boy area have an unequal access to health benefits and services they have earned. Lack of information on how to access and use those benefits can place Native veterans in this area at a much higher risk for poverty, becoming economically disadvantaged, and in a state of societal depression. The resources and services the Rocky Boy Veterans Center provides gives veterans a means to manage their issues and provides some stability to an otherwise very unstable lifestyle and environment, saving a Veteran's life. Thank you to the FCPF for your support!







Youth Development



Grateful Girls

Healing Arts

Grateful Girls provides holistic support to teen girls who are at-risk and/ or victims of sex trafficking in Milwaukee. Fundamental to this healing is providing our girls with a variety of ways to express their emotions and process trauma. This popular art program gives many young women a



Queen's Closet

Queen's Closet is a retail space that provides trauma-informed job training experience to teen girls who are at-risk and/or victims of sex trafficking in Milwaukee.



The generous support of the FCPF has allowed Grateful Girls to begin educating young women about what is required to successfully secure and maintain a job, as well as giving them first-hand experience in a safe and trauma-informed environment. They learn "soft skills" - etiquette and customer service - and the fundamentals of being a good employee. Queen's Closet is an innovative model that is garnering interest throughout the city, thanks in large part to the early support of the FCPF!

Greenpath, Inc.



GreenPath's Education Team and a group of St. Anthony high school students worked through human-centered design activities answering the question: "How might we increase the financial security of St. Anthony High school students?" Co-creating with the students, we found tools to guide them in creating three-month goals, to leverage existing strengths, identify desired financial behaviors. and practice asking a chosen mentor for support in achieving goals.

Groundwork Milwaukee, Inc.

This summer, Groundwork
Milwaukee's Green Team, our
community service corps of
older adolescents, worked to
improve food production at
our farm, and beautify parks
and green space through the
city of Milwaukee. The photo
to the left shows our Green
Team maintaining the Kilbourn
Garden site on E. North
Avenue.

Know Thyself

For over 20 years, Know Thyself has partnered with local schools to help young people learn and practice the life skills that can help them be successful in school, work and life. All these exercises are designed to help your child identify their strengths, manage their behaviors, and make decisions that lead to positive outcomes. Thanks to support from FCPF, students at Roosevelt Middle School of the Arts practiced a life skill that feeds individual creativity - they went to the SOS Center in Milwaukee for a hands-on sewing lesson! The class began with basic straight-line stitching with a needle and thread and progressed to creating small usable pouches on a sewing machine. Students learned about the SOS Center's drawstring bag project which make hygiene supplies for youth who are experiencing homelessness. The girls coordinated a sock drive to support the effort! Students explored how to operate a sewing machine and how to sew by hand which taught skills of patience, problem-solving, and team work.

Lead2Change, Inc.

The FCPF gave Lead-2Change the ability to hire high-quality staff that were able to provide their specific career knowledge to our students. This included the Health Career Team Lead and the Film and Video Team Lead who each taught a cohort of students interested in medicine and film respectively. Both of these team leads are professionals in the fields they were teaching and provided Milwaukee high school students with handson instruction and meaningful career-building activities. The grant also provided us with the ability to hire career advancement coaches that met with each student oneon-one monthly to further propel them towards their goals. Without the generosity of FCPF, our program would not be as capable of positively impacting so many teens who live in Milwaukee





Grantees

Ace Boxing Club **ACTS Community Development Corporation** Adullam Outreach, Inc. **Adult Learning Center** AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin Alma Center Alverno College American Indian Center American Indian College Fund American Red Cross Artists for the Humanities Artists Working In Education Arts At Large ArtWorks for Milwaukee Audio & Braille Literacy Enhancement

Bad River Band of
Lake Superior Tribe
Benedict Center
Black Arts Mke
Boy Scouts of AmericaSamoset Council 627
Bread of Healing Clinic
Broadscope Disability Services

Casa Romero Renewal Center
Cathedral Center
Center for Veterans Issues
Central City Churches
Children's Outing Association
College Possible
Columbia St. Mary's Foundation
CommonGround Ministry
Concordia University
Congregation of the Great Spirit
CORE El Centro
Cristo Rey Jesuit Milwaukee
High School
Culinary Education Program
CUPED Corporation

Eco-Justice Center End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin ERAs Senior Network Express Yourself Milwaukee

Families for Hope
Family Promise of
Waukesha County
Feeding America Eastern
Wisconsin

Fondy Food Center
Foundation of the Wisconsin
Automobile & Truck Dealers
Association
Franciscan Peacemakers
Fresh Coast Classic
Friends of Camp Anokijig

Gathering of Southeastern Wisconsin **Gathering Waters** Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center **GPS Education Partners** Grateful Girls Great Lakes Dryhootch Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Great Lakes Native American Elders Association **Greater Galilee Community Development Corporation** Greenpath Groundwork Milwaukee Guest House of Milwaukee

Haskell Foundation
Haskell Indian Nations University
Highland Community School
Historic Concordia Neighbors
Hmong American Friendship
Association
Holton Street Clinic

Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization Honor Our Military Hope Center Hope House of Milwaukee Hope Street Ministry Hopes Center of Racine Hunger Task Force

Impact Alcohol & Other Drug
Abuse Services
Indian Council of the Elderly
Indian Summer
Indian Youth of America
Interfaith Action of Greater
Saint Paul
Interfaith Older Adult Programs

Jewish Family Services Just One More Ministry

Kathy's House Kenosha Achievement Center King Advisory Know Thyself

La Casa de Esperanza La Causa Lead2Change LGBT Center of SE Wisconsin Literacy Services of Wisconsin Lutheran Home



MacCanon Brown Homeless Sanctuary Make a Wish Foundation Marcus Center for the Performing Arts Marian University Medical College of Wisconsin Meta House Midwest Indian Mission Milwaukee Center for Children and Youth Milwaukee Christian Center Milwaukee Community Business Collaborative Milwaukee Education Partnership Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative Milwaukee Immediate Care Corporation Milwaukee Indian Education Committee Milwaukee Public Schools Foundation Milwaukee Rescue Mission Milwaukee Riverkeeper Milwaukee Science Education

National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers Near West Side Partners Neighborhood House of Milwaukee New Beginnings Are Possible

Consortium

MPDK9 Foundation

New Concept Self Development Center New Mexico Community Capital NewThreads of Hope Nia Imani Family

Operation DREAM
Operation Impact-District 2
Outreach Community Health
Centers

Pathkeepers for Indigenous
Knowledge
Philippine Cultural & Civic Center
Foundation
Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin
Project Return
Protestant Episcopal Church in the
United States of America
Province of St Joseph of the
Capuchin Order - St. Ben's
Community Meal

Racine Kenosha Community
Action Agency
Rawhide
Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior
Chippewa Indians
Repairers of the Breach
Revitalize Milwaukee
River Revitalization Foundation
Rock Valley Community Programs
Rocky Boy Veterans Center

Safe & Sound
Salvation Army
Serenity Inns
Shalom Center Of Interfaith
Network of Kenosha County
Silver Spring Neighborhood Center
Social Development Foundation

St. Catherine Residence

St. Charles Youth & Family Service

St. Joseph's Medical Clinic

St. Marcus School

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Milwaukee

Summit Educational Association

TBEY Arts Center
Three Fires Ojibwe Culture and
Education Society
Tippecanoe Presbyterian
Church USA
True Skool

United Community Center
United Indians of Milwaukee
Urban Ecology Center
Urban Economic Development
Association
UWM Foundation

Vision Forward Association Voces De La Frontera

Walker's Point Center for the Arts Walkin' In My Shoes Walnut Way Conservation Corp Walworth County Food Pantry Waukesha County Community **Dental Clinic** Westcare Wisconsin WI Inter-Tribal Pink Shawl Initiative Wisconsin American Legion Foundation Wisconsin Dental Association Foundation Wisconsin Indian Education Association Wisconsin Ovarian Cancer Alliance Wisconsin Regional Training **Partnership** Wisconsin Wetlands Association Wisconsin Women's Business **Initiative Corporation** Wiscraft, Inc. - Wisconsin Enterprises for the Blind Woodland Boys and Girls Club Woodland Indian Art Woodland Pattern

Xalaat Africa Drum and Dance for Life

Youth and Family Project YWCA Southeast Wisconsin



Scholarship Recipients

Adam K - Rock County
Adilene Q - Milwaukee County
Aishwarya BS - Sheboygan County
Alexander R - Waukesha County
Amanda E - Milwaukee County
Amanda M - Waukesha County
Angel V - Milwaukee County
Angelica J - Dane County
Antonio B - Milwaukee County
Army V - Milwaukee County
Aurora A - Shawano County
Austin K - Forest County

Bao V - Milwaukee County
Biluge N - Milwaukee County
Brevin B - Forest County
Brinley W - Grant County
Brooke K - Oneida County
Bryce G - Forest County

Austin S - Portage County

Candace R - Sawyer County
Carter C - Wood County
Cartoon V - Milwaukee County
Cassidy N - Ozaukee County
Chandler G - Brown County
Chao L - Milwaukee County
Christina M - Marathon County
Colby N - Forest County

Dawt I - Milwaukee County
Delaney B - Menominee County
Diana GV - Milwaukee County
Dione J - Milwaukee County

Elizabeth W - Langlade County
Emma C - Milwaukee County
Emma F - Rock County
Emma H - Dane County
Emma W - Milwaukee County
Erika R - Milwaukee County
Evan D - La Crosse County

Favour B - Florence County

Holly S - Forest County

Ingrid H - Brown County
Isaiah G - Milwaukee County

Jacob C - Oconto County
James W - Sawyer County
Jared F - Racine County
Jared V - Door County
Jenna CD - Outagamie County
Joselyn A - Milwaukee County
Joseph B - Kenosha County
Joya H - Milwaukee County

Kaelan E - La Crosse County
Kaitlyn B - Menominee County
Katrina P - Dodge County
Kaylynn I - Dunn County
Keana H - Sheboygan County
Kelsey K - Menominee County
Kiona P - Oneida County

Laine MS - Milwaukee County Landon P - Eau Claire County Leah L - Forest County Leah M - Milwaukee County Leticia C - Milwaukee County Lindsey M - Juneau County Lorenz J - Brown County Lukas M - Portage County

Malyun M - Milwaukee County
Marissa M - Milwaukee County
Meshaen W - Shawano County
Michael G - Forest County
Mikayla W - Forest County
Morgan-Monae P - Milwaukee
County
Myrtle P - Menominee County

Nalah M - Racine County Naomi T- Milwaukee County Nathan L -y Door Count Nicole W - Dane County Nolan B - Milwaukee County

Payenglia L - Milwaukee County



Rebekah S - La Crosse County Robin C - Sawyer County Ruth T - Menominee County Ryan K - Forest County

Samantha S - Dane County
Sasha S - Forest County
Seth L - Eau Claire County
Shaunna B - Milwaukee County
Shauntia C - Milwaukee County
Sundance BH - Milwaukee
County

Tatianna R- Milwaukee County Terrance R- Milwaukee County Trevor W - Waukesha County Trinity S - Forest County

Wesley K - Price County

Zachary E - Eau Claire County













