

JACKSON COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Members of the JCCF committee are pictured with representatives from the four organizatioans that received fall 2022 grants. Photo courtesy Phillip Buffington/The Telegram

LETTER FROM THE COMMITTEE

Greetings from the Jackson County Community Foundation!

2020 caused us all to pause and think about the future. The future is now, and our Jackson County Community Foundation is proud to partner with you to move our communities forward.

We are grateful for all we have achieved together and enthusiastic about the future of Jackson County and all of Appalachia. We thank you for your donations, your time, and, most importantly, your love for the people in our region.

Our goal is to create an endowment that will live in perpetuity, with earnings supporting entities that improve the quality of life for everyone in our communities. We achieve this through our local committee, working under the umbrella of the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio (FAO), and through our donors. Every contribution – money, time, energy, or kind words – makes our community better.

To date, we've raised \$150,000, including donations that were matched dollar-for-dollar thanks to funding through FAO. Over the last two years, we have been able to provide grants in excess of \$20,000 to libraries, 4-H clubs, food pantries, educational programs, and more.

Our goal for 2023 is to continue growing donations to our fund – the more money in the fund, the more income we can earn and grants we can award. Every step toward achieving our goals wouldn't be possible without you.

There are many ways you can help build our fund and our future. We are always looking for new friends to join our effort to make our communities even better places to live.

Jackson County Community Foundation

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE

With the support of our donors, we award grants to nonprofit and public organizations for projects and programs that benefit Jackson County, focusing on five areas essential to creating transformative and sustainable change: arts and culture, community and economic development, education, environmental stewardship, and health and human services.

SUPPORTING THE FUTURE GENERATION OF MAKERS IN JACKSON COUNTY

In 2022, area teenagers put their ingenuity and creativity to the test and made a car – all at the Jackson City Library.

The library developed a makerspace area equipped with a 3D printer, digital die-cutting machine, and other tools for local youth to use and create – activities that also nurture an interest in math, science, and engineering. A 2021 grant from the Jackson County Community Foundation helped fund supplies for the 3D printer and other equipment.

In its first year, the makerspace has resulted in more teens involved in library activities and positive feedback from young library patrons and their caregivers, but demand for the 3D printer exceeds output.

With that in mind, the Jackson County Community Foundation awarded the library another grant last fall for a second 3D printer that will be available at the library and also taken to Jackson City Schools' afterschool programming







ENHANCING A COMMUNITY PARK

The skatepark at the city of Jackson's Hillcrest Park has some new upgrades that allow it to serve a broader range of skill levels – all thanks to some area youth and a 2021 grant from the Jackson County Community Foundation that helped fund equipment.

In spring 2021, three fifth-graders at Northview Elementary wrote to Jackson Mayor Randy Evans, offering their ideas for improvements at Hillcrest Park and prompting the mayor to meet with them.

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OUR IMPACT IN 2022

FALL 2022 GRANT RECIPIENTS

The Jackson County Community Foundation, in partnership with the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio, created over \$12,000 in opportunities across our communities through grants to the following organizations:

• Fourteen Six Incorporated to construct a fence at its sports facility.

- God's Hands At Work to support its mobile food pantry.
- Jackson City Library to purchase an additional 3D printer for the library and Jackson City Schools' afterschool programs.
- Jackson County 4-H Advisory Council to support the Jackson County 4-H Spring Project Fair.
- Lillian E. Jones Museum to support the creation of 3D tours of landmarks and other important places in Jackson County.

ENHANCING A COMMUNITY PARK (CONTINUED)

A project that would add beginner-level skate ramps to the skatepark, enhancing the experience for the park's current patrons, attracting additional users, and providing Jackson County youth an improved outlet for healthy recreation, fellowship, and community involvement.

INVESTING IN COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Another 2021 Jackson County Community Foundation grant helped the city of Wellston purchase outdoor accessories for the historic downtown district, addressing needs expressed by local residents.

The project included the purchase of benches, bike racks, refuse receptacles, dog waste stations, outdoor messaging centers, and picnic tables, including some that are wheelchair accessible. The improvements were made to promote walking and biking in the area, which is near the bike path entrance and borders The Depot and Pride Park, and to attract residents and visitors to local businesses. **\$1.2 MILLION** IN ASSETS UNDER THE JCCF UMBRELLA

\$71,200 AWARDED IN GRANTS AND CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES IN 2022

\$42,000 AWARDED IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO JACKSON COUNTY STUDENTS



CHARITABLE FUNDS PARTNERING WITH JCCF IN SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY

- Adena Health System Fund for Jackson County
- 2. Bellisio Foods Foundation Fund
- 3. Bellisio Foods Scholarship Fund
- 4. Celestial Memorial Library Fund
- 5. Dr. Allen Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund
 6. Jackson High School Class of 1962
 Scholarship Fund
- 7. The Stockmeister Family Fund
- . VCNB Family Fund for Jackson County