Illuminating Hope

Community West Foundation

2009 ANNUAL REPORT
Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works...

Matthew 5:16
The Mission of the Community West Foundation is to advance the health and well being of our community.
Dear Donors and Friends,

As the Chair of the Community West Foundation Board, it is a privilege to serve this dynamic organization and to work with such a dedicated group of individuals.

This past year, my service has been complemented by the great work of my predecessor, Dr. Ted Castele, whose special gifts continue to promote the Foundation’s work. It is an honor to work with someone who is loved and admired by the entire community, and I owe Dr. Ted a special debt of gratitude.

The Board of Directors has been a great source of support in these challenging times. I especially thank David Dombrowiak, whose work has had a very positive effect on the Foundation and the community. In his role as President and CEO, he has accomplished a great deal, and his efforts have created outstanding partnerships that have positively impacted our community. He is a great innovator, creatively engaging our community through the Invest West® Program, providing opportunities to inspire our donors and colleagues.

The Foundation is blessed to have so many wonderful and caring friends, and we ask for your continued support and prayers. We are especially grateful to our donors whose benevolence during these trying times is greatly appreciated and desperately needed by our neighbors whom we serve. You have stepped forward to make certain the resources are there to help our neighbors in need. Our Board of Directors’ collective contributions of time, talent, and treasure are immeasurable. They truly act to Illuminate Hope in our community.

Sincerely,

David J. Hessler, Esq.
Chair of the Board
Dear Friends,

This year has been a remarkable one in advancing the health and welfare of our community and I would like to thank David Hessler, Chair of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Directors for their many contributions, our caring friends, and the staff of the Community West Foundation for their continued support.

This year we gave $5.2 million to our community, supporting Fairview Hospital, Lutheran Hospital, and 46 charitable agencies providing direct service to the needy. During these recessionary times our community grants have focused on basic needs of food, clothing, shelter and medical care. We saw a 20% increase in the number of grant requests and a 35% increase in the dollars needed. Unfortunately, we could not meet those increases with our limited resources.

In order to encourage additional philanthropy to meet those additional needs, we held two continuing Legal Education seminars, sponsored by our Chair, David Hessler, to encourage planned giving as a philanthropic tool. I am happy to say we will be conducting additional seminars for financial planners, investment officers, lawyers, and others to encourage them in helping their clients to meet their philanthropic goals.

Our Colleagues Program, which offers planned giving expertise to charities that can’t afford a planned giving officer, had its initial successes this year with the Foundation receiving planned gifts and agency funds for two of our Colleagues; the start of a growing service to local charities which will increase donations to them.

Our hope is to increase philanthropic giving in our community by providing the best in philanthropic services to our donors, charities, and clients. After all “a rising tide floats all boats,” and increased giving to help others in the most efficient, cost effective way, helps all of us.

Sincerely,

David T. Dombrowiak
President and CEO
This past year, Community West Foundation hosted a special Illuminating Hope ceremony and reception at Lakewood Country Club to officially welcome David J. Hessler as the new Chair of the Board. Mr. Hessler possesses great vision, passion, and commitment to our mission as we continue to serve the needs of our community.

In a speech he delivered at the ceremony, Mr. Hessler honored Dr. Ted Castele, the Foundation’s immediate past chair, who touched many lives through his warmth, compassion, and generous spirit. The Foundation is most fortunate that Dr. Ted’s treasured leadership will continue through his service as Chair Emeritus and Life Trustee, and as our “official spokesperson.”

Movingly, the ceremony concluded with the lighting and passing of candles, a symbolic gesture of how each Board Member is Illuminating Hope throughout our community.
Community West Foundation lost a beloved friend and colleague, Richard C. Coriell, who passed away in April 2009. Mr. Coriell will always be remembered fondly for his valuable service and contribution to the growth of the foundation.
Our communities are richly blessed by charitable organizations that serve, protect, and seek the very best for the most vulnerable.

Responding effectively to community needs, given limited resources, is an ongoing challenge for many organizations. This was truly a year where our grant support made an important impact for agencies that meet the needs of those without shelter, food, clothing, health care, comfort and support. What better way to express our mission to advance the health and well being of our community than by providing assistance to organizations that touch the lives of so many?

The following pages give inspiring glimpses of the wonderful nonprofit organizations we have been privileged to help over the past year and the many people benefiting from these funds. Extraordinary work is going a long way toward healing and inspiring all who seek a healthier and more hopeful future.

Through valuable partnerships and collaborations, Community West Foundation is positively affecting the lives of many in our community… Illuminating Hope.

A Donor’s Story: The Jennifer Fund

When Aggie and Tom Hoskin’s daughter, Jennifer Hoskin Grosel, passed away from breast cancer in 2007, they organized a golf outing to celebrate her life and honor her memory. When the outing raised over $14,000, the Hoskins decided to make it an annual event and establish a permanent fund – The Jennifer Fund – at Community West Foundation.

Jennifer, with her husband, Doug, lived her life with passion and grace. She loved all children, starting with her own three sons: Evan, Tommy and Luke. Fittingly, The Jennifer Fund will support the causes she held dear, including: children’s programs at the West Side Catholic Center, The Cleveland Foodbank’s “Backpack for Kids” program, and children’s enrichment programs at St. Coleman’s.

“A Donor Advised Fund at Community West Foundation serves our needs perfectly,” said Aggie. “Having the Foundation manage our Fund is great because they take care of the accounting, tax filing, grant making, and other duties.” The Hoskins can actively suggest how donations are used while eliminating the cost and administrative burden of a private foundation.

Thank you to Aggie and Tom for sharing the very spirit of philanthropy. We can’t think of a better way to pay tribute to Jennifer, who valued her family, friendships, and community. We believe she would be thrilled.
Through the Permanent Supportive Housing Project, known as the Zacchaeus Pilot Project, the West Side Catholic Center provides housing for the homeless. Now, many who used to call the street home live independently, work, and are thriving.

As the initial funder, Community West Foundation has granted $300,000 for the Zacchaeus Project over the past three years and an additional $75,000 for the Basic Needs Program, which meets the most essential and urgent needs of the homeless – food, clothing, emergency shelter and survival services.

In recognition of our steadfast support, Community West Foundation was honored with the 2009 Giving Hope award.
**We are deeply grateful to the Community West Foundation for your support and encouragement. It is so gratifying to have your confidence and acknowledgment of our work with men recovering from homelessness.**

Sandra S. Sullivan, Community Service Alliance Board Member

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**Ministry to the Homeless**

Single homeless men are not eligible for as many services and types of support as women and children and are the hardest segment of the homeless population to serve. **Community Service Alliance** helps homeless men move from shelters to transitional housing, achieve self-sufficiency, and ultimately maintain permanent housing.

A **$30,000** grant from Community West Foundation for the **Member Support Program** will directly benefit the lives of 7 men by providing each with the necessary financial, spiritual, and relational support to secure and maintain self-sufficiency. Men can become a part of the program after they have committed to turn their lives around and have gone through a rigorous training program and detox when necessary. Through the program they gain stability, establish goals, and are given job skills in order to seek required employment. We have been a proud supporter of this program for the past three years offering nearly **$85,000** in support.

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**Rebuilding lives at Joseph’s Home**

**Joseph’s Home** cares for homeless men who are recuperating after being discharged from local hospitals.

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On a daily basis, one in every six people in Cleveland can’t afford to buy food. Often, these residents are confronted by days in the month outlasting money and food supplies. At a time of increased need, people look to food banks, soup kitchens, and other local organizations for assistance.

Programs that address this crucial need for individuals throughout Cuyahoga and Lorain counties received funding through Community West Foundation.

Feed the Hungry

Second Harvest Food Bank is the largest regional hunger relief organization in our area with a network of more than 110 member agencies serving Lorain County as well as Crawford, Erie, and Huron Counties. They distribute more than 4 million pounds of donated food and grocery products annually, and support nearly 160 programs including food pantries, emergency shelters, and after-school programs. Emergency food assistance for families in Lorain County increased 14% in 2008 and is expected to have doubled in 2009. Children represent 42% of those served, and seniors represent 12%.

Community West Foundation provided $20,000 to make sure that people in our area, as well as our neighbors in Lorain County, will not go hungry.

“We are profoundly grateful for the devoted support the Community West Foundation gives to our organization.”

Julie Chase-Morefield, Executive Director
Second Harvest Food Bank
Nueva Luz Urban Resource Center is a faith-based, Latino-focused agency serving our west side community through its mission of “challenging the root causes of systemic poverty through holistic and culturally competent service and community building.”

Good nutrition is one of the most powerful weapons available for fighting the effects of HIV/AIDS. Nueva Luz’ cornerstone Nutrition Program serves approximately 106 persons diagnosed with this disease through in-home delivery or on-site pick up. The food is culturally appropriate and constitutes a complete, nutritious menu. The Community West Foundation’s grant of $24,000 will continue to feed participants for one year, most of whom are living at or below the poverty level.

Requests for emergency food have risen 8% on the west side since last fall, while at the same time the cost of food has risen 10%. The Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland is a coordinated network of 54 food pantries and hot meal programs, plus 60 affiliate sites that feed 60,000 people per month - 25,000 of whom are children. As the largest provider of direct emergency food service in Cuyahoga County, they serve 75% of our communities’ most vulnerable citizens.

The Hunger Network is able to provide four meals for every dollar raised. Our grant funding of $14,847 for the West Side Hunger Initiative will provide more food for eleven pantry sites.
Connecting Residents to Resources

More than 24% of Greater Clevelanders, which is over 300,000 people, lack basic health care coverage. This makes health care services even more crucial. Community West Foundation stepped up to be part of the solution by providing support to agencies that care for the uninsured and in urgent need of health care.

Care for the Sick

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A Place of Grace

**Malachi House** is the only home in our area that serves the terminally ill who have neither financial resources nor family support during their final days. Exceptional health care providers and dynamic volunteers embrace the dying homeless with tenderness and care.

Relying heavily on foundation and donor support, as well as a large volunteer base, the agency operates 15 private bedrooms and accepts no government funding. Our three-year total of $190,000 in support funds “The Community West Foundation Room” which has been the peaceful and final home to approximately 15 persons each year.

Restoring Hope

For over sixty-two years, **Stella Maris** has served the indigent, homeless, and uninsured population suffering from addiction. They provide housing, address substance abuse, deliver mental and primary health care, offer vocational and educational training, and help patients and residents obtain gainful employment and self-sufficiency.

A grant of $20,000 from the Community West Foundation will provide Stella Maris with Operational Support to continue their life-changing work.
Caring for our Uninsured Neighbors

North Coast Health Ministry provides medical care, especially primary care and chronic disease management, and prescription services to the working poor of Cuyahoga and Lorain counties. These are low-income families and individuals without insurance benefits and who do not qualify for Medicaid or Medicare.

The Community West Foundation has been a supportive partner of this faith-based clinic since 2000 providing nearly $1 million in support. This year we again granted $225,000 to help fund this worthy program.

A Donor’s Story: Community Champion

Milan “Mike” Busta recently learned about North Coast Health Ministry through his physician, Dr. Hany Anton, one of the agency’s volunteer doctors. The more Mr. Busta learned about North Coast’s commitment to care for those less fortunate, the more impressed he became; and he decided to make a gift in the form of a Charitable Gift Annuity.

North Coast Health Ministry doesn’t have a planned giving officer on their staff, so they turned to Community West Foundation for assistance. “It was easy to work with the people at Community West, I know that things will be done well, and my gift will be managed with expertise,” said Mr. Busta. “In addition to benefiting North Coast Health Ministry, the annuity will provide a secure stream of income at a set rate of return, which will continue for the rest of my life. After I pass away, the money will go to North Coast so they can continue helping people. It is truly a win-win for everyone.”

Mr. Busta has been supporting local charities for decades, serving on the boards of many. In addition to the Charitable Gift Annuity at Community West Foundation, he has established thirteen other annuities to help local nonprofits, making him a true community champion.

“Community West Foundation has been a treasured partner to our ministry, and, by offering planned giving services, the Foundation is a valued partner to our friends and supporters.”

Lee Elmore, Executive Director
North Coast Health Ministry

On the Road to Recovery

Recovery Resources delivers treatment to individuals suffering from mental illness, alcoholism, drug and other addictions. They offer programs in nine locations touching 13,000 clients annually. Recently, the agency has seen an increase in mental health and addiction problems in older adults – those aged 55 and over. Their needs are far different from those of younger clients. Community West Foundation was quick to provide $34,000 for a new program that targets this group and has seen great success in initial testing.
Our children represent the nation’s future and deserve the best in programs, services and care. Community West Foundation supported programs to promote the health and wellness of our children. There is no more important investment than the one we make in our children and their health.

Helping our Community’s Children

It’s All About the Kids

Youth Challenge’s Westside Wellness Program offers arts and recreational activities for children with physical disabilities. Mobilizing over 300 teen volunteers, this initiative promotes self-esteem and healthy lifestyles through a balance of artistic programs including music, drama, dance, and other participatory activities. The program delivers 170 days of activities for 30 to 45 youths per day.

Since 2004, Community West Foundation has provided nearly $100,000 to Youth Challenge. Our grant sponsors families and provides funding for a part-time aide to manage the children’s physical needs.

Caring for Our Most Precious Resource…Our Children

Providence House serves children in need of temporary shelter whose families are faced with an emergency, hardship, or crisis. Each year, Providence House provides comprehensive, holistic crisis nursery service to over 200 children.

Since 2007, Community West Foundation has provided nearly $40,000 in grants for Direct Service Days of Care. These grants have provided stays for five children and their families averaging 29 days at $222 per child per day.

“No man stands so tall as when he stoops to help a child.”

Abraham Lincoln
## 2009 Fairview and Lutheran Hospital Gifts

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## 2009 Community Grants

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**Other Gifts and Grants**: $1,879,162

**Total**: $5,233,928
### Fundraising Activity

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Financial Highlights

2009 Donations Report

- Annual Giving: 18.37%
- Education (Conferences, Seminars): 11.67%
- Major Gifts/Planned Giving: 14.67%
- Special Events: 35.96%
- Trusts & Foundations: 19.33%
At the annual Legacy Society Dinner, Community West Foundation presented Sharon and Harry A. Zilli, Jr. with the 2009 Art of Caring Award for their generous contributions to philanthropy and community. What distinguishes the Zillis is not only their generosity, but the manner in which they give their time, talent, and treasure.

Known for his leadership as Chair of the Grants Committee, Harry Zilli has led other Trustees to go on site visits to every organization that applies for grant funding, showing their compassion for others through their works and actions.

After a 33-year career as a registered nurse in Fairview Hospital’s operating room, Sharon Zilli has become a major force in the PAWS for Care program at Fairview Hospital. Over the years, the Zillis’ beloved dogs, Tammy, Joey, and Jammie, have visited Fairview Hospital patients and residents at Metro Health Skilled Nursing and The Kemper House. Sharon and Poppy, the Zillis’ current dog, continue these visits and also see children with special needs at Bay Village’s Elementary School.

The Legacy Society was created in 2001 to recognize leaders who value the importance of philanthropy and believe in and support the work of the Community West Foundation. Through a spirit of benevolence, the Legacy Society members honor the giving traditions of earlier generations and secure the well-being for those to come by creating a planned gift or establishing a Fund.

Each year, the Foundation hosts an annual dinner to thank Legacy Society Members for their generosity, and to highlight some of the exciting work made possible through their gifts. At the dinner, the Art of Caring Award is presented to individuals who have demonstrated outstanding philanthropic leadership. The Legacy Society has grown to include 100 members. Thank you to these donors for their capacity for generosity, goodness and vision.
The Zillis established a Donor Advised Fund, creating a personal way to support causes of their choice. For many years, they have offered a matching gift to Christ United Methodist Church parishioners for the Parish Nurse Program.

The Art of Caring Award was designed especially for Sharon and Harry by noted glass artist, Eóin Breadon, whose work is influenced by Irish folklore and craftsmanship. Eóin’s design includes symbols of the salmon, representing the community, and the heron, which represents enlightenment. These symbols are most appropriate for the Zillis as they care for their community with enlightened compassion, Illuminating Hope to brighten the lives of others.

Past Art of Caring Award Recipients

Lorraine and Robert Warren, Sr. Dr. Ted and Jean Castele John and Betty Kemper.
Members of The Legacy Society

Newest Legacy Society Members: (left to right) Drs. Chandra and Prasanta Raj, Susan Landau Golden, and Beth and Dr. Steven Lamb.

- Mr. and Mrs. William W. Baker
- Ms. Donna J. Ballantyne *
- Dr. Thomas and Mrs. Pamela E. Bobst
- Mrs. Linda G. Brown
- Dr. and Mrs. Theodore J. Castele
- Dr. Neal C. and Susen Chadwick
- Dennis A. and Paula J. Conrad
- Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dannemiller
- Fred and Nora DeGrandis
- Mr. Frank A. DeMarco, Jr.
- Mr. and Mrs. David T. Dombrowiak
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- Dr. J. Peter and Carol H. Fegen
- Mrs. Carol Webb Filak
- Mrs. Alayne J. Fodor
- Susan Landau Golden
- Gary M. Grosel, M.D.
- Mrs. Erna L. Guia
- Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hagen
- Christopher B.H. Harrington and Stephanie W. Harrington
- E. Robert Hawken, Jr. and Marilyn J. Hawken
- Charles N. and Deneen R. Hirsch
- Ms. Stephanie A. Humphrey
- Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Hunziker
- Henry and Betty Jacques
- Betty J. and John W. Kemper, Sr.
- James R. and Jean E. Kirk
- Dr. Steven A. and Beth Lamb
- Jeffrey A. and Patricia Leimgruber
- Dr. James and Lois Magisano
- Raymond J. and Diana G. Marvar
- Mr. William R. Nosse
- Ronald L. and Elaine W. Phillips
- Dr. Joyesh Raj
- Drs. Chandra and Prasanta Raj
- Mrs. Helen Rego
- Robert J. Rice
- Susan Mesmer Rice
- Ms. Emily Ann Sapacianu
- James V. Scarcella, M.D.
- Peter J. Schindler
- Dr. Dan and Barbara Shamir
- Patricia M. Kubene-Simacek
- Lorraine and Tim Spiro, M.D.
- Dr. Rebecca N. and Mr. Joseph P. Starck
- Dr. Amy L. Stephens and Mr. Robert G. Perry
- Roger and Linda Stewart
- James R. Stone
- Charles A. and Tracy L. Sumrada
- Marty and Laura Uhle
- Mrs. Beverly A. Urban
- Anne J. and Robert Warren, Jr.
- Lorraine and Robert Warren, Sr.
- Alan H. Wilde, M.D. and Marilyn M. Wilde
- Robert J. and Janet G. Yaroma
- Judy and John Zangmeister, M.D.
- Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Zilli, Jr.
- Anonymous (5)

Deceased *
There are two ways of spreading light: To be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.”

Edith Wharton

Pictured top left to bottom right: Linda and William Baker, David and Mary Ann Dombrowiak with Martha and David Hessler, Betty and Henry Jacques, Carol and Dr. J. Peter Fegen, Linda and Roger Stewart, E. Robert and Marilyn Hawken, Walter and Mary Jean Hagen with Alayne Fodor and Dr. K. V. Gopal.
Healthy communities depend on active and involved citizens. We are deeply touched by our donors’ support and commitment to the community we all love.

**Endowment & Scholarship Funds**

- Francis C. and Jean A. Atack Nursing Scholarship Fund
- Lauren Louise Atherton NICU Fund
- Mark S. and Evelyn Hahn Conser Fund
- Amanda Crellin Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Joan K. Farr Endowment Fund
- Founders Fund
- Robert & Blanche Giesser Scholarship Fund
- Florence N. Gray Scholarship Fund
- Fred E. Hansen Memorial Fund
- Hassler Family Practice Center Endowment Fund
- Jacob O. Kamm Educational Aid Fund
- Lutheran Hospital Nursing Education Fund
- Dr. William Mize Memorial Fund
- Janice G. Murphy Scholarship Fund
- Dr. Frank Paine Endowment Fund
- Palomaki Library Fund
- Jeanette B. Revock Scholarship Fund
- Edwin F. Ross Memorial Fund
- Scott ICU Endowment Fund
- Charlie Sumrada Fund
- Vollmer Nursing Scholarship Fund
- “Spirit of Compassionate Care” Fund

**Community and Donor Advised Funds**

- Amity Fund
- William Winfield Baker Family Foundation
- Bobst Family Fund
- Brown Family Fund
- Castele Family Fund
- Fred DeGrandis Family Fund
- Dombrowiak Family Fund
- The Domestic Violence Center Fund
- Dr. J. Peter and Carol H. Fegen Fund
- The Zone Fisher Family Fund
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Help is needed to shelter the homeless, feed the hungry, and care for the sick. Many people, because of their situation, whether financial, personal or otherwise, need extra help and support. The Community West Foundation recognizes how important it is now, especially during these tough times, to play a critical role in the future of our communities and to provide a helping hand.

You can help, too. Through Community West Foundation, you can support the organizations you care about the most, including those you just read about. While we have the capacity to accept many wonderful giving vehicles, a Donor Advised Fund is a great way to support your favorite charities. Community West Foundation makes the process easy for donors while allowing gifts to have a greater impact on the community.

A Donor Advised Fund can be created from a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, life insurance, real estate, or other assets. Through your Donor Advised Fund, you can make gifts to the projects or organizations of your choice. Community West Foundation provides fund management and administrative support to make the grant making process easy, taking care of the accounting, auditing, IRS reporting, and fiscal management. Through a Donor Advised Fund you can engage your entire family in recommending uses of the fund to make a difference in the community you love.

Join the mission of The Community West Foundation to advance the health and well being of our community.

Contact the Community West Foundation for more information.

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What an eventful year it was! A series of special activities helped to keep enthusiasm at a peak and carry our Illuminating Hope message to the community. We are humbled by the generosity of our donors, sponsors, and the tremendous hard work and dedication of our volunteers. This year we are pleased to report that an incredible $1.1 million was raised through all of our special events.

The loyalty and continued interest of our supporters is even more appreciated as a sign that our efforts to care for the health and well being of our community are successful. We highlight some of our best loved events and the people who have demonstrated their kindness and support. We are deeply grateful.

“*If you haven’t any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble.*”

Bob Hope

Straight from the Heart is a Heart Throbbing Success

Over 550 guests attended the Straight from the Heart Red Tie Gala and celebrated raising over $200,000 to support Heart Services.

Meg Leneghan, Gwen Print, Mary Horoszko and Eileen Lupton were on “The Best Red Dressed” list!
Over 500 runners participated in the 2nd annual Run for the Young at Crocker Park. The event helps to raise awareness and attention to the importance of healthy living choices in children. There was wonderful support from the community of friends and neighbors who participated in this fun filled day that raised over $53,000 for a new youth wellness program to combat childhood obesity.

The Caring Continues

The Caring Continues benefit was started by Bill Cochrane and his sister, KC Cimo, to increase philanthropic support for the needs of cancer patients. Bill lost his wife, Barbara, to cancer and the event continues as a tribute to her life. We are so thankful for the support of patrons and sponsors who helped to raise over $20,000 for the Caring Continues Fund for the Moll Cancer Center, which provides financial support to cancer patients receiving treatment.

A Celebration of Life

The Gift of Life Gala drew more than 250 generous friends to support Fairview Hospital’s Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). We are truly blessed and benefit from a level of commitment from the community that few could hope to match – the celebration raised $81,000.
Drive for Life

The Drive for Life Golf Outing was another outstanding day with 160 enthusiastic golfers and two fabulous flights. Thanks to the generosity of many, over $54,000 was raised for the Caring Continues Fund to provide financial assistance for patients being treated at the Fairview Hospital Moll Cancer Center.

"Community West Foundation supported special events that raised $1.1 million for the hospitals, extending our ability to provide medical services for the community."

Fred DeGrandis, President and CEO, Cleveland Clinic Regional Hospitals

Triumph for the Cure

We had a great turnout of 116 golfers at the Triumph for the Cure outing that raised over $20,000 for the Breast Health Center at Fairview Hospital. Proceeds will benefit the WISH Program (Woment Into Saving Their Health) which will bring mammograms to those in underprivileged areas.

Their teamwork paid off! Dorothy Ginley-Bahm, Jenn Brooke, Donna Coury and Becky Busa turned in the day's low score of 67!
Moonlight in the City a Shining Success

The magical Moonlight in the City Gala attracted 300 guests and raised nearly $80,000 for Lutheran Hospital, which has a long history of serving our community. The event, held at the Silver Grille, was the perfect setting for the nostalgic evening.

Bikers were Revved Up for the Toy Run

The Harley-Davidson Toy Run was a big success, drawing more than 500 bikers riding in support of Fairview Hospital’s Pediatric Unit. This was the 14th consecutive ride, which brought toys, stuffed animals and $3,050 in support for the kids.

Thank you to the Lake Erie Harley-Davidson Owners Group and riders for bringing smiles to pediatric patients. Well done!

Dr. Sudhir Ken Mehta, Chair, Department of Pediatrics, Fairview Hospital; Gary Klemens, Toy Run Founder; Jan Murphy, President, Fairview Hospital; and Mike Stevens, President, Lake Erie Harley-Davidson, celebrate the Toy Run’s success!

The always charming Dr. Ted waves to gala guests.

Dr. Mark Frankel, Chief of Staff, Lutheran Hospital and Dr. David Perse, Lutheran Hospital President, were pleased by the generosity of long time friends and patrons.
The 2009 Community Service Awards, presented by Fairview, Lutheran and Lakewood Hospitals, recognized outstanding leadership through community service.

Peggy Zone Fisher, who has enthusiastically served on the Community West Foundation Board since 2006 was among the recipients. As President and CEO of the Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio, Peggy’s work helps promote understanding and respect among all races, cultures, and religions.

Betty Kemper, President and CEO of the Kemper House, was also honored. A long time friend of the Foundation, Betty is a member of the Foundation’s Legacy Society and, along with her husband, John, was the 2006 Art of Caring Award recipient. She also generously opened a Donor Advised Fund at the Foundation to support her passion for Alzheimer’s patient care.

As part of their award, Community West Foundation also presented a $500 donation to each recipient’s charity or organization of choice. Congratulations to all!
West Side Catholic Center presented Community West Foundation with its **Giving Hope Award** for generous financial support that has had a cumulative, transformational effect. This inaugural award was presented to Foundation President and CEO, David T. Dombrowiak, who accepted the Award on behalf of the Community West Foundation Board and staff members. Community West Foundation is deeply honored to be recognized by West Side Catholic Center in this manner.

“**Community West Foundation is truly visionary. They set a high standard for the inaugural Giving Hope award.**”

*Eric Haddad, Board President, West Side Catholic Center*

North Coast Health Ministry honored David T. Dombrowiak with the **2009 Community Champion Award**, recognizing his exceptional commitment to community through service and support. Mr. Dombrowiak, in accepting the Community Champion Award, captured the spirit of community with his address, “It has been said that, ‘The greatest honor of a man is doing good for his fellow man.’ Serving our fellow man is truly God’s work – there is no more noble endeavor that we could undertake with our lives,” commented Mr. Dombrowiak. “I may be standing here receiving this award, but the work that we do is the true reward.”
Community West Foundation staff visited nonprofit agencies serving our neighbors in need. They were so moved by their commitment and dedication, they made a donation in honor of the Community West Foundation Board of Trustees to The Community Women’s Shelter for a 24-hour stay, including three meals for 24 women; and 2100 Lakeside Men’s shelter to purchase 50 sets of bedding and towels, and two new beds, which will be used 350 nights per year by 16 different men.

Just weeks before Christmas, and all through our city are homeless and hungry, the sight is not pretty.

No sugar plums dancing around in their heads, only hope for a meal and perhaps a warm bed.

We will fill our cups with a warm beverage to drink, but what about them?...This caused us to think.

How can we further help those in need? a thought crossed our mind — a glorious deed!

A nice box of chocolates you were to receive, but this money could go further — we quickly perceived.

Blankets and pillows, warm food on their plate, this is the solution, a cause to elate!

Our mission fulfilled, a gift will be given to two organizations sheltering men and women.

Your service to our Board we truly hold dear,

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

By Carole Curtin

This poem, written by Carole Curtin, Executive Assistant to the President and CEO, was dedicated to the Board of Trustees in recognition of their valued contributions to our community.
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