



OAK PARK-RIVER FOREST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Strengthening Our Community Through Philanthropy

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SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF POSITION (2013 UNAUDITED)

DECEMBER 31, 2013

ASSETS: \$ 27,102,042

CONSISTING OF:

■ UNRESTRICTED & TEMPORARILY

RESTRICTED ASSETS \$ 14,558,953

■ RESTRICTED ASSETS \$ 12,543,089

TOTAL: \$ 27,102,042

ASSETS HELD FOR OTHERS:

THE RUSSELL AND JOSEPHINE KOTT

CHARITABLE TRUST : \$ 32,207,326

2013 HIGHLIGHTS

Our Community Foundation continues to grow assets and provide resources for philanthropy in our community. As we concluded our five-year strategic plan in 2013, we reviewed our seven visions for the Community Foundation.

Vision 1: Philanthropy is a way of life for all community members. With our Future Philanthropists program educating high school juniors and seniors; our Excellence in Philanthropy Awards which honor individuals, businesses, nonprofits, community groups and young people; our Women Leaders in Philanthropy, a cohort that continues to grow in numbers and philanthropic influence; and our engaged donors, we are closer to achieving that vision by promoting philanthropy in many phases of community life.

Vision 2: The Community Foundation's ethics, practices and values create a sense of belonging, capacity and well-being in people throughout the community. Our board governance and investment management practices meet the Council on Foundation's strictest standards. Externally, we have welcomed community member participation on our Grants & Program and Marketing committees. Most importantly, we have fostered a sense of belonging through our Communityworks partnership, engaging the community and sharing leadership toward accomplishment of identified aspirations.

Vision 3: The Community Foundation is a local resource and a trusted, valued partner with the community. In 2013, we have participated in District 200's strategic planning process, have worked with the Village of Oak Park on attracting resources for environmental sustainability, have provided technical training for nonprofits, coordinated peer-to-peer Skill Sharing participation for grantees with the Pierce Family Foundation, and brought in a national resource in board development, *BoardSource*, to provide their expertise on strategic planning for nonprofits. We have shared expertise on budgeting for technology, grant writing, social media, strategic planning, program evaluation, legal counsel and recruiting for diversity with thirty agencies such as The Animal Care League, The Historical Society of OPRF, The Oak Park Regional Housing Center, and the West Cook YMCA. Through half-day seminars, executive roundtables and collaboration with other foundations, we provide experiences to enhance knowledge and skills. We also continue to serve as trustee for the Russell and Josephine Kott Memorial Charitable Trust which brings additional resources for services to individuals with an emphasis on gerontology.

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Assets 2008-2013

Millions

\$40
\$30
\$20
\$10
\$0

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

2013

■ Community Foundation Assets

■ Russell and Josephine Kott Memorial Charitable Trust Assets

2013 GRANTS

We made grants to the following organizations from the Community Foundation's own Charitable Endowment, Field of Interest Funds, the Future Philanthropists Fund and our *Communityworks* Endowment:

- COLLABORATION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD
- DISTRICT 90: SECOND STEP PROGRAM
- DISTRICT 97: INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM
- DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY: THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM
- GREEN COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS
- HEPHZIBAH CHILDREN'S ASSOCIATION
- MAYWOOD FINE ARTS
- MUJERES LATINAS IN ACCION
- OAK PARK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
- OAK PARK EDUCATION FOUNDATION
- OAK PARK FESTIVAL THEATER
- OAK PARK REGIONAL HOUSING CENTER
- OAK PARK RIVER FOREST DAY NURSERY
- OAK PARK RIVER FOREST FOOD PANTRY
- OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS
- PACTT LEARNING CENTER
- PARENTHESIS
- PCC COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER
- PLEASANT HOME FOUNDATION
- PREVAIL OF ILLINOIS
- RIVER FOREST PUBLIC LIBRARY
- SARAH'S INN
- SEGUIN
- SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER OF OAK PARK & RIVER FOREST
- SEVEN GENERATIONS AHEAD
- STECKMAN STUDIOS
- STRIVE
- THE CHILDREN'S CLINIC
- VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
- WEST COOK YMCA
- WEST SUBURBAN PADS
- WEST SUBURBAN SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION

To learn more about these grants, please visit:

www.oprfcf.org/grants2013.htm

2013 Snapshot:

Total Funds Managed:	125
Donors in 2013:	978
Total Donations Received:	\$ 2,892,042
In Dollars--	
Total grants:	\$ 913,727
Total Scholarships:	\$ 855,545
Total distributed:	\$ 1,769,272

2013 HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED

Vision 4: The Community Foundation is a unique catalyst for attracting managing and distributing funds in the community. Because we are a trusted local resource, the Community Chest of Oak Park, River Forest & Forest Park merged with us in December, 2013, providing an endowed fund with substantial assets for grants to nonprofits. We also welcomed the West Suburban Auxiliary Fund and the Resurrection Health Care Fund to our family of funds and now distribute health grants annually. Testamentary gifts build assets here as well, the most recent of which added a million dollars to the Virginia Bennett Austin endowed fund to benefit local nonprofits.

Vision 5: The Community Foundation operates within a strategic and sustainable framework. In 2013, seven new community members joined our board with expertise in a variety of management fields. We added an experienced nonprofit professional, Rhea Yap, to our staff as our Donor and Grants Officer. We launched an entirely new website to make access to us easier on any device. And we have upgraded our customer relations management and financial management software. This move will allow future enhancements such as real time access for fundholders to information about their funds, on-line grant making and electronic scholarship processing. And we continued to grow our asset base in 2013 -- a 15% increase from \$23 to \$27 million.

Vision 6: Young People are nurtured and realize their potential. Last year, the Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation distributed more than \$1.7 million in grants and scholarships. Grants to nonprofits totalled \$917,727. Recipients included Hephzibah Children's Association, Oak Park Education Foundation, Oak Park-River Forest Food Pantry, and The Children's Clinic, among dozens of others. More than \$855,000 in scholarships were distributed to students. Beyond immediate funding, *Communityworks* has partnered with a national resource, *Strive Together* to support the development of a Cradle to Career civic infrastructure and community plan in Oak Park and River Forest. Utilizing a collective impact model, foundation staff convenes leaders from across sectors to develop a shared vision and road map to ensure the success of all youth.

Vision 7: Our Community is a steward of the environment. In 2013, *Communityworks* Environmental Sustainability Plan for Oak Park & River Forest, *PlanItGreen*, completed its first full year of implementation. An 11-page Year One Report Card and 9-page Institutional addendum describes a year of activity across the plan's nine key sustainability areas. Highlights include: Village of Oak Park community choice energy aggregation and renewable energy procurement; commercial and residential food scrap collection; zero waste event training; water conservation video production; multiple energy efficiency upgrade programs and implementation projects; green business initiatives; the sustainable teachers network; public transit; and identification of targets for 2014.

With the creation of a new strategic plan in 2014, we continue to look to our donors, partners and residents for guidance and for new opportunities to strengthen our community through philanthropy.