

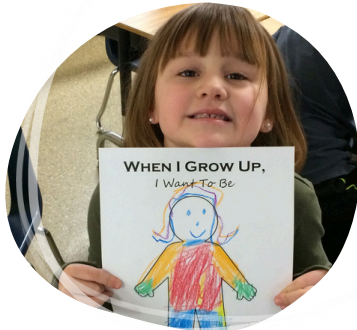
come together for EDUCATION.



For decades, the Community Foundation for Muskegon County has been committed to **advancing education** across all ages. Our goal is to foster **lifelong literacy** and ensure **equitable learning opportunities** for everyone. By contributing to or establishing an Education Fund, you create impactful, adaptable resources that support Muskegon County learners—today and for generations to come.



Learn more about your giving options.



Each year, since 2018, nearly 2,000 savings accounts are created for area kindergarteners. The Community Foundation funds these savings accounts with an initial \$50 deposit. The **KickStart to Career** program promotes academic success, career exploration, essential life skills and financial literacy.

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Our investment of over \$300,000 helped launch the popular **Muskegon Area Promise** program, which offers up to two years of tuition at Muskegon Community College or Baker College for high school graduates who meet the program requirements.



The **Welcome Home Scholarship** awards up to \$15,000 to educators - new graduates or experienced professionals who move to and work in Muskegon County. This unique scholarship supports expenses such as student loan repayment, continuing education, home down payments, and more.



All Muskegon County residents should feel empowered and encouraged to pursue their dreams, hone in their gifts, and give back to our community. **Adult Student Scholarships** support people who return to education later in life, typically after a gap following initial schooling years.



Give today at MuskegonFoundation.org

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With your generosity and commitment, we are **building a vibrant community with great opportunities for all.**



Start an Education Fund in your name with \$5,000 or build up to one with a \$500 annual gift for ten years. You can give via check or credit card (\$42 monthly auto-recurring), or a tax-smart stock transfer or tax-free distribution from your IRA (age 70.5+).

JOYCE KIMBALL LEMIEUX EDUCATION FUND

Joyce Lemieux, a former teacher, Big Red, and U of M grad with a master's in library science, values education and still reads avidly in her late 90s. Her grandson, Josh Silvis, disagrees with her modesty and started this fund as a Christmas gift, saying, **“Other than my parents, no one has shaped me more.”** This strategic fund celebrates her love of literature and supports education in Muskegon County.

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* These generous funds support childcare and/or youth, and often make grants supporting related education initiatives.



To boost reading and writing skills for **Muskegon County youth**, we teamed up with MAISD and local school districts to launch the **Literacy Coach** project. Literacy Coaches support K-3 teachers, building strategies to foster **confident, lifelong readers and writers.**



Middle Vision, a pilot in two Muskegon school districts, connects **middle school students** to real-world experiences. Students **explore** career opportunities, **learn** design thinking, and **develop** important teamwork skills.

Contact Heidi, Pete, or Bonita at development@muskegonfoundation.org or call 231.722.4538 to learn more!