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Dear Friends,

As these words of greeting are being written, our community, along with every other, finds itself in the throes of the COVID-19 pandemic. In a way more real than ever, history is being written before our eyes. It is being shaped by words and concepts previously unfamiliar to us - quarantine, social distancing, working remotely, e-learning, shelter in place, N95. Our ability to gather and move about freely has been suspended by executive order. Much has changed, seemingly overnight.

While this Gratitude Report is unveiled during a time of challenge and uncertainty, it reveals a glimpse into the heart of our community and what will ultimately be the source of recovery, resilience and strength – **our people**. The people of Porter County love where they live and embrace the opportunity to maximize their generosity for the good of others.



The pages of this report reflect but a sampling of the ways in which your Community Foundation has been privileged to engage with folks to help them love where they live and the good that results from that work. Yes, much has changed, but the fact remains that a gift to an endowment fund is an enduring expression of how much we care about our community. **Read on. Be inspired. Love where you live!**

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FINANCIALS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As of December 31, 2019

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,270,867
Investments	57,146,416
Pledges receivable	18,289
Prepaid expenses	290
Property and equipment, net	2,404,646
Investments held under charitable remainder trust	82,871
Beneficial interest in charitable remainder trusts	995,035
TOTAL ASSETS	\$62,918,414

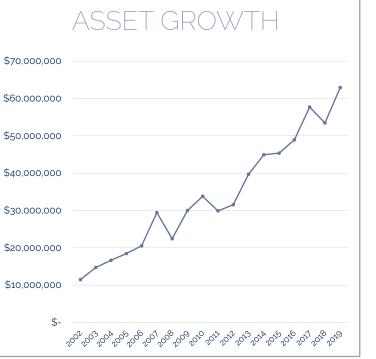
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	
LIABILITIES	
Grants payable	\$155,170
Gift annuities payable	119,932
Liability under charitable	
remainder trusts	70,166
Custodial funds	14,273,753
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$14,619,021
NET ASSETS	
Without donor restrictions	
Operating	3,147,496
Board designated	
administrative endowments	1,110,578
Board designated reserve	688,388
	4,946,462
With donor restrictions	
Restricted for specified purpose	6,974,458
Restricted due to time restraints	1,007,740
Endowment funds	35,370,733
	43,352,931
TOTAL NET ASSETS	48,299,393
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$62,918,414

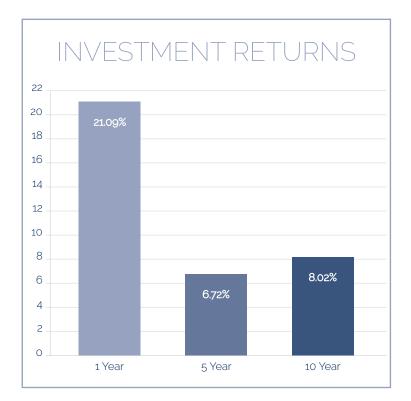
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the year ended December 31, 2019

SUPPORT & REVENUES

SUFFURI & REVENUES	
Contributions and grants	\$4,524,928
Investment return, net	7,112,167
Fund administrative fees	600,294
Change in value of split	
interest agreements	13,868
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUES	\$12,251,257
EXPENSES	
Program services	\$2,368,269
Management & general	337,143
Fundraising	511,627
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,217,039
Change in net assets	
before fund transfers	9,034,218
Fund transfers	- 0 -
Change in net assets	9,034,218
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	39,265,175
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$48,299,393

TOTAL ASSETS \$62.9m





Consultants: Investments: Mason Investment Advisory Services. Auditors: Blue & Co. Audited financial statements and Form 990 are available upon request.

TOTAL GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED SINCE 1996 **\$31.4***m*

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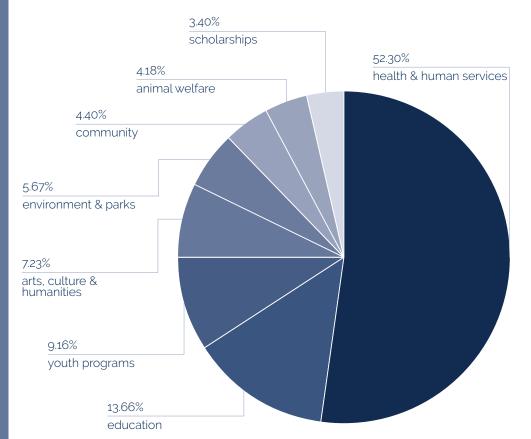
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TOTAL GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED IN 2019

\$1.9*m*













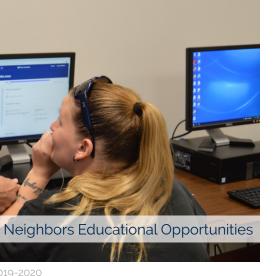
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- Act with Kindness
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- Work Collaboratively
- Grow

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