

BAINBRIDGE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



GRANTMAKING FINAL REPORT 2015



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An Overview

At the close of another busy year, it's time to take stock at the Bainbridge Community Foundation. Currently, Foundation assets total just under **\$12 million**; BCF witnessed a **7% growth** in assets from January 1st. The Foundation attracted **five new Donor Advised Funds** in 2015, and **one new Agency Endowment**. Our 2015 grantmaking metrics **exceeded 2014** at every measure.



2015 Grantmaking Highlights

Total funds granted 2015:

\$469,069

\$371,320 in 2014

Number of 2015 Grants Awarded:

271

205 in 2014

Number of 2015 Donor Advised Fund (DAF) grants:

208

120 in 2014

Largest grant awarded in 2015 to one organization:

\$24,250

\$23,000 in 2014

Annual Community Grants Cycle:

\$195,202

\$165,109 in 2014

"Please continue what you're doing. The Foundation's ability to be strategic, nimble, and responsive to community needs is what enables us all to do the work we do. Thank you."



KIDS DISCOVERY MUSEUM

KiDiMu
Kids Discovery Museum

Bainbridge Community Foundation in 2015

Internal Developments

As we continue to grow our role in the Bainbridge Island community, BCF also expanded this year, adding four new Trustees to the Board. We added Cris Beattie and Marcia Hastings, both members of our evaluation team, who joined new trustees Proctor Schenk and Alex Torres in 2015.

In addition, the Foundation refined grants procedures to improve operations and efficiency. In 2015, this commitment to excellence and a spirit of philanthropic leadership produced the following developments:

BCF kicked off 2015 with its annual Community Nonprofit Survey and Sector Gatherings, now in its fourth year. This event continues to educate BCF and partner grant makers about the needs, strengths, and challenges of the Bainbridge Island nonprofit community and the individuals they serve.

We upgraded the Foundation's accounting and grants to a new cloud-based system, Smalldog Net Solutions. This allows for better integration with our website and faster access for fund advisors making grant requests.

We brought fund accounting systems in-house, which reduced overhead expenses as the need for an outside contractor to provide this service was eliminated.

We expanded our annual Inspiring Work Celebration, which celebrates the work of our grantee organizations funded by the Community Grant Cycle, to include partnerships with One Call for All and the Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island.



community foundations. He also conducted research on statistical trends in health and human services needs on Bainbridge Island.

We developed and implemented a valuable partnership with the City of Bainbridge Island to support human services funding.

In addition to our three staff members, we sent six Foundation Trustees to the annual Washington Community Foundation Convening hosted by Philanthropy Northwest.

We brought on Jack Riley, a summer intern from Bainbridge Youth Services. In the six weeks he worked over the summer, Riley learned about philanthropy and the role of

“As the island moves ever forward in embracing all forms of diversity, we all reap the benefit of more perspectives on the world and a deeper wisdom about what is possible and how we can support each other.”

ISLAND TIME ACTIVITIES



Joel Sackett Photography

Bainbridge Community Foundation 2015 Grantmaking

Bainbridge Community Foundation's grantmaking comprises three distinct programs: our **Community Grants Cycle**, our **Capacity-Building Grants**, and our **Scholarships**. The following pages provide a snapshot of grants distributed this year and what we've learned from final reports on last year's grantmaking.

About The Community Grants Cycle (CGC)

Established in 2005, the Community Grants Cycle is the heart of the Bainbridge Community Foundation's annual giving. Now in its tenth year, this granting program continued to grow in 2015; this year's Community Grants Cycle was supported by 17 donor advised fund partners and 1 private foundation—the largest number of community partners supporting a CGC funding cycle to date. Five of these seventeen Donor Advised Funds were new partners, joining BCF to support our causes for the first time ever in 2015. The Foundation's evaluation team also continued to expand; this year, 13 new volunteers joined the CGC Evaluation Team, for a total of 35 members. We also observed growing interest and investment in the nonprofit community: 13 organizations applied for funding from the 2015 CGC that had never applied before – and 11 of these organizations were funded, reflecting strong proposals from healthy organizations.

"We took BCF's advice to ask for a specific suggested contribution (\$10), which increased the donation take this year!"

ISLAND THEATRE



2015 Community Grants Cycle Funding Partners

Alder Fund
Averill Park Fund
Gloria C. Brownell Fund*
Crocker Family Fund
Hastings Family Fund*
Hilderman Fund
Hillside Fund*
Bob & Judy Karr Family Fund
Michael & Leslie Lebeau
Philanthropic Fund
Maggi Rogers Fund
Michael Milligan & Jeanne E Fund*
Peters Fund for a Sustainable Community
Plan B Fund
Quail Roost Foundation
Saber Fund
Sada Ross Fund
Sophia Fund
Webster Family Fund*

*Denotes new funding partner in 2015

The 2015 CGC Evaluation Team

Bainbridge Community Foundation would like to recognize and thank the following individuals for serving on the 2015 CGC Evaluation Team:

Lynn Agnew, Sector Chair*
Judy Karr, Sector Chair*
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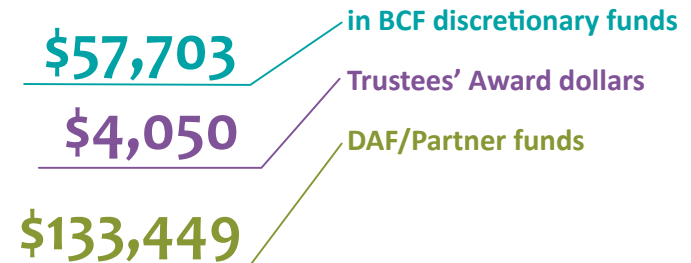
2015 Community Grants Cycle Awardees

Bainbridge Arts and Crafts
 Bainbridge Cooperative Nursery School
 Bainbridge High School Band Boosters
 Bainbridge Island Arts & Humanities Council
 Bainbridge Island Historical Museum
 Bainbridge Island Land Trust
 Bainbridge Island Museum of Art
 Bainbridge Island Parks & Recreation
 Bainbridge Island Rowing
 Bainbridge Island Special Needs Foundation
 Bainbridge Performing Arts
 Bainbridge Schools Foundation
 Bainbridge Youth Services
 Bloedel Reserve
 Boys & Girls Clubs of King County
 Coffee Oasis
 Dispute Resolution Center of Kitsap County
 EcoAdapt
 Friends of the Farms
 Holly Ridge Center
 Hospice of Kitsap County
 Housing Resources Bainbridge
 IslandWood
 Island Theatre
 Island Time Activities
 Island Volunteer Caregivers
 Kids Discovery Museum
 Kitsap Adult Center for Education
 Kitsap Humane Society
 Kitsap Legal Services
 Lynwood Community Market
 Martha & Mary
 North Kitsap Fishline
 Odyssey PTO
 One Call for All
 OUT There Adventures
 Owen's Playground
 PAWS of Bainbridge and North Kitsap
 Peacock Family Center
 Raising Resilience
 Salish Sea Expeditions
 Scarlet Road
 Sustainable Bainbridge
 Washington State Smile Partners
 West Sound Treatment Center
 Yama, Project, Olympic College Foundation
 YWCA of Kitsap County

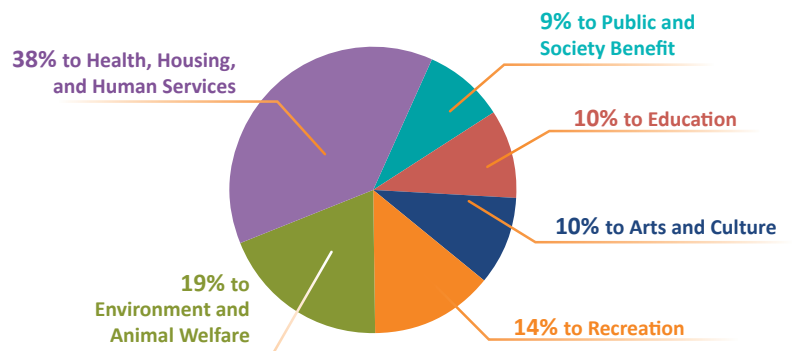
The 2015 Community Grants Cycle At-A-Glance

In 2015, BCF and its partners funded **48** out of **51** eligible proposals (94%). Of the **48** successful proposals, **27** requests (56%) were fully funded.

The 2015 Community Grants Cycle Awarded **\$195,202!**

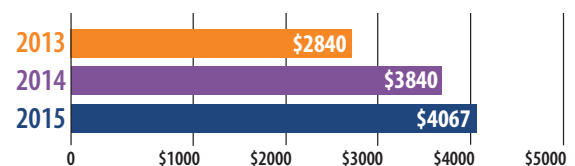


Funds Were Awarded Across All Sectors

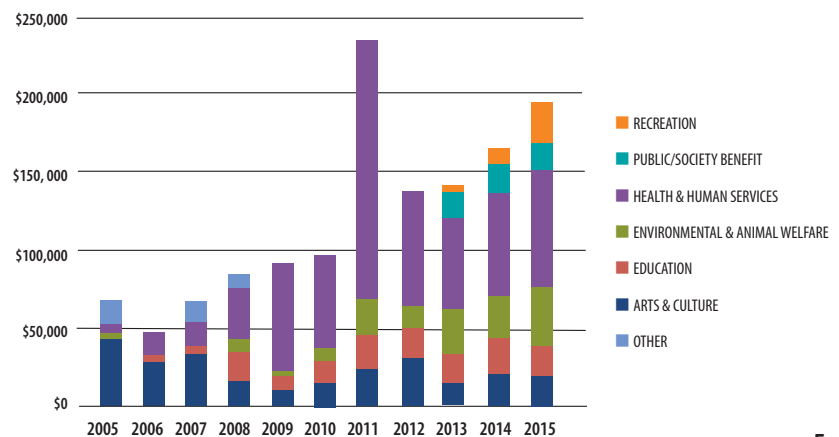


BCF intentionally makes grants to all sectors of the community, recognizing the importance of balancing the needs of various constituencies.

Average Grant Award Increase 2013 - 2015



Community Grants Cycle 2005-2015 • Total Dollars Granted by Year and Sector



Completed Projects: The 2014 Community Grants Cycle

This past autumn the Foundation received Final Reports from grantees of our 2014 Community Grants Cycle. These detailed summary reports allow us to update you on the effectiveness of that year's CGC at this time.

Impact of the 2014 Community Grant Cycle

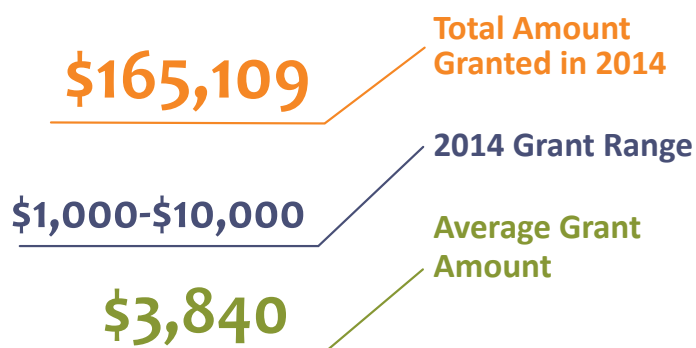
The following accounts provide a sample of what our grantee organizations accomplished in and for the community as a result of 2014 CGC funding:

The 2014 Community Grants Cycle At-A-Glance

43: Total number of grants made in 2014

22: Proposals fully funded in 2014

All but two organizations met the expectations of their grant proposals; the two organizations that didn't quite fulfill their goals still made important progress, and one anticipated fulfilling their plans by the close of 2015.



Twenty-three artists participated in an exhibition of dizzyingly diverse media including watercolors, photography, drawings, and prints – but also metal sculpture, porcelain, cut paper, and books dedicated entirely to representing Bainbridge Island. (Bainbridge Arts & Crafts)

Twenty-four students served in the fifth-annual Student Conservation Corps last summer, removing invasive species from a number of local parks and nature preserves; twenty-two of these students stayed on for an additional weeklong work session to clear conservation easements. In total, these students treated 133 acres of land, clearing nearly 1,200 trees of English ivy in a single summer. (Bainbridge Island Land Trust)

A weekly library visit and follow-up discussion group was instituted for islanders with developmental disabilities, as was a weekly ***SUPER SCIENCE*** class. (Bainbridge Island Special Needs Foundation)

A collaborative effort to unite community at a late-summer outdoor event for families brought 900 people to an all-day celebration at the Bloedel Reserve (150% of the anticipated 600 attendees). (Bloedel Reserve)



Thirty students from Sonoji Sakai Intermediate School completed Conflict Club training, which teaches preteens how to develop strong communication skills in order to improve confidence and cultivate a positive approach to conflict situations. In addition, this year a conflict training course was also offered to parents. (Dispute Resolution Center of Kitsap County)

High-quality hospice care and grief and bereavement services were offered to 578 patients from all economic backgrounds and their families. In 2014, over \$44,000 of subsidized care was provided to individuals who could not afford to pay for services. (Hospice of Kitsap County)

A weekend festival of sixteen ten-minute plays by local playwrights played to sold-out houses (500 tickets in all), and demand was so great that audiences lined up outside the theatre before the event to secure the best seats. (Island Theatre)

A diverse panel of 21 community programs and events attracted more than 3,700 participants to engage with the out-of-doors through trail walks, presentations on local flora and fauna, and festivals of local culture. (IslandWood)

Low-cost spay/neuter programs treated over 4,600 animals in 2014. The results of this effective program continue to be felt in the community, as the number of homeless pets in Kitsap County declined for the eleventh year in a row. (Kitsap Humane Society)

Over 170 vulnerable households were provided emergency housing assistance in 2014: eviction was prevented for 68 households, 28 households were helped with rehousing, and 75 households were assisted in finding and paying for emergency housing. (North Kitsap Fishline)

An all-volunteer community internet radio station was launched on Bainbridge Island; it currently produces 8 recurring podcasts, each of which produces approximately 180 episodes per year. By June, 180 of these podcasts had been downloaded more than 15,000 times (averaging 85 downloads per podcast episode). (Sustainable Bainbridge)

Fifty-two local youth attended job preparation classes and/or job training internships this year; within six months, 90% of youth who attended job training internships were successful in acquiring employment. (The Coffee Oasis)

"We were overwhelmed by the help we so desperately needed and received from you."

NORTH KITSAP FISHLINE



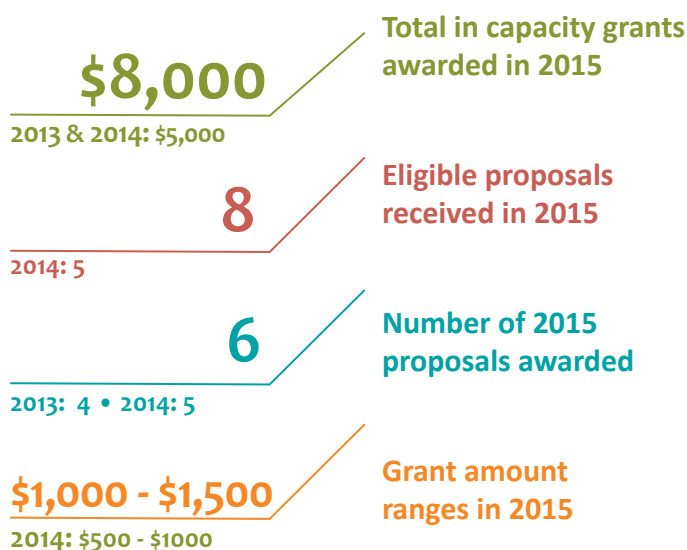
Bloedel Reserve Photo © Steven Stolee

Capacity-Building Grants 2014 and 2015

Now in its third year, Bainbridge Community Foundation's Capacity-Building Grants support organizations that are actively striving to improve the efficiency and efficacy of their work. Grants focus on supporting an organization's internal capacity, and fund projects that must be completed within six months. Grants are awarded in December and then the organizations have the following January through June to complete their proposal. In 2015, the Capacity-Building Grants cycle focused on nonprofit Board and staff development in the areas of governance, planning, and training.

2015 Capacity Building Grants At-A-Glance (grant period Jan 1 - June 30, 2016)

The 2015 Capacity-Building Grants Cycle awarded **\$8,000** in grants • **Eight** eligible proposals were received • **Six** of these (75%) were awarded • **Five** of the six successful proposals (83%) were fully funded • Grant amounts ranged from **\$1,000 to \$1,500**.



2014 Capacity Building Grants At-A-Glance

(grant period Jan 1 - June 30, 2015)

Total Amount Granted: **\$5,000** • Grant range: **\$500 to \$1,000** • Average grant amount: **\$1,000** • Organizations awarded: **Five**

Number of 2014 grantees who met expectations:

All but one organization completed their proposed capacity-building projects during the grant period. The organization that did not reported steady progress and expected to complete the project by the end of 2015

Impact of the 2014 Capacity-Building Grants

With funding from the 2014 Capacity-Building Grants cycle, our five grantee organizations were able to accomplish the following:

Friends of the Farms hired an outside consultant to review the organization's history and core values

documents and use this information to generate a new Strategic Plan, utilizing input from both the organization's Board and community stakeholders. This new strategic plan includes a revised mission statement, new goals and strategies, an action plan to accomplish the organization's goals, and new metrics to measure success and assess internal efficiency.

Bainbridge Chorale was able to register for courses in communication planning and fundraising training.

The organization has observed that these ongoing education classes have sparked new excitement and increased engagement among Board members.

Bainbridge Island Rowing hired financial consultants to work with Board and staff to prepare the organization for its first capital campaign,

including training Board members on best policies and procedures, how to improve financial record keeping, and teaching board to prepare 990 and tax forms.

KiDiMu Leadership team worked with a consultant to develop a strong foundation and clear design for the organization's upcoming volunteer program;

discussion of the role and function of volunteers at the Museum also produced greater clarity about the role and function of the Museum in the community.

Raising Resilience partnered with a consultant to produce a mission statement, create clear and targeted organizational objectives.

They establish a working calendar for activities (including planning and evaluation) that still provides room for the organization to respond nimbly to changing circumstances and needs of their constituency.

2015 Scholarships

Bainbridge has awarded over **\$118,000** in scholarships to date. In 2015, Bainbridge Community Foundation awarded eight scholarships, totaling **\$17,500**. **Six** of these scholarships were awarded to Bainbridge High School students:



Bainbridge High School Class of 1961 Scholarships:

Sierra Dewey and Corryn Johnson

Bainbridge High School Class of 1962 Scholarships:

Morgan Blevins and Anna Warga

Bainbridge Music & Arts Legacy Scholarship:

Nicholas Stahl

George and Betty Munro Scholarship:

Elsa Hager



In addition to the Bainbridge High School grants, **two Wendy Jackson Hall Scholarships** were awarded to outstanding artists from across Washington State. These scholarships are renewable, allowing recipients to apply for a second year of funding. In 2015, the Wendy Jackson Hall Scholarships were awarded to the following students:

Alaina Scheffer, who is receiving this scholarship for a second year is attending Western Washington University in Bellingham.

Carly McCartney, who is receiving this scholarship for the first time is attending Cornish College of the Arts In Seattle.

"This grant helped BSF demonstrate credibility and trustworthiness to the larger community."

**BAINBRIDGE SCHOOLS
FOUNDATION**



Bainbridge Community Foundation

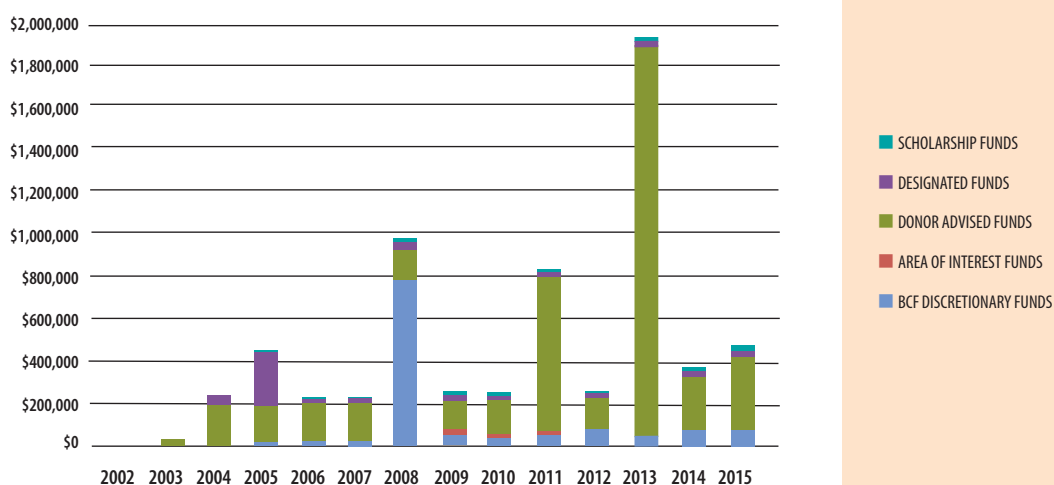
History of Grantmaking, 2002-2015

Overall Grantmaking Highlights

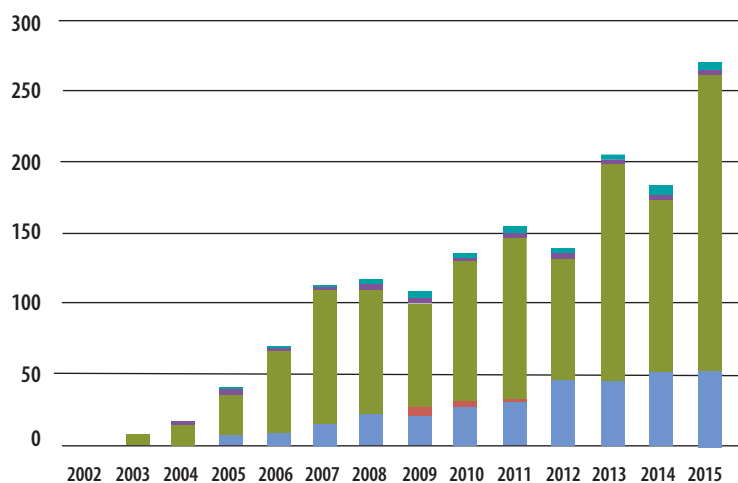
In 2015, **271** grants of all types were made, totaling **\$469,069**. This year, we had three Agency Fund grants, totaling **\$16,315**, and one Designated Fund grant of **\$13,163**. In keeping with past practice, Designated & Agency Funds are added together for reporting.

Cumulatively, BCF has made **1,560** grants that total **\$6,518,503** since 2002.

Total Dollars Granted by Year and Fund Type 2002-2015



Total Number of Grants by Year and Fund Type 2002-2015



2015 Bainbridge Community Foundation Grant Recipients

A Touch of Love Foundation	Friends of the Farms	Pacific Lutheran University for KPLU
AARP	Habitat for Humanity	PATH
Alzheimer's Association	Harvey Mudd College	PAWS of Bainbridge Island / North Kitsap
American Rivers	Heifer International	Peacock Family Center
Arts & Humanities Bainbridge	Holly Ridge Center	Planned Parenthood of the Great NW
Autism Speaks, Inc.	Hospice of Kitsap County	PTSO Odyssey School
Bainbridge Artisan Resource Network	Housing Resource Bainbridge	Puget Sound Restoration Fund
Bainbridge Arts & Crafts	Island Music Teachers Guild	Raising Resilience
Bainbridge Community Foundation	Island Theater	Salish Sea Expeditions
Bainbridge Cooperative Nursery School	Island Time Activities	Scarlet Road
Bainbridge High School Band Boosters	Island Volunteer Caregivers	Seattle Aquarium Society
Bainbridge Island Historical Museum	IslandWood	Seattle Opera
Bainbridge Island Land Trust	KBTC Association	Seattle Symphony Orchestra
Bainbridge Island Museum of Art	KCTS 9	Sierra Club Foundation
Bainbridge Island Parks Foundation	Kid's Discovery Museum	Snow Leopard Trust
Bainbridge Island Rowing	Kitsap Adult Center for Education	South Yuba River Citizens League
BI Senior Community Center	Kitsap Community Resources	Southern Poverty Law
Bainbridge Ometepe Sister Islands Assoc.	Kitsap Dispute Resolution	StandUp for Kids
Bainbridge Performing Arts	Kitsap Humane Society	Stanford University School of Law
Bainbridge Public Library	Kitsap Legal Services	Sustainable Bainbridge
Bainbridge Schools Foundation	KUOW	The Carter Center
Bainbridge Youth Services	Lynwood Community Market	The Coffee Oasis
Beechwood School	Madrona School	The Island School
Ben Towne Pediatric Cancer Research	Martha & Mary	The Little School
BI Parks Department / BI Parks Foundation	Medical Teams International	The Stanford Fund
BI Special Needs Foundation	Mercy Corps	The Thacher School
BI Youth Soccer	Mobility Impaired Golf Association	United Way of Kitsap County
Bloedel Reserve	Montessori Country School	Ventura County Community Foundation
Boys & Girls Club	Multiple Sclerosis Portland	Volunteers in Asia
Burlington Rotary Foundation	National MS Society - NW Chapter	Washington State Smile Partners
California Institute of the Arts	National Resources Defense Council	Washington Wildlife & Recreation Coalition
Central Washington University	North Kitsap Fishline	We Care Solar
Childhaven	NOW	West Sound Treatment Center
Children's Museum of Tacoma	Olympic College Foundation	West Sound Wildlife Shelter
Clarke School for the Deaf	Olympic Music Festival	Western Washington University
Classical King FM 98.1	One Call for All	Whitman College
Conservation NW	Operation Nightwatch	Wilkes Elementary PTO
Cornish College of the Arts	Operation Smile, Inc.	Yes! Magazine
Doctors Without Borders	Out There Adventures	YWCA of Kitsap County
Eco Adapt	Ovation! Musical Theatre Bainbridge	
Emory University	Owen's Playground / BI Parks Foundation	



Our Mission

The mission of Bainbridge Community Foundation is to encourage, inspire and provide meaningful ways for people to enhance and sustain our community through philanthropy.

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Westsound Wildlife Shelter Photo © Steven Stolee

My thanks to BCF's Donor Advisors who so generously support the nonprofits through their grantmaking. And to all of our volunteers who make our annual Community Grants Cycle possible and without whom I'd be lost.

I also wish to acknowledge Jim Hopper and our Board of Trustees for so strongly supporting our grantmaking programs; the heart of the Foundation's work.

And lastly, my gratitude to Sarah Guthu for her help in crafting the text, Theona Jundanian for proofreading, Steve Stolee and Regina Bellody for allowing the use of several of their photos, and Jeanette Alexander Graphic Design for the fabulous new layout of this report.

I hope you enjoyed reading it as much as we enjoyed creating it.

*All my best,
Debbie*

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