Advantages of Creating A Fund with the Rockland Community Foundation

• We enable donors have a say in how their monies are being used. You choose the type of fund you wish to establish and determine the degree to which you are involved in its disbursement.

• Our funds are sustainable. Many will continue to support the causes for which they were created for many lifetimes.

• We are solid, credible and reliable. We hold ourselves to a strict set of guidelines, adhere to a stringent investment policy, and thoroughly vet all grant requests. We take our accountability to our fundholders very seriously.

• Almost 100% of the monies placed in our funds are used for the purpose for which they were established. As a community foundation, less than 2% of our donor fund revenues are used for general operations. Not many non-profits can match our efficiency.

• Giving is easy! Funds can be set up in as little as 24 hours. Should you wish to make a donation from your fund to a non-profit cause, all that is required is the completion of a short form.

• We handle your charitable filings. For those with $2 million or less to invest, forming a private foundation can be cost-prohibitive. Fees for lawyers, accountants, audits and filings are an excessive burden. At RCF, we do this for you!

Why I Opened A Fund

James Vernard Leenhouts Scholarship

"Transferring my brother’s scholarship to the Rockland Community Foundation was the right decision for our family, especially as part of our estate planning. Our lawyer suggested we reach out to RCF and in doing so allowed us peace of mind that this annual student award will live on in perpetuity. They have been helpful in all aspects of managing this scholarship and we know working with them was absolutely the right thing to do."

Joan and Stuart Bornstein
The Rockland Community Foundation is governed by a working volunteer board of Directors. Since the inception of the RCF, making a meaningful impact on philanthropy in Rockland across a broad spectrum of causes has been the Board's central mission. Personally I feel this to be as critical a cause as any because of the multiplicative effect of having a safe place for many people to dedicate their charity to causes important to them.

RCF has concluded a very successful year where we revamped our marketing materials, opened our headquarters and hired our first full time Executive Director. Now, as President of the Board, I am charged with leveraging this great work and focusing our efforts on motivating more people to open funds, start scholarships and donate directly to the operations of the RCF. Being committed to our cause means being committed to sustaining the financial health of our organization so we can be here for generations to come.

I ask that as you read this annual report you think about which causes are important to you and how you can do more to help. Consider opening a fund if you haven’t already. Consider making a donation to the RCF such as through our Leadership Circle, or consider making a donation to one of the funds in RCF’s portfolio. We know there are many ways to give and we hope you allow us to help strengthen your power of giving.

Visit www.Rocklandgives.org to view the many opportunities to make Rockland an even better place to live, work and raise a family.

Ariel Aufgang, AIA
Board President

Since I started my journey as Executive Director at RCF, I have been privileged to look at Rockland County through a new lens – A lens that focuses on community, the amazing spirit of philanthropy and true sense of caring that is part of the place we call home.

Rockland Community Foundation supports a wide range of critical initiatives such as education, health/well-being, and other social impact issues - all through the funds we steward. Hundreds of community foundations are located throughout the country, and they are playing an increasing larger role in improving their communities by helping to build capacity and enhance the philanthropic fabric of their regions.

Our growth this year has been exciting. With this growth, of course, comes new responsibility and new opportunities. We welcome you to be part of this journey and to help us to connect, influence and do philanthropy right in Rockland County. Let’s collectively embrace and grow the vitality of the Rockland Community Foundation.

Julie L. Sadowski
Executive Director
During the past year, Rockland Community Foundation realized several significant milestones. We grew the number of funds that we steward by over 7 percent, engaged new members of the community and built upon our rebranding campaign. RCF continues to be the only public fund-based nonprofit in Rockland County that supports a broad range of charitable organizations and causes in our community.

What is a Community Foundation?
A community foundation is a tax-exempt, non-profit charitable organization with a mission to improve the quality of life by increasing local charitable giving. Community Foundations continue to make up one of the fastest growing sectors of philanthropy in the United States today. Currently, there are over 750 Community Foundations in the country.

Our website, www.rocklandgives.org received a new look, highlighting the rebranding of RCF with easier navigation and better functionality for our fundholders.

RCF established office space in Stony Point, NY in 2019. Many joined us for a celebratory ribbon cutting.
Rockland Community Foundation's funds continue to build the philanthropic fabric of our county. These funds represent an investment for present and future issues and needs, all in the place we call home. Our mission continues to focus on the connection of people and places with the causes that matter most to us. While each fund has a specific focus, they all share one key tenet—the desire to create a better community. This list represents funds during the fiscal year 2018-2019.

The Rockland Community Foundation General Fund gives to the General Fund assist and support the work of the Rockland Community Foundation in meeting the needs of our community and allows the Community Foundation to direct money to where they are needed most.

ACT for Animals Fund supports groups and individuals who Advocate for animal rights and protection of plants and animals, and promote a kinder, more understanding society.

Andrew Norman Social Justice Fund provides funding for projects and organizations engaged in promoting peace, equal rights, tolerance and acceptance in our community.

Anne and Pat Byrne Charitable Trust was established to support charitable organizations that respond to worthwhile needs for the purpose of improving social welfare.

Arts Fund provides fund for individuals and organizations engaged in expanding the availability of art for everyone.

Ashland Tobacco Partner Charitable Fund provides for support for charitable causes through the fund's annual golf tournament.

Avustrali Goldberg Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to foster a spirit of respect, tolerance and compassion in response to tensions learned from the Holocaust.

Aufgang Family Charitable Foundation endeavors to better the lives of challenged individuals and families with a focus on food security, human rights, health, housing, and education.

Blackbluff Foundation Fund provides support for charitable causes through the fund’s annual golf tournament.

Braudel Community Fund named for the Rockland Braudel Building Company. It is a broad-based charitable fund.

Christine Corday Salerno Scholarship and Community Fund provides financial support for a Rockland or Orange county student entering or currently enrolled in a college program supporting local community issues.

Christine Gallagher Scholarship Fund recognizes a Rockland County high school senior who has shown a demonstrated commitment towards the education and training of those with disabilities.

Clarkston Care Fund supports local families in need through camp scholarships and improves and enhances a broad range of park facilities, events and services within the Village of Clarkston.

Community Crisis Relief Fund provides assistance to non-profits, families and businesses affected by weather, flood or other disasters.

Congers Valley Cottage-Relay Foundation provides general support for the affected community.

Create Community Project Fund supports collaborative partnerships that allow us to recognize and empower our greatest resource for lasting peace, personal growth and strength each other.

David Kischler Memorial Scholarship Fund established to honor the memory of a friend who passed away too soon, is awarded to a Nassau High School graduating student who demonstrates a passion for music and the performing arts.

East Ramapo Community Fund for Public Education awards grants to support teacher-related enrichment programs and expanded learning opportunities for public school students in East Ramapo.

Education Fund provides funds for scholarships, tuition assistance and for organizations engaged in educational projects in our community.

Edward Hopper House Museum and Study Center Enlargement Fund will further the ongoing enhancement and capabilities of one of our most vital historical resources.

Environment Fund provides funds for projects and organizations working to protect our environment and to educate our community about the importance of the natural beauty of our county.

Fire Training Foundation Fund strives to enhance the available training for the 100% volunteer service the Rockland County. This fund allows us to build new or improve existing training programs and to repair existing training programs. It will enable our volunteer firefighters to operate safely and efficiently while helping our neighbors in very dangerous conditions.

Flaming/Flour Children’s Fund gives assistance to non-profit organizations that advocate for and support the well-being and rights of children and youth.

Food Pantry Grants provide vital support for Rockland County food pantries through an annual grant program.

Founders Fund provides ongoing support for the administration and operation of the Rockland Community Foundation.

G. Miras Scholarship Fund provides financial support for high school seniors interested in entering Rockland Community College’s Early Alert program, and whose parents live outside the ordinary or expected.

Gordon Center for Black Culture & Arts Fund is dedicated to commemorating the history and preserving the legacy of the cultural, educational and artistic development and enrichment of the African Diaspora through its programs and activities, including those which advocate social justice.

Green Cemetery Fund works to establish a sustainable alternative to conventional cemeteries by offering ecologically sound burial options that honor the dead while advocating a natural return to earth.

Green Meadow Waldorf School Scholarship Fund expands and transforms educational opportunity by providing scholarships to families in need.

Hannastone Neighborhood Fund shares support from one neighbor to another in the greater Hannastone area. The fund sponsors community-based activities such as annual Thanksgiving and Christmas Open houses to the public, free of charge and an annual Back to School Backpack Drive, ensuring our community’s youth have the tools they need for their academic success.

Health and Human Services Fund provides funds for food pantries and other organizations working to alleviate poverty and hunger in our county.

Hit The Animal Care Center Rebuild Fund is a project fund committed to acquiring a state-of-the-art facility designed specifically for animals that will move the Center to provide the highest standard of care to their shelter animals.

Hsang Chang Fund supports to a broad range of human needs including health, education, sports, community empowerment and social wellness in our local communities and the Caribbean. Its mission is to break down obstacles preventing the less fortunate from living normal lives.

James Vernard Leenhout’s Scholarship Fund the memory of James Leenhout, who was tragically killed in a car accident in 1986. This annual scholarship will be awarded to a Arlington, NY high school senior.

Jeffrey Kuehn Memorial Fund honors the memory of Board member and humanitarian Jeffrey Kuehn, by supporting his vision of locally-based charitable giving.

Joel T. & Mary A. Grant Memorial Fund awards grants and scholarships to Rockland County individuals and organizations whose efforts have enhanced our community through community service, the arts or historical preservation.

Judith H. Tracht Memorial Scholarship is awarded in remembrance to one graduating senior of the High School of the Arts of the School’s Achievement Center, for her in her continuing education.

Lindsey Stewart and Mark Leman Memorial Fund is a project fund whose goal is to lift the spirits of Rockland County’s and Rockland County’s memory, helping to avoid future bullying tragedies on the Hudson, as well as to provide charitable support for relevant causes.

Lipson Charitable Trust provides funds and responds to the needs of charitable organizations in our community.

Maria Verbanak Memorial Scholarship Fund is given to a Sullivan High School Senior who has the creative spirit of Maria – loving, skeptical friendship and friend who was loved reading and writing. She was a valued member of the Sullivan High School English/Glasser and graduated in 2018.

ML by Maria Luisa Scholarship Fund currently supports a valuable female graduating student in Rockland County, who has demonstrated a desire to learn and foster principals of civic and community involvement, issues around Social Justice, Inequality, and related interests supporting Fair Trade and Eco Projects.

Michelle A. Nevins Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to honor the memory of the Village of Hiliup’s Youth Center Program Director, provides Summer Camp and After School Program scholarships to children who are residents of the Village, and whose families have demonstrated need or special circumstances.

Mounted Police Foundation of Rockland County was established to raise funds to support mounted police officers provided by the Sheriff’s Office and provide them with equipment, funding for training and to help purchase emergency equipment to help support the force.

Multi Foundation Fund provides general charitable support.

Nancy’s Place Fund founded in memory of Nancy Allen, supports organizations helping children and the animals they love.

Neighborhood Pantry Fund supports the needs of food insecure and all families in S. Orange and surrounding communities.

New City Rams Fund provides funding for community projects in support of the New City Rams and Clarkston HS.

New Fundation Fund provides for support charitable causes through the funds and the Rockland Community Foundation.

Nykau Basics Fund supports a campaign and a movement focused on children 0-3 years of age, when 80% of brain development occurs, to ensure that every child in Rockland County is supported.

Nykau Young Writers Scholarship Fund recognizes two rising Nyack High School seniors, judged to have written and submitted the most outstanding prose or poetry.

Nyack Football Fund provides financial support for high school football, field hockey and the home and to acquire necessary equipment to help support the team.

Nyack Water Tower Fund provides financial support to enhance the structure and operate the Tower, from an annual donation and other support projects that have provided positive impact on the public health and wellness of the residents of the Nyack School district.

Paul & Mary Adler Charitable Fund for Good Deborah D’Angelo is a people pleasing good woman, good and good for good thing for the Rockland County. Building on the legacy of her father Charles D’Angelo to perform or help the world through the promotion of Justice and Fairness for all.

Peggy Gorman Leadership Fund offers a scholarship each year, in memoriam, to a student in Rockland County who has displayed great leadership potential.

Project Fund assists in the promotion of teacher training and virtual learning for all sectors of the community.

SOFA Montoring, Inc Fund creates a support system for students to develop self-confidence and explore new ideas, values, and perspectives.

Stephan E. Stracke Memorial Scholarship Fund is annually to a North Rockland town board member baseball player who exemplifies leadership, competitiveness and dedication on and off the field.

Stony Point Dog Park Development and Maintenance Fund provides a designated area for residents and their four-legged companions to play and exercise safely.

Tommorow’s Hope Fund provides supported, community-based documentaries that will be pivotal in shaping and/or support local community issues.

Tuxedo Volunteer Ambulance Corps Fund is established to support the Volunteer Ambulance Corps in Tuxedo, New York through the purchase of emergency equipment and the provision of education and training for its members.

Verton Innovative Teaching Fund acknowledges that educating our youth is a vital work that will serve all the single most important component to assure quality in the world we live in. Recognizing this, the Foundation was established to provide grants to Rockland County teachers in grades K-12 to enhance the classroom experience in new and existing ways.

Viking Spirit Memorial Scholarship Fund—named by the Class of 1980 honors survivors of the tragic loss of classmates from Clarkston High School. The scholarship recognizes a Clarkston High School student who demonstrates from Viking Spirit exemplified through community service and scholarly achievement.

Welsh New Crofter Red Bandana Memorial Scholarship Fund is a tribute to the courage and heroism of the Windsor, New York Crofter. This is one of those Red Bandana’s who rescued many or all before he ultimately perished. The scholarship is awarded to a Windsor New York Crofter graduating high school student choosing to pursue a career in the fire and emergency services or health-related services.

Women and Girls Fund responds to a broad range of community issues with one commonality—women and girls.
Rockland Community Foundation's funds continue to build the philanthropic fabric of our county. These funds represent an investment for present and future issues and needs, all in the place we call home. Our mission continues to focus on the connection of our neighbors and the causes that matter most to them. While each fund has a specific focus, they all share one key tenet – the desire to create a better community. This list represents funds for FY 2018-2019.

The Rockland Community Foundation General Fund gifts to the General Fund assist and support the work of the Rockland Community Foundation in meeting the needs of our community and allows the Community Foundation to direct money to where they are needed most.

ACT for Animals Fund supports groups and individuals who advocate for animal welfare, promote wildlife conservation, and protect personal property through responsible spay/neuter and TNR programs and Teach companionship for all living things through education-based programs.

Active Care Funds provides assistance to families in critical situations.

Aleynis Martinez Memorial Fund provides scholarships allowing economically disadvantaged girls in the Village of Nanuet to attend college.

Andrew Norman Social Justice Fund provides funding for projects and organizations engaged in promoting peace, equal rights, tolerance and acceptance in our community.

Anne and Pat Byrne Charitable Trust was established to support charitable organizations that respond to worthwhile human needs for the purpose of improving society.

Arts Fund provides funds for individuals and organizations engaged in expanding the availability of art for everyone.

Ashdon Woods Trade Partner Charitable Fund provides support for charitable causes through the fund’s annual golf tournament.

Aurora Goldenberg Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to foster a spirit of respect, tolerance and compassion in response to lessons learned from the Holocaust.

Auplang Family Charitable endowment to foster the better lives of children, families and individuals with a focus on food security, human rights, health, housing and education.

Blackhall Foundation Fund provides support for charitable causes through the fund’s annual golf tournament.

Broadlands Community Fund named for the Rockland Broaddaus Baseball Team, it is a broad based charitable fund.

Christine Corday Salerno Scholarship and Community Fund provides financial support for a Rockland or Orange county student entering, or currently enrolled in, a New York State college.

Christine Gallagher Scholarship Fund recognizes two rising Nyack High School seniors who are engaged in educational and artistic development and the enrichment of the Arts in Nyack through its programs and activities, including those which advocate social justice.

Coxen Family Scholarship Fund provides financial support for Rockland County food pantries through an annual auction grant.

Founders Fund provides ongoing support for the administration and operation of the Rockland Community Foundation.

G. Milne Scholarship Fund provides financial support for high school actors interested in entering Rockland County’s Early Adopter program, and whose passes are outside the ordinary or expected.

Gordon Center for Black Culture & Arts Fund is dedicated to commemorating the history and preserving the culture, educating and entertaining the public, free of charge.

Green Meadow Waldorf School Scholarship Fund expands and transforms educational opportunity by providing scholarships to families in need.

Haverstraw Neighborhood Fund shares support from one neighbor to another in the greater Haverstraw area. The fund sponsors community based activities such as annual Thanksgiving and Christmas Dine-a-thon open to the public, free of charge and an annual Food in Backpack Drive, ensuring our community’s youth have the tools they need for their academic success.

Health and Human Services Fund provides funds for food pantries and other organizations working to alleviate poverty and hunger in our county.

Hi Tor Animal Care Center Rebuild Fund is a project fund committed to acquiring a state of the art facility that will enable the Center to provide the highest standard of care to all shelter animals.

HiSang Charity Fund provides to broad a range of human needs including health, education, sports, community empowerment and social wellness in our local communities and the Caribbean. Its mission is to break down obstacles presenting the best future for living normals.

James Vermond Lewinhouse’s Scholarship Fund was established in honor of the memory of James Lewinhouse, who was tragically killed in a car accident in 1986. This annual scholarship will be awarded to a Nanuet, NY high school senior.

Jeffrey Reuter Memorial Fund honors the memory of Board member and humanities Jeffery Reuter, by supporting his vision of locally based charitable giving.

John T. & Mary A. Grant Memorial Fund awards grants and scholarships to Rockland County individuals and organizations whose efforts have enhanced our community through community service, the arts or historical preservation.

Judith H. Trust Memorial Scholarship is awarded in memory to one graduating senior from the Nyack High School who exemplifies leadership, service, scholarship and community.

Karen & John McKeon Scholarship Fund established to honor the memory of classmates from Clarkstown High School South. The scholarship is awarded in memory to one graduating Clarkstown High School South senior who demonstrates leadership, service, scholarship and community.

Lipson Charitable Trust provides funds and needs to respond to the needs of charitable organizations in our community.

Maria Verbanak Memorial Scholarship Fund is given to a Suffolk High School Senior who is having a difficult time as the result of a loving, supportive family and friend and who needs loving and guiding. She was a valued member of the Suffolk County High School honor and graduated in 2018.

ML by Maria Luisa Scholarship Fund annually supports a new female graduating HS student in Rockland County, who has demonstrated a desire to learn and foster principals of civic and community involvement, issues around Social Justice, Inequality and related interests supporting Fair Trade and Equal Pay.

Michelle A. Neuf Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to honor the memory of the Village of Hillsburg’s Youth Center Program Director, provides Summer Camp and After School Program scholarships to children who are residents of the Village, and whose families have demonstrated need or special circumstances.

Mount ed Fire Training Foundation Fund of Rockland County was established to raise funds to support mounted police officer programs provided by the Sheriff's Office and provide the 100% state funding required for officer training and the horses and to acquire necessary equipment to help support the law enforcement.

Multi Foundation Fund provides general charitable support.

Nancy’s Place Fund is named in memory of Nancy Allen, supports organizations helping children and the animals they love.

Negro League Baseball Pharmacy Grants provides the means of funds for local and all-nurse in-service programs.

Nyack Basics Fund supports a campaign and a movement focused on children 0-3 years of age, when 80% of brain development occurs, that every child has a chance to grow.

Nyack Young Writers Scholarship Fund recognizes two rising Nyack High School seniors, judged to have written and submitted the most outstanding prose or poetry.

Nyack Mission to Save Lives Scholarship Fund is awarded in memoriam to one graduating Nyack High School senior.

New City Raims Fund provides funding for community projects in support of the New City Raims and Clarksland HS Hs.

New Foundation Fund provides support for charitable causes through the funds and local organizations.

Nyack Bocce Fund supports the means of funds to assist to secure the necessary funds to return to earth.

Nyack Meadow School Scholarship Fund expands and transforms educational opportunity by providing scholarships to families in need.

Oath of Frank’s Farm House Fund provides financial support for charitable causes through the fund’s annual golf tournament.

Puffin Foundation Fund provides support for charitable causes through the fund's annual golf tournament.

Rand Community Fund established by the Rand Family, owners and operators of Rand Community Fund is a project fund committed to acquiring a state-of-the-art facility, on a dedicated campus, that will enable the Center to provide the best future for living normals.

Rockland County Prison Justice Project Fund provides financial support for veterans' affairs, health care, immediate needs or other areas that impact children and adults.

Rockland Community College Student Government Association Fund was created by the Class of 1989 honors the courage and heroism of 24- year-old Welles Remy Crowther (The Man in The Red Bandana) who rescued many on 9/11 before he ultimately perished. The Scholarship is given annually to a North Rockland college bound senior baseball player who exemplifies leadership, competitiveness and dedication on and off the field.

Rockland-Westchester Regional Educational Leadership and Virtual Learning Project Fund exists in the promotion of teacher training and virtual learning for all sectors of the community.

SOFA Mentoring, Inc. Fund creates a support system for students to develop their self-confidence and explore new ideas, values, and perspectives.

Stephen S. Shulman Memorial Scholarship Fund is given annually to a Rockland community resident who exemplifies leadership, competitiveness and dedication on and off the field.

Stony Point Dog Park Development and Maintenance Fund provides a designated area for residents and their four-legged companions to play and exercise safely.

Summer Camp and After School Program scholarships to children who are residents of the Village, and whose families have demonstrated need or special circumstances.

Tando STEM Education Fund is open to non-resident Tuxedo Union Free School District students in grades 9-12 who wish to attend the George F. Baker High School in Tuxedo NY on a full-time non-resident tuition basis, and who show demonstrated interest and achievement in STEM related programs/activities.

Tando Volunteer Ambulance Corps Fund was created to support the Corps’ mission to save lives and save homes by securing funding for the purchase of emergency equipment and the provision of education and training to its members.

Verizon Innovative Teaching Fund acknowledges that educating our youth is a vital asset that will shape our future. The Verizon Innovative Teaching Fund is proud to support well-qualified schools and programs that show evidence of a strong commitment to improving education.

Viking Spirit Memorial Scholarship Fund—established by the Class of 1899 honors the memory of students from Clarkstown High School South. The scholarship recognizes a Clarkstown High School South senior who demonstrates Viking Spirit exemplified through community service and scholastic achievement.

Wellis Nancy Croeter Red Bandana Memorial Scholarship Fund is a tribute to the courage and heroism of Welles Remy Crowther (The Man in The Red Bandana) who rescued many on 9/11 before he ultimately perished. The scholarship is given annually to a Rockland County high school senior who chooses to pursue an area of study related to law enforcement, emergency services or military education.

Women and Girls Fund believes that access to a broad range of community issues with one community - women and girls.
Board Directed Grants

Rockland Community Foundation continued its Innovative Teaching Grants and Food Pantry Grants in partnership with Verizon and Inserra Supermarkets, respectively.

**Innovative Teaching Grants**

Our Innovative Teaching Grant Program was established in 2010 as a means of providing additional support to teachers in Rockland County schools who, through creative and meaningful ways, are taking standards-based teaching to the next level. These grants have had tremendous impact, enabling pilot programs to be launched, enhancing STEM and STEAM initiatives and fostering collaboration across classrooms and schools.

- **Breakout EDV Jennifer Schelling**
  - Breakout EDV at Little Tor Elementary School. Teacher, Jennifer Schelling

- **Gregory Montague Drones in Education**
  - Drones in Education at Felix Festa Middle School. Teacher, Gregory Montague

- **Ines Spijjan ERSD Early Childhood Weather Book**
  - The Weather Through Virtual Lenses at East Ramapo Central School District Early Childhood Center. Teacher, Ines Spenjian

2019 marked the 13th year that Rockland Community Foundation has partnered with Inserra (Shoprite) Supermarkets to help provide much needed assistance to area food pantries. Inserra’s generous dollar-for-dollar match, combined with the support of various Board members and fund holders, allowed RCF to distribute $6,000 in Shoprite gift cards to 12 Rockland organizations that are or have food pantries.

**Food Pantry Grants**

- Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland, Inc
- Dominican College
- Feeding Body & Soul Food Pantry @ Faith Christian Assembly of God
- Martin Luther King Multi-Purpose Center
- Meals on Wheels Programs & Services of Rockland, Inc.
- People to People
- Rockland BOCES Family Resources Center Food Pantry
- The Rockland Community College Foundation, Inc.
- Jewish Family Service of Rockland County, Inc.
- Tomche Shabbos of Rockland County
- Upper Room House of Worship Food Bank/Pantry
The number of scholarship funds at RCF continues to grow with the addition of three new ones! In 2019, twenty-five scholarships were awarded to promising students helping to offset the cost of their college education. Most of the awards were presented at our annual Scholarship Day in May, an event that brings together RCF Board members, fundholders, scholarship recipients and their families, teachers and principals.

**Aleyris Martinez Memorial Scholarship**  
Jasmin Fabian/North Rockland High School

**Auerbach/Goldberg Memorial Scholarship**  
Irisa Dong/Clarkstown High School South  
Jenna Ranney/Clarkstown High School South

**Chazen Spirit of Rockland Scholarship**  
Nika Colley/Tappan Zee High School

**Christine Cordey Salon Scholarship and Community Fund**  
Janice Garcia/Newburgh High School

**Christine Gallagher Memorial Scholarship**  
Kerry Holt/Pearl River High School

**Clarkstown Sunrise Rotary Scholarship**  
David Bruen/Clarkstown High School South  
Carly Donoghue/Clarkstown High School South

**Congers Valley Cottage Rotary Scholarship**  
Samantha Sobel/Clarkstown High School North  
Hailey Blotner/Clarkstown High School North

**David Katcher Memorial Scholarship**  
Dylan Silverstein/Nanuet High School

**G. Miras Scholarship**  
Janice Castillo/Rockland Community College

**John T. and Mary A. Grant Memorial Fund**  
Emily Morina/North Rockland High School  
Gustav Rugg/North Rockland High School

**Judith Trust Memorial Scholarship**  
Danielle Monroe/Clarkstown High School South

**Marissa Rose Verbraak Memorial Scholarship**  
Jacklyn Morgentaler/Suffern High School

**ML by Maria Luisa Scholarship**  
Lucinda Caroll/Nyack High School  
Dana-Simone Griffith/Ramapo High School  
Mya Smith/Nyack High School

**Nyack Young Writers Scholarship**  
Alexis Sigillo/Nyack High School  
Julia Tannenbaum/Nyack High School

**Peggy O’Gorman Leadership Scholarship**  
Sophia Diver/Nyack High School

**RBWN Women’s Professional Development and Scholarship Fund**  
Sara Augustin/Suffern High School  
Kara Burkhart/Rockland Community College  
Marylen Flores/Rockland BOCES  
Danielle Greene/Clarkstown High School South

**Stephen F. Strack Jr. Memorial Scholarship**  
Sean Liquori/North Rockland High School

**Toni & Ed Fallon Jazz Scholarship**  
Coby Petricone-Berg/Nyack High School  
Hunter Pullen/Nyack High School

**Viking Spirit Memorial Scholarship**  
Ryan Greene/Clarkstown High School South  
Dev Patale/Clarkstown High School South
## Financials

The Rockland Community Foundation  
Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets  
June 30, 2019 and 2018

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| **LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS** |          |          |
| Liabilities |          |          |
| Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses | $ 25,289 | $14,465 |
| **Total Liabilities** | **$ 25,289** | **$14,465** |
| Unrestricted Net Assets | 86,165 | 216,681 |
| Board Restricted Net Assets | 1,740,777 | 1,665,709 |
| **Total Unrestricted Net Assets** | **1,826,942** | **1,882,390** |
| Donor Restricted | 532,272 | 494,615 |
| **Total Net Assets** | **$ 2,359,214** | **$ 2,377,005** |

| **Total Liabilities and Net Assets** | **$ 2,384,503** | **$ 2,391,470** |
Grants to Local Non-Profits

In keeping with our commitment to support local charitable giving, RCF together with its fundholders, contributed nearly half a million dollars in grants to non-profit organizations and charitable projects within the community. This provides additional revenue streams for numerous community-based organizations and provides additional income to support their vital work.

American Cancer Society  Jesse Kaplan Elementary PTA
Center for Safety and Change  Legal Services of the Hudson Valley
Chabad Jewish Center of Suffern  MLK Multi-Purpose Center
Dominican College  Penguin Rep Theatre
Edward Hopper Landmark Foundation  People to People
Helen Hayes Hospital Foundation  Rockland County Pride
Hillel of Rockland  Rockland 21C
Historical Society of Rockland County  Rockland BOCES
Historical Society of The Nyacks  Rockland Teachers’ Center Institute
Homes for Our Troops  United Hospice of Rockland
Jawonio  United Way of Rockland
JCC Rockland  Village of Hillburn

Smart Charitable Giving through the Rockland Community Foundation

The Rockland Community Foundation was created as a smarter way for individuals, families and businesses to engage in charitable giving. Rather than giving once to a charity, monies placed into our donor and board directed funds are responsibly invested, and can be added to by the fund creator or others so the fund continues to benefit its specific cause for many generations.

Accountability, transparency and responsible stewardship are hallmarks of the more than 750 community foundations in the U.S. today. RCF is the ONLY public, fund-based non-profit in Rockland. We do not support a single organization or need, but rather the broadest range of charitable concerns in the communities we serve. Our portfolio of funds is determined by the charitable goals of the donors who establish them.

Funds can be opened with as little as $1,000. Donations can take the form of cash, appreciated stock, bonds or other securities, property, etc. Donations to the fund can also be bequeathed or established as a family trust. Those who do not have the means to establish their own fund can donate to any of our existing funds. Fund types include donor advised, field of interest, scholarship, project, memorial, and agency funds, as well as unrestricted general funds which allow us to direct monies where they are needed most.

In essence, RCF is the non-profit investment account for our fund holders, who reap the tax-deductible benefit of keeping their charitable dollars with us, while benefiting community non-profit causes year after year. For more information, to donate, or to open a fund, please visit www.rocklandgives.org or call 845-947-2868.
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The Rockland Community Foundation Model

The Rockland Community Foundation model ensures that funds other than those designated for specific short-term projects continue to make a charitable impact long after those who created them have passed on. Assets in these funds are responsibly invested in accordance with our board-approved Investment Policy, providing an additional source of revenue that is in turn reinvested back into the funds. As a result, rather than a one-time charitable donation, money that is placed into a fund keeps growing, allowing it to provide charitable donations over the course of many years.

Why I Opened a Fund

East Ramapo Community Fund for Public Education

“Community played a huge role in developing the East Ramapo Community Fund for Public Education. The Rockland Community Foundation helped us create our fund from which we could give grants to help teachers procure materials to enrich their lessons and expand the learning experience of their students. During this first year the fund gave awards to 16 different teachers from 10 of the district schools. Since its inception local businesses, former school personnel, alumni, parents and interested community members are pleased to have a direct way to positively impact our local schools. It is thrilling to witness the community response as well as that of the teachers.”

-Mimi Calhoun, Fund Holder
Advantages of Creating A Fund with the Rockland Community Foundation

- We enable donors to have a say in how their monies are being used. You choose the type of fund you wish to establish and determine the degree to which you are involved in its disbursement.

- Our funds are sustainable. Many will continue to support the causes for which they were created for many lifetimes.

- We are solid, credible, and reliable. We hold ourselves to a strict set of guidelines, adhere to a stringent investment policy, and thoroughly vet all grant requests. We take our accountability to our fundholders very seriously.

- Almost 100% of the monies placed in our fund are used for the purpose for which they were established. As a community foundation, less than 2% of our donor fund revenues are used for general operations. Not many non-profits can match our efficiency.

- Giving is easy! Funds can be set up in as little as 24 hours. Should you wish to make a donation from your fund to a non-profit cause, all that is required is the completion of a short form.

- We handle your charitable filings. For those with $2 million or less to invest, forming a private foundation can be cost-prohibitive. Fees for lawyers, accountants, audits, and filings are an excessive burden. At RCF, we do this for you!

Why I Opened A Fund

James Vernard Leenhouts Scholarship

“Transferring my brother’s scholarship to the Rockland Community Foundation was the right decision for our family, especially as part of our estate planning. Our lawyer suggested we reach out to RCF and in doing so allowed us peace of mind that this annual student award will live on in perpetuity. They have been helpful in all aspects of managing this scholarship and we know working with them was absolutely the right thing to do.”

Joan and Stuart Bornstein