



WAYNE COUNTY
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

Serving Wayne County Since 1991

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

Fiscal Year July 2019 - June 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

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A Message from the Foundation President

Dear Friends,

I'm writing this letter in early August with the hope we all have that by the time this report is printed and distributed in October or November, general circumstances will be improved, and that there will be more progress regarding treatments and a vaccine for COVID-19.

Still, regarding the pandemic, this small foundation has made a meaningful contribution to local efforts to relieve the suffering it has caused in this area with programs for hunger relief. We are proud of those efforts, including our own \$10,000 contribution to our Emergency Food Relief Fund, and will continue to support those and other relevant projects.

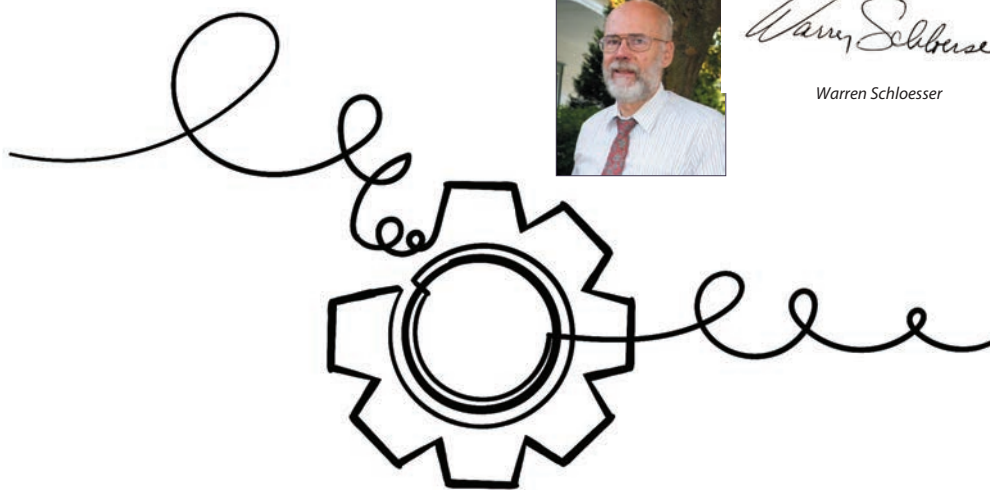
We are also proud of our continuing efforts to build our endowment, while maintaining our practice of assistance to local nonprofit organizations. Supervision of our investments has risen to a still higher level, and the contributions of the youthful, Ryanne Jennings, our Executive Director, have begun to broaden our reach into the community.

We thank you for your past support, and if you are in a position to become a supporter, increase your existing support, or become an O'Neill Society member, please do so. Only with such support will we achieve our full potential.



A large, elegant handwritten signature of Warren Schloesser in black ink, positioned to the right of the portrait photo.

Warren Schloesser



MISSION STATEMENT: Our Goals

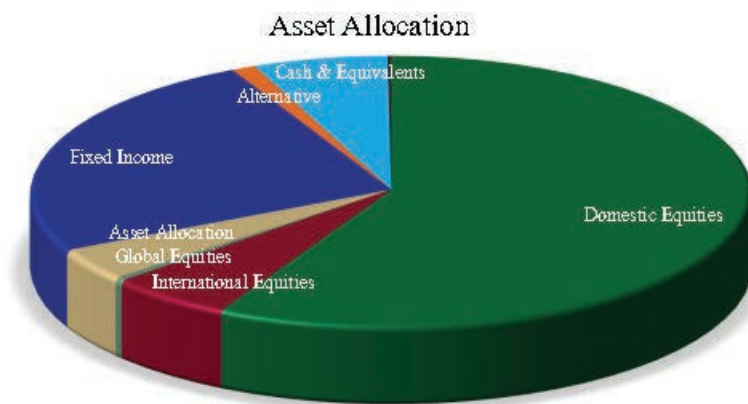
We remain dedicated to our slogan, "Investing In Our Future" and have the following goals:








- Provide prudent stewardship to ensure that charitable assets are managed soundly for the benefit of current and future generations.
- Continue to expand endowment funds, both in number and fund growth.
- Remain flexible to support our donors' varied funding interests.
- Continue to listen to our community.
- Provide the best possible information for giving options and funding opportunities.

ASSETS

In December, 2019, The Wayne County Community Foundation began working with Cornerstone Advisors Asset Management, LLC to help oversee our investment portfolios. Our investments are managed by four local institutions, The Dime Bank, Honesdale National Bank, Wayne Bank and Morgan Stanley. Investment results are reviewed on a quarterly basis with our investment committee, treasurer, executive director and Cornerstone along with each of the representatives of these institutions. As of June 30, 2020 our total investments assets were over \$5.4 million dollars.

WCCF Aggregate
Portfolio Snapshot as of 6/30/2020



Category	Style	Current Value	Portfolio Weight
	Total Domestic Equities	\$3,173,240	58.0%
	Total International Equities	\$305,312	5.6%
	Total Global Equities	\$22,260	0.4%
	Total Asset Allocation	\$213,552	3.9%
	Total Fixed Income	\$1,360,540	24.9%
	Total Alternative	\$60,058	1.1%
	Total Cash & Equivalents	\$334,743	6.1%
Total Portfolio		\$5,469,705	100.0%

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For a comprehensive list of funds at the
Wayne County Community Foundation, please visit **waynefoundation.org**

COVID-19 Response



"I am so grateful for the Emergency Food Relief Program. It provides one less concern for us to worry about. I've been out of work since 3/17 with no end in sight. Anxiety is overwhelming and this program is a blessing. Thank you to all the distributors and helpers. They are the kindest. And thank you to Willow Wisp Farms. The fresh produce and recipes are amazing."

– Emergency Food Relief Recipient

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, The Wayne County Community Foundation established the Wayne County Emergency Food Relief Fund in partnership with the Wayne County Commissioners to raise funds to help the local food relief efforts in our community. Over \$230,000 has been raised from generous donations from local individuals, businesses, community groups and foundations. These funds have purchased food to help feed over 11,000 people. Local products like eggs, milk and produce are a priority for this fund, enabling a connection between farmers and community member in need. If you would like to support this fund, please visit our website waynefoundation.org.



We also worked with the Area Agency on the Aging to establish a Senior Meals fund in March to assist the county in raising funds from the community to support meals being delivered to senior citizens during the pandemic.



The Wayne County Community Foundation received a grant for \$118,000 from the Department of Environmental Protection in partnership with Wayne County to support Emergency Food Infrastructure cold storage improvements.

This past year, 20 grants were awarded for a total of \$43,300

\$4,000

Hamlin FD
Bariatric Stretcher

\$3,000

Project Linus
Blankets for children

\$2,997

Honesdale FD
Grip Hoist

\$1,200

Greene Dreher
HS Metal Ramp

\$2,000

Grace Episcopal Church
Floor replacement

\$1,000

Roots & Rhythm Music Festival

\$3,600

Wayne County YMCA
Spin Bikes

\$1,500

SEEDS
Free Book Swap

\$5,000

Wayne Memorial Hospital
Payment on \$25,000 Pledge

\$1,500

Oscillation Transia Film Festival
One-day Film Festival Event

\$6,000

Family Service Association of Northeastern PA
211 Service in Wayne County

\$1,000

Equinunk Fire Department
AED Purchase

\$1,000

Farm Arts Collective Outdoor
Stilt Performance

\$1,000

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Community Food Pantry
Non-perishable Food

\$10,000

Emergency Food Relief Fund
COVID Relief
Food Purchase

\$1,000

Wayne County Heroin
Prevention Task Force
Narcan Kits

\$2,000

Ritz Theater Building
Restoration

\$2,500

Salvation Army Emergency
Relief Assistance Program

\$1,000

Delaware Highlands Conservancy
Women in the Woods Program

\$1,500

Wayne Library Alliance
Community Garden Carts

Foundation Grants Program

The Foundation uses its own resources as well as the funds that donors have established to support a wide variety of community nonprofit organizations, empowering them where possible to thrive, grow and become self-sustaining.

In consideration of grant applications the Grant Committee and Board make decisions based on the following:

- **The program meets the greatest community need and assists the largest number of individuals**
- **The applicant has submitted a quality proposal describing a specific need**
- **The Foundation has the funding required to support the project**



This year the Wayne County Community Foundation, along with the Scranton Area Foundation, NCAC, Greater Pike Foundation and Luzerne Foundation, supported NEPA Gives on June 5, 2020 for an all day giving day raising over \$550,000 to support 167 nonprofit organizations that serve Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Scholarship Programs

This past year the Foundation and its donor partners have awarded over \$112,000 in scholarships to deserving Wayne County resident graduates. While we weren't able to gather in-person to celebrate, we did put together a congratulatory video online. You can watch it on our website waynefoundation.org.

2019-20 SCHOLARSHIPS AND RECIPIENTS

Honesdale Friends of Soccer Scholarship

Dominic Amato, Honesdale

Sterchak Scholarship

Nicholas Andrews, Forest City

Mike Chesna Scholarship

Maddie Bailer, Forest City

Wayne County Community Foundation Scholarship

Trina Barcarola, Western Wayne

Seth Brown, Wallenpaupack

Jason Demers, Honesdale

Brenna Gleim, Hancock

Alyssa Iovacchini, Western Wayne

Tim Bell Scholarship

Kristoff BienAime, Western Wayne

Bigart Scholarship

Kyle Castellano, Honesdale

Hunter Mead, Wallenpaupack

Wayne/Pike Medical Society Scholarship

Emily Christina, Western Wayne

Danielle Eiffert, Honesdale

Hannah Vennie, Wallenpaupack

Rachael Windhorn, Honesdale

Ed Thomas Memorial Scholarship

Stanley Conklin, Western Wayne

Anthony Ioppolo, Wallenpaupack

Dominic Maglione, Honesdale

John and Eleanor Rickert Scholarship

Eva Cooley, Honesdale

Human Resources

Foundation Scholarship

Kali Cottell, Western Wayne

Sean Vennie, Wallenpaupack

Leigha Welsh, Honesdale

Cavalieri Scholarship

Jessica Curley, Forest City

Emily Kelleher, Forest City

Stovall Scholarship

Katherine Diehl, Honesdale

Edwin M. Barton Scholarship

Korinna Diogo, Elizabeth Public

Janielle Lazala, Elizabeth Public

Kelly Romero, Elizabeth Public

Pat Spoor/Mitzi Clintock Scholarship

Samantha Feely, Wallenpaupack

Wayne County Bar Association Scholarship

Amanda Ferrer, Western Wayne

Osborne Scholarship

Jack Firmstone, Honesdale

Kelley Lalley Memorial Scholarship

Jack Firmstone, Honesdale

Reifler Scholarship

Miranda Fritz, Honesdale

Herzog Scholarship

Maddison Grasse, Honesdale

Robert Diehl Memorial Scholarship

Tyler Gries, Honesdale

Dayle Kulikowski, Honesdale Leon Scudder Memorial Scholarship

Grace Grimm, Cannan Christian

Tedra Harrison, Honesdale

Kara Kelly, Forest City

Kathryn Mattern, Western Wayne

Jenna Mohn, Honesdale

Julia Moran, Wallenpaupack

Marilyn Ogof, Western Wayne

Sinclair Ogof, Western Wayne

Madison Randolph, Honesdale

John Rossitto, Wallenpaupack

Jesse Schwab, Honesdale

HHS Friends of Boys

Basketball Scholarship

Jack Hopkins, Honesdale

Natalee West, Honesdale

Forest City Alumni

Association Scholarship

Emily Kelleher, Forest City

McAndrew Scholarship

Kara Kelly, Forest City

Jerry "Jake" Hopkins

Memorial Scholarship

Kole Kerber, Honesdale

Rowe/Box Scholarship

Matthew Kinzinger, Honesdale

Pat Spoor/Mitzi Clintock Scholarship

Timothy Krawczyk, Wallenpaupack

Caruth Scholarship

Kristi Kromko, Western Wayne

Reed Sandercock

Memorial Scholarship

Taylor Maxson, Honesdale

Jake Burkhardt Memorial Scholarship

Miranda Montijio, Western Wayne

Jim Willow Scholarship

Maggie Murphy, Honesdale

Victoria Wormuth, Honesdale

Drs. Philip and Rosita Liu Scholarship

Zachary Rovinsky, Western Wayne

Akers Scholarship

Macey Rutledge, Honesdale

Luke Rickard Memorial Scholarship

Joseph Scarfalloto, Honesdale

Schwarz Scholarship

Dylan Silon, Honesdale

Marilyn and Jerry

Swendsen Scholarship

Jacob VanDelinde, Honesdale

Seelyville Union Church Scholarship

Taylor Warner, Damascus Christian

Robert Zabady Scholarship

Isabella Watson, Honesdale

IOOF Scholarship

Maya Wehrmann, Honesdale



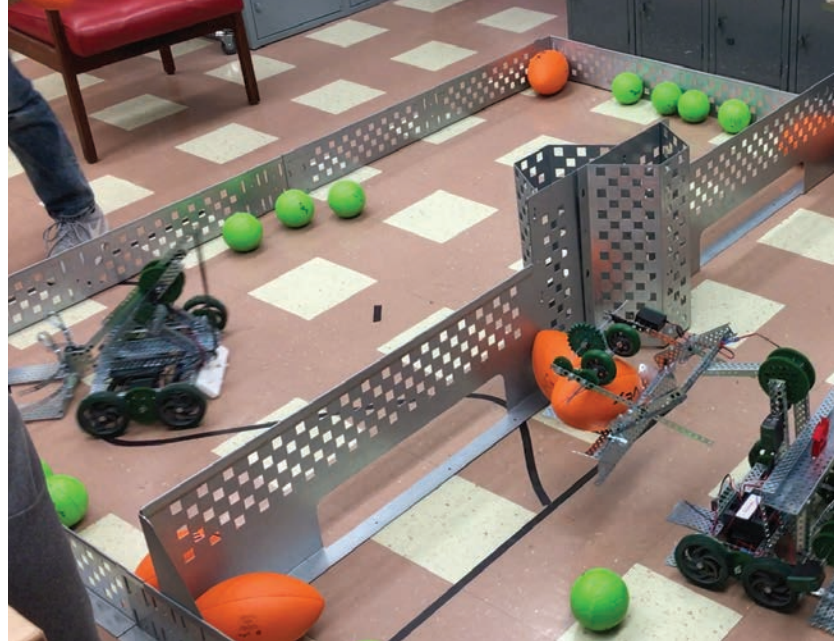
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) was created through a generous bequest of Eleanor Ferro and the Foundation in order to familiarize Wayne County High School students with philanthropy and grantmaking. Students in grades 9-12 participate in the committee and accept mini-grant applications and work together to decide how the funds are distributed.

In the past year, the YAC made mini grants totaling \$3,000 to projects at Wallenpaupack Area School District, Wayne Highlands, Western Wayne and Canaan Christian Academy.

AID TO EDUCATION

The Wayne County Community Foundation acts as a conduit to support highly academic innovative and challenging STEM programs at Wayne Highlands, Wallenpaupack, Western Wayne and Forest City. This year, \$74,000 was given by The Dime Bank, The Honesdale National Bank, Wayne Bank, NBT Bank, Waste Management, Weis Markets, and the First National Bank of Pennsylvania.



BUILDING HOME LIBRARIES

For the past 14 years the Foundation and its donors have purchased Scholastic children's dictionaries for 3rd graders at local elementary schools. These dictionaries have been enjoyed by over 5000 students over the years and have been a great start to helping students build their home libraries. Based on community feedback and thanks to a bequest from a local community member to jumpstart this initiative, the Foundation will be growing what used to be the Dictionary Project to now support purchasing a variety of different literature for students in grades K-12 in order to help students build their own home libraries. **If you would like to support this project please send a donation to the Foundation with "Home Library" in the memo.**



The O'Neill Society

The O'Neill Society recognizes those donors who have invested in the future of our county by naming the Wayne County Community Foundation as a beneficiary of their estate plans. The name is in memory of Dan O'Neill, long-time community activist and a Foundation board member.

Funds benefited by estate plans can support any charitable cause or organization, including the Foundation itself, and can work to benefit the county in perpetuity, long after the lives of the donors. If you wish to be recognized as a member of the O'Neill Society, please contact our office and we will be pleased to help you: 570.251.9993 or info@waynefoundation.org

SOCIETY MEMBERS

- ◆ Joseph and Kathy Adams
- ◆ Deborah Bailey
- ◆ Walter and Marilyn Barbe
- ◆ Vicky Botjer
- ◆ Kent L. Brown, Jr.
- ◆ Peter and Amy Bochnovich
- ◆ Steve and Jamie Brown
- ◆ John and Karen Burlein
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- ◆ Thomas and Nancy LaTournous
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- ◆ Bruno and Kelly Maton
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- ◆ William B. McAllister
- ◆ Gloria A. McCullough*
- ◆ Paul and Sandy Meagher
- ◆ Bob and Jet Mermell
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- ◆ Patricia Mohn
- ◆ Timothy and Jennifer Morgan
- ◆ Joe and Tish Murray
- ◆ Ann O'Hara
- ◆ Dan* and Alice O'Neill
- ◆ Gerard O'Neill
- ◆ Michael and Erin O'Neill
- ◆ David and Karen Raven
- ◆ Marty and Sandy O'Neill Rickard
- ◆ Ronald and Rebecca Rowe
- ◆ Herman H. Rutsch*
- ◆ Warren H. Schloesser
- ◆ William Schweighofer
- ◆ Leon M. Scudder*
- ◆ Tom and Vicki Sheridan
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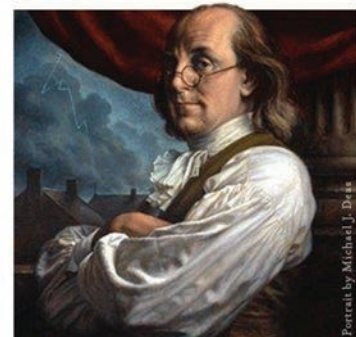
* Deceased

2019 BEN FRANKLIN AWARD

Paul and Sandy Meagher



Over the past 24 years, the Wayne County Community Foundation has been awarding a community member for their years of service to our County. In 2019, **Paul and Sandy Meagher** were recognized for their multiple decades of service to Wayne County.



Ben Franklin Community Service Award
PAST HONOREES



For more information about the Ben Franklin Community Service Award and a full list of past honorees, please visit waynefoundation.org.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world... indeed, it is the only thing that ever has..."

– Margaret Mead



More!

About Wayne Tomorrow!

The Wayne County Community Foundation participates actively in the Wayne Tomorrow! Initiative. In 2019, we established a Wayne Tomorrow! Fund at the Foundation to be able to accept charitable donations to support Wayne Tomorrow! activities and be able to be a fiscal agent for future grant applications.

Wayne Tomorrow! seeks to build a robust multi-dimensional economic and cultural ecosystem that will effectively address and reverse certain negative trends the county has been observing. This ecosystem will be the foundation for ensuring improved conditions are achieved and then maintained into the future in spite of facing new challenges and a constantly changing landscape. For more information about Wayne Tomorrow! visit waynetomorrow.com

We continue to grow...

New Fund Highlight



Aaron Winans Memorial Fund

The Aaron Winans Memorial Fund was created to provide scholarships to students at Forest City Regional to preserve and keep the memory of Aaron alive for years to come. "Aaron was a smart, kind, compassionate and funny young man that wasn't afraid to be himself and accepted everyone for who they were."

Christina Winans, Aaron's mother.

Other new funds

Greene Dreher Historical Society Fund

Wayne County Creative Arts Council

Wayne Tomorrow! Fund

Wayne County Emergency Food Relief Fund

Senior Meals Fund

Pass Thru FUNDS

PROUD TO BE A FISCAL AGENT

In addition to our many Donor Advised and Scholarship Funds, the Foundation also assists a variety of charitable groups that have short-term fund raising needs. We serve as their "fiscal agent" to support their fundraising efforts while complying with federal and state regulations. We are proud to serve these well known groups and wish them success in reaching their goals.



Photo courtesy of Fall Music Festival



Fall Music Festival
Great music, remembrance & a heart warming cause



BK Hope Cures Fund
Fund Cancer Research



Wayne County Honoring Heroes
Banners honoring veterans to be placed on Honesdale light and utility poles



Warm Hearts Fund
Assist elderly and disadvantaged repair home heating and plumbing



Honesdale Lions Club Pool Project
Upgrade and Renovation of the Honesdale Pool



Wayne & Pike Trails & Waterways Alliance
Envisioning trails and waterway access along the Lackawaxen River from Honesdale to Hawley



Wayne County Engineering and Robotics
Honesdale and Western Wayne Robotics raise funds to help team to participate in competitions



Wayne County Sheriff's Department K-9 Fund
Care, and training of a K-9 for the WC Sheriff's Department; drug detection, protection and apprehension



WCCAC
Presents a series of free summer concerts in Honesdale Central Park

A look to the future...



September 30, 2020

Dear Friends,

As I round out my first year at the Wayne County Community Foundation, I'm astounded by how much has changed in our community, in our country and in the world in one calendar year. However, the Wayne County Community Foundation's mission to preserve and enhance the quality of life for all people in Wayne County has remained steadfast throughout the continued changes.

The Wayne County Community Foundation is invested in the future of Wayne County. We, like all community foundations across the country, are dedicated to providing support for nonprofit organizations that serve the most vulnerable, educate our residents and enhance the quality of life for all. We cannot do this work without you. I have been incredibly inspired by the generosity and kindness of our community during the global pandemic. YOU make Wayne County a wonderful place to work, raise our families, visit and live.

In the months ahead, the Community Foundation will be starting the strategic planning process. I look forward to working closely with our board members to clearly identify our vision and goals for the Foundation. While we certainly cannot predict what lies ahead, we can work toward common goals to move the Foundation forward and continuously look for ways to better serve our community.

Thank you for your continued support to the Foundation and to me personally over the past year. I look forward to the opportunities and challenges yet to come!

Sincerely,
Ryanne Jennings

GET OUR NEWSLETTER!

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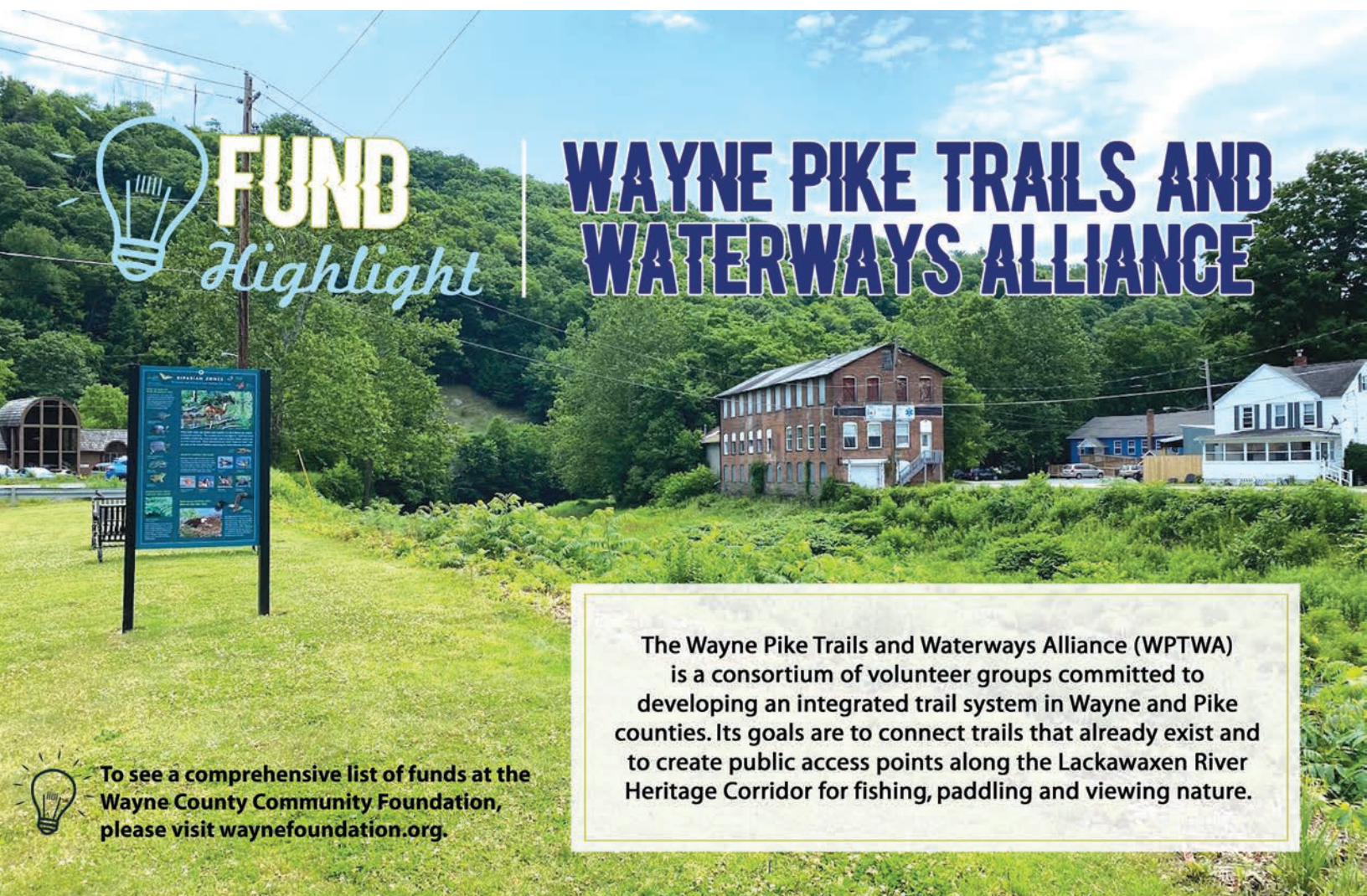




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WAYNE PIKE TRAILS AND WATERWAYS ALLIANCE

The Wayne Pike Trails and Waterways Alliance (WPTWA) is a consortium of volunteer groups committed to developing an integrated trail system in Wayne and Pike counties. Its goals are to connect trails that already exist and to create public access points along the Lackawaxen River Heritage Corridor for fishing, paddling and viewing nature.

To see a comprehensive list of funds at the Wayne County Community Foundation, please visit waynefoundation.org.