



From The President

Dear Friend,

Greetings! The Portland Community Fund Association has completed many projects in the last year. I would like to remind you of some of the services that your donation has helped us provide to the community.

In October, we collected over 600 coats along with hats, gloves and boots. A coat give - a -way was held at St. Andrew Lutheran Church. About 100 people came and got coats. The remaining coats were taken to the Department of Human Services for distribution. With your generous donations, many people were provided with warm winter wear.



In December, our Holiday Giving Program provided a holiday dinner, hats, gloves and socks to over 160 families in the Portland School District. In addition 360 children received gifts and a shoebox filled with goodies. Residents of local nursing homes received personal care items. The remaining food was then donated to the local-food banks.

Grant applications were reviewed in January. The Community Fund was able to distribute \$18,000 to local and county organizations that provide valuable services to local residents. Your financial support allows these organizations to continue their efforts.

As you can see from all the services listed above, the Portland Community Fund depends on the generosity of the residents of Portland. It takes a total community effort to make our work possible. We are proud of all of you that care enough about your neighbors to make out projects successful!

Sincerely,

Sandy Olson
Sandy Olson, President



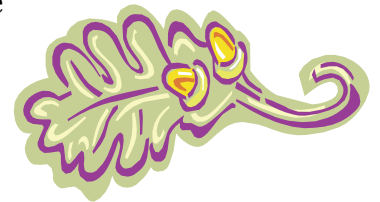
DONORS HELP SUPPORT \$18,000 IN ALLOCATIONS IN 2009

Part of the mission of the Portland Community Fund is to provide grants to local and county non-profit organizations that serve residents of the Portland School District. This funding allows these exceptional organizations to continue providing much needed support to our neighbors. Our community has a wide range of needs and as you can see, the organizations we support help provide valuable services.

During the past funding cycle, The Portland Community Fund allocated money to the following organizations:

- Portland Area Girl Scouts
- The Hope For Sobriety Foundation of Ionia County
- The Portland Civic Players, Inc.
- Portland Adult and Community Education
- Portland Parks and Recreation
- Portland Area Service Croup
- RAVE
- Big Brothers / Big Sisters, Michigan Capital Region
- Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore
- Portland Youth Baseball League
- Hospice of Ionia and Lansing
- Chief Okemos Council Boy Scouts of America

Congratulations to those who received funding!



THANK YOU!!!

It takes many people to accomplish our mission. Local schools, churches, businesses, organizations and individual donors all contribute to help the Portland Community fund meet the needs of our community.

Please accept our sincere thanks for your valuable donations of money, food, 'coats, gifts and time. As you can see from the accomplishments listed in this newsletter, working together, neighbors helping neighbors, we can make a difference!

Our Mission

The mission of the Portland Community Fund Association is to enhance the quality of life for all citizens, now and for generations to come. We accomplish this goal by attracting and retaining permanent funds from a wide range of donors.





Any ideas?

If you have any ideas for special projects you would like to see done with your donation, please call Sandy Olson, Board President at 517-647- 6306



How can you help?

We always seeking new volunteers to help support our many projects. By donating only a few hours a month, you can make a difference for your neighbors in Portland. We are currently seeking volunteers to join the various committees. Please call Sandy Olson, Board President at (517) 647-6306 for more information.

You can also support the Portland Community Fund by making a donation. The money that you donate goes to help us support agencies that provide services in the Portland area to youth, the elderly, low income families, battered women and much more. All donations can be mailed to:

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