Dear Friends,

We look back at 2018 with gratitude for the blessings of local philanthropists who support the work and the mission of the Rochelle Area Community Foundation.

Thanks to Central Bank Illinois for their incredible generosity in offering the Foundation our first dedicated office space, and to the many donors who provided contributions to offset the costs of remodeling and furnishing the space. We are settled in at 350 May Mart Drive inside of Central Bank’s drive up facility and have added our first staff member, Tammy Kettleson.

Office hours are 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and by chance or by appointment.

Danny and Stephanie Williams, owners of Lifeworks Photography, put their passion for art and community into establishing the Daniel and Stephanie Williams Fund for the Arts. This young couple with two little ones and abundant enthusiasm serve our community in so many ways. Their lives are an inspiration and we can’t wait to see what they will come up with next.

The families of Julie Tobler Mann and Carol and Roger Hayenga have created legacy funds that will provide annual grants during their lifetimes and leave the community a gift that keeps on giving, forever.

We thank all our business partners and their employees for their ongoing support. This year City of Rochelle staff turned out in a big way, exceeding the goal that Nancy Bingham, “Chief Officer of Philanthropy” set for them.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and the non profit organizations that benefit from your generosity, I offer our sincere thanks.

In Community,

– Kim Walker Montgomery
Serving the Community: 2018 Community Needs Grants

**Arts Enrichment**
This fund will provide grants to enhance arts and culture within our communities

- Rochelle Elementary School District #231 to support the Family Fine Arts Festival.
- Vince Carney Community Theatre to purchase equipment for theatre productions.
- Flagg Township Museum for preserving artifacts from the Hub theater to exhibit at the museum.
- Eswood Elementary School for the Art Attack Program.
- Rochelle Township High School #212 to assist with the costs of the Washington DC Veterans Day Marching Band Trip.
- C.A.N. Arts Committee for a downtown mural

**Inspire Learning**
Promoting education in our communities

- Central School to increase the number of Spanish language library books for student use.
- Community Action Network to assist with the purchase of backpacks full of school supplies for students in need.
- First Presbyterian Church to provide curriculum for English as a second language outreach program.
- The HUB Project to provide program sustainability following the conclusion of the grant.
- RTHS Counseling Department to provide resources for the Renaissance Program.
- Rochelle Enrichment Center for new materials to enhance the classrooms literacy area.
- Rochelle Middle School Music Program to purchase a keyboard for classroom instruction, concerts and special events.
- Rochelle School District for Project Argonne giving students the opportunity to experience and participate in science and engineering activities.
- St. Paul Lutheran School to upgrade and purchase new Chromebooks.
- Girls Scouts Of Northern Illinois for a program to help girls achieve leadership experience.

**Community Service**
An unrestricted fund used to make community needs grants

- Habitat for Humanity of Ogle County to assist with the costs of the new home build in Rochelle.
- Downtown Rochelle Association to purchase flowers for the Downtown Appeal/Barrel Project.
- Flagg-Rochelle Public Library District for Rochelle Illinois Staycation. Summer programs at the library.
- Lee Ogle Transportation System to assess the transportation needs of the workers in the Rochelle Industrial Park.
- Rochelle United Methodist Church to assist with Love Our Neighbors, Central School Project.
- Ogle County CASA for a new flat screen monitor and volunteer kits for Court Appointed Special Advocates
- Foundation for Focus House and Community Programming for incentives for drug court participants to achieve their goals.
- Hub City Senior Center for replacement of copy and fax machines, printers and scanner.
- Lifescape Community Services for headsets for adult protective services unit.
- C.A.N. unrestricted grant

**Health & Wellness**
For programs that promote health & wellness in our communities

- Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District to provide scholarships for local children and adults to participate in Park Districts programs.
- Floyd. J. Tilton VFW Post 3878 to provide turkeys for community Thanksgiving dinner.
- Hope of Ogle County to provide Strangulation Prevention Coordinated Response Training.
- Pegasus Special Riders to provide equipment for therapeutic horseback riding for people who have special needs.
- Village of Progress for therapeutic and recreational equipment.

**Hunger Relief**
Provides grants to feed the hungry in our communities

- The Hub Project-Central School to purchase refrigerators to maintain healthy snacks for the after school program.
- Northern Illinois Food Bank to provide food high in nutritional content to those in need.
- Rochelle Christian Food Pantry for Splurge on Nutrition to purchase healthy and nutritious items for families in need.
- Rochelle Free Summer Lunch Program for meal reimbursement

**2018: 6 GRANTS, $8,500**

**2018: 10 GRANTS, $17,265**

**2018: 10 GRANTS, $15,544**

**2018: 4 GRANTS, $9,000**

**2018: 5 GRANTS, $10,000**
2018 was another banner year for the Rochelle Area Community Foundation. Assets have nearly reached $3,000,000. Contributions to our endowment funds set an all time record. We have also provided the most dollars ever in a grant cycle. Our Business Partnerships were the strongest ever and continue to grow.

Thanks to the enormous generosity of Central Bank Illinois, we now have a new home that gives the foundation a touch of class. It provides a place where anyone in our community can come and learn more about the Foundation, what we do for our community and how they can get involved.

I firmly believe that 2019 will be another great year for the Foundation, and I look forward to seeing RACF continue to grow and continue to help the community we serve.

– Cal Jacobs

Fiscal Snapshot

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**TOTAL EQUITY**  
$2,800,284.42

*unaudited  As of December 31, 2018
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Impact
Our success is only possible because of your generous giving.

RACF is governed by a 15 member volunteer Board of Directors, each of whom is very involved in the work of the organization. We gratefully recognize the contributions of Joe Meadows, chair of the Development Committee and Tim Hayden for their years of service to the Board of Directors.

Be a part of building a strong foundation for the future.

Ways to give:

• Remember us in your will.
• Give to the Rochelle Community Endowment Fund to make an impact on a wide variety of organizations.
• Support the area of interest you care most about.
• Leave a legacy by establishing a permanent fund with the Community Foundation.

How to give:

• Mail your check payable to the Rochelle Area Community Foundation to PO Box 74, Rochelle, IL 61068.
• Give Now! With your credit card or PayPal account through our website: rochellefoundation.org.
• RACF can accept gifts in many forms including cash, appreciated stock, real estate and more. Contact Kim Montgomery, Executive Director to learn more.

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