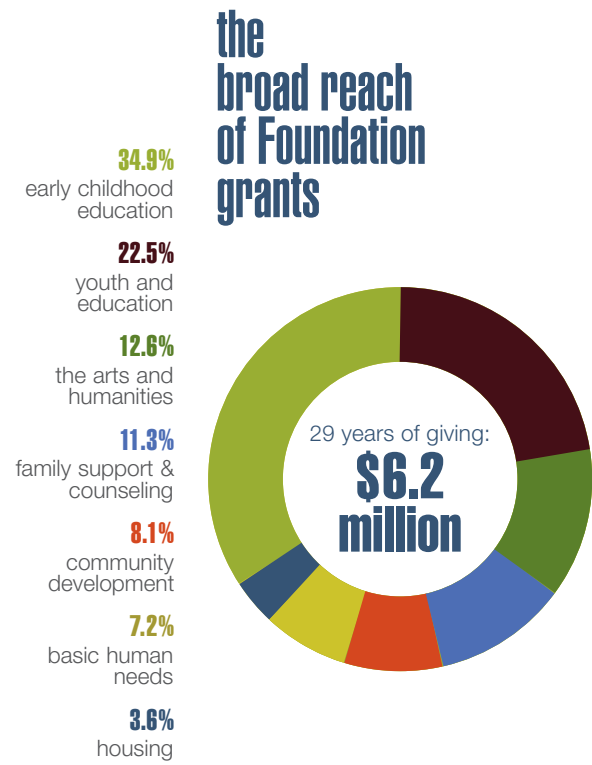


GOOD WORKS FOR ALL

Because Evanston's needs are complex and varied, we make grants to a diverse array of programs.



The \$6.2 million in competitive and strategic grants is only a portion of the total \$12.3 million in distributions made by the Foundation since our founding in 1986. The larger figure includes distributions from funds established here by other organizations and individual donors, as well as spending from ECF's own endowments for Foundation programs and operations.

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When you give to the Evanston Community Foundation, you start funding good work in Evanston right away. But you also reach into the future, helping us meet the needs of our ever-changing community.

Every gift keeps giving for years to come.

**for all
forever**



all the
more

- The more we grow,
the more good work
we support.

boosting returns

A solid tax refund is like an extra paycheck: money in the bank. That's why, for the last three years, we've helped the Center for Economic Progress give free tax prep advice to low-income Evanstonians.

Last year, the organization helped 491 local households file taxes, generating \$797,242 in refunds and saving at least \$85,000 in prep fees. For each dollar CEP receives, it saves 34 for its clients. That's money that families can spend on essentials like healthy food, education, and savings.

more
for all

- When we grow, our
partners grow, too—and
touch more lives.

the Foundation changed everything

In 2010, Mudlark Theater was a tiny non-profit with ambitious goals: to take children seriously as artists, empower them as creative decision-makers, and produce vibrant shows that erased the distinction between youth and professional theater. But their small size meant they could work with only about 100 kids each year.

Going through our *root2fruit* capacity-building program from 2010-2012 changed everything. Since then, their annual revenue has tripled, reaching \$240,000. They put on more plays, go into more schools, and run more summer camps than ever before.

Now, instead of 100 kids each year, they work with over 1,500.

all
for one

- Our community-wide
perspective lets us
facilitate community-wide
collaborations.

by Evanston, for Evanston

This summer, four Evanston young adults without stable housing got to move into a house of their own.

Their journey began at the Foundation and relied on close collaboration among our partners. As a result of her participation in our Leadership Evanston program, Sheryl Bartol teamed up with Curt's Café and Connections for the Homeless to brainstorm a solution to a pressing need: housing solutions for young adults who needed support beyond just a roof over their heads. Together they secured a two-flat and raised funds to pay a full-time, live-in support staff. They call the program Our House, a name that recognizes homelessness as a problem best approached by a whole community working together.

all
together
now

Everything we do is
made possible by our
donors' generosity.

By investing in the
Foundation, you help us
take on Evanston's biggest
challenges today—and
ensure we'll be tackling
them for years to come.

please join us this year!

