



Join the Mission of  
**Community West Foundation**  
 to advance the health and well being of our community.

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**“True Charity is Love in Action”**

Community West Foundation made \$1,248,000 in grants to 41 local organizations in 2012, providing for the most basic of necessities – food, shelter, healthcare, and emergency assistance. The Foundation also shared \$1,062,000 with Fairview Hospital and Lutheran Hospital to meet the healthcare needs served by these treasured organizations.

“True charity is love in action. Our supporters demonstrated their love in the mission of the Community West Foundation by charitable giving of \$4,126,160 in donations to help our community” reports David T. Dombrowiak, President & CEO Community West Foundation. Donor Advised Funds added \$862,000 to a wide range of additional charities.



Cleveland Foodbank



Community Service Alliance



Second Harvest Food Bank



Transitional Housing



Family Promise



Living Miracles

**Feeding the Hungry**

It is shocking to learn that one in six people in Cleveland can't afford to buy food and that one in four of our precious children faces hunger on a daily basis. No one should go hungry, especially our children.

**Cleveland Foodbank:** Record-breaking results brought in over **\$1 million** through the Cleveland Foodbank matching gift campaign in 2012, an inspiring example of the overwhelming generosity and engagement of individuals, businesses, and many corporate partners. Community West contributed **\$100,000** towards the successful challenge.

**Second Harvest Food Bank:** A grant of **\$50,000** helps Second Harvest to provide food to over 100 pantries and kitchens, as well as special children's programs, to feed those residents of Lorain County who would otherwise go hungry.

**Nueva Luz Urban Resource Center:** A grant of **\$24,000** allows the **Nutrition Program** to continue to serve participating clients, most living at or below the poverty level.

**New Beginnings at The Centers/WSEM:** *The Centers* (formerly the West Side Ecumenical Ministry and The Center for Families and Children), plus the distinct WSEM Food Centers at three locations on Cleveland's west were granted **\$25,000** to cover operational expenses for all three centers.

**Sheltering the Homeless**

Imagine not knowing where you will sleep tonight. Over 20,000 men, women and children in Cuyahoga County did last year. Homelessness in Ohio is a growing problem. Everyone should have a place to call home.

**Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry's 2100 Lakeside** was awarded a **\$40,000** grant, for the **Work Initiatives Program** to Ohio's largest men's shelter. Nearly 4,000 homeless individuals were served in 2012 by this compassionate ministry to provide safe lodging, meals, and faith-based life recovery programs.

**Transitional Housing** received **\$20,000** for **Operational Support** to address needs within this agency that serves the growing population of homeless women. The majority of clients, some with children, remain in the program from 6 to 9 months to focus on their education, life skills, and job training programs.

**Community Service Alliance** was granted **\$35,000** to benefit approximately eight veterans living at Fulton House, the former Blessed Sacrament convent, as they transition from homelessness to independence.

**Family Promise** is the only area agency providing services to keep homeless families together. Foundation grant funding of **\$25,000** will be used for the costs of housing and feeding families, particularly at the Family Center located at Pilgrim United Church of Christ.

**Metanoia Project** is open during the months of November through April at St. Malachi School from Thursday to Sunday evening to provide shelter and food and other services to assist unfortunate people without any place to escape the frigid winter weather. A **\$16,000** grant supports the Metanoia Project. Last winter nearly 100 people were grateful for the warmth and meals at St. Malachi's.

**Mental Health**

Community West Foundation provided grants to a number of local nonprofit groups delivering exceptional programs and services to support people with mental illness and substance abuse disorders.

**NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Greater Cleveland** received **\$25,000** for their **Family/Consumer Education Programs**, offering resources, education, and information for individuals with mental illness and their family members.

**Living Miracles Peer Empowerment Center** provides a safe space where people diagnosed with mental illness and often released from a hospital stay. A **\$10,000** grant allows the center to extend its hours so members have more access to support through recovery.

**Lakewood Community Services Center and Murtis Taylor Human Services System** received **\$75,000** to provide mental health services and other basic necessities to those exhibiting obvious signs of mental illness. A collaboration is funded for a **Mental Health Services Provider** on site for immediate client service.

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