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LETTER FROM THE BOARD CHAIR
LEO KARL, III

As a lifelong resident of New Canaan, I have a special appreciation for what makes our community so unique. Community is defined as “a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests and goals.” That feeling of fellowship is reflected here in New Canaan in people who care deeply about one another and those around them. We are a community where neighbors help neighbors and where individuals step forward to volunteer for the greater good.

Today, an important piece of this fellowship resides within the New Canaan Community Foundation. With your support, and under the tremendous leadership of past President & CEO, Cynthia Gorey, the Community Foundation has grown from a small charity in 1977 to the hub of local philanthropy it is today. During Cynthia’s 14-year tenure, the Foundation vastly expanded our initiatives and giving. Today we offer educational programming for everyone from teens to nonprofit leaders and distribute more than $1 million in grants and life-changing college scholarships annually.

Our important work is made possible by the 900+ individuals, families, and organizations who contributed to our 2015 Annual Appeal and the 120+ volunteers who help us fundraise and review dozens of grant and scholarship applications. In this way, the New Canaan Community Foundation is the perfect embodiment of this special town’s spirit of generosity and fellowship.

Thank you. Your support helps us continue the charitable traditions of our town and create a new legacy of giving for generations to come. The Foundation looks forward to a bright future – and is proud to be led into the next phase of our success under our new President & CEO, Lauren Patterson.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
New Canaan Community Foundation is your local charitable partner.

The Foundation offers a range of philanthropic and educational services to all residents. We collaborate with donors to help each individual achieve their personal giving goals. Volunteer leaders guide our work and help us maximize our impact. Building on New Canaan’s generosity of spirit, we make careful investments in area nonprofit organizations and award scholarships to college students.

All gifts to the Foundation, of any amount, have a direct impact on our community.

We represent the modern version of old-fashioned charity – neighbors lending a hand to help each other and make our community a better place for everybody.

Human Services 24%

Youth Programs 16%

Elderly and Special Needs 14%

Health Care 11%

Art, Culture, and Community Resources 18%

Scholarships 17%

GRANTS

Since 1977, NCCF has given over $11 million in grants to worthy nonprofits in New Canaan and throughout Fairfield County. We awarded more than $668,000 in grants to 73 organizations in our most recent grant cycle.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships from the New Canaan Community Foundation have allowed hundreds of New Canaan students to pursue their college dreams. This year alone, NCCF awarded $180,000 in scholarships to 63 students.

PHILANTHROPY

We work closely with local families to help them achieve their charitable goals. Donors benefit from our deep knowledge of the community and the nonprofit sector.

EDUCATION

The Community Foundation provides rich educational experiences for New Canaan residents and nonprofit leaders through our philanthropic events and programs.
OUR IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY

WE SERVE OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH GRANTS TO NONPROFITS, LIFE-CHANGING SCHOLARSHIPS, EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS.

GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- $650K Community Grants
- $180K Scholarships
- $150K Family Fund Giving
- $20K Emergency Financial Aid
- $15K Young Philanthropists Grants

TOTAL: $1M

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

- 2015 Spirit of New Canaan Luncheon
  Paid tribute to the inspiring work of local leaders Hud and Pat Stoddard, Kathy Giusti, and Dr. Thomas Flynn

- 2016 Philanthropy Luncheon
  Raised $70K for scholarships and heard UConn President Susan Herbst speak about the university’s transformation

- 2015 Volunteer Recognition Awards
  Honored 12 extraordinary volunteers for their work in the community

- Young Philanthropists
  Educated 40 high school students about the role of nonprofits and the importance of philanthropy

- Executive Directors Group
  Local nonprofit leaders shared best practices and learned new strategies

TOUCH A LIFE

Over 50 New Canaan families are helped annually with immediate and confidential financial assistance through our Touch A Life program with grants for utilities, school supplies, groceries, and other essentials.

To make our community better for everyone

Your support makes this possible

- 120+ VOLUNTEERS from the community engaged in our grant review process and fundraising efforts
- NEARLY $560K raised through our 2015 Annual Appeal
- 13 NEW FUNDS established to help families achieve their charitable goals and nonprofits manage their investments
- 900+ INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES & ORGANIZATIONS supported the Foundation
2015-2016 GRANTS & AWARDS

HUMAN SERVICES

Career Resources
Child Advocates of CT
Children’s Connection
Community Places
Domestic Violence Crisis Center
Exchange Club Center for Prevention
Child Abuse
Family and Children’s Agency
Family Centers
Family ReEntry
Filling in the Blanks
Heifer International
Inspirica
International Institute of Connecticut
Kids in Crisis
Mill Reef Fund
Neighbors Link Stamford
New Covenant Center
Open Door Shelter
Person to Person
Pivot Ministries
Pro Bono Partnership
Sexual Assault Crisis and Education Center
Shelter for the Homeless
TechnoServe Inc.
Town of New Canaan
Urban Hope, Inc.
Wellness in the Schools
The Workplace, Inc.
Wounded Warrior Project Inc.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

A.B.C. of New Canaan
Achievement First Bridgeport Academy
Blacknell University
Career Foundation of Norwalk
Childcare Learning Centers, Inc.
Children’s Center of the Stamford Community
Church Hill Activities and Taotong
Connecticut Yankee Council
Dartmouth Alumni Fund
Domus Kids
Eugene Institute
Future 5 Inc.
Georgetown University
Harvard College
Horizons at Greens Farms Academy
Horizons National
Horizons Student Enrichment Program
Mercy Learning Center
NC Rams All Sports Booster Club
New Beginnings Family Academy
New Canaan Cares
New Canaan High School
Norwalk Community College Foundation, Inc.
Norwalk Grassroots Tennis & Education
Person to Person
REACH Prep, Inc.
Shepherds Inc.
St. Lawrence University
Stepping Stones Museum for Children
Taft School Corporation
United Way of Western CT
University of California Berkeley
University of Connecticut
Voices of September 11th
Woodway Scholarship Fund
The Young Mariners Foundation

ELDERLY & SPECIAL NEEDS

Abilis Inc.
Arts for Healing
Camp Horizons
ElderHouse
Getabout, Inc.
Meals-on-Wheels of New Canaan
New Canaan Group Home - South Avenue Cottage
New Canaan Mounted Troop
New Canaan YMCA
Rotary Club of New Canaan
Saint Catherine Academy
Schoolhouse Apartments
STAIR, Lighting the Way
Staying Put in New Canaan
Summer Theatre of New Canaan

HEALTH CARE

Americans Free Clinics
Child Guidance Center of Mid-Fairfield County
Child Guidance Center of Southern CT
Circle of Care for Families with Cancer
Domestic Violence Crisis Center
Fairfield County Hospice House
Laurel House
Liberation Programs, Inc.
Lyme Research Alliance, Inc.
The Mikey Czech Foundation
Norwalk Community College Foundation, Inc.
Riley Children’s Foundation
Silver Hill Hospital
The Tiny Miracles Foundation
Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Fairfield County
Waveny LifeCare Network

ART, CULTURE & COMMUNITY RESOURCES

American Red Cross, NC Chapter
Audubon Connecticut
Carriage Barn Arts Center
Catherine Visosky Hubbard Foundation, Inc.
Center for Contemporary Printmaking
The Congregational Church of New Canaan
Council on Foundations
CT Council for Philanthropy
Cultural Alliance of Fairfield County
Earthplace, Nature Discovery Center
Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund
INTAKE Organization, Inc.
Maritime Aquarium of Norwalk
New Canaan Chamber of Commerce
New Canaan Fire Co. #1
New Canaan Historical Society
New Canaan Land Trust
New Canaan Library
New Canaan Nature Center
New Canaan Town Players
New Canaan Volunteer Ambulance Corps
New Canaan YMCA
New England Dance Theater
Norwalk Symphony Orchestra
PAWS CT Pet Animal Welfare Society of Connecticut
Reggie’s Pet Project Inc.
Rotary Club of New Canaan
Saint Luke’s Parish
Shakespeare on the Sound
Silvermine Guild Arts Center
Spruce Peak Performing Arts Center
Stamford Museum & Nature Center
Stamford Symphony Orchestra
Stern Grove Festival Association
Stone Land Trust
Summer Theatre of New Canaan
Town Players of New Canaan
Triangulo Community Center
VFW Foundation
Waveny Park Conservancy
Wildlife in Crisis

In 2015, 63 students were awarded grants and scholarships to attend over 40 colleges and universities including:

American University
Assumption College
Bates College
Belmont University
Boston University
Bridgewater State University
Bucknell University
Columbia University
Dartmouth College
Depauw University
Drexel University
Elon University
Fairfield University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Fordham University
George Washington University
Indiana University
Johnson & Wales University
Lafayette College
Law School
Lynden State College
Marist College
New York University
Northeastern University
Norwalk Community College
Norwich University
Nyack College
Princeton University
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rooseke College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Sacred Heart University
Skidmore College
Southern Connecticut State University
St. Lawrence University
Suffolk University
Susquehanna University
The College of William & Mary
Tulane University
Union College
University of Connecticut
University of Denver
University of Edinburgh
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Southern California
University of Utah
University of Vermont

Lists represent both board-directed and donor advised fund grants.
Welcome to our newest Board members

2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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Kathleen Abbott
Barb Achenbaum
Susan Boston
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Marjorie Furman
Alan Haas
Diane Hanauer
Kelly Hanratty
John Knight
Janet Lanaway
Kay Linneman
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Shelia Pettee
Dave Hunt
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Kathy Schulte
Sharan Stevenson
Jay Twombly
Amy Wilkinson

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2015-2016 VOLUNTEERS
Barb Achenbaum
Alia Amir-Aslani
Michelle Beltran
Nancy Bennis
Judy Bentley
Peter Bergen
Christine Betack
Benjamin Bilas
Nancy Blasnik
Eileen Boyd
Kate Campbell Reed
Sue Carroll
Meghan Ciolfi
Rob Ciolfi
Christopher Cody
Jim Cole
Valerie Connolly
Kathleen Corbet
Carolyn Corcoran
Carrie Deane Corcoran
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John Crum
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Chihaya Daghi
Jim Davis
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Alicia Eppler
Margo Epprecht
Robert Ericson
Dan Ernst
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Win Evarts
Christina Fagerstal
Tom Ferguson
Frank Fetchet
Eleanor Flato
Marjoree Furman
Courtney Galvan
Mimi Gammill
Samantha Gaumer
Michael Glazer
Elisabeth Golden
Steve Gorey
Julianne Grace
Alex Granicharov
Betsy Greene
K.C. Hall
Kelly Hanratty
Martha Harper

YOUNG PHILANTHROPISTS
David Ball
Emma Barker
Caroline Ciolfi
Kyle DeMayo
Logan Diliberto
Jake Dobbin
Will Ferguson
Mariana Ferreira
Paige Freyre
Katie Gervase
Will Gervase
Quenin Gress
Ryan Gress
Sarah Harris
Abigail Ker
Sean Knight
Olivia Linnartz
Sean Manzella

We are grateful to the many community members who have dedicated their time, expertise, and wisdom volunteering for grantmaking financial reviews, fundraising, and special events. These volunteers are vital to the Foundation’s continued success.
We thank the many organizations that support the Foundation

Bankwell
Blue Mercury
Blumdesign
Caren Forbes & Company
Carnegie Pollak Test Prep
Consider the Cook
Cosmetics Boutique & Medical Spa
Deane Culinary Works
Earth Garden
Educational Futures
First County Bank Foundation
Franco’s Wine Merchants
G. Albert Men’s Groomers
Greenwich Hospital
Greenwich Pharmacy
Halo Fitness
Halo Studios
Harrington Insurance Agency
Houbal Lawrence
Hoyt Livery
HTG Investment Advisors
J. Hillburn Custom Men’s Clothier
Joëls Pizza
Karl Chevalier
Karp Associates
Lampert, Toohy & Rucci
Lyn Evans Potpourri Designs
Lynnessa Design
M Milestones
Molly Publications
Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation
New Canaan Chamber of Commerce
New Canaan Florist
New Canaan Health
New Canaan Mounted Troop
New Canaan Wine Merchants
Norwalk Community College Foundation
Oxygen Fitness
Pennysweight
Pet Pantry Warehouse
Pinkco
Pinocheo Pizza
Pyrrotron Wellness
Serendipity
Soleil Sole
Sprangle Florist & Greenhouse
Stamford Hospital Foundation
The Summer House
TD Bank
Tombrook Corporation
W by Worth
Walter Stewarts
Waveny LifeCare Network
Western Connecticut Health Network
Zody’s at Sterling Farms
Zuback’s Gourmet Coffee

We work with our neighbors to help them reach their charitable goals

DONOR ADVISED

Abacus Fund
Acushnet Fund
Blueberry Fund
Blue Grays Partners Fund
Brown Family Charitable Fund
Burns Family Fund
Carey Children’s Fund
Corbet Family Fund
Cromin Family Fund
Dionne Fund for Special Needs
Duffy Family Fund
Friends of Merrie Bee Cabin Fund
Friends of Spencer’s Run Endowment Fund
Gamber Family Fund
Gnuse Family Fund
Grace and Beck Family Fund
Kendy Family Fund
Kennedy Harrigan Fund
Lobdell Family Fund
Mahoney Family Fund
Ruth T. Noble Fund
Alexander Pettée Fund
Prior Family
Rangelay Capital Community Fund
Redgate Fund
Rein Fund
Crispy Seeley Cemetery Fund
Sindelar Family Fund
Taggart Family Fund
Trinklein Family Fund
Turrentine Family Fund
Walbert Family Fund
Wennim Fund for Children and Education
White Frost Fund
Bob Witt Legacy Fund
Worden Family Fund

BOARD DESIGNATED
Community Impact Fund
Fund for Children and Youth
Local First 1.b.a.s.t. Fund
Neighbors United Program
Spirit of New Canaan Fund
Touch A Life Fund
Young Philanthropist Fund

SCHOLARSHIP & AWARDS
Dick Bond Memorial Fund
Joseph Dorrice Rotary Scholarship Fund
Kelly and Terry Hanratty Acorn Award
Jack Jacobs Scholarship Award
Anne and Anthony sapienza Scholarship Fund
Miss Timms Award
Team Jim Scholarship Award

OUR FUNDS

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STAYING PUT IN NEW CANAAN

Fourth of July at Waveny
Photo: Valerie Stryker

Beautiful downtown New Canaan
Photo: Valerie Stryker

Stamford Museum and Nature Center
## ASSETS

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<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>$668,972</td>
<td>$1,003,644</td>
<td>$708,724</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>15,810,753</td>
<td>15,608,565</td>
<td>15,772,470</td>
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<td>Other assets</td>
<td>2,306</td>
<td>2,006</td>
<td>21,114</td>
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<td>Property, software and equipment, net</td>
<td>9,917</td>
<td>11,438</td>
<td>9,857</td>
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<td><strong>Total Assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>$16,491,948</strong></td>
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## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

### Liabilities

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<td>Accrued liabilities</td>
<td>$6,700</td>
<td>$14,625</td>
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<td>Grants payable</td>
<td>177,300</td>
<td>7,150</td>
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<td>Agency funds</td>
<td>1,716,983</td>
<td>1,568,768</td>
<td>764,214</td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,900,983</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,590,543</strong></td>
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### Net Assets

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<td>Unrestricted</td>
<td>$6,032,869</td>
<td>6,492,339</td>
<td>6,939,614</td>
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<td>Temporarily restricted</td>
<td>8,558,096</td>
<td>8,542,771</td>
<td>8,790,526</td>
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<td><strong>Total net assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>$14,590,965</strong></td>
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## Changes in Net Assets

### REVENUES

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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>$416,551</td>
<td>$1,525,736</td>
<td>$944,043</td>
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<td>Less contributions to agency funds</td>
<td>$(127,996)</td>
<td>$(859,596)</td>
<td>$(164,400)</td>
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<td><strong>Net contributions</strong></td>
<td><strong>$288,555</strong></td>
<td><strong>$666,140</strong></td>
<td><strong>$779,643</strong></td>
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<td>Investment return, net of investment expenses</td>
<td>269,800</td>
<td>(95,933)</td>
<td>544,320</td>
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<td>Special events</td>
<td>80,015</td>
<td>82,721</td>
<td>85,208</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenues</strong></td>
<td><strong>$638,370</strong></td>
<td><strong>$652,928</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,409,171</strong></td>
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### EXPENSES

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| Program
| Grants | 901,408 | 1,022,593 | 1,199,176 |
| Other program expenses | 86,393  | 170,120   | 108,978  |
| Less grants from agency funds | $(25,000) |          |         |
| **Total grants**     | **987,801**     | **1,167,713** | **1,308,154** |
| Supporting Services
| Management and administration | 43,982 | 103,572 | 128,006 |
| Fundraising: special events | 17,774 | 22,257 | 13,400 |
| Other fundraising     | 32,958          | 54,416  | 59,488  |
| **Total expenses**    | **1,082,515**   | **1,347,958** | **1,509,048** |
| **Change in Net Assets** | **$(444,145)** | **$(695,030)** | **$(99,877)** |
| **Net Assets - Beginning of Year** | **$15,035,110** | **$15,730,140** | **$15,830,017** |
| **Net Assets - End of Year** | **$14,590,965** | **$15,035,110** | **$15,730,140** |

**NOTE:** In 2015, the Board of Directors voted to change our fiscal year from a calendar year to a July 1 to June 30 year. The new fiscal year more accurately reflects our grantmaking cycle. The majority of our fundraising activities occur in the fall and the resulting grants are made in the following spring. By making this change in year end, our annual financial statements going forward will include the grants disbursed in the same fiscal year that the related funds were raised.

To reflect this change in fiscal year, this Annual Report covers a 18-month period from January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. As such, the financial information presented in this Annual Report includes three fiscal periods: January 1 to June 30, 2016, January 1 to December 31, 2015, and January 1 to December 31, 2014. Our transitional short year for the six months ended June 30, 2016 shows a decrease in net assets as it includes the spring 2016 grant disbursements but not the majority of the income raised to fund these grants (which would arise from our fall 2015 Annual Appeal and was recorded in the year ended December 31, 2015).

The mission of the New Canaan Community Foundation is to promote community philanthropy and help donors achieve their charitable goals.

New Canaan Community Foundation provides a way for all residents of New Canaan to become active philanthropists, empowering all of us to address needs and issues important to us and to our community. We partner with donors to help make their charitable giving impactful, personally meaningful, and efficient.
OUR IMPACT.
OUR COMMUNITY.

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