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~ Established in 1991 ~

**EXPANDING  
CULTURAL - EDUCATIONAL - RECREATIONAL  
OPPORTUNITIES**

# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

# 30 YEARS

## CELEBRATING

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ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE

# Support

YOUR COMMUNITY



The Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation is celebrating its 30th year as a certified 501(c)3 non-profit organization improving the quality of life of Sterling Heights area residents through cultural, educational and recreational opportunities.

The Foundation offers you the opportunity to support your community and enhance the quality of life for area residents in many ways. You may make a financial contribution to any of the 27 endowment funds the Foundation manages, create a new endowment fund that supports a special interest or honors a person important to you, include the Foundation in your will or trust, make a gift of real estate, donate a major gift through a bequest, or a charitable remainder distribution from an I.R.A., make a life insurance contribution or a charitable gift annuity. You may donate personal property, make a gift of appreciated stock, donate remaining retirement plan assets, make a gift of an interest in a closely held or family business or transfer an interest in a family limited partnership limited liability company.

The Foundation continually strives to partner with area businesses and residents to support programs that strengthen the City's wide range of cultural, educational and recreational opportunities.

Through your donation to the Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation, you can assist local area students with college scholarships, provide evenings of supervised fun for area teenagers, be a part of Sterlingfest, Memorial Day and Veteran Day celebrations, and support your local parks, nature center, library, area seniors and more. You can leave a legacy for generations to come in perpetuity.

Your Foundation is an approved 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization, which offers potential tax benefits for you. Tax law changes make it important for you to contact your financial advisor to ensure your donation is credited properly.

Your gift to the Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation helps ensure that you, your family, neighbors and generations to come will continue to enjoy the finest cultural, educational and recreational opportunities that make Sterling Heights a great place to live, work, raise a family, and conduct business.

Please make a financial investment in your community so that we may continue to provide quality initiatives and programs that enhance the life of all Sterling Heights area residents. You may obtain a donation form and any additional information you may need from the City Community Relations Department by calling 586-446-2470. You may also discuss your giving ideas with your lawyer to ensure the latest tax advantages.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Karl G. Oskoian  
Executive Director, President Emeritus Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation



## 8th Annual "Puttin' on the Ritz"

### Recognized Dr. Christine Johns

SUPERINTENDENT, UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

With the SIXTH annual Richard J. Notte Civic Service Leadership Award.

The Foundation thanks its Ritz sponsors:

#### CORPORATE SPONSORS



*J. G. Kern Enterprises, Inc.*

#### COUNTY SPONSORS



HENRY FORD  
MACOMB HOSPITALS



#### CITY SPONSORS



#### IN-KIND SPONSORS



IN 2020  
Community invests

**\$112,217** INTO FOUNDATION

The Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation thanks the following residents, businesses and community leaders for their 2020 support and financial contributions:

Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc.

Barton Malow

BAE Systems

Beaumont Health

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John Bozymowski

Dr. Martin Brown

Christian Financial Credit Union

City of Sterling Heights

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of Commerce

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“The Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation experienced its most successful year, fulfilling its mission to enhance the cultural, educational and recreational opportunities for Sterling Heights area residents with strong contributions to the Community, while building and strengthening its brand throughout the City and Macomb County,” said Karl G. Oskoian, the Foundation’s Executive Director and President Emeritus. “We have grown the Foundation consistently since its inception in 1991 and significantly accelerated our growth in 2020 passing significant financial milestones. We are excited and proud of our progress and remain focused on continued growth and service to the community in our 30th year and in perpetuity.”



# A YEAR IN REVIEW

# Fulfilling

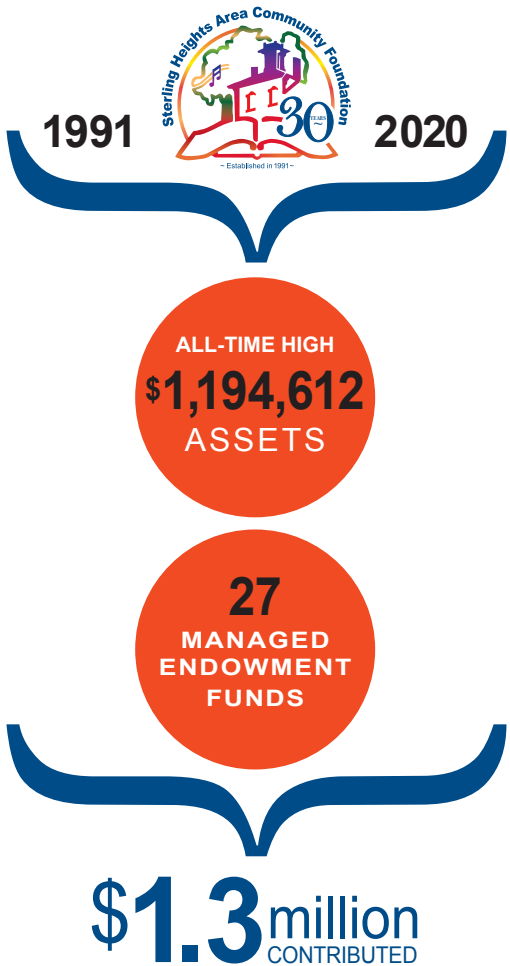
# STERLING OPPORTUNITIES

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**In 2020, the Foundation supported many community efforts with financial grants and conducted a variety of activities to generate funds for future disbursement to improve the quality of life of area residents.**

- BAE Systems STEM Scholarship Endowment
- Clinton River Trail System Endowment
- Community Arts Endowment
- Community Foundation General Endowment
- Doebler Family Foundation Endowment
- Dr. Martin Brown Endowment for Children with Special Needs
- Donna Bozymowski Endowment for Children with Autism & Special Needs
- Ford Motor Company Veterans Day Endowment
- Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #118 Imus Park Endowment
- Friends of the Sterling Heights Public Library Fund Endowment
- General Dynamics Land Systems Engineering Scholarship Endowment
- Ronald Himmeler Science Scholarship Endowment
- Karl G. Oskoian Endowment for the Arts & Culture
- Lil Adams Memorial Endowment to Benefit Turning Point
- Macomb County Chiropractic Association Endowment for Children with Autism
- Mark A. Hackel Junior Leadership Macomb Endowment
- Mayor Richard J. Notte Public Service Scholarship Endowment
- Martin Luther King Scholarship Endowment
- Michael S. Lazzara Endowment for Sterling Heights Youth Football
- Marling Beautification Endowment
- Professional Public Management Education Endowment
- Quality of Life Endowment
- Barbara W. Rossmann Sterling Heights Parks and Recreation Endowment
- Selfridge ANG/Base Community Council College Scholarship Endowment
- Sterling Heights Rotary Club Park Endowment
- Tom Kroll Scholarship Endowment
- Wujek Calcaterra and Sons Endowment



Dear Community Residents,

We are proud to celebrate our 30th year of improving the quality of life of Sterling Heights residents through cultural, educational and recreational opportunities.

Year end assets totaled \$1,194,612 after 2020 grant disbursements for a variety of activities supporting the Foundation’s mission. Managed endowment funds totaled 27. Since its inception in 1991, the Foundation has contributed more than \$1.3 million to organizations and activities that support its mission.

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Some key 2020 initiatives included:

## Grants

- 20 scholarships totaling \$20,000 were awarded to area high school seniors for their pursuit of a college degree or vocational training
- Secured \$21,000 for the 2021 Scholarship Program
- Macomb Science Olympiad
- Dodge Park 5K Run
- Music in the Park
- Battle of the Bands
- Dodge Park Farmers Market
- Library Summer Reading Program
- Play Place for Autistic Children

## Events

- Held the eighth annual “Puttin on the Ritz” community gala virtually recognizing recently retired Utica Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Christine Johns with the Sixth Annual Richard J. Notte Civic Service Leadership Award.

## Sponsorships

- City Veterans Day Ceremony
- Utica Community Schools Career Focus Luncheon
- City of Sterling Heights 50th Anniversary
- Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce events

A diverse and talented board of volunteer directors, support staff and professional in-kind advisors has chartered and implemented an aggressive 2021-2023 Strategic Plan and a challenging 2021 Operating Plan to assist the Foundation’s continued growth and ability to fulfill its community mission.

It is our privilege to act as stewards of the non-profit assets entrusted to us to ensure their continued growth and income availability, in perpetuity, for future generations.

Community-wide support continues to grow and will accelerate attainment of our long-range objectives. City leadership remains a significant and critical partner as we strive to improve the quality of life for all Sterling Heights area residents.

To those of you who have supported the Foundation, thank you. To those of you who are considering support through a financial, in-kind, or volunteer contribution, we encourage your participation.

Together, we will continue to help strengthen and advance Sterling Heights as a model city to be emulated nation-wide; as a great place to live, work, raise a family, and conduct business.

Sincerely,

Karl G. Oskoian, *Executive Director, President Emeritus*  
Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation

Dr. Martin J. Brown, *President*  
Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation

# Mission

# Fulfillment

Cultural Educational Recreational

