

2004 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

MEMORIAL TO A CARING WOMAN

The Tipp City Area Community Foundations is pleased to announce that The Maureen Demers Memorial Fund for the Needy has been established. This endowment fund was the inspiration of Maureen Demers just prior to her death from cancer last May. Proceeds from Maureen's IRA provided the initial assets for the Fund.

The new Fund will provide regular support for the Tipp Monroe Community Services' Community Relief Program and the St. Joseph Church Community Outreach Program in Petersburg, Virginia. Both programs are very similar. Locally, the Community Relief Program is designed to assist area families in Tipp City, Monroe Township, and Bethel Township once per twelve-month period with rent, utilities, prescriptions, and eyeglasses.

According to friends, Maureen Demers was a loving, caring person. She loved her neighbors and cared for her community. Her devotion and dedication to helping people in need and her community in general, no matter where she lived, was the driving force behind the decision to establish this Fund.

**CONTRIBUTING TO CHARITABLE AND
CULTURAL ENDEAVORS TO IMPROVE THE
QUALITY OF LIFE IN TIPP CITY AND ITS
SURROUNDING AREA**

Maureen and her husband Gerry Demers moved to Tipp City from Petersburg, Virginia, in January, 2001 in order to be closer to their family. Brian Demers, one of three children, and his wife Kathy also reside in Tipp City with their two boys, Alex and Kyle.

Almost immediately after arriving in Tipp City, Maureen began to volunteer for local charities. She became active with the Community Services Relief Program, interviewing potential grant recipients, in addition to working with Needy Basket and the Gingham Clothesline.

It is only fitting that Maureen leaves something behind for the continued well-being of her beloved Tipp City. Meanwhile, Gerry will continue to reach out to the community as chairman of Needy Basket of Southern Miami County.

Donations to The Maureen Demers Memorial Fund for the Needy may be mailed to the Tipp City Area Community Foundations, P.O. Box 626, Tipp City, OH 45371.



TIPP CITY AREA
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATIONS



Bob Kessler

LEAVE A LEGACY

Unlike a gift received during a donor's lifetime, a legacy gift is activated upon asset transfer to the Foundation after the donor's death. Legacies become donors' memorials to their favorite charitable causes.

The following generous people have provided for gifts through their wills, insurance policies or other planned giving vehicles that will eventually come to the Tipp City Area Community Foundations:

Anonymous Donor
John and Kay Berk
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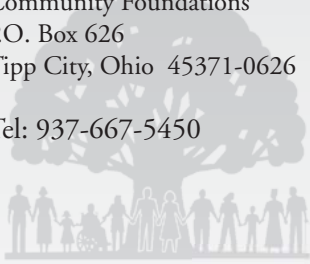
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Tipp Mum Festival 2004



Helen Timmer

OUR FOUNDATION.... HISTORY AND LEADERSHIP

THE FOUNDATION was established on August 3, 1943, as a community trust to benefit Tipp City and Monroe Township. This endowment is managed by U. S. Bank for long term growth. Originally started with a \$1,300 gift from Ed Timmer, the Foundation's assets are currently \$2,298,828, as of December 31, 2004.

Early Foundation trustees included Orville Whitmer, Frank Suerdieck, Dr. Sam Kemper, Helen Timmer (who later added significant assets to the trust) and Clayton (Penny) Finch.

Today the composition of trustees and members of the Foundation have broadened to include Bethel Township representatives. The Distribution Committee Trustees include Mike Lightle (Chair), Gordon Honeyman, Marilyn Richards, Matt Timmer, Jackie Wahl and Jesse Chamberlain, Secretary. Other Board members include Heather Bailey, Becky Coughlin, Joan Creech, Carol Dunkel, Nancy McAlpin, and Dr. Jim Ranft. Sue Rinehart of The Dayton Foundation serves as staff liaison.

Trustees are appointed by various local organizations, the courts and banking institutions. Other members are nominated from the community at-large.

Tipp City Area Community Foundations and its funds are component funds of The Dayton Foundation. Leadership for this Family of Funds rests in our own community while fiscal oversight is maintained by The Dayton Foundation, which serves the Dayton and Miami Valley area. This partnership allows the Tipp City and Bethel communities to benefit from local leadership and profit from resources pooled with others for investment growth.

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2004 CONTRIBUTIONS

The Board of Trustees gratefully acknowledges the following donors who contributed more than \$114,500 to funds, including the Tippecanoe Educational Endowment, within the Tipp City Area Community Foundations in 2004.

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Elizabeth A. Gratton

Brandon Hipp

Michelle Aldridge

Sarah E. Biggs

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NINE STUDENTS received scholarship awards totaling \$15,850 through Foundation funds in 2004. The donors who established these funds set the criteria for each award. Application information for future scholarships may be obtained through the helpful staff of the Bethel and Tippecanoe High Schools' guidance offices.

LESTER AND CLEON STUDEBAKER BOWERS SCHOLARSHIP (\$500) - *Jason T. Bailey*, to attend Johnson and Wales University

DAVID W. DINSMORE SCHOLARSHIP (\$350) - *Elizabeth A. Gratton*, to attend Johnson and Wales University

JEANETTE C. GASTON MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP (\$500) - *Brandon Hipp*, to attend University of Cincinnati

HEATHER AND HOLLY LEGRS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$1,500) - *Melanie Grim*, to attend The Ohio State University

JOHN S. AND LOUISE T. MILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$500) - *Michelle Aldridge*, to attend Sinclair Community College

ROBERT E. NESSLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$500) - *Sarah E. Biggs*, to attend The Ohio State University - ATI

Tipp City Rotary Club Scholarship (\$4,000 each) - *Michelle Aldridge*, to attend Sinclair Community College; Ashley D. Engle, to attend Eastern Kentucky University; and Andrew M. Weidner, to attend Purdue University

LONG TERM FUNDS OF THE TIPP CITY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

LESTER AND CLEON STUDEBAKER BOWERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 2000 (\$8,408) This fund will salute excellence by awarding scholarships to Bethel High School graduates pursuing a degree in agriculture, dietary science, education or childhood development. It was established by the Bowers' children in honor of their parents' 50th wedding anniversary.

NEW! THE MAUREEN DEMERS MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE NEEDY – 2004 (\$44,578) Established at the request of Maureen Demers before her death in 2004 and initially funded by her IRA proceeds, this Fund celebrates her life and caring spirit by supporting organizations that help others. The new Fund will provide income for the Tipp Monroe Community Services' Community Relief Program and the St. Joseph Church Social Ministry Community Outreach Program in Petersburg, Virginia.

DAVID W. DINSMORE SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 1999 (\$10,385) In tribute to this 1934 graduate of Bethel High School and past president of the Bethel School Board, this fund will award scholarships to Bethel High School graduates and to students completing their studies at Miami Valley Career Technology Center.

JEANETTE C. GASTON MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 1992 (\$21,808) Tippecanoe High School seniors who have participated in the Tipp City Band and have demonstrated leadership skills and academic aptitude are eligible for this annual award established in memory of Jeanette Gaston. Miss Gaston died in a car accident in 1991 while a freshman at Ball State University where she played the trombone in the band and was majoring in engineering and physics.

AUGUST HENKE FUND – 1950 (\$28,397) Emma Henke Warner, daughter of August Henke, established this fund to provide comfort and support for needy and aged men. A native of Germany, August Henke was considered the oldest living resident in Tippecanoe when he died in 1923 at the age of 92.



Maureen Demers

Jeanette Gaston

WILLIAM H. KENDIG FUND – 1957 (\$3,046) Youth in Tipp City benefit from awards made from this fund. William and Loletha Kendig, who lived for a short time in a home at Plum and Third Streets, had no children of their own.

JIM AND JUNE KYLE FAMILY FUND - 2001 (\$12,580) As a trustee of the Foundation's grant distribution committee, Jim Kyle saw first-hand the positive impact that grants can have on our community. For this reason, trustee emeritus Jim Kyle and his wife, June, created this unrestricted fund to support charitable and cultural endeavors for the citizens of Bethel and Monroe Townships.

HEATHER AND HOLLY LeGROS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 1999 (\$9,400) Scholarships are awarded to graduating students in memory of these two sisters. Heather and Holly LeGros were killed in separate automobile accidents in their senior years at Tippecanoe High School.

MARKO FAMILY ENDOWMENT FOR ARTS PROGRAMS FUND – (\$64,006) Ortho Marko established this endowment in honor of his son, Mick Marko. Mr. Marko passed away in 2003 at the age of 87. The income from his generous bequest will provide annual revenue for the Miami County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities to begin, maintain or supplement an arts program, with special emphasis on adult clients who want to paint.

WHAT IS A FUND?

A FUND is the basic building block of a community foundation. Funds are named for their purposes, for their donors or as memorials. Most of the funds operate as perpetual endowments, distributing only their net income in the form of grants. Others distribute principal, either at specific times set forth at the fund's creation or at the suggestion of the fund advisors. Almost any charitable purpose can be served through a fund within the Tipp City Area Community Foundations.

The funds described in this report have been created by individuals and organizations. They represent the growing history of the Tipp City Area Community Foundations, which began in 1943, and exemplify our donors' commitment to society and to community philanthropy. The funds will continue to give, in the donors' names, for generations to come.

Any individual, organization or business may make a contribution to these endowment funds. By making a contribution to an existing fund, a donor's gift will join others for maximum charitable benefit.

All funds are listed with market values as of December 31, 2004. At the end of the year, total assets in the 18 funds exceeded \$2,298,829.



John and Louise Miller



Jim and June Kyle



Elizabeth Spano

JOHN S. AND LOUISE T. MILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 1999 (\$10,878) The fund honors this Bethel Township farming family by providing college scholarships to graduates of Bethel High School in Miami County. Four generations of the Miller family have attended Bethel Township schools.

LUCILLE L. MILNER FUND - 1998 (\$70,360) For over 70 years, Mrs. Milner enjoyed the beauty, shade, fragrance and texture added to Tipp City's parks and streets by its urban forest. Her desire to help ensure the same beauty for future generations led her to establish this fund, which provides for the purchase of trees for planting in the parks and along the streets. Plantings are coordinated by Tipp City and its Park Board.

ROBERT E. NESSLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 1994 (\$17,794) This fund establishes an award for Bethel High School graduates attending Miami University or The Ohio State University and celebrates the diverse life that Rob Nessle led before his death. Rob was valedictorian at Bethel High School, a summa cum laude graduate of Miami University and a doctoral candidate in New York University's economics program.

ELIZABETH SPANO SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 2001 (\$22,200) This fund will ensure that the memory of this 10-year-old girl will endure. Beginning in 2009, the fund will award scholarships to graduating Tippecanoe High School young women, who have been active in cheerleading,

basketball or softball, all activities that Elizabeth Spano enjoyed.

TIPP CITY AREA UNITED FUND ENDOWMENT – 2001 (\$44,768) This fund will help encourage community-wide health and human services assistance in Monroe and Bethel Townships. The focus of support will be on education, counseling, character-building activities and emergency aid.

THE TIPP CITY FOUNDATION FUND – 1943 (\$1,731,635) This fund was created to support charitable endeavors benefiting the citizens of Tipp City. Originally established through a \$1,300 gift from Ed Timmer, owner of Miami County Lumber, it was later increased significantly by his daughter, Helen Timmer.

TIPP CITY ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND – 2001 (\$76,658) This fund will assist the Tipp City Rotary Club in awarding annual scholarships to deserving graduates of Bethel and Tippecanoe High Schools.

THE TIPPECANOE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND - 1999 (\$41,566) Supporting charitable and cultural endeavors to improve and maintain the quality of life in the communities of Bethel and Monroe Townships is the mission of this fund.

TIPPECANOE EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND - 1999 (\$80,354) This fund was established by the Tipp City Board of Education to support enrichment programs that are not otherwise funded through tax dollars in its schools.

TIPP CITY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS CHARITABLE CHECKING ACCOUNT SERVICE

THE CHARITABLE CHECKING ACCOUNT service, offered by the Tipp City Area Community Foundations through the Dayton Foundation Depository, Inc., acts like a personal checking account. Donors deposit assets into their Charitable Checking Accounts and then direct the Foundation to send contributions (grants) to any IRS-approved charities that they choose. The Dayton Foundation sends the grants for the donors, provides quarterly and end-of-year statements, as well as the gift acknowledgements. The service also makes it easy and tax-advantageous for donors to use appreciated property to fund their accounts.

Key points of the Charitable Checking Account Service:

- Donor directed
- Give to charities anywhere in U.S.
- One record
- Tax smart - Give appreciated property and save on long-term capital gains taxes.
- Tax timing - Take your tax deduction in the year you make your gift to the Foundation, and spend it out to your favorite charities at a later date.
- Simplifies charitable giving
- Option to do your giving on-line – A paperless process. Direct your gifts online through Donor Express at your convenience 24/7. Even sign up online.
- The best part is, it's free!

Go to www.daytonfoundation.org for more information.

CURRENT "CHARITABLE CHECKING ACCOUNTS"

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Gerald Z. Demers Fund
David and Kelly Grim Fund
Gordon Honeyman Fund
Jim and June Kyle Fund
The Seger Family Fund
Matthew and Claire Timmer Fund

GRANTMAKING GUIDELINES

THE FOUNDATION TRUSTEES welcome discretionary grant requests from organizations to benefit citizens in the Bethel and Monroe Township communities. To be eligible for a grant, an organization must be recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Generally, the Foundation makes grants to help launch new projects not addressed by existing organizations or to support special efforts of already established nonprofit organizations. A proposal needs to represent a unique and unduplicated opportunity that will affect a substantial number of people.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

THE FOUNDATION encourages organizations interested in applying for a grant to call or write the Distribution Committee chair for assistance in determining eligibility for Foundation support, as well as for clarification about the process and deadlines. The Distribution Committee normally meets and reviews grant applications quarterly.

Grant applications may be mailed to the address below. Special application forms are not required. Each proposal received by the Foundation will be reviewed carefully, and additional information may be requested if needed.

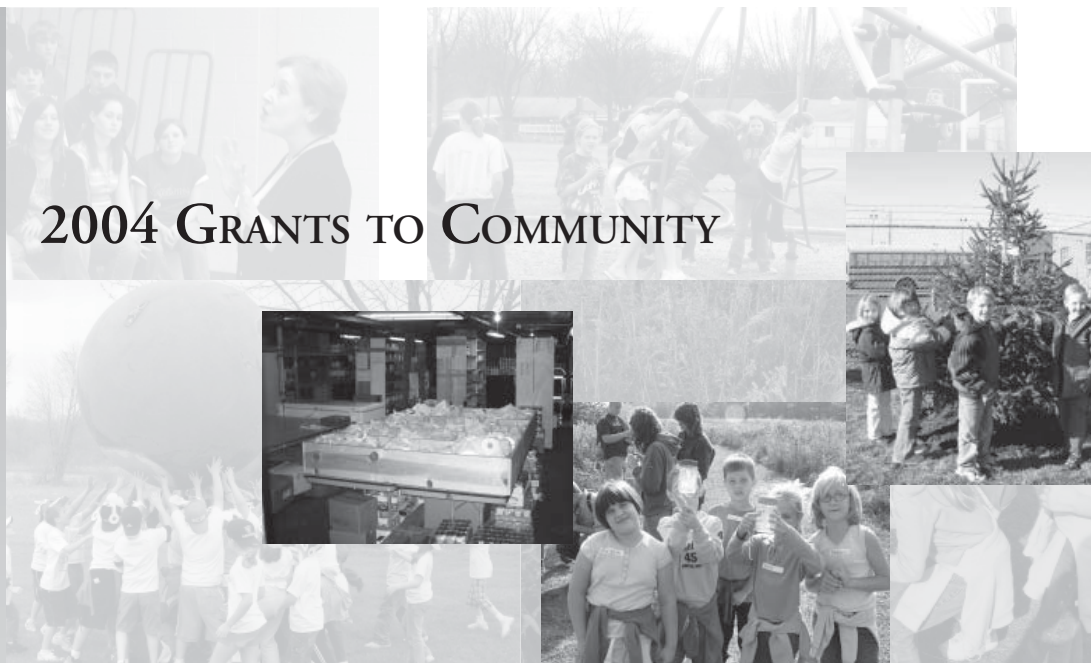
Send applications to:

Mike Lightle, Distribution Committee Chair
Tipp City Area Community Foundations
P.O. Box 626
Tipp City, Ohio 45371-0626
(937) 667-4068

GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINES

March 1
June 1
September 1
December 1

2004 GRANTS TO COMMUNITY



Grants Awarded to Help Make the Community A Better Place to Live...

OUR COMMUNITY is always evolving, and the needs of its citizens change over time. Responding to those needs, today and in the future, is the challenge of the Tipp City Area Community Foundations' grantmaking efforts.

The following discretionary grants totaling \$49,755 were awarded in 2004 for the benefit of our community through the Foundation's Distribution Committee.

Brukner Nature Center, \$500, updates the Nature Library with a bookshelf and carpeting.

Child Care Choices, \$1,000, purchases books for the Story Lady, a master's-level teacher who visits preschools, child care centers and child care homes to model good teaching practices for teachers and caregivers while presenting thought-provoking stories and activities to young children. Each child receives a book and a set of activities to share with his or her family. Each teacher receives a book to read and reread to the children.

Destination Imagination, \$150, sponsors a team for this program that promotes creative-based problem solving for children in grades 1-8.

FISH, \$500, supports emergency services provided by this volunteer organization.

Hospice of Miami County, \$1,500, purchases a handheld pulse oximeter, a portable scale and six baby monitors to enhance patient care.

Needy Baskets of Southern Miami County, \$750, underwrites "Christmas in July," a program benefiting elderly residents of Liberty Commons.

Needy Baskets of Southern Miami County, \$630, funds the School Workbook Program for students and their families who are unable to cover the expenses of classroom workbooks.

Needy Baskets of Southern Miami County, \$5,000, supports the organization's mission of providing emergency food supplies to people of the community who have fallen on hard times.

Parents Who Care, \$500, supports the parent-led, 2004 alcohol- and drug-free Tippecanoe High School After-Prom.

Tipp City Cub Scout Pack #285, \$4,100, provides for the purchase of a trailer for the Pack's campout adventures.

Tipp City Exempted Village Schools

- \$336, purchases trees for the Nevin Coppock Playground; proceeds came from the Lucille L. Milner Fund.
- \$1,035, treats 7th grade students to a musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" at the Victoria Theatre.
- \$1,200, sends 6th grade students to watch "Forever Free: A Story of the Civil War" at the Victoria Theatre.



- \$1,288, sends 4th grade students to SunWatch Indian Village and the Miamisburg Mound to experience first-hand what Indian life was like in the Miami Valley hundreds of years ago.
- \$1,500, presents the atrocities of the Holocaust to middle school and high school students through a program and a speaker.
- \$1,506, obtains resources for the new Parent Resource Room that assists all parents and K-5 students. Resources include parenting skill educational tools that are too costly or have a short life and can be borrowed instead of purchased.
- \$2,500, purchases playground equipment for L. T. Ball Intermediate School.
- \$2,940, effectively teaches science and ecology to 3rd grade students through the music of the Banana Slug String Band, a quartet of musician/educators.
- \$3,300, defrays the costs of L. T. Ball 5th graders' annual excursion to Camp Kern in Oregonia, Ohio.
- \$4,561, expands the science and social studies horizons of first-grade students by exposing them to exploration programs at Brukner Nature Center, Deeds Park, Boonshoft Museum of Discovery and Brumbaugh's Apple Farm.
- \$4,849, shapes the high school art curricula by increasing the media arts and ceramics materials available to the students.

Tipp City Players Community Theatre, \$1,500, underwrites the children's production of "The Hobbit."

Tipp City Public Library, \$195, helps to purchase computer supplies.

Tipp City Public Library, \$1,400, updates the computer capabilities of the library for desktop publishing through the purchase of a new computer and monitor.

Tipp-Monroe Community Services, \$4,000, funds the Community Relief Program that provides financial assistance for rent, utilities and prescriptions to individuals in our community.

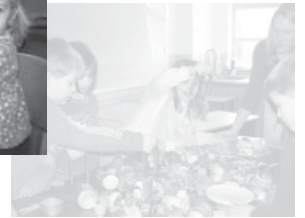
Tipp-Monroe Community Services, \$500, adds to the Community Relief Program.

Tipp-Monroe Community Services, \$500, supports the eyeglasses program.

Tipp-Monroe Community Services, \$500, supports the Band Instrument Program that provides musical instruments to children who otherwise would not be able to participate in the school band.

Tipp-Monroe Community Services, \$500, builds confidence in young people, ages 11 to 13, competing in Boonshoft Museum of Discovery's First LEGO Program. These young people will work as a team to research, design, build and program LEGO robots for this competition.

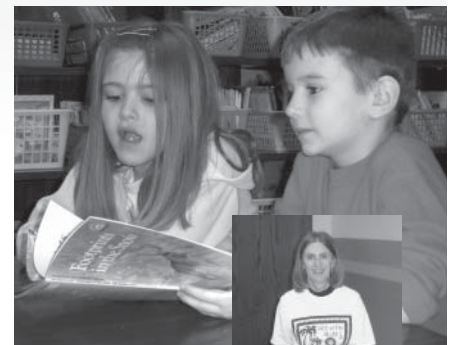
Tipp-Monroe Swim Team, Inc., \$1,015, makes a splash with this nonprofit through the purchase of a new computer to maintain swimming schedules and statistics.



THE TRUSTEES also have begun to grant discretionary awards to Bethel Township through the Tippecanoe Community Foundation Fund, established in 1999. In 2004 the following grants were awarded:

Bethel Local Schools, \$415, adds 160 tests for nonfiction books to their database of Accelerated Reading Tests in the elementary library.

Bethel Local Schools, \$300, supports the Destination Imagination program.



ABOUT COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

**SINCE 1943,
MORE THAN
\$1,185,000 HAS
BEEN AWARDED IN
OUR COMMUNITY
IN THE FORM OF
DISCRETIONARY
GRANTS!**

For more information, call the Foundation liaison, Sue Rinehart at (937) 225-9949 or send an email to srinehart@daytonfoundation.org.

Note: The Foundation does not offer professional estate planning services, but will work closely with you and your trusted advisor(s) to meet your needs.

What is a Community Foundation?

The word “community” implies fellowship and sharing. A “community foundation” is a tax-exempt public charity built on the concept of people helping people to improve the quality of life in a particular geographic area. Individuals, through gifts and bequests, establish permanent endowment funds and other types of funds with their community foundation to help respond to emerging community issues and opportunities. More than 700 community foundations nationwide serve their individual regions.

The Tipp City Area Community Foundations... a way to help yourself as you help your community.

It offers you the opportunity to improve the quality of life in the Tipp City and Bethel communities while protecting your financial future. Founded in 1943, the Foundation has carefully grown to an asset level of \$2.3 million. This strength helps assure a quality community in the future.

Designed for permanence and the benefit of the Tipp City area, the Foundation is the vehicle for caring people who want to support local charities, scholarships and community change, not just today but long past their lifetimes.

Your needs and opportunities are uniquely yours.

No two people have exactly the same charitable interests or the same financial situation. We understand the spectrum of people we serve. Some have modest means, while others have substantially more. Some wish to direct precisely which charities will benefit, yet others want the Foundation to decide based on the community’s changing needs. Some need to earn income from the assets they want to donate to charities, and others don’t.

The Tipp City Area Community Foundations understands your needs and will work to find exactly the right methods for you.



The Dayton Foundation
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