



FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION

2021 Program

Summer 2021

Dear Friend of the Foundation,

We are so very happy to send you our latest newsletter and highlight some of the wonderful things that are going on here at the Union County Foundation. Thankfully, we are all returning to our pre COVID way of life. We are pleased to report that the good work of the Foundation didn't skip a beat during the pandemic and thankfully we now return to live, face to face operations. We have missed seeing you over these last 12 months!

In spite of COVID, your support and encouragement has paved the way for the Union County Foundation to have distributed \$1,743,971* to charitable causes in and around Union County over the last 17 months. These COVID Era grants were especially impactful during the difficult times faced by many. During the same period our number of named funds has increased to 115 and the amount of assets we have working for charitable causes has increased over 59% in just the last year. What a tribute to the people of Union County!

One last area that deserves mention is that of scholarship support. Through the 40+ scholarship funds housed at the Foundation we awarded over \$157,050 in scholarships for the 2021 scholarship season. Via our online platform we processed over 970 scholarship applications and awarded over 100 individual scholarships! This is all accomplished with a very small staff and within a very austere budget.

Thank you for letting us serve you and Union County. We invite you to partner with us by becoming an annual member of the **Friends of the Foundation**. Each calendar year, you have an opportunity to renew your membership and your contribution (large or small) does make a difference. Through your participation, the Union County Foundation can continue to turn charitable dreams into charitable acts of reality. Will you please join us in supporting the important work of the Union County Foundation?

With Gratitude,

Roger C. Nicol
UCF Chairperson

David Vollrath
Executive Director

DID YOU KNOW??

The CARES Act makes a **charitable deduction available to individual taxpayers that do not itemize their deductions**. This benefit, also referred to as a universal deduction, allows for a **charitable deduction in 2021 of up to \$600 for joint filers (\$300 for individuals)**. This is an above-the-line contribution that is deducted from the individual taxpayer's income prior to the calculation of their adjusted gross income.

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