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Outstanding Foundation

Hawk Family Foundation

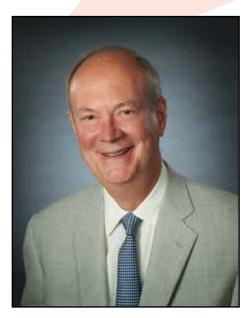


2024

# A Letter From Dave Hawk

My wife Annie and I permanently endowed the Hawk Family Foundation in the fall of 2017, just after selling the Ingredients Division of Gertrude Hawk Chocolates. All Foundations like ours are required by law to distribute 5% of their endowed assets each year. And so, that first year we had well over \$1 million that needed to be distributed, and firm commitments for less than half of that amount. As I am sure you can imagine, we had to scramble to find places that fit the funding criteria we had established for the Foundation for the rest of that money. Well, scramble may be a bit too strong a term. But we wanted to find places to invest in that would carefully and conscientiously use those funds, and that took some serious investigation on our part.

Since that first year, the number of requests for funding from very worthy nonprofit organizations has increased each year. Last year, 2024, was the first year that we had far more requests than we had funds to give. And so, we have decided to move from our current rolling method of making decisions to a semi-monthly schedule. In other words, in the past we would pretty much decide whether to fund a request, or fund part of it, as requests came in. Going forward, we will collect requests that we receive in January and February, for example, and make decisions on them the first week of March. We'll decide about March and April's requests the first week of May, and so on.

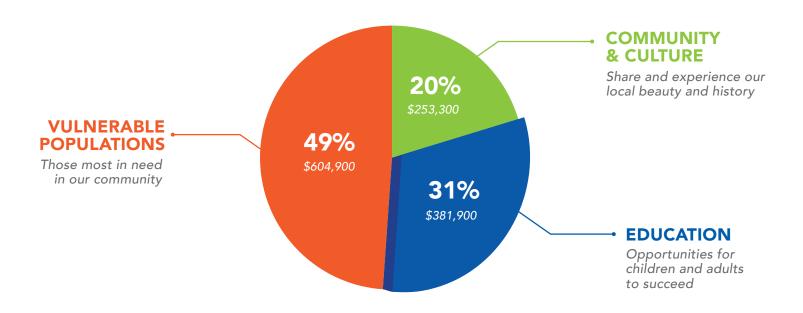


**Dave Hawk**Chair of the Board,
The Hawk Family Foundation

This system of handling grant requests is followed by many Foundations in Northeastern Pennsylvania. We are adopting it because it will give us a broader view of the requests we are receiving, making it easier to discern, and respond, to the trends of the most urgent, or worthy, needs.

This is not meant to discourage your organization from applying for a grant. On the contrary, we encourage any and all nonprofit organizations that fit the list of causes our Foundation supports to apply. But, as needs grow and the Foundation gets better known, there will be times we must say no to a great project because we are out of funds to give. Please know that this does not mean your cause is less worthy, less important, to our community, or to us.

# DISTRIBUTION OF HAWK FAMILY FOUNDATION FUNDS 2024



The Hawk Family Foundation proudly supported organizations in Northeastern Pennsylvania with grant monies throughout the 2024 calendar year.

ORGANIZATIONS 90
SUPPORTED

TOTAL GRANTS \$1,240,100





# **Community and Culture**

Providing funding for community and cultural programs is an investment in people, social well-being, and long-term community development. The support of these initiatives nurtures creativity and strengthens the bonds that hold our community together.

**Youth Arts Coalition**, located in West Scranton, provides structured after-school and summer programming in visual arts, musical instruction and hands-on theater production. The Hawk Family Foundation was excited to help the YAC secure the necessary instruments for YAC's music program.



Mural outside of the Youth Arts Coalition building in West Scranton.

The Hawk Family Foundation was proud to sponsor the 10th Annual **Jog for Jude**. This 5K race and community celebration unites local families and directs proceeds towards SIDS research through the Jude Zayac Foundation.

At Right: The 10th Annual Jog for Jude held in Dunmore.



The Hawk Family Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals and families in Northeastern Pennsylvania through non-profit organizations dedicated to health, human services, education and arts & culture.

### **Education**

The Hawk Family Foundation recognizes that funding education is a long-term investment that aims to empower students to achieve potential and contribute positively to the community. The Hawk Family Foundation is proud to partner with organizations like **NativityMiguel School of Scranton**, **Marywood University** and the **DePaul School**.



**The DePaul School**'s mission is to remediate dyslexia and other specific learning differences while fostering the student's unique talents.

At Left: dePaul students at their end-of-year field trip.

The Hawk Family Foundation was happy to provide funding that supported lockers installed for the students of the NativityMiguel School of Scranton.

At Right: NativityMiguel students using their new lockers.





# **Vulnerable Populations**

The Hawk Family Foundation understands that when vulnerable groups are supported and have access to resources and opportunities, individuals can improve their well-being and enhance their ability to participate in the workforce. We are proud to partner with organizations like **Outreach Center for Community Resources** and **Meals on Wheels of NEPA**.



Dave and Ann Hawk were presented with the Attorney Robert W. Munley Distinguished Service Award in November 2024 from Lackawanna ProBono.

From Left: Attorney Teddy Michel, Ann Hawk, Dave Hawk and Attorney Marianne J. Gilmartin.

The Hawk Family Foundation won **Association of Fundraising Professionals, NEPA Chapter**'s Foundation of the Year Award in 2024.

The Hawk Family Foundation partnered with **United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA**to support their SCOLA program, which provides free adult literacy and English as a Second Language education.



From Left: Lisa Durkin, UNC President and Chief Executive Officer; Maggie Hawk, Hawk Family Foundation Administrator; Audrey Golosky, UNC Assistant Director of Community Education; and Rich Klinkle, UNC SCOLA Volunteer Teacher.

### ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY THE HAWK FAMILY FOUNDATION IN 2024

#### **COMMUNITY AND CULTURE**

American Legion Auxiliary

America 250PA

Broadway Theater League of NEPA

Diocese of Scranton

Dunmore Greenridge Soccer League

**Dunmore Little League** 

**Dunmore Missy League Softball** 

Dunmore Senior Citizens, Inc.

**Everhart Museum** 

F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts

Garden of Cedar

**Greater Scranton YMCA** 

**Jude Zayac Foundation** 

Lackawanna Historical Society

Leadership Lackawanna

Mary, Mother of God Parish

Scranton Jazz Festival

The Nature Conservancy

The Philharmonic Society of NEPA

The Rosen Method

The Wyoming Valley Run

**UNICO National Scranton Chapter** 

Women in Aviation International

WVIA

Youth Arts Coalition

#### **EDUCATION**

**Brighter Financial Futures** 

Canaan Christian Academy

**Day Nursery Association** 

Diocese of Scranton Catholic School System

Friendship House - dePaul School

Geisinger Health Foundation - Danville, PA

Howard Gardner MI Charter School

**Junior Achievement of NEPA** 

Lacawac Sanctuary Environmental

**Education Center** 

Lackawanna College

Luzerne County Community College Foundation

Marywood University

Misericordia University

NativityMiguel School of Scranton

Penn State Scranton

Scranton Area Community Foundation

Scranton Preparatory School

**SCSP Athletics** 

Weinberg Memorial Library

Western Wayne School District

Wilkes University

#### **VULNERABLE POPULATIONS**

**Allied Services** 

**American Red Cross** 

Association of Fundraising Professionals

Northeastern Pennsylvania Chapter

CASA of Lackawanna County

Catherine McAuley Center

Child Hunger Outreach Partners

Commission on Economic Opportunity

Cpt. James R. Minicozzi Memorial Race -

**UNICO** National Scranton Chapter

Deutsch Institute Applied Research Centers

for the Handicapped

Diocese of Scranton



### **ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY** THE HAWK FAMILY FOUNDATION IN 2024

#### **VULNERABLE POPULATIONS** CONT.

Dress for Success Lackawanna

**Equines for Freedom Golf Benefit** 

Family Service Association

Family to Family

Friends of the Poor

Garden of Cedar

**Greater Scranton YMCA** 

**Holy Cross Family Ministries** 

Hope for Haiti Inc.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps of Northeastern Pennsylvania

Janet Weis Children's Hospital Geisinger

Katie Foundation

Lackawanna Pro Bono Inc

Luzerne County Community College

Foundation Inc

Make A Wish Greater PA and WV

Marley's Mission

Meals on Wheels of Northeastern PA

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Miracle 4 Mandy

North Pocono Dry Goods Pantry

Northeast Regional Cancer Institute

Options Women's Center

Outreach - Center for Community Resources

Order of Malta

Ronald McDonald House of Scranton, Inc.

Scranton Area Community Foundation

Sisters of IHM

St Francis of Assisi Kitchen

**Telespond Senior Services** 

The Arc of Northeastern Pennsylvania

The Bread Basket of Northeastern Pennsylvania

The United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties

United Neighborhood Centers of

Northeastern Pennsylvania

United NEPA Alliance

Volunteers of America Inc

WRC

Woodhaven Foundation



Above: A United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA SCOLA class.

# A Letter From Maggie Hawk



Maggie Hawk
Administrator,
The Hawk Family Foundation

The Hawk Family Foundation is honored to have won Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), NEPA Chapter's Foundation of the Year Award for 2024. AFP supports nonprofit organizations through professional development and connects those organizations with one another. AFP's mission is a great example of why our area is unique. Our community is well supported by nonprofit organizations and those organizations look to collaborate with each other to reinforce efforts and make a greater impact.

The nonprofit organizations that the Hawk Family Foundation partners with understand our community's needs and have the expertise to implement programs to address those needs. This year, we provided \$1,240,100 in funding and partnered with 90 nonprofit organizations.

In 2025, we continue to seek collaboration with nonprofit organizations and funders to make the greatest impact in our community.





Four Generations of The Hawk Family

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