

THE KIWANIS ANNUAL REPORT

Our Impact Across Our Community

Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) *

* FY25 = October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025



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This **Kiwanis Annual Report** provides information about our **Community Impact** regarding our community service projects, cash grants, and gifted goods, i.e., free merchandise from our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale that was given to individuals, families, and other agencies during FY25.

This is only possible because of the on-going important dedicated work by Kiwanis members, volunteers, staff, and the on-going support of members of the community and those who donate goods and shop at our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale. Our weekly Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale is our largest on-going service project for raising funds to support our annual cash grants and gifting of goods. Thank you all for your on-going support.

Our community service work, cash grants and gifted goods, are guided by our Strategic Plan Visions.

Our **Club's Vision** is to be the most inclusive, accessible, engaging, and productive service club in Washtenaw County focusing primarily on the needs of children and families.

Our **Foundation's Vision** is to be exceptional in providing needed support to people primarily in Washtenaw County, especially children and families, to achieve welcoming, healthy, and just communities.

In FY25 we were able to provide support that totaled \$1,346,794 which was a combination of 110 cash grants and gifted goods donations from our Thrift Sale to 50 nonprofit agencies and 722 individuals and families in Washtenaw County. These included \$870,865 in cash grants and \$475,929 in gifted goods of merchandise. In addition, we directly volunteered at 30 service projects. The number of reported volunteer hours from both member and non-member volunteers was 67,922 hours, which was an increase of 12,663 hours over FY24.

During FY25, our Kiwanis Club added 8 new members and sadly lost 6 members to death, and 1 member to becoming our new Executive Director. The overall Club growth for the year was plus one to a total of 139 members. Club growth is very important to support our Kiwanis Thrift Sale, but also our many on-going Kiwanis service projects and the needs of children and families in our community.

This Kiwanis Annual Report is available in electronic and print form on our website under the Community Impact menu at www.a2kiwanis.org or use this QR code.



The Kiwanis Center is located at 100 North Staebler Road, Suite C, Ann Arbor, MI 48103
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Message from Immediate Past Club President Kathie

We are proud of our long history of service to our Washtenaw County community. Working with our Foundation, Members, Staff and Volunteers is the engine driving **our Club's mission of providing an environment for congenial fellowship for a diverse group of members dedicated to community service in Washtenaw County, with an emphasis on the needs of children and families.**

This year, we participated in over 30 community outreach service projects and continued to find new projects to meet dynamic and changing needs of children and families. We continued to support longstanding service projects such as delivering Meals on Wheels, Salvation Army bell ringing, our Voucher program, Warm the Children, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital events, Kids Coalition Against Hunger food packaging, and Dementia Friendly events. We were at the Ann Arbor Art Fair, the Juneteenth celebration at Wheeler Park, Green Fair on Main, and the 4th Annual Trash Talk Tour at our Kiwanis Center.

We supported youth Service Leadership Programs with Key Clubs at Huron, Skyline, and Dexter High schools, and added a Club at Washtenaw International High. We sponsored a very active U of M Circle K Club, the Aktion Club through Washtenaw ISD and sent six students to the Michigan State Police Law Enforcement Academy.

This year, we enhanced our Monday noon meetings by inviting community leaders to share how their leadership made a difference in our community. We reached out to other Kiwanis Clubs in our Division 6 by visiting each club. As the largest Kiwanis club in the Michigan District, we have an opportunity to demonstrate leadership.

We treasure our Club Members, Staff and Volunteers, under our Club umbrella with a purpose and mission. We welcome new members and look forward to another great year of service across Washtenaw County and beyond.

**Kathie Wilder, Immediate Past Club President
Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor**

Message from Foundation Board Chair Michael

As the saying goes "records are meant to be broken" and that's exactly what the efforts of our members, volunteers, and staff achieved this past year! Our 51 weeks of Friday and Saturday sales reached \$2,154,622, exceeding our previous year's record by \$149,800!

Because we raised more revenue, **our Foundation was able to make over \$531,000 in cash grants to 110 community agencies. Additionally, the Voucher and the Gifted Goods Committees were each able to make items available to members of our community who are struggling with life necessities.**

The energy and spirit of everyone working together was notable this year! The Electronics Department volunteers reorganized and recruited new volunteers; the Jewelry Department volunteers eagerly sought to set new revenue totals each week; and the eBay volunteers consolidated their operation and created sales of \$1,000 or more per week – a significant increase over the previous year. These are just a few of the reasons why the Kiwanis sales were so successful this year.

Two other highlights were the installation of solar panels on the roof of the high bay warehouse, which will dramatically decrease our electrical costs. And, in collaboration with Project Grow using our outlot on Jackson Road, this previously vacant lot flourished with vegetables and flowers.

However, our success is totally dependent upon the community's support by donating salable items, which community members purchased, keeping these items out of the landfill. And the money generated – helped improve our community! A perfect partnership!

**Michael F. Dabbs, Chairperson, Foundation Board
Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation, Inc.**

Please consider joining Kiwanis as a Member and/or Volunteer.

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OUR CLUB'S STRATEGIC PLAN FRAMEWORK

Approved on October 1, 2022

The Kiwanis CLUB of Ann Arbor **MISSION** Statement

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The Kiwanis CLUB of Ann Arbor **VISION** Statement

Our Vision is to be the most inclusive, accessible, engaging, and productive service club in Washtenaw County focusing primarily on the needs of children and families.

The Kiwanis CLUB of Ann Arbor **Strategic GOAL**

Enhance the Membership Experience.

The Kiwanis CLUB of Ann Arbor **Strategic OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Increase recruitment of new members, including follow-up on membership inquiries.***
The measure of success for this strategic objective is to grow our Club's membership by 5% year over year for the next two years.
- 2. Increase membership retention.***
- 3. Increase membership diversity.***
- 4. Increase / improve member engagement with the Club and Club activities.***
- 5. Increase the number and variety of service projects and volunteers for service projects including support of Service Leadership Groups like Circle K and Key Club.***
- 6. Maintain / improve the quality and diversity of meeting presentations.***
- 7. Share more information about our Kiwanis with outside groups and organizations.***

Why Club Membership Growth and Retention is so Important.

Club membership growth and retention will enable our Club to continue providing our important community service projects and activities which support the needs of children and families in our community.

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OUR FOUNDATION'S STRATEGIC PLAN FRAMEWORK

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The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor FOUNDATION, Inc. **MISSION** Statement

Our Mission is to generate and effectively manage our resources to provide for the needs of people, primarily children and families in Washtenaw County, and in so doing to promote diversity, collaboration, and financial and environmental stewardship in harmony with the mission of the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor.

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The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor FOUNDATION, Inc. **Strategic GOAL**

Update the Foundation's Administrative and Management Structure.

The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor FOUNDATION, Inc. **Strategic OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Create and implement a new Foundation Board and management structure.***
- 2. Create a new paid Foundation Executive position and define its responsibilities.***
- 3. Make some changes to some Foundation Committees and update administrative and management procedures.***

New objectives/goals have been added by the Foundation Board for FY25 and FY26. They included: Improve the work environment for volunteers, develop a master plan for the outside just south of our building as a park/garden, evaluate logistics required for future growth of the Kiwanis Thrift Sale, install solar panels, improve the customer experience, improve Information Technology (IT) reliability, and redevelop our eBay and eCommerce programs.

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THE OBJECTS of Kiwanis International and our service Club are
our value statements: *(Adopted in 1924 & 2008)*

*In 2008, the delegates at the Kiwanis International convention expanded the objects
by adopting a new resolution that encourages and empowers clubs to create
environments that develop and nurture mutual respect for all, and to celebrate the
inclusiveness of all Kiwanis members.*

- 1. To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.**
- 2. To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.**
- 3. To promote the adoption and application of high social, business, and professional standards.**
- 4. To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.**
- 5. To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.**
- 6. To cooperate in creating and maintaining sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will.**

In 2008, the following language was added:

Resolved that all Kiwanis leaders and members take action to create a culture and club environment that develops and nurtures mutual respect for all and celebrates the inclusiveness of our beloved Kiwanis.

Kiwanis International's current MOTTO is: **"Serving the Children of the World."**

Kiwanis International's short quick MOTTO (#hashtag) for Public Relations / Marketing messaging is: **"#Kids Need Kiwanis."**

Our own local Kiwanis Club / Foundation of Ann Arbor's informal MOTTO version as part of our Public Relations / Marketing messaging is:

"Help us Help Kids, Families, and Our Community."

And our own Kiwanis Club / Foundation of Ann Arbor's shorter informal MOTTO is this short strong positive message: **"Help Us Help Kids!"**

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Who are the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor and the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation?

- The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor was chartered on June 13, 1921.
- The Kiwanis Thrift Sale first began as an annual Rummage Sale in 1927.
- The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation, Inc. was incorporated as a domestic nonprofit organization with the State of Michigan on November 4, 1964.
- The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation, Inc. was recognized by the US Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation on March 17, 1965.
- The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor and its Foundation were located in downtown Ann Arbor in the Foundation's own building at 200 S. First Street from 1966 through 2017. The downtown Kiwanis Foundation building was sold in 2017.
- **FY1990 was the first time that the Foundation Thrift Sale grossed more than \$100,000 at \$118,789, and the first year that the Thrift Sale was open on every Saturday.**
- **FY1995 was the first fiscal year that Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation's cash grants and gifted goods to the community totaled more than \$100,000 at \$101,553.**
- FY2014 the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation, Inc. purchased a 123,000 sq ft. building with 17.29 acres at 100 N. Staebler Road, Ann Arbor.
- FY2015 the 100 N. Staebler Road building was partially opened as Kiwanis Center West.
- In January 2018 all Kiwanis Club and Foundation activities were moved to this new location.
- **FY2019 was the first time that the Foundation Thrift Sale grossed over 1 million dollars at \$1,037,221.**
- **FY2022 was the first fiscal year that Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation's cash grants and gifted goods to the community totaled more than 1 million dollars at \$1,085,424.**
- Starting October 1, 2022, a Strategic Plan Framework for the Club and a Strategic Plan Framework for the Foundation were both approved by members, implemented, and used as planning and operational frameworks for the next 3 to 5 years from that date.
- In October 2022, an additional 3.79 acres with two buildings (a five-unit rental house and a pole barn) located immediately north and adjacent to The Kiwanis Center were purchased by our Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation resulting in the Kiwanis campus now totaling 21.08 acres.
- In October 2022, the Foundation created an Executive Director position as part of its Strategic Plan.
- **FY2024 was the first time the Foundation Thrift Sale grossed over 2 million dollars at \$2,004,788.**
- **FY2025 the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation's cash grants, gifted goods, scholarship support and service projects across the community totaled \$1,346,794.**
- **Since 1921, the value our Kiwanis' grants, gifts, scholarships and projects to our community now totals over \$14,287,416.**

"Help Us Help Kids and our Community!"

The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor, the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation Inc., the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale, the Kiwanis Foundation Voucher Program and the Kiwanis Environmental Education Preserve are located at:

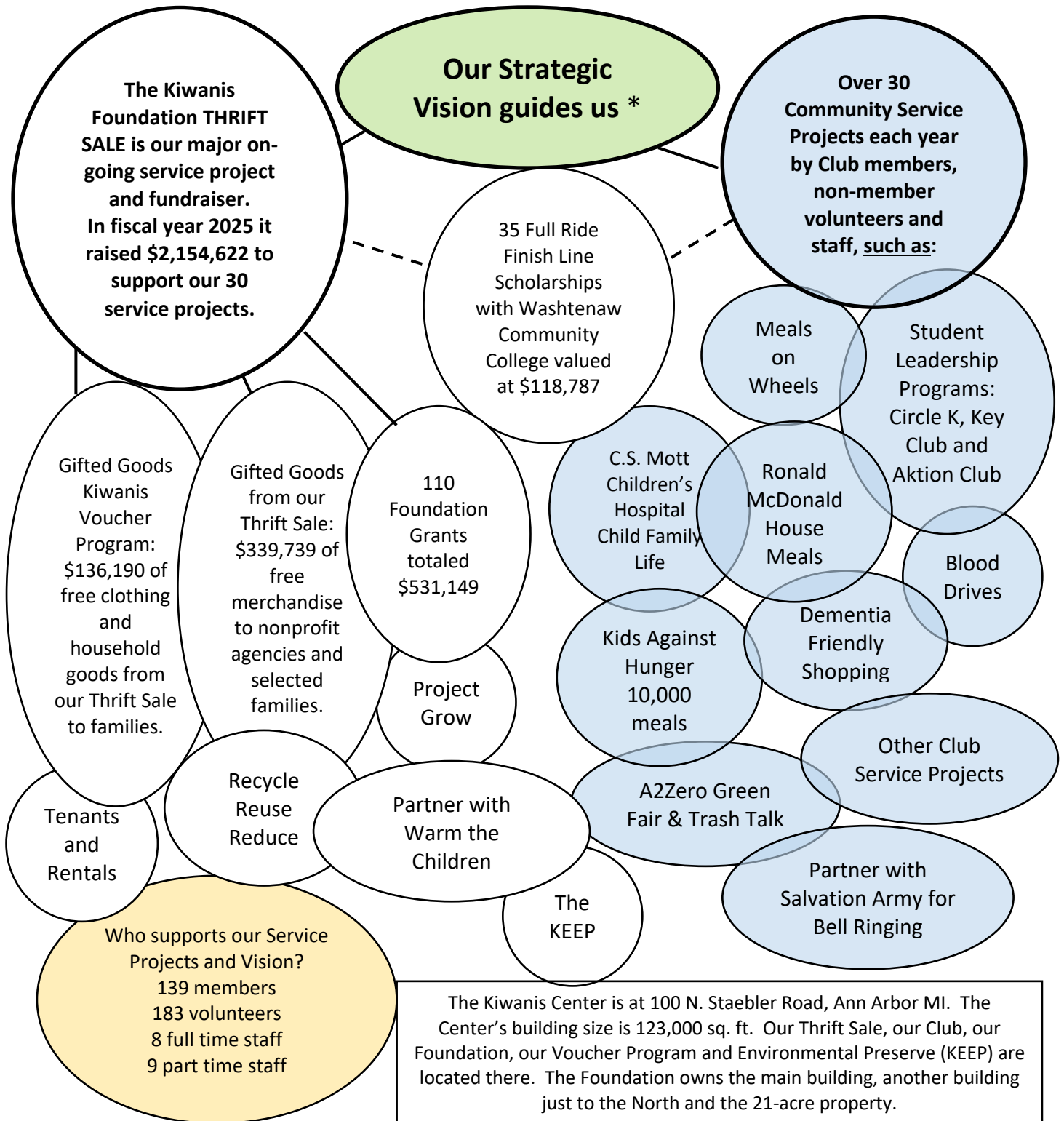
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If you would like additional information or want to join, call the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation's Administrative Assistant at 734-368-9738 or go to our website at www.a2kiwanis.org

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**In fiscal year 2025, the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation
distributed over**

\$1,346,794 in Cash Grants, Flow-Through donations, and Gifted Goods.

Details about these Kiwanis grants and gifts follow on the next three pages:

- **\$870,865** in **CASH GRANTS** to nonprofits agencies and groups, **Full Ride Scholarships** to students attending **Washtenaw Community College**, and **Cash Grants** to support **Kiwanis Service Projects**. This included the following.
 - **\$531,149** in **CASH GRANTS** from the **Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation** to **110 nonprofits serving children, youth, individuals, and families**.
 - These grants were recommended by our Children and Youth Services Committee, Community Services Committee, Human and Spiritual Values Committee, and Grant Coordination Committee.
 - **\$75,163** to support **KIWANIS SERVICE PROJECTS** which included: \$6,281 to support the Kiwanis Service Leadership Programs via UM Circle K; Key Clubs in 4 high schools, \$2,500 to support Comfort Meals and their preparation at Ronald McDonald House at the Michigan Medicine main campus; \$25,525 of support to Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation and their work at Michigan's children's hospitals; \$1,500 to Kiwanis Children's Fund; \$3,500 to Kids Coalition Against Hunger to package 10,000 dry meals; \$5,679 of support for the Kiwanis Environmental Education Preserve (KEEP); \$13,648 donated by members and our Kiwanis Foundation in support of Hurricane Helene Relief; \$2,500 for support of Big Heart for Seniors; two Dementia Friendly Shopping events \$1,152; and a Dreams and Wings event \$210. In addition, \$5,117 Kiwanis Mott Pot donations from Club members, and \$7,542 from the Kiwanis Golf event, both in support of Child and Family Life Services at Michigan Medicine.
 - **\$3,570** to support up to six students from the Dexter community area who attended the **Michigan State Police Law Enforcement Academy** during the summer of 2025.

The list of the \$870,865 in FY25 Kiwanis Cash Grants continues on the next page.

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- **\$118,787 to support KIWANIS “FINISH LINE” SCHOLARSHIPS for students at Washtenaw Community College (WCC).** These are for full-time or part-time students. In FY25 this included \$117,020 in donations from individual Kiwanis Club members and our Kiwanis Foundation, and \$1,767 for an emergency fund for students and Kiwanis administrative support of these scholarships.
 - **GOAL: Students complete a degree with little or no debt from college.**
 - **During the last 7 years at least 188 WCC students have been helped by Kiwanis Finish Line “Full-Ride” Scholarships. Kiwanis scholarship support since FY19 now totals \$665,965.**
 - Each Kiwanis Finish Line scholarship of **\$3,500 covers tuition, books, and fees for a school year.** This Kiwanis scholarship support can be renewed to provide two “full-time” school years of support. This scholarship support may be calendared over more than two school years.
 - **35 individual students received a Kiwanis scholarship in school year 2024-25.**
 - **Kiwanis Scholars’ majors** included business, broadcast media arts, human services, liberal arts transfer, pre-law, general studies, child development, cybersecurity, HVAC, management, nursing, radiology, retail management, surgical technology, health program preparation, pre-engineering, dental assisting, and health science.
 - **High schools represented** included Arbor Prep, Central Academy in Ann Arbor, Huron, Pioneer, Skyline, Saline, Washtenaw Technical Middle College at WCC, and Ypsilanti Community High.
 - **94% of the Kiwanis Scholars were in good standing during the school year.**
 - **The average GPA for Kiwanis Scholars was 3.42. Eleven graduated in 2024-25.**
- **\$121,489 via the WARM THE CHILDREN Program (WTC) providing new winter clothes to 1,300 children** in December 2024. This included \$117,116 in flow-through donations from the public and Club members and non-members to support the purchase of new winter clothes and \$4,373 of funds from Kiwanis Foundation for ads and administrative support for the Warm the Children Program. Our Kiwanis Foundation is the official sponsor of WTC.
- **\$5,925 in INTERNATIONAL GIVING to the Haiti Nursing Foundation** by individual Club members who donated to train new nurses. **In addition, a \$5,000 cash grant** was made from our Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation to support summer health care services for 500 young children as recommended by our Grant Coordination Committee. **Total support in FY25 to Haiti Nursing Foundation was \$10,925 from these two Kiwanis sources.**

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The list of the \$870,865 in FY25 Kiwanis Cash Grants continues with flow-through money raised for the Salvation Army.

- **\$14,782** was raised by our Club members and non-member volunteers who participated in the **Salvation Army bell ringing** in December 2024. The total of **\$14,782** raised was \$5,641 in red kettle donations, \$1,175 in donations from individual members, and a \$7,966 match from our Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation. Members and friends from Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Western, Ypsilanti Kiwanis and Saline Kiwanis joined with our Club to provide **153 volunteer hours** to this project.

In FY25, IN ADDITION to CASH GRANTS, our Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor also provided GIFTED GOODS which were assigned values and then donated as follows.

- **\$475,929** in GIFTED GOODS of free merchandise from our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale to nonprofit agencies, groups, selected individuals and selected families. This included the following:
 - **\$339,739** in **Gifted Goods of Free Furniture and Merchandise** (including clothing, shoes, bedding, housewares, books, and toys) from the **Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale** provided to **50 nonprofit agencies, and . . .**
 - **\$136,190** in **Gifted Goods of Free Furniture, Housewares, Clothing and Merchandise** as part of our Kiwanis Foundation VOUCHER PROGRAM provided to **722 individuals and families.**

The annual FY25 total of Cash Grants, Flow-Through Donations, and Gifted Goods, was **\$1,346,794.**

Since 1921, during the last 104 years, the value of these efforts now totals over **\$14,287,416.**

The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation, has throughout the years provided the support as outlined on the previous three pages from the sale of items and the direct gifts of merchandise from the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale, the financial support from individual Club members and volunteers, with a historic partnership during many previous years with the Ray and Eleanor Cross Foundation, and the important and dedicated on-going work of members, volunteers, and staff.

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MEMBERSHIP Successes and Challenges

- **MEMBERSHIP GROWTH and ENHANCING current MEMBERS' EXPERIENCES** with Kiwanis continues to need an increased focus and effort by all of us.
- **Our Club's Strategic Objective is to achieve a 5% membership net growth per year.**
- At the start of the new FY25 on **October 1, 2024**, our Club's total membership number **was 138 Club members in good standing**. By the end of FY25 on September 30, 2025, an additional 8 new members joined our Club, while sadly, 6 long term members died, and one member resigned in June to become our new Executive Director.
- **This resulted in an end of FY25 Club membership total of 139 members** in good standing. This represented a growth of one (1) which did not meet our Club's Strategic Objective of a 5% annual increase in total membership.

VOLUNTEERS Successes and Challenges

- Both Club members' and non-members' volunteer hours helped make possible our weekly service programs of the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale, the Kiwanis Foundation Voucher Program, supporting Meals on Wheels (MOW) deliveries across the Ann Arbor area, preparing meals at the Ronald McDonald House, hosting two Dementia Friendly Lunches and Shopping Days, and other important services.
- **The Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale member and non-member volunteer support.**
 - **As of September 30, 2025, there were 61 member and 178 non-member volunteers actively volunteering at the Kiwanis Thrift Sale for a total of 239 volunteers.**
 - **In FY25 the number of new volunteers at the Kiwanis Thrift Sale was 60.**
 - The average monthly number of Club member volunteers supporting the Thrift Sale was **92**. They provided on average **1,407** volunteer hours each month.
 - In FY25 the average monthly number of non-member volunteers supporting the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale was **221**. They provided each month on average **3,839** volunteer hours.
 - This equaled an annual total at the Kiwanis Thrift Sale of 62,952 volunteer hours.

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- **In addition, Club members and non-members provided VOLUNTEER SUPPORT for:**
 - **The Kiwanis Voucher Program** is provided every Wednesday and Thursday morning at our Kiwanis Thrift Sale. This program provided free merchandise from our Thrift Sale to individuals and families who are identified by their agency social worker and then are assigned a shopping date to choose free merchandise that they need.
 - Kiwanis members and non-members volunteered **738** different times throughout FY25 and provided **3,861 hours of volunteering** to support the Kiwanis Voucher Program.
 - **The Meals on Wheels (MOW) Program** delivered meals every week throughout the year. This included **21** persons.
 - **16** were Kiwanis Club members and **5** were non-members.
 - MOW volunteer hours during FY25 totaled **552 hours and delivered 5,434 meals.**
 - **Cooking Up Comfort Meals** at the Ronald McDonald House near C.S. Mott Children's Hospital on 9 evenings included **51 persons who prepared over 300 meals with a total of 102 volunteer hours.**
 - **Two Dementia Friendly Shopping Days with lunch** held at the Kiwanis Center included **40 members, volunteers, and staff who provided 75 volunteer hours for 55 guests.**
 - Members and non-members also provided volunteer hours at additional service projects and events which included the Ann Arbor Art Fair, the Juneteeth Celebration, hosting the annual A2Y Chamber event, 3 blood drives, several Blockfest events for preschoolers, shopping with families as part of Warm The Children project, Dreams and Wings event, Thomas Wall Foundation family shopping support, A2ZERO and Trash Talk events, preparing and delivering books to Holmes elementary school, Kids Against Hunger dry meal packing, as well as other service projects. **This represented approximately 380 volunteer hours.**

In FY25 a total of over 67,922 VOLUNTEER HOURS were provided.

This was an increase of approximately 12,000 volunteer hours from FY24.

These total volunteer hours included both members and non-members.

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What did our Club and Foundation “do” in fiscal year 2025?

Strategic Planning:

We worked to implement the third year of our three-to-five-year Strategic Planning Frameworks. We have a separate Strategic Plan Framework for our Club and a separate Strategic Plan Framework for our Foundation. Refer to pages 3 and 4.

We earned income from our Thrift Sale and tenant rentals and leases in FY25:

\$2,154,622 from our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale's receipts

\$437,287 from our tenants' rentals and leases

\$2,591,909 Total (unaudited)

FOR THE FOURTH FISCAL YEAR, WE WERE ABLE TO GIFT OVER ONE MILLION DOLLARS in cash grants, flow-through donations, and gifted goods of assigned value merchandise which together totaled \$1,346,794 in FY25.

- We operated our weekly **Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale** as our Foundation's major service project and fund raiser to provide grants and gifts back to the community.
 - Our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale was supported by Kiwanis member and non-member volunteers and paid staff.
 - Our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale was open for sales to the public weekly on Fridays 9am to 1pm and Saturdays 9am to 3pm. The Kiwanis Foundation Voucher Program was opened weekly on Wednesday and Thursday by appointment.

Our Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale **donation drop-off covered dock was opened on Saturday mornings** for the public at the high bay section of the main building next to the main parking lot. This was in addition to providing **free pick-up donation service** by scheduled appointment for donations of large merchandise items.

And our Kiwanis provided 30 SERVICE PROJECTS across our community.

- In addition to our Kiwanis Foundation weekly Thrift Sale, Kiwanis members, volunteers, and staff directly supported **30 SERVICE PROJECTS** across our community. Some projects only occur once or twice each year, while other service projects are on-going each week. The next 5 pages identify some of these service projects during FY25.

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What did our Club and Foundation “do” in fiscal year 2025?

- Our Club members (16) and non-member volunteers (5) **delivered 5,434 meals** for the **Meals on Wheels (MOW) Program** on **289 routes** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays every week providing **over 552 hours of volunteer service**.
- Our weekly **Kiwanis Foundation VOUCHER PROGRAM** on both Wednesday and Thursday mornings provided **free clothing and household goods valued at \$136,190 to 722 individuals or families**. **Over 3,861 volunteer hours by members and volunteers provided this important service**.
- Our Foundation sponsored **The Warm the Children Program (WTC)** with flow-through donations and direct shopping support from members and others so that **1,300 children** could purchase new winter clothing.
- Our Foundation and Club members on December 3, 2024, **partnered with the Tom Wall Foundation** so that **29 families** from Ann Arbor Public Schools received **free household and holiday goods** from the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale.
- Fifty-three of our Club members, non-member volunteers, students from the A2 Skyline High School Key Club, and students from U of M Circle K **packaged 10,000 dry meals** on November 17, 2024, as part of a **Kids Coalition Against Hunger Service Project**. Our Kiwanis Foundation provided \$3,500 to cover the cost of this service project's supplies.
- Our Club members and non-member volunteers **cooked meals at the Ronald McDonald House** near Michigan Medicine's main hospital campus. Our participation is part of their **“Cooking Up Comfort” – A Meals Matter Program for families** who have children receiving medical care at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. We prepared **300 dinners** at the Ronald McDonald House **on 9 dates from October 2024 through September 2025** providing **102 member and volunteer hours**. In addition to this service, our Kiwanis Foundation provided a \$250 donation for food supplies on each service date.
- Our Club members supported the **C. S. Mott Children's Hospital Child & Family Life Services Program** through monthly donations (Mott Pot) and a donation to the Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation. We have supported the Child and Family Life Services Program **for the past 103 years**.
- Our Club members, via our Foundation, held a **Golf Outing** at Pierce Lake, Chelsea on June 20, 2025, **that raised \$7,542 for Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation Child and Family Life Programs** at 3 children's hospitals across Michigan.

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- Our Kiwanis Club sponsored the following student **Service Leadership Programs**:
 - The **Circle K Club** at the University of Michigan.
 - The **Key Clubs** at Huron High School, Skyline High School and Dexter High School.
 - In addition, we are working to establish a **Key Club** at Washtenaw International High School in Ypsilanti.
 - The **K-Kids Club** at Angell Elementary and the **Aktion Club** at Washtenaw ISD.
- Our Club hosted a **Student Leadership Meet and Greet luncheon** for 32 persons at the Kiwanis Center on September 21, 2025. Those in attendance included students from U of M Circle K, Key Clubs from local high schools and members of the Kiwanis Aktion Club.
- Our Club members, volunteers, and staff continued to support a service project that provided **two special shopping days for individuals with dementia** and their families via the **Dementia Friendly Saline group for 55 individuals**. This year these events expanded to include folks from Saline, Dexter, and Chelsea. Shopping days were on October 24, 2024, and April 24, 2025. Individual Club members hosted each guest who has dementia and their family during shopping and lunch. Club members have attended training to learn about dementia and tips for working with individuals with dementia. Kiwanis is an officially Designated Dementia Friendly Environment. On November 12, 2025, the *Sun Times News* featured this Kiwanis service project.
- Our Club members, non-member volunteers, and staff supported the community's **AZZERO Green Fair** on September 19, 2025, in downtown Ann Arbor and the annual **Trash Talk Tour activities** at The Kiwanis Center on October 5, 2025. **Both service activities focused on our Foundation's Thrift Sale efforts to re-use, recycle and reduce waste.**
- Our Foundation and the Kiwanis Thrift Sale were **recognized by the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioners** at their 2024 Environmental Excellence Award Ceremony on November 7, 2024, as **new partners of two programs for Environmental Stewardship, the Waste Knot Program and the Community Partners for Clean Streams.** This recognition acknowledges our efforts to reduce waste and to protect the environment.
- Our Foundation became one of the 22 official community gardening sites for **Project Grow** and provided a fenced-in garden area with raised beds and access to water for individuals from across our community **to organically grow their own food**. The garden space is located near the main entrance to the Kiwanis Center property. Project Grow has been facilitating community gardens across the Ann Arbor Ypsilanti area since 1972.

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- Our Foundation **distributed over 1,000 children’s books during FY25.** Two examples included:
 - On April 19, 2025, hundreds of books and some puzzles were provided to the Kiwanis Club of Belleville for their community Easter celebration.
 - On May 22, 2025, our Kiwanis Foundation partnered with the Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti at Holmes Elementary School in Ypsilanti to provide over 800 children’s books to about 250 students from 14 classrooms. Each student received 3 books to keep and take home for summer reading.
- Our Club members sponsored two events to **raise funds** from individual members for a **Kiwanis staff member who has dedicated years of training for the Winter Olympics sport competition of Skeleton racing.** Skeleton racing uses a very small sled that the racer drives lying face down through an ice track at speeds of more than 80 miles per hour.
- Our Club hosted **three Red Cross Blood Drives** at our Kiwanis Center building on October 11, 2024, March 21, 2025, and May 20, 2025.
- Our Club **hosted the A2Y Chamber Leadership Class** for 47 business and agency leaders on December 11, 2024, at the Kiwanis Center, and shared our community impact story as part of their learning about nonprofit organizations across our community.
- Our Club members participated in the annual **Juneteenth Celebration at Wheeler Park** in Ann Arbor and hosted an information table during this event.
- Our Club members hosted a **Kiwanis information booth at the Ann Arbor Art Fair** in July.
- Our Club members and Kiwanis Club of Saline members helped to host the **Dreams and Wings event at the A2 airport** on August 2nd. This event is based on a partnership that began in the early 2000s’ between Jack Lewis Dreams and Wings nonprofit and C.S. Mott Child and Family Life Department. This year six pilots, using their own planes and fuel, provided 20 families and their children from the C.S. Mott Children’s hospital with a short flying experience. Over 90 people attended this event with 5 Kiwanis members from our Club and 2 members from the Saline Kiwanis Club.
- Our Club’s Children and Youth Committee recommended funding up to six students to attend the **Michigan State Police Law Enforcement Academy** which was held during the summer.

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- Our Club members participated in the service project called **Blockfest**, which focuses on very young children and their families with hands-on interactive exploratory preSTEM activities by playing and imagining how small and large blocks can be used to stimulate creative and scientific thinking. The Blockfest events were held at various locations across Washtenaw County. Blockfest is sponsored by Washtenaw Intermediate School District.
- Our Club members attended and supported the **Aktion Club Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser** at WISD High Point Center on May 21, 2025.
- Club members attended Kiwanis **Inter-Club meetings** across southeast Michigan.
- Two Club members attended the **Kiwanis International Convention** held in Pittsburgh, PA. on June 25-28, 2025. Club members also attended the **Kiwanis District Great Lakes Conference** held in Kalamazoo, MI on August 14-17, 2025.
- Our Club members continued to operate the **Kiwanis Environmental Education Preserve (KEEP)** with limited activities.
- Our Foundation **provided an election voting polling site** at The Kiwanis Center for the citizens of **Scio Township Precinct #2**.
- In addition to the service activities listed above and in support of **one of our Club's Strategic Objectives to increase / improve member engagement with the Club and Club activities**, members and friends were **offered group activities and trips** such as a holiday party in January, a summer picnic for members, volunteers, staff, and guests, and a social event with Ann Arbor Rotary Club members and guests at our Kiwanis Center.
- Our Club members attended **weekly general membership meetings with educational programs on Mondays**. These meetings were attended in person as well as online via the ZOOM platform. In addition, our two Boards and many of the committee meetings were held in-person and by ZOOM during FY25.
- Our Club and Foundation published a weekly online **Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Newsletter**.
- Our Club and Foundation operated two (2) **Kiwanis websites**: www.a2kiwanis.org and www.kiwanissale.com

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- **Added SOLAR POWER: *Powering Our Vision and Mission with the Sun.***

On August 20, 2025, our Foundation began using the new **396 individual installed 580 Heliene watt solar panels** which are located on the rooftop of our high bay building area. Our solar array is **estimated to save Kiwanis \$602,000 in energy costs** over its expected 25-year life cycle. These cost savings will be available to provide more support for children and families across our community. **The solar array is currently providing about 60% of our daily energy needs.** It also reduces CO₂ emissions each year by 257 tons. That is like planting 2,600 trees or taking 36 cars off the road. Pay-back for the installation cost should occur in about 7 years.

- **Paid Staff:**

In addition to having many members and non-member volunteers who provided thousands of unpaid hours of support to Kiwanis to operate the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale and provide over 30 Kiwanis service projects, we also have paid staff.

At the end of FY25, our Kiwanis Foundation had **17 paid staff members** who supported the operations of the Kiwanis Foundation Thrift Sale, our building and grounds, and administrative services. This included 8 full-time staff and 9 part-time staff. This was a decrease of 4 from full-time staff status from FY24. As part of this hiring process the full-time Volunteer Coordinator moved into a part-time Volunteer Scheduler position, and we ended the fiscal year with a full-time vacant position for a full-time Volunteer Coordinator replacement.

On the next page is a list of capital and major maintenance projects by our Foundation in FY25.

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CAPITAL and MAJOR MAINTENANCE PROJECTS – FY25

The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation develops a list of capital improvements and maintenance projects for up to the next five (5) years based on on-going reviews. These projects are subject to change. The following projects listed below were completed during FY25.

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| Donation Dock Drainage System. Improved underground drainage off hi-bay roof, southside | \$29,000 |
| Project Grow Partnership Continued Fencing and gate installed at out lot | \$3,742 |
| Upgrade fob system at door #8, installation of FOB reader at door #6 | \$3,800 |
| Scio Township Fire Marshal October 2024 Walk through of Kiwanis Center with inspection. Deficiencies were corrected as part of Kiwanis' regular facilities maintenance expenses. | |
| Yearly and bi-annual maintenance and service on building systems. Replaced 50 corroded fire sprinklers, installed missing sprinkler, and replaced gauges over 5 years old. | \$6,244 |
| Room 1040 Incorporated space into Kiwanis sorting for eBay with necessary finishes | \$11,000 |
| Rebuilt Retaining Wall on the northwest side of building | \$11,000 |
| | |
| Homeland Solar Installation Installed a commercial roof mount solar panel array over high bay area of our building. This included 396 individual Heliene 580-watt solar panels and 3 Solectria 50 kilowatt inverters with PanelClaw racking. This capital project was funded via our operating funds with a payback schedule of approximately 7 years. | \$342,800 |
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| Purchased a small service van 2025 Ram Promaster Utility Van | \$37,110 |
| TOTAL | \$444,696 |

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On the next three pages is a list of 168 nonprofit agencies, groups, and Kiwanis service projects that in FY25 received Kiwanis cash grants, gifted goods, and/or flow-through donations totaling \$1,346,794 as well as the direct volunteer support by members and volunteers from the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation, Inc., the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor, its individual members, volunteers, and staff, and, of course, with ongoing support from the community.

OUR THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED TO MAKE THIS SUPPORT POSSIBLE.

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- 826michigan
- A2 Forsythe Middle School robotics for girls
- A2 Huron High School auto transport trailer
- A2 Pioneer High auto scan tool for students
- A2 Pioneer High peer centered Writing Center
- A2 Pioneer High science physic equipment
- A2 Pioneer High We the People Scholarships
- A2 Middle School Music Camp Scholarships
- A2 Public Schools Allen Elementary School
- EL translation devices for students
- A2 Public Schools CTE field trips grades 9 12
- A2 Public Schools support for secondary English classes diverse materials
- A2 Public Schools support for PLTW classrooms
- A2 Public Schools King Elem School library
- A2 Public Schools Theatre Guild Booster Club
- A2 STEAM field trip to Michigan State Capital
- A2 Skyline High School Ceramics Program
- A2 Skyline High School Teen Spirit Magazine
- A2 Assembly of God respite for foster families
- A2 Community Land Trust 26 affordable homes
- A2 Family Learning Institute
- A2 Hands on Museum and Leslie Science Center
- A2 Neutral Zone middle and high school age students' summer program
- A2 Symphony Orchestra
- A2 VA Hospital - Fisher House
- A2 Women's Group AA
- A2 Youth Chorale
- A2 YMCA reduced fees for childcare
- A2 YMCA swim safety classes
- Adams County Homeless Shelter
- American Veterans
- Apple Playschools childcare /education at risk
- Arbor Hospice
- Avalon Housing **
- Beaver Island Resale
- Best Buddies
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of SE Michigan
- Blockfest preSTEM young children's activities
- Blood and Cancer Foundation of Michigan
- Camp Cavell Conservatory
- Camp SkyWild
- Catholic Charities of Washtenaw
- Chelsea Area Friends for Recreation
- Chelsea Ballet adaptive dance
- Chelsea Education Foundation Arbor Club
- Chelsea Education Foundation Tech Program
- Chelsea Education Foundation Wave Dynamics and investigate engineering
- Chelsea Education Foundation assessing and data tracking of student physical fitness
- Chelsea Goodwill
- Chelsea Porter Hills Foundation 5th graders connecting with senior citizens

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Children's Literacy Network
Church of Christ clothing
Community Action Network
Delonis Center
Dexter/Chelsea Faith in Action family supports
Dexter Community Schools
Dexter Senior Center
Direct Donations to individual families
Dona Sol Puerto Rico

*Dreams and Wings children's event at A2 airport **

Ele's Place Ann Arbor
Emergency Aid Donation
Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan Kid's Camp
First Congregational Church Diaper Bank
Food Gatherers
*Foundations Preschool of Washtenaw County **
Garrett's Space young adults' mental health
Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan
Girls Group summer Enrichment Program
Graham's Upscale Liquidation
Gretchen's House
Ground Cover News
Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley
*Haiti Nursing Foundation **
Hands Across the Water
House by the Side of the Road
HouseN2Home
Honey Creek Community School
Humane Society of Huron Valley
Huron Valley Women's Corrections
Husky Closet Collection
Intentional Communities of Washtenaw
Island Treasure Resale Shop
*Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw for families' refugee support **
Kenya Outreach Program

Kids Coalition Against Hunger Dry Food Meals

Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation "Finish Line" Scholarships for 35 students at Washtenaw Community College (WCC)

*Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation support for Kiwanis Preemie Pals Quilts **

Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation VOUCHER PROGRAM to provide free merchandise to 722 individuals and families

Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Service Leadership Programs at UM with Circle K, Key Club Huron High, Skyline High, Dexter High Schools, and Washtenaw International High School in Ypsilanti, K Kids at Angell Elem, and WISD Aktion Club

Kiwanis Club of Belleville
Kiwanis Club of Plymouth
Kiwanis Club of Monroe
Kiwanis Club of Monroe Aktion Club
Kiwanis Michigan District
Kiwanis Michigan District of Key Clubs
Lincoln Consolidated Schools student wellness
Luggage Drive

Meals on Wheels – delivery in the Ann Arbor area

Mexiquenses Unidos de Michigan student supports language and culture barriers.
Michigan Foster Care Closet

Michigan Medicine Child and Family Life Program

Michigan Medicine Health Equity and Inclusion student academic supports
Michigan Medicine Maternal Infant Health
Michigan State Police Law Enforcement Academy
Michigan Youth Leadership Conference
MISSION A2 - Michigan Itinerant Shelter System
Interdependent Out of Necessity
Monroe Homeless Shelter
Nu2U Again Resale Shop - Saline
Our House summer camp
Ozone House youth well-being and safety
Ozone House Outreach Coordination
Peace Neighborhood Center tutor support
Pet Pals Mutual Aid
Polish National Church
Refugee Hope International

*Ronald McDonald House **

Safe House Center
Saline Area Social Service

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*Saline Dementia Friendly Group **

Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic student camp
Saline Senior Center

*Salvation Army bell ringing campaign **

ShareHouse
*SOS Community Services, Inc. **
Special Days Camps children with cancer
*St. Andrew's Church Breakfast Club Ann Arbor **
*Strong Tower Church Ann Arbor **
Staying in Closer Touch reading program support for children and incarcerated parents
Student Advocacy Center of Michigan
The Stewardship Network ecological training
Therapeutic Riding Program
Thomas Wall Foundation support to families who have children with disabilities
UAA Prison Ministries
U of M address disparities in math achievement
U of M Cupboard
U of M Dining
U of M Kesem program supporting kids whose parents have cancer
U of M Lori's Hands interaction between community members with chronic illness and college students
U of M Multicultural Empower U program
U of M Museum of Art K-12 programs
U of M Natural History Museum summer camp

U of M Pop Up Safety Town
U of M Senior Crisis Intervention older adults' safety programs

*U of M Silver Memory Programs **

U of M Turner Senior Wellness workshops
U of M Wallace House

Warm The Children Program – new winter clothes

Washtenaw Area Council for Children
Washtenaw Association for Community Advocacy
Washtenaw Camp Placement
Washtenaw County Health Department
Washtenaw Intermediate School District
Washtenaw Intermediate School District Preschool
WAVE Western Washtenaw Area bus service
Webster Township Historical Society student trips
Ypsilanti Community Church of God reading tutoring for students in elem and middle school
Ypsilanti Community Estabrook Elementary CHIPP
Ypsilanti Corner Health Center
Ypsilanti District Library
Ypsilanti Fed Up Ministries free meals support
Ypsilanti Friends of Rutherford Pool
Ypsilanti Fresh Start Club House Mental Health
Ypsilanti Hope Medical Clinic
Ypsilanti Ladies' Literacy House Foundation
Ypsilanti Perry Learning Center
Ypsilanti Riverside Arts Center Foundation
Ypsilanti Youth Orchestra

*Zero Waste – Trash Talk Tour Site **

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Again, our thanks to everyone who helped to make all of these community gifts and services possible.

“Help Us Help Kids and our Community!”

This ends our FY25 Kiwanis Annual Report.