In 2015 Shenandoah Community Foundation continued its mission of connecting people who care with causes that matter in Shenandoah County and surrounding areas. In December we passed an important milestone in having awarded over $1 Million in grants and scholarships since 2008. We are so grateful for the support of our donors, volunteers and community. And we look forward to continuing to serve our community in the years to come.

Curtis Willey Warrior Scholarship - Established by friends and family of Strasburg native son Curtis Willey to be given to a Strasburg High School graduate who demonstrates the character traits of effort, tenacity, and friendliness to all.

Donald and Mary Womble Scholarship Fund - CHS Scholarship honoring the Wombles who were educators in Shenandoah County. This fund is one of many funds established to honor our teachers.

Ethel L. Wisman Scholarship Fund - CHS Scholarship established by the family of Fort Valley native Ethel L. Wisman who overcame many obstacles to get an education and then taught in Shenandoah County Public Schools for over 30 years.
The following financial information is taken from the Foundation’s 2015 Federal tax return, which will be available on the Foundation’s website in late spring.

- Year-End Assets: $2,846 Million
- Contributions to Foundation: $261,500
- Grants from Foundation: $145,500
- Asset Growth from Contributions and Investments: +2.10 %
- Operating Expenses: $41,690

- Major Programs
  - Community Grants Program
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  - Other Donor Fund Grants Program

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Spotlight on The Enrich Program
A Foundation Grant Recipient

The Foundation’s Program Coordinator, Jeanne Russell, sat down with Lucinda Erbach, founder and director of the Mount Olive Shiloh United Methodist Church Enrich Program, to learn how her organization got started and how she first heard about the Foundation. This is just one of many stories about how committed people can make a difference.

Jeanne: Tell me about The Enrich Program.

Lucinda: We started the Program to help some of the 40% of students in northern Shenandoah County who are eligible to receive reduced-rate or free meals. I was always concerned about what happened to those children during the summer. What were they going to eat? Since we started, the Program has grown to not only meet the children's nutritional needs during the summer, but also their academic needs.

Jeanne: You were telling me how you, as a teacher, would see kids go off in the summer and then the next year they would backslide a bit.

Lucinda: Research shows that if children are not enriched during the summer in some way they will backslide academically. Many families do things like take trips, have children read, and all those kinds of things during the summer. But some families can't. So we read, the children do math, basic facts, fractions, and all sorts of things at their level to help keep them stimulated so that when they start the school year again, they're not behind their peers who were able to get enriched during the summer.

Jeanne: How did you first learn about the Shenandoah Community Foundation?

Lucinda: Through the newspaper, I believe. I think there was an article about your grants for that year. At the bottom of the article the deadline for the next year's grants was mentioned, so I jumped right on it.

Jeanne: How has getting a grant from the Foundation affected your Program?

Lucinda: Well, it's made it possible for one thing. After our first year we had no funding. We had start funds and that was it. The second year I was still raising money while the Program was running and going week-to-week to feed the kids. The Foundation's grant didn't cover the entire expense, but it made it possible that I knew that I would have a full 4 1/2 weeks for the children and it allowed me to do other fundraising.

Jeanne: So what would you like to say to young, and maybe not-so-young, people about the importance of philanthropic giving?

Lucinda: Once upon a time the government was able to do summer programs for children who needed it. Those times are past and I don't know if they'll ever come back, or if they should come back. So as citizens it is our responsibility to step in, those of us who can, and fill the needs. If that's through your church, if that's through your civic organization, if it's through finances or through time, you need to do what you can. There is a need out there. It's not just in Shenandoah County; everywhere there's a need.

Jeanne: Thank you, Lucinda.

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2015 Dream Makers

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- Healthy Families Shenandoah County
- Help with Housing
- Mt. Olive and Shiloh UMC Enrich Program
- Schultz Theater
- Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging
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- Shen-Paco Industries, Inc.
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- Shenandoah Valley Music Festival
- Spring Forward Program
- Strasburg Community Library
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- Virginia Cooperative Extension
- Woodstock Museum

**Above:** Volunteers Hold New Enrollee at A Small Hand

**Left:** Healthy Families Home Visit

 Shen-Paco’s New Truck Purchased with Help from SCF Community Grants Program
Other Donor Fund Grant Awards

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- Children's Defense Fund
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- Fort Valley Community Center
- Fort Valley Museum
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- Harrisonburg Education Foundation
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- Shenandoah County Library Archives
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- Shenandoah Forum
- Shenandoah Valley Music Festival
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- Southern Poverty Law Center
- Stonewall Jackson High School
- Strasburg Community Baseball
- Woodstock Methodist Church
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The Shenandoah Community Foundation depends on the support of donors and volunteers who help us fulfill our goal of “connecting people who care with causes that matter.” Thanks to All of the volunteers who served on the various Grant and Scholarship Committees and helped us at the Gallon of Milk Sale (and apologies to all those we may have missed):


Béla Fleck and Abigail Washburn performing at the Shenandoah Valley Music

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