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# The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund

*Building the West End, One Block at A Time!*

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**The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund was established in 1994 with matching funds from the Kellogg Foundation as an affiliate of the Marquette County Community Foundation. Grants from the GIACF serve the people of Western Marquette County including, the City of Ishpeming, Ishpeming Township, Ely Township, Humboldt Township, Tilden Township, Champion Township, Michigamme Township, and Republic Township.**

## GIACF helps agencies offer beneficial programs in west-end communities!

### Liberty Children's Art Project

As public schools face increasing challenges in terms of funding and rising budgets, many have been forced to cut programs from their curriculum. Art is one of those programs that has suffered. Most art programs have been cut from western Marquette County school curriculums. The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund has provided funding to the Liberty Children's Art project for several school art enrichment programs. Director Carol Phillips has designed several programs that can be provided to both elementary and middle school students. Funds cover art supplies and materials and Phillips utilizes her own talents and the talents of

retired art teachers to teach students different art forms. Funding has been provided to Ishpeming Elementary for a 6 week after school art program, "Connecting Cultures." Aspen Ridge Elementary and Ishpeming Elementary also received funding for an after school art program, "Art Around the World." Through GIACF funding, Phillips was also able to bring an All Day Art Day to Republic-Michigamme Schools. GIACF is proud to provide funding to the Liberty Children's Art Project such that art can still be a part of the education of west-end children!



*Photo: All Day Art Day at Republic-Michigamme schools.*

## US Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame

More than just the most noticeable landmark in Ishpeming, the US Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame represents the history and heritage of the people of the west end of Marquette County. Their goal is to preserve the history of skiing and recognize Ishpeming as the birthplace of organized skiing in the United States of America. The Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund is proud to have provided funding for various projects at the Hall of Fame.

Funding has been provided for the remodeling of the gift shop entry area, transfer of historical film to DVD, the Adirondack chair/Eagle Scout project, roof and window repair and most recently computer upgrades.



*Photo: The US Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame and Museum, Ishpeming, MI*

### "How Do I Apply For A Grant For My Project?"

The Greater Ishpeming Area Community fund has two grant cycles per year; one in the spring and another in the fall. To submit your project for consideration, visit [www.mqt-cf.org/GIACF.htm](http://www.mqt-cf.org/GIACF.htm) to download the application and guidelines or contact Gail Anthony at the Marquette Community Foundation at 906-226-7666.

## So Many Ways to Give

So you want to give, but not sure how — here are some ideas:

### **Outright Gift**

The simplest way to make a big difference is by an Outright Gift. You can make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds or other assets to your community foundation. Most charitable gifts qualify for maximum tax advantage under federal and state law.

### **Gift of Appreciated Stock**

Turn stock market gains into community investment. Everybody wins when you make a gift of appreciated stock to your community foundation. Your gains are put to good use. Your gift of stock is reinvested in your community, and it qualifies for an immediate tax deduction based on the full market value.

### **Gift of Life Insurance**

Leave your community as your beneficiary. Life insurance provides a simple way for you to give a significant gift to charity, with tax benefits that you can enjoy during your lifetime.

### **Gift of Real Estate**

Making a charitable gift of real estate through your community foundation can help you turn your property gains into community good. The value of your real estate may exceed that of any other asset you own. With the help of your community foundation, you can use it to fulfill your charitable interests and receive financial tax benefits.



## **Start Giving Today ....**

### **Donation Form**

Yes, I would like to make a donation --- for **good**. for **ever**.

- General Grants Endowment Fund
- Youth Grants Endowment Fund
- Operating Endowment Fund
- Wherever the need is greatest
- Other (for a listing of all current endowment funds contact 906-226-7666 or visit the web-site).

Name(s) as it should be listed:

(Please Print)  
Address:

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to The Marquette Community Foundation.  
**Credit card donation also acceptable by calling 906-226-7666.**

**THANK YOU!** Your contribution is tax deductible. IRS Tax ID: 38-2826563

Mail to: Greater Ishpeming Area Community Fund  
c/o Marquette Community Foundation  
P.O. Box 37  
Marquette, MI 49855

## **2012/2013 Ishpeming Community Fund General Fund & Youth Fund Grant Awards Presented:**

*Child & Family Services of the UP*  
\$600 Start the Cycle program

*Society of St. Vincent DePaul*  
\$500 Food 4 Kids program

*Ely Township*  
\$500 Diorite Park

*Big Brothers Big Sisters of Marquette & Alger Counties*  
\$350 ipads

*Bell Foundation*  
\$500 Pediatric Health Library

*Marquette Range Iron Mining Heritage Theme Park*  
\$1,000 security cameras  
\$500 laptop computers

*US Ski Hall of Fame*  
\$750 computer upgrades

*Marquette County Aging Services Retired & Senior Volunteer Program*  
\$532 Triad File of Life Distribution

*Girl Scouts of Northwestern Great Lakes*  
\$360 Reaching Out program

*NICE Community Schools*  
\$540 Girls Softball equipment

*UP Children's Museum*  
\$300 HVAC units

*Liberty Children's Art Project*  
\$600 All Day Art Days—Ishp. Schools

*Great Start Collaborative*  
\$300 Sleep Sacks

*Carnegie Public Library*  
\$1,000 handicap ramps

*Greater Ishpeming Kiwanis*  
\$500 handicap ramps

*Michigamme Township*  
\$500 beautification

*If you are interested in submitting a grant application for your project, please call 906-226-7666 or visit the web-site for a copy of the grant application.*