



# PHILOMATH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Report to the Community · June 2024



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OUR GARDEN MURAL CELEBRATES  
DELICIOUS HEALTHY FOODS

PAINTED BY THE STUDENTS  
OF PHILOMATH ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL 2022-2023

SPECIAL THANKS TO:  
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# OUR MISSION

The Philomath Community Foundation is committed to serving the needs of youth and family, assisting the elderly and fostering community service, including arts and economic development. The Philomath Community Foundation fulfills its mission as a 501(c)(3) foundation by:

- Encouraging private giving to charitable endowments for the public good
- Providing a flexible tax-exempt way for donors with diverse philanthropic interests to make gifts benefiting the community
- Carrying out grant and gift-making programs that are visionary, inclusive and enhance the quality of life in the Philomath community

## PCF Community Grant To Maxtivity

### Philomath Elementary School Garden Mural Project

A garden mural was painted during the 2022–2023 school year by students at Philomath Elementary School. The mural art was inspired by the garden planted in the PES courtyard (the Harvey Commons) by Oregon State University Extension’s Food Hero program.

It was partly funded by a community grant from Philomath Community Foundation to Maxtivity Arts & Crafts Creative Space.

Maxtivity gathered input from students. Jen Hernandez (Pacific Northwest artist, educator, and designer) incorporated ideas from students, staff and administration.

Students learned about the mural creation process and painted the mural.

Learn more about Maxtivity at [maxtivity.org](https://maxtivity.org).



Top: **Inspired Finish** Students “signed” the mural with their handprints. Bottom: **Details** of the mural artwork. Cover and above photos by Steve Bell and Ginny De Herdt.

## THANK YOU

to Esta Rosa Fund of Oregon Community Foundation for ongoing support through grants that help PCF better serve the Philomath community.

### 2024 PCF Board of Directors

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## PCF COMMUNITY GRANTS

Grants invest in the community and are awarded to support community projects and activities that benefit Philomath area residents. A local nonprofit may submit a letter of request for funding to Philomath Community Foundation throughout the calendar year for consideration.

### Recipients 2023

**Benton County Juvenile Department**  
**Maxtivity Arts & Crafts Creative Space**  
*PES Garden Mural Project*

**Paul J. Cochran Veterans Memorial Park**

**Philomath Community Services**

**Philomath Frolic & Rodeo**

**Philomath High School**  
*Mariman Invitational*  
*Senior All Night Party*

**Philomath Youth Activities Club**

**Philomath Rotary**  
*Salmon and Jazz*

**We Care**

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships invest in the future of our community's youth, helping them with their transition into adulthood. Contact us to learn how to establish a scholarship fund.

### Recipients 2024

**ADJUST YOUR SAILS SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Nicholas Purcell**

**CODY JAMES PATTERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Alexa Eckhold     Hayden Fuller**  
**Simon King     Mason Stearns**

**MCRAE-DICKEY STEM SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Riven Benson     Lukas Dunn**

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**Bailey Bell**

**PCF YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARD**  
**Phoebe Coen     Emma Maxey**

**PHILOMATH PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Clara Stanley     Ava Theurer**

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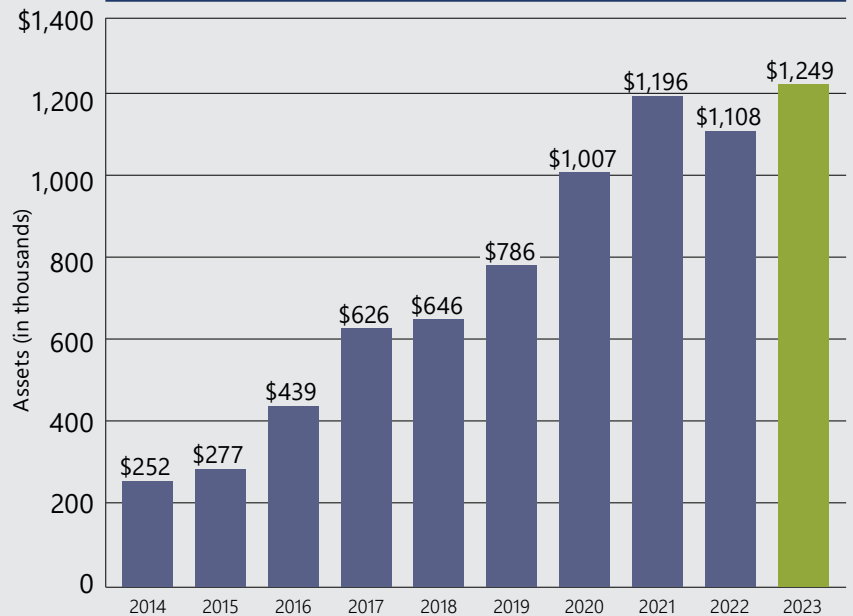
## Asset Growth & Financial Impact

**As assets grow, greater amounts become available for distributions.**

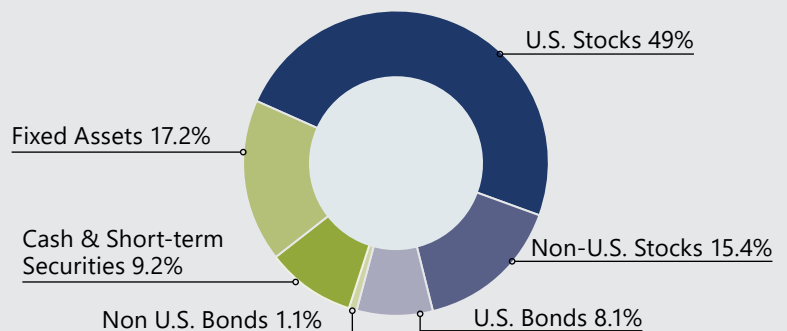
In 2023, PCF distributed almost \$31,000 in the form of community grants and scholarships, distributions from fiscal sponsored funds, and educational scholarships.

*Thanks to the generous donors who made this possible!*

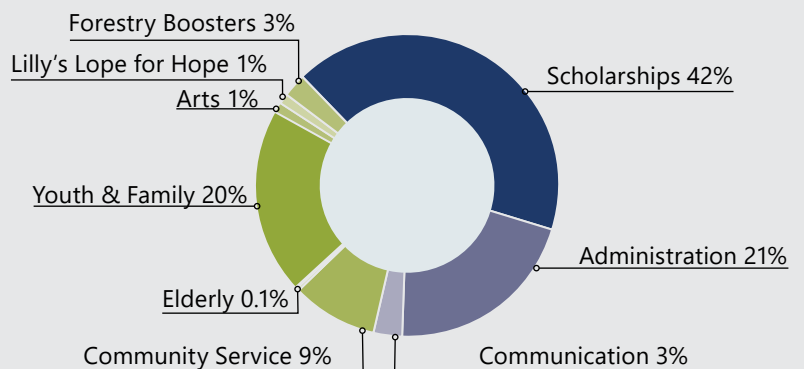
### Growth in Assets 2014–2023



### 2023 Asset Investment Allocation



### 2023 Distribution of Funds



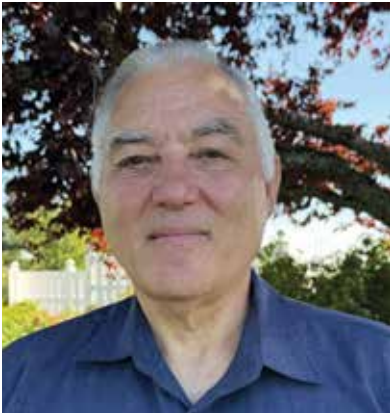


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## *A Letter from PCF President Doug Edmonds*



THE COLORFUL, PAINTED HANDPRINTS IN THE GARDEN MURAL AT PHILOMATH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL caused me to reflect on the future of the young students. They will be going on to middle school, then high school. Yes, it may seem like a long time. However, I remember thinking, when my son was in the seventh grade, he still had five years until graduation. Then, it was graduation. Those five years flew by! The years ahead will challenge the students as they contemplate their next chapter in life after graduation.

PCF has worked for over twenty-six years to provide scholarships for high school graduates, and not long ago we increased the amounts awarded. We would like to be able to further increase support to graduates through more scholarships and larger awards. PCF's scholarship program relies on donors, scholarship sponsors and the board of directors, who believe in our mission and whose continued support will allow growth and expansion of scholarships support to help and honor high school graduates.

PCF is a 501(c)(3) organization focused on fiscal responsibility and sustainable assets to serve local community needs. Please consider working with us to help future graduates through sponsoring a scholarship.

*Thank you!*

**Doug Edmonds, President  
Philomath Community Foundation**

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