



SOUTH HAVEN AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

For good. For all.

November 2024

Dear Friends,

Thanks to the support of our generous contributors, the South Haven Area Community Foundation (“SHCF”) continued to substantially impact our community in 2024. Over \$400,000 has been contributed to SHCF in the last 12 months and nearly \$100,000 was distributed to 24 area nonprofits in our annual grant cycle. Over \$50,000 in 2024 scholarships were awarded to SHHS seniors from scholarship funds administered by SHCF. We added two new funds to our growing charitable family. Our total assets now exceed \$6,300,000! During 2024, our total lifetime (since 2005) giving to local charities and scholarships exceeded \$1,000,000!

In 2025, our focus will continue on community needs and collaboration in the greater South Haven area to maximize impact for crucial programs. To expand our outreach, we are looking for community members to join our committees (Grant, Investment, Donor) without joining the Board. If interested, please let us know. Our annual report shows the many 501(c)(3) organizations we support in the community.

By making a contribution to SHCF, your support allows flexibility as community needs change. A donation of any amount is greatly appreciated. If there is a particular effort you support, please consider a donation to one or more of our funds listed on the enclosed donation envelope. If you want to provide the most flexibility to us to help our community, please consider a contribution either in cash or securities to the SHCF Immediate Needs Fund or the SHCF Endowment. Would you like to have more of an impact? Talk with us about establishing an endowment, creating your own Donor Advised Fund, or making a bequest. If you have contributed in the past, thank you for your support. SHCF is growing and striving to do more for the community and every contribution helps. Please contact us for further details of ways to grow your philanthropic goals and help your local community.

Your contributions to SHCF are eligible charitable tax deductions if you itemize. If you are at least 70-1/2 with an IRA, making a contribution direct from the IRA (a Qualified Charitable Distribution, or QCD) is a tax efficient way to give. Please contact your tax advisor or IRA administrator for further QCD details, or give us a call.

Thank you for helping your Foundation honor the heritage, nurture the present and endow the future of the greater South Haven area.

Sincerely,

South Haven Area Community Foundation Board of Directors



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