Since 2003, Ohio Kiwanians have raised over $230,000 to support Pediatric Trauma Projects that prevent and treat injuries of children in Ohio. Grants for projects in this area of focus have been supported in every area of Ohio.

The Foundation board has now established four areas of focus for projects in the coming years. These four areas are:

- Safe Play
- Bicycle Safety
- Water Safety
- Safe Home

**Childhood injuries are preventable!**

Injuries are the leading cause of death in children ages 19 and younger. Each year, nearly 9.2 million children are seen in emergency departments for injuries, and 12,175 children die as a result of being injured, according to the CDC. More information and project ideas are available at www.cdc.gov/safechild.

Examples of projects which have been completed by Kiwanis clubs which your club may consider include:

- Safe Play — playgrounds, skateboard parks, rock climbing
- Bicycle Safety—bicycle rodeos, bicycle helmet distribution
- Water Safety—swim lessons, splash pads
- Safe Home—parenting fairs, child abuse prevention education, SIDS prevention education, safety checklists, car seat inspections, ID kits

Safety Town is a program sponsored by many clubs which provide education about all these areas of childhood safety.

The Foundation works in partnership with the clubs and divisions of our district to discern and meet these needs. As we work together to raise funds for the Foundation, we depend on Kiwanis clubs to provide the services to children in their local communities. Survey your community to determine needs that your club can address. Apply for Foundation grants to assist in these projects.

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**Preserving Our Legacy of Kiwanis Service**

You can continue your legacy of Kiwanis service through gifts to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation Planned Giving Program. The future of children in your community, the Ohio District and throughout the world can be insured through gifts in your estate plan which make possible the grants which support Kiwanis service.

The Ohio Kiwanis Endowment Society is a recognition program for those individuals who have included unrestricted gifts to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation in their estate plan.

Consult your financial/tax advisor or lawyer as you choose your planned giving option.
Your Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation distributed over $30,000 in grants to Kiwanis clubs and their communities from August 2014 through May 2015. Since 1988, over $400,000 has been used to start or expand Kiwanis service projects.

The main emphasis for receiving a grant is the participation of the local Kiwanis Club in an activity that supports children or pediatric trauma—Kiwanis Safe and Healthy Kids.

The Foundation encourages clubs to apply for grant funds to increase their community service.

Grants Help Clubs Serve Their Communities

Grants given in 2014-2015

- Akron Children’s Hospital—Training for ER staff
- Akron Children’s Hospital Boardman Campus—Training for ER staff
- Barberton Kiwanis Club—Skateboarding Park Project
- Bath-Richfield Kiwanis Club—Playground Project
- Brecksville Kiwanis Club—Playground Project
- Dayton Children’s Hospital—Training for ER staff
- Delphos Kiwanis Club—Playground Project
- Cincinnati Children’s Hospital—Training for ER staff
- Family Connections of Northeast Ohio—Little Heights Program
- Medina Evening Kiwanis Club—Replay Toy Project
- Nationwide Columbus Children’s Hospital—Training for ER staff
- Port Clinton Kiwanis Club—Playground Project
- Rainbow Babies Hospital—Training for ER staff
- Rocky River Kiwanis Club—Playground Project
- Toledo Mercy Children’s Hospital—Training for ER staff
- Wooster Kiwanis Club—Playground Project
- Worthington-Linworth Kiwanis Club—park benches and picnic tables

Grant applications and guidelines are available at www.odkf.org

Club Advised Funds Provide Fundraising Opportunities

Clubs may invest their funds in the investment pool of the Foundation as a Club Advised Fund or subfund. This allows the Club Advised Fund to receive tax deductible donations under the 501(c)(3) IRS provisions of the Foundation. Many individuals and businesses have made donations to support Kiwanis service through this method. Funds are invested in compliance with an Investment Policy established by the Foundation Board and managed by an adviser at Raymond James and Associates. The total of funds now invested through the Foundation is $440,000 from 25 clubs.

The Foundation makes all required state and federal reports for the Club Advised Funds. Grants from these funds are made with advice from the clubs to charitable organizations or scholarships. Foundation board members are available to talk to your club or board about this possibility to enhance service to your community. For information about how your club can benefit from this program, contact Alan Penn, Executive Director at director@odkf.org.

Current Club Advised Funds include:

Barberton
Bellevue
Berwick
Bloom Carroll
Canton
Dayton Breakfast
Delphos
Eastlake
Elyria
Grafton-Midview
Kent
Medina
Medina Breakfast
Middleburg Heights
Norwalk
Port Clinton
Ravenna
Rocky River
SE Cleveland
Warren
West Geauga
West Park
Westerville
Wooster
The Children We Serve Thank Our Donors

Send donations to P.O. Box 515, Dublin, Ohio 43017 or use PayPal at www.odkf.org

Kiwanis License Plates
Purchase a Kiwanis license plate from www.oplates.com or your local Bureau of Motor Vehicles. Share your Kiwanis pride and provide support for grants of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. The Foundation receives $25 for each license plate purchased.

Annual Club Birthday Gifts
Kiwanis Clubs support the future of Kiwanis service through Annual Club Birthday Gifts. Each Kiwanis Club is asked to make a donation of $3 per member to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation at the time they celebrate the charter date of their club. Banner patches are awarded each year to clubs who make this donation.

Amazon Smile
Click on AmazonSmile.com to shop for all Amazon products and designate Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation to receive a percentage of your purchase price. These funds provide future grants for Kiwanis service projects.

Foundation Financial Report
Nine months ending June 30, 2015

What funds does your Foundation have as of 6/30/2015
Foundation Endowment $ 835,226
Club Advised Funds $ 444,471
Restricted Funds $ 21,962
Total Assets $1,301,659

Investment Results 1/4/10—6/30/15
6.75%

How your funds were raised in the last 9 months
Interest/Dividends $30,859
Donations $21,203
Restricted Donations $  9,782
Golf Outing $  7,190
Administrative Fees $  5,534
Total $74,568

How your funds were spent in the last 9 months
Operating $16,406
Grants $20,904
Total $37,310

Kroger Community Rewards
The Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation is enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program for all areas of Ohio. Kiwanians, family members and friends can go to krogercommunityrewards.com to enroll. Remember to renew your enrollment in May of each year so the Foundation receives donations based on your purchases.

Ambassador Program
Foundation Ambassadors make continuing gifts to support the work of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. Donations from $50 to $1,000 receive recognition. Join over 300 Ambassadors for the Foundation.
President’s Report

I am very pleased to report that the District Foundation 2014-2015 year has been one of continued growth of both the assets of the Foundation and the expansion of opportunities for clubs and individuals to build a continuing legacy of Kiwanis service. Your foundation has assets that exceed $1.3 million and equally important is in a solid financial position with sound investment policies and fund management.

The support of Foundation programs and initiatives by clubs and individual members is crucial to the growth of the Foundation. Your purchase of Kiwanis license plates, participation in the Annual Birthday Club Fund or support of our signature fundraisers the Annual Golf Outing or Basket Room Raffle has helped us continue to increase opportunities for clubs to receive grants to support community service projects and Kiwanis Safe and Healthy Kids grants.

It has been a privilege and humbling experience to serve on the Foundation Board and as president to work with a team of dedicated board members and district leaders. The team has remained committed to supporting the Foundation in its goal of helping Ohio District Kiwanis Clubs serve their communities and build a legacy of Kiwanis for our district. Many of our identified goals were accomplished including expanding Club Advised Fund participation, updating of the website, increasing availability of marketing and promotion materials and the narrowing of our pediatric trauma goals with the roll out of the Kiwanis Safe and Healthy Kids program. With your support we made great strides in the areas of growing participation in our Kiwanis License Plate, Legion of Honor and Ohio Kiwanis Endowment Society programs.

Thank you for your continued support of your Ohio District Foundation. You are encouraged to consider serving on a Foundation committee as a non-board member. You can be part of a team of individuals dedicated to make a positive difference in the lives of children through service to Ohio District Kiwanis clubs.

Yours in Kiwanis Service,
Kathryn Karpus

Thank you – Jean Forbes

Jean Forbes has been the Heart and Soul of our Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. She demonstrated how one can make a difference to Kiwanis and to children and families in Ohio.

In 2004 the Foundation decided to change its operation by securing a volunteer executive director and secretary/treasurer. Jean stepped up then to fill the secretary/treasurer role. During these years Jean has assisted the Foundation to increase our donor programs, initiate and fine-tune our Club Advised Fund program, helped the Board put in place a flexible focus on Pediatric Trauma, developed a donor records program to track all donors, integrated updated technology into all Foundation operations, monitored and updated our website and Facebook site, updated and printed all brochures and marketing materials, organized our Board materials and meetings to greater efficiency, encouraged and supported increased involvement of Board members in effective committee work.

In the last eleven years she has overseen the growth of the Foundation assets from $350,000 to our present financial position of over $1.3 million. During that time Jean was instrumental in helping the Foundation improve its investment program. During her tenure as treasurer, audits and reviews were conducted by our independent accountants and the IRS with no negative findings. Jean is retiring at the end of this year. Her counsel, guidance, commitment to excellence, and tireless work for the Foundation will be missed.