2019 ANNUAL REPORT



The Charles J. Strosacker Foundation

President's Letter



Safe and Sound Child Advocacy Center's mission is to prevent child abuse and neglect and to improve the quality of life for children. Their Child Abuse Prevention Education (CAPE) program works to increase awareness and provides protective factors to adults and youth in Midland County. These factors help parents find resources, support and coping strategies that allow them to parent effectively, even under stress. The Charles J. Strosacker Foundation partnered with Safe and Sound to increase their Prevention and Education Specialist from 20 hours per week to 32 per week. Our trustees felt that focusing on prevention efforts will help our children and their families to work together. Please enjoy the grantee letter from Michelle Waskevich, the Executive Director.

The Charles J. Strosacker Foundation granted \$3,770,088.50 in 2019. One of the many ways we wanted to help our community was to impact the lives of children. The Miracle Field will allow children of varying abilities to play baseball. The Children's Grief Center purchased grief books that will help children and families to cope. Midland Youth Football was eager to increase their safety standards and purchased upgraded helmets. The ROCK provides after school programming for middle schoolers in Midland County. Helping children to thrive and grow benefits not only families, but our communities.

I want to thank our dedicated trustees for their many hours of volunteer service. We are all honored to continue Dr. Strosacker's vision and strive to be good stewards of his legacy.

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President & CEO

Grantee Comments



Midland is a community with heart. It's no surprise that it was several caring citizens who first formed the Midland Child Protection Council Inc. in 1979 to increase awareness around child abuse in neglect in our community. Over the past forty years Midland's only nonprofit dedicated to child abuse and neglect, now known as Safe and Sound Child Advocacy Center (Safe & Sound), has continued to evolve beyond prevention and into intervention and family protective factors. Today, Safe & Sound provides several unique services to the community by (1) educating children about body safety, empowerment, and how to tell a trusted adult when something is wrong, (2) educating adult community members to recognize signs of child abuse and neglect, (3) providing safe sleep and car seat education to the community, and (4) providing child-focused forensic interview services after an allegation of sexual or physical abuse.

Unfortunately child abuse and neglect are not uncommon. One in ten children will be sexually assaulted by their 18th birthday. We know that 'Adverse Childhood Experiences' (ACEs) like physical abuse, sexual abuse, or neglect have a tremendous impact on future victimization and lifelong health and opportunity for survivors. Even with this understanding, child abuse is not inevitable. But Safe & Sound knows that we can do more to prevent child abuse before it begins; when we work together and provide education and support to children and adults, we can help every child in our community thrive. The funding received through the Strosacker Foundation allows us to continue and expand our prevention efforts. First and foremost, we have increased the hours of our Prevention & Education Specialist, allowing for services to be provided on a larger scale. This fall the Prevention & Education Specialist went into the classrooms forty-five times talking with over 665 third grade students on two separate occasions about body safety and empowerment. Additionally understanding that adult education is key to child abuse prevention, we are now offering our Stewards of Children training on a quarterly basis. This evidenceinformed prevention training will educate hundreds of adults on how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. Thanks to the Strosacker Foundation, Safe & Sound will continue to provide pack n' play kits, car seats and assistance with dental care ensuring our families have protective factors in place to reduce stress and increase safe and healthy homes.

Mr. Roger's mentioned in his speech to the senate in 1969, the importance of the "neighborhood expression of care"; it is thanks to the commitment of our community that we can move forward in our prevention efforts. Federal funding in preventative education remains limited, which is why we rely on the kindness of our neighbors to fulfill this critical part of our mission. Charles Strosacker was devoted to the citizens of Midland. His generous legacy continues in contributions like the one recently bestowed upon our agency. It is thanks to this generosity that our founding mission and our vision of increasing our outreach in the community will continue.

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes." – Mr. Fred Rogers

Thank you, Mr. Strosacker, for being one of our heroes—we are proud to be your neighbor.

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Michelle Waskevich Executive Director Safe and Sound Child Advocacy Center

GRANTS IN 2019 In Midland County (72%)

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American Legion Post 443\$	10,000
American Red Cross	3,000
Arc of Midland	30,000
Arnold Center	100,000
Cancer Services	17,707
Children's Grief Center	15,000
City of Midland	300,000
Coleman Community Schools	30,000
Edenville Township	5,000
First United Methodist Church	1,750
Greater Midland Community Center	97,750
Home To Stay	7,500
Junior Achievement of Central Michigan	20,000
King's Daughters	3,500
The Legacy Center	1,100
Little Forks Conservancy	3,000
Mackinac Center for Public Policy	750
Memorial Presbyterian Church	1,755
Midland Business Alliance	20,000
Michigan Baseball Foundation	2,000
Midland Area Community Foundation	50,000
Midland Area Youth Football League	25,000
Midland Center for the Arts	72,500
Midland County Council on Aging	50,000
Midland County ESA	1,000
Midland County Emergency Food Pantry	1,000
Midland County Habitat for Humanity	3,500
Midland County Pinecrest Farms	3,000
Midland County- Courthouse	100,000
MidMichigan Health	497,700
Northwood University	201,000
ROCK	83,000
Reece Endeavor of Midland	500
Safe and Sound	40,000
Salvation Army	2,500
Shelterhouse	801,500
United Way of Midland County	119,200
West Midland Family Center	5,250
Zonta Club of Midland	500

Total in Midland County\$ 2,726,962

GRANTS IN 2019 Outside Midland County (28%)

Albion College\$	100,000
Alma College	5,825
Amateur Softball Association	5,000
Brummer Neighborhood Council	250
Case Western Reserve	125,000
Central Michigan University	125,000
Council of Michigan Foundations	8,700
Delta College	1,750
Drake University	1,000
Eagle Village	104,000
Elk Rapids District Library	220
First Tee of Eastern Michigan	2,000
Girl Scouts of Michigan	20,000
Girls on the Run	37,500
Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance	32,000
International Paruresis Association	400
Kalamazoo College	85,500
Laramie Plains Museum	200
McLaren Northern MI Hospital	2,500
Michigan Harvest Gathering	5,000
Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation	2,000
Michigan State University	77,500
Network of Depression Centers	5,000
New Hope Community Church	3,310
Norskedalen	200
Purdue Foundation	2,500
Saginaw Children's Zoo	5,000
Saginaw Valley State University	200,000
Scottish Rite Masons	50
Special Olympics Inc. Area 30	10,000
St. Agnes Church	500
St. Jude Children's Hospital	150
Suicide Resource & Response Network	25,000
United Negro College Fund	5,000
United Way of Albany County	200
United Way of Clare/Gladwin County	19,128
United Way of Gratiot/Isabella County	9,567
University of Wyoming	947
Young Life	150
YMCA of Saginaw	5,000
YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region	10,000
Total Outside Midland County\$ 1,0	43,046.50
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Grand Total Grants\$ 3,770,008.50

Revenues & Expenditures

Dividends and Interest less	
Investment Expense\$	1,501,020.44
Contributions	0
Expenditures:	

Grants\$ 3,770,008.50 Taxes.....91,000.00 Other......122,575.06

\$ 3,983,583.56

Excess expenditures

over revenue......\$2,482,563.12 before gains/losses and other income

Assets & Equity December 31, 2019

Cash\$	5,792,495.31
Securities at Market Value	77,341,276.33
Total Assets\$	83,133,771.64
Total Assets	, ,

Uncommitted Equity\$ 80,262,011.55

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Grant applications should be made by letter describing:

The purpose
Major expenditures
Major income sources
Timing requirements
Amount requested
Project Budget

The Foundation makes grants only to eligible organizations, not to individuals. Therefore, the applicant should also furnish copies of:

- The IRS letter granting tax exempt status to the organization
- The organization's latest financial statements

The Trustees do not hold personal interviews with applicants, except upon the Foundation's initiative.

Correspondence should be directed to:

The Charles J. Strosacker Foundation

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