

Community Connection

February 2019



Introducing the "Sow a Seed" Fund

It started with just the two of them. Karen and John Calder. A love story. First with each other, then with the land and the fresh fruits and vegetables they grew. Then with sharing their bounty and then, finally, with finding a way to sustain that love of sharing even after they are gone.

The seeds the Calders sowed in their own garden and lives are now taking root throughout central Illinois with a permanently endowed fund through the Community Foundation of Central Illinois (CFCI). The Calders' "Sow a Seed" fund will make grants in conjunction with CFCI's Ending Hunger Together program.

Established in November of 2018, the Ending Hunger Together program combats food insecurity by encouraging collaboration throughout central Illinois' not-for-profit sector. The first year of the program started with \$40,000 in grant funding, which will now increase thanks to the Calders' generous donation.

"We love the satisfaction we feel of giving a gift that will last forever," says Karen Calder. "We plan to keep adding to it as long as, God willing, we can."



Calders Leaving a Legacy



CFCI Spring Grant Opportunities Due March 6th

For more information please review the [CFCI Grant Guidelines](#).



Women's Fund Legacy of Leadership

Legacy of Leadership Award Reception

Honoring the 2019 Legacy of Leadership Award Recipient,
Carole S. Ackerman

*Legacy of Leadership Award
Proudly Sponsored by*

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*Strong girls. Strong women.
Stronger communities.*

Join the Women's Fund for a special event on March 5, 2019 from 5-7 p.m. at CFCI, 3625 North Sheridan Road, Peoria, IL 61604. Good food, good drinks and great conversation will be provided. The Legacy of Leadership Award Reception is a special event to honor a former Leader Luncheon Award recipient and Women's Fund Founding Member who has continued to exhibit excellence in service to her community and/or her chosen profession.

This award honors a woman whose lifetime achievements demonstrate a legacy of leadership that is inspirational and will leave a lasting impact on our community. Please join us to celebrate this year's recipient, Carole S. Ackerman.

Please RSVP by February 26th to 309-674-8730 or rsvp@communityfoundationci.org.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WOMEN'S FUND



Paul A. Kinsinger, M.D. Memorial Scholarship

Paul A. Kinsinger, M.D. grew up in Washington, Illinois and was a 1976 graduate of Washington Community High School. He was a well-respected physician and entrepreneur in central Illinois. He passed in February 2016 after a courageous one-year battle with brain cancer. In his honor, the Paul A. Kinsinger, M.D. Memorial Scholarship Fund will award a

student at Washington Community High School who intends to pursue a healthcare career.

The scholarship committee, comprised of local community leaders and volunteers, will be awarding a \$2,500 scholarship thanks to the generosity of Transitions Hospice and their support of the Paul Kinsinger, M.D. Memorial Golf Outing, an event held annually in September.

The deadline to apply for this scholarship is March 15th. [Click here to apply](#) or learn more about the Paul A. Kinsinger, M.D. Memorial Scholarship.



Emerging Philanthropists Kick-Off Event

A dark teal rectangular poster with white text and graphics. At the top, it says 'JOIN US for the EMERGING PHILANTHROPISTS FUND OF THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF CENTRAL ILLINOIS KICKOFF EVENT'. Below that, it lists the date and time: 'MARCH 28 5:00 - 7:00PM'. The location is 'COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 3625 NORTH SHERIDAN RD'. At the bottom, there is a logo for the Community Foundation of Central Illinois, a paragraph of text describing the fund's purpose, and an RSVP link: 'RSVP by March 23rd to rsvp@communityfoundationci.org'.

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