

# ANNUAL



# REPORT



# 2023



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# FROM THE CHAIR

## DEAR FRIENDS,

I am happy to report that the Local Impact Alliance, along with all of our partner organizations, is strong and growing. We continue to be an important pillar for our regional communities and have been able to grow in our purpose and capacity over the years.

This year's annual report focuses on the recipients of our donors' philanthropy. It is well worth your time to learn about several of our grantees and how important our support is for their missions. These are just a few of the many. There are dozens of others that we hope to profile in the future, such as The Foster Closet, Leo Rising, Inclusively Fit, Shedneck Foundation and more.

Our member foundations and granting organizations have become the "go to" institutions to support those in need and I hope you all take the same pride that I do in that fact. It is only due to your commitment to being the solution to so many of our world's issues and concerns that we can make that claim.

My family, as I hope yours will as well, takes this time of year to review our commitment to philanthropy, our focus and the giving level. If you would like to discuss your own funds with Beth and team, give the office a call at 734-495-1200. They will be glad to meet with you.

I wish you and your families restful holidays, a happy and healthy new year and once again, an easy winter.

Your Board Chairman,

*Steven Sneideman*

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# ABOUT US

The Local Impact Alliance was formed to strengthen and promote organized philanthropy, particularly through the promotion and development of local community foundations and nonprofits.



## DISCOVER OUR CAUSES AND PROGRAMS

The Local Impact Alliance is a small, yet efficient and dedicated team committed to making a difference in our community. We invite you to read about our impactful causes and programs in the following pages. Your continued support is essential to help us expand our reach and create a brighter, more inclusive community. Thank you for your support; together we are making a difference!

## 2023 GRANTS

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Detroit United Lacrosse Association  
Divine Mercy Academy  
Doctors without Borders USA  
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Education Excellence Foundation  
Emily Ann Griffin Foundation  
Ennis Center for Children  
Epilepsy Foundation  
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First Step  
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Fleece & Thank you  
Food for the Poor  
Forgotten Harvest  
Franklin High School  
Friends of the Children - Detroit  
Friends of the Penn  
Friendship Circle  
Generations Ahead  
Genesis the Church  
Gerard Meteyer Foundation  
Gifts for all God's Children  
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Gilda's Club Metro Detroit  
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Giving Songs  
Gleaners Community Food Bank  
Golf Association of MI - Youth on the Course  
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Plymouth Community Foster Closet  
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## SPREADING CHEER

PORCH volunteers spent time with senior residents in Canton making wreaths for the holidays.

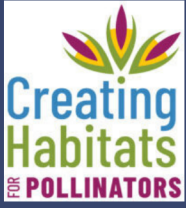
## SEEKING BOARD & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

At LIA, we have a number of boards and committees. If you're interested in serving your community, please contact Beth Meade.

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## INCREASING POLLINATOR HABITATS BY PLANTING WILDFLOWERS IN CANTON & PLYMOUTH



Pollinating insects such as bees, butterflies, beetles, and moths play a crucial role in supporting healthy ecosystems, agricultural systems, and human health. Acknowledging their significance, the Community Foundation of Plymouth was honored to provide a grant to Creating Habitats for Pollinators (CHP). CHP brings members of the community together to plant native wildflowers to boost pollinator habitats and educate about the importance of native landscaping.

# IN 2023

CHP planted 36,500 sq. ft. of wildflowers at four locations throughout Canton.

CHP planted 30,000 sq. ft. of wildflowers at seven locations throughout Plymouth.



Road to Restoration is a free clinic to assist low-income Michigan residents in understanding how to get their driving privileges restored. LIA is proud to partner with the State of Michigan and the DTE Foundation on this initiative.

Residents who attend this clinic meet with Michigan Department of State staff to determine the steps necessary to reinstate their driver's license. While many can self-service their own license restoration, others have a more complex path to restoring their full driving privileges. This is so important because not having a driver's license is a huge barrier to people finding and keeping a job.



Not all women face pregnancy with the support and love of family and friends. There is no one to support them, protect them, or nurture them as they bring new life into the world. Mary's Mantle is a Catholic residential program for homeless expectant women from all walks of life.

Giving Hope was happy to provide a grant to Mary's Mantle to support their mission. They offer the support women need, and have even gone as far as being present in the delivery room to offer encouragement. They provide a safe and caring environment that supports the transition into motherhood, including extended aftercare for mother and child.

## LAST HOPE FUND

When a young Canton high schooler returned home from school on his 18th birthday to discover the locks had been changed and his clothes were in garbage bags on the lawn because he had aged out of foster care, he turned to the Alliance for help. Through Last Hope, LIA was able to provide rental assistance, allowing him time to get on his feet.

The Last Hope Fund was created to assist individuals like this who are struggling with basic human needs and find themselves in severe financial distress and feeling hopeless. The Canton Community Foundation is thrilled to partner with the donor to assist residents during troubled times.



## MEET MELISSA DAUB

Commissioner Melissa Daub was first elected to the Wayne County Commission in 2018. She represents District 10, which includes Canton, the City of Plymouth, and some precincts in Plymouth Township. Her main policy priorities include economic development, sustainability, infrastructure, public health, and women’s equality.

Melissa Daub is leading the charge in promoting mental health awareness through one of her many initiatives. She donated funds to the Alliance to be used to assist individuals in completing the Mental Health First Aid Course. The program teaches adults how to recognize the signs and symptoms of a mental health or substance use challenge or crisis, and how to provide assistance. Participants learned how to approach the situation, offer support, and connect the person in need to the appropriate form of help in a safe and effective manner.



### BRING YOUR LUNCH AND FEED YOUR MIND.

The Local Impact Alliance and its affiliates have provided a valuable resource for our community through the "Lunch & Learn" series. This forum allows residents to freely share their knowledge and information, fostering community with open dialogue in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere.

Some of last year’s topics included Long Covid, Veteran’s Summit, The Civility Project, DIY Pollinator Gardens, and so many more!

If you have any topic in mind or a speaker who would be great to listen to please reach out to Beth Meade at [bmeade@cantonfoundation.org](mailto:bmeade@cantonfoundation.org).



Melissa Daub also recognizes that women face unique challenges in their personal and professional lives; and that it can often be difficult to find a supportive and inclusive environment that understands and addresses these challenges. This led her to create the Plymouth-Canton Sisterhood fund, designed to provide funding and assistance to women of all ages with not only the personal care products they need, but also a community of support. The ultimate goal is to create a community where women can support each other, contributing to a more equitable and just society.

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