

# The Collington Foundation

Report of Charitable Giving at Collington During 2020

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*Providing and Inspiring Philanthropic Support for the Collington Life Plan Community*





Summer 2021

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Dear Friends of The Collington Foundation,

Thank you for your commitment to philanthropy during 2020 at Collington Life Plan Community (also known as a Life Care Community). Despite the challenges and restrictions associated with a global pandemic, we not only persevered, we prospered! Capitalizing on the generosity of past and current donors, the Foundation awarded ten scholarships for continuing education to Collington team members and stood ready to help residents needing financial assistance. Your gifts also supported resident grant programs that improved the campus and enabled us to positively impact our greater community. From our highly anticipated WiFi upgrade project to support of nearby anti-hunger programs and public schools, the Foundation lived into its vision to harness our generosity of spirit and nurture the aspirations of all who live, work, and serve the community.

Building community when residents are sequestered in their homes takes commitment and creativity. What is more creative than a socially distanced pizza truck party! The Foundation-hosted event proved that even Covid-19 can't keep Collington residents from enjoying each other and some very tasty pizza.

With this report, we honor the good works made possible by 214 donors who gave or pledged \$286,083 in support of The Collington Foundation in 2020. We could not have done this without you.

In celebration of community,

*Nadine Hathaway*

Nadine Hathaway, Chair  
The Collington Foundation

*Ann E. Gillespie*

Ann Gillespie, CEO  
Collington & President  
The Collington Foundation

# The Collington Foundation

## An Overview

Philanthropy has played a key role in the development of Collington from its beginning. Those involved in establishing the Collington community set a tone of generosity — of spirit, of time, of talent, and of resources.

Founded in 1996, The Collington Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Collington Life Plan Community and operates as an IRS-approved 501(c)(3) non-profit charity. The Foundation's purpose is to serve the Collington community – residents, team members, and our neighbors. This work is accomplished through disbursements from the Fellowship Fund, the Scholarship Fund, and the Annual Fund. The Collington Foundation collaborates with the Residents' Association to ensure the success of each organization.

Donations to the Foundation are tax-exempt to the extent allowable by law. The Foundation is managed by a Board of Directors comprised of Collington residents, directors of Collington Life Plan Community, and members of the community. Assets are invested and managed professionally, under the oversight of Finance Committee of the Foundation Board.

### The Collington Foundation Board of Directors — 2020

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Nadine Hathaway, *Chair*  
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Pat Zelman



July 2021 Board of Directors: (left to right) Henry Thomas, Amy Castleberry, Ann Gillespie, Bonnie Cronin, Nadine Hathaway, Helen Lauck, Adam Osteryoung, Sue Regen, Adele Miller, Pat Zelman, Charlie Clapper. Absent: Dorothy Jones.

# Building Community Through the Foundation's Funds

The Collington Foundation lives into its mission *to provide support for Collington Life Plan Community by inspiring philanthropic support* of various Funds from which grants are awarded in response to residents' proposals and team members' applications. Each award is a community-builder.

## **Fellowship Fund**

Thanks to generous donors to the Foundation, Collington offers residents the assurance that they will be able to remain in the Community, even if their finances are depleted through no fault of their own. The Fund was launched in 1984 with a \$200,000 grant from the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, and the Fund continues to operate as an endowed fund with the principal retained and invested; earnings are used to provide assistance to residents.

A resident seeking assistance from the Fellowship Fund contacts Collington's Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer who works with the resident to determine the level of need. The identities of those seeking assistance are held in strict confidence. Determinations are made by the Foundation's Financial Assistance Committee, composed of non-residents.

During 2020 the Fellowship Fund received \$3,400 in contributions and provided \$79,538 in assistance.

## **Scholarship Fund**

The Scholarship Fund was created 20 years ago to provide financial assistance to Collington team members who wish to improve their professional skills through education. A legacy gift in 2017 significantly increased the Fund's principal. The scholarships seek to improve employee satisfaction and retention while helping team members achieve their professional goals. A Scholarship Committee comprised of residents reviews applications several times a year, meets with applicants as necessary, and makes awards based on team members' needs and available funds. Limitations imposed by Covid-19 reduced the demand for scholarships during 2020.

During 2020 the Scholarship Fund received \$13,050 in contributions and awarded scholarships valued at \$31,526 to 10 team members.

## **Arts and Culture Fund**

The Arts and Culture Fund supports a broad range of artistic and cultural endeavors for Collington residents including fine and performing arts, lectures, and workshops. Limitations imposed by Covid-19 curtailed opportunities for these endeavors in 2020.

During 2020 the Arts and Culture Fund received no contributions and awarded \$565 to support the Camera Corner Display in the 3rd Floor Cabinets.

## **Annual Fund**

Gifts to the Annual Fund give the Foundation the flexibility to create community both at Collington and in the surrounding community. Requests for funding may include campus enhancements as well as support for service beyond the campus. From the much-anticipated WiFi upgrade to a socially distanced pizza party to holiday gifts for children at nearby public schools, and more, the Foundation invested in community-building. The Annual Fund also supports the operational expenses of the Foundation.

During 2020 the Annual Fund received \$171,938 in contributions. The Fund distributed \$105,773 in grants and supported Foundation operations.









## Building Community Through Grants and Awards

Gifts to the **Annual Fund** supported a wide range of Collington projects in 2020. In response to residents' applications,

- The Garden Committee added an additional raised planting bed near the greenhouse
- Seven new ADA-compliant benches were installed along the perimeter drive
- The 4100 Cottage Cluster added landscaping improvements in a pilot stormwater mitigation project

### Pizza for all!

What could be better than fresh, oven-fired pizza to raise spirits during a pandemic? On a Friday in September, pizza trucks served residents in a singular opportunity to leave their residences, see friends and neighbors — of course socially distanced! — and enjoy pizza, dessert, and beverages. Foundation board members helped deliver pizzas to residents in the Creighton Center.

"Nothing says community like shared food," noted Foundation Chair Nadine Hathaway.

Resident Joyce Koch spoke for many when she remarked, "What a good idea to bring us all together," while Jeanne Slawson added, "Thanks to The Collington Foundation!"

Sometimes one philanthropic resident is inspired to make an extraordinary gift that transforms life at Collington. This occurred in 2020 with a singular gift of over \$70,000 to underwrite a new bus for the community. We all say *thank you* for this transformative investment in our lives together.

**Grants from the Annual Fund in 2020 totaled \$105,777.**



## WiFi Upgrades

In 2020 The Collington Foundation spearheaded a campaign to improve WiFi connectivity across the campus. Residents responded with generosity and enthusiasm to the opportunity to enjoy more reliable Internet connectivity, especially during the pandemic. Combined with generous investments by the Collington Corporation, the Residents' Association, and The Collington Foundation, residents' gifts put the campaign over the top in early 2021.

Collington resident Marilyn Haskel lived in a self-described "black hole," behind a hill, on the campus, pre-WiFi campaign. "The WiFi was very unstable; I couldn't depend on Internet connectivity to talk with friends across the country or to do my consulting work." As the outgoing president of the Hymn Society in the US and Canada, Marilyn needed reliable connectivity, and the newly installed WiFi upgrade meets her needs. "The speed of connectivity is increased, and uploads and downloads are fast and easy," Marilyn reports.

Gifts from individuals were supplemented by grants of \$75,000 from The Collington Foundation and \$50,000 from Collington toward the \$250,000 goal. Gifts and pledges from individuals in 2020 totaled \$97,695. The campaign was completed in 2021.



# Building Community Through the Scholarship Fund

The Collington team members inspire the Collington Foundation Board of Directors with their aspirations and perseverance and drive to more fully apply their gifts to the betterment of society. In 2020 the Foundation was honored to assist the following team members with awards totaling \$31,526:

Carrie Cawley  
Emelda Che  
Terri Christian  
Baladdji Diakite  
John Fofana

Fatmata Gbondo  
Nelson Miraflor  
Liseli Nzima-Mzerue  
Olubunmi Ogunola  
Kim Rivers

Team members are pursuing diverse goals: a doctorate in nursing, a bachelor's degree in construction management, a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and cyber security, an associate's degree in nursing, an advanced degree in social work, a master's degree in public health, studies in English, nursing, wellness, and criminal justice.

Gifts to the Scholarship Fund give life to dreams and build community at Collington; here is just one example:

John Fofana is Team Leader in Collington's Dining Services. John enjoys making sure that his team is ready to serve Collington residents, but his dream is to help people through a career in criminal justice and cyber security. An employee at Collington since 2014, John has relied on the Scholarship Fund for tuition support through his associate's degree and now his bachelor's degree, which he is on track to earn in 2022 from University of Maryland Global Campus.

*"The Scholarship Fund has helped me greatly not only by taking the burden of the cost of my education from me, but also by having my back. Collington staff and residents are my work family, my support system. I want to make a difference, to protect people around me. I see what people are going through, and I want to be able to help. When I have my bachelor's degree, I intend to work in public service."*

—John Fofana, Collington team member



*Team Member John Fofana with Joyce Koch (l) and Eloise Branche (r), both resident members of the Scholarship Committee.*



# *Building Community Through Outreach to Our Neighbors*

The Collington Foundation partners with the Residents' Association Outreach Committee to support myriad volunteer activities in the community surrounding the Collington campus. Grants in 2020 to the following organizations provided essential support during the pandemic:

- Bowie Interfaith Pantry — helping hungry families
- Community Place Café Assistance Program — helping hungry families
- Cora L. Rice Elementary School — holiday gifts of clothing, toys, and books plus a grocery store gift card for five families and much-needed academic supplies for the school
- Kettering Elementary School — holiday gifts of clothing, toys, and books plus a grocery store gift card for five families and much-needed academic supplies for the school

The Collington Foundation awarded a grant enabling Collington to be a sponsor for Prince George's Community College Foundations for Partners for Success celebration in 2020. Nine residents and CEO Ann Gillespie participated in this virtual celebration — an inaugural effort to build ties with the College, benefitting both Collington and Prince George's Community College.

Outreach grants from The Collington Foundation in 2020 totaled \$16,400. These funds were part of the \$105,777 expended from the Annual Fund.



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## Financial Report for 2020

In 2020, despite curtailed activity due to the pandemic, Collington residents, their families, and friends contributed \$286,083 in support of the Annual Fund, the Fellowship Fund, the Scholarship Fund, and the WiFi project. Thank you!

	Contributions Received in 2020	Fund Balances as of 12/31/20
Annual Fund	\$171,938	\$647,322
Fellowship Fund	\$3,400	\$4,323,022
Scholarship Fund	\$13,050	\$583,483
Arts and Culture Fund	\$ 0	\$41,033
Capital Fund (including WiFi project)	\$ 97,695	\$141,856
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$286,083</b>	<b>\$5,736,716</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>		
Investment Income	\$277,321	
Interest	\$ 32,278	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$595,682</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>		
<b>Administrative</b>		
Staff	\$71,609	
Fundraising	\$ 43,687	
<b>Total Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$115,296</b>	
<b>Program Awards and Grants</b>		
Annual Fund	\$105,773	
Fellowship Fund	\$ 79,538*	
Scholarship Fund	\$ 31,526*	
Arts & Culture Fund	\$565	
Capital Fund	\$ 0	
<b>Total Awards and Grants</b>	<b>\$217,402</b>	
<b>Total Foundation Expenses</b>	<b>\$332,698</b>	
<b>Other Assets</b>		
Note Receivable	\$993,122	
Contributions Receivable	\$132,155	
Other Receivable	\$64,557	
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<b>\$1,189,834</b>	

\*Expenditures from the Fellowship Fund and the Scholarship Fund draw on earnings generated by the corpus rather than current year giving.





*Planning the WiFi Project.*



## *Learn More and Join Us as We Build Community!*

### **Visit The Collington Foundation Virtually:**

<https://collington.kendal.org/giving/>  
[Facebook.com/CollingtonKendal](https://www.facebook.com/CollingtonKendal)

### **Volunteer:**

Join us in making a difference!  
Send an email to [kcheney@collington.kendal.org](mailto:kcheney@collington.kendal.org)

### **Make a Gift:**

Gifts to The Collington Foundation are charitable and tax-exempt to the extent provided by law. The EIN is 52-2011239.

Gifts may be made online by credit card at the web address noted above or by check payable to The Collington Foundation and mailed to 10450 Lottsford Road, Mitchellville, MD 20721 or dropped off at the Clocktower reception desk on campus. If you wish to support a specific fund, note this on your check. Unrestricted gifts support the Annual Fund.

The Foundation gratefully receives honorary and memorial gifts, as well as gifts of stock and other planned gifts.

Every gift helps to build community at Collington Life Plan Community and beyond, in our greater community. **Thank you!**

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