

Winter 2023

A Quarterly Report from Delaplaine Foundation, Inc.

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

We extend warmest greetings for 2023! Entering into another new year we take the opportunity to reappraise the past, reevaluate where we've been, and strategically plan for where we're headed. We're excited for new opportunities,



for meaningful community conversations, and collaboration to transform our philanthropic mission into practical, forwardthinking solutions

for meeting critical and changing needs in the communities we serve.

The 2022 grant cycle completed this past December is a testament to our continued work to advance inclusive, engaged and equitable projects and initiatives through values-driven philanthropy. You will learn about the 138 grants we awarded totaling \$2,125,000. We're happy to share that 86% of that total was awarded to Frederick County nonprofit organizations or for programs that benefit County residents. Since the inception of Delaplaine Foundation we have disbursed \$24,626,300 to exceptional, diverse nonprofits that have well-established records of providing programs and services that meet community needs and provide enrichment. Likewise, we're pleased to have awarded a number of firsttime nonprofit applicants as we remain dedicated to the support of creative problem solving, the inclusion of lessheard voices, and to providing innovative solutions.

We look forward to completing a schedule for grantee site visits later this Spring/ Summer. We consider these site visits as a "Listening Tour" to assess key issues that are emerging, to learn firsthand the impact of our grant dollars, and to best determine how Delaplaine Foundation is perceived by our nonprofit impact partners. Should your organization wish to be included on the visit schedule, please let us know. Together, we remain committed to long-term outcomes that enrich, empower and equip those whom we serve for a Greater Good.

one MARLENE B. YOUNG President

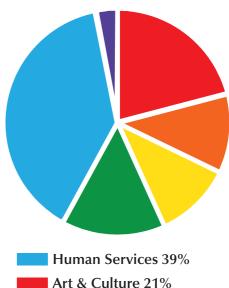


L-R: Amy Benton, Sr. Manager Public Affairs, Goodwill Industries of Monocacy Valley (GWIMV), Marlene Young, President, and George Delaplaine, Jr., Chairman, Delaplaine Foundation, Inc., Danny Farrar, Founder, Platoon 22, Inc., Holly Schor, VP of Maryland Operations, GWIMV.

# Delaplaine Foundation Awards Over \$2.1M to NPOs in 2022

In 2022, Delaplaine Foundation partnered with over 130 nonprofit organizations to beneficially impact the Frederick County community and beyond. "Despite this year's economic downturn that impacted the Foundation's stock portfolios, the Board awarded \$2,125,000 to nonprofit organizations, as well as providing \$50,000 in sponsorships," said Marlene Young, Delaplaine Foundation President.

"Approximately 86% of funding was awarded to nonprofit organizations in Frederick County and programs targeting Frederick County residents. We're also especially appreciative for the additional insights and perspectives provided by our esteemed Community Advisory Council members. Having their candid, informed expertise in our six areas of funding focus proved to be a powerful additional tool for Board members in reaching best informed decisions," said Young.





See a complete list of grant recipients at: www.delaplainefoundation.org/news

### **GREATER GOOD**

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Delaplaine Foundation, Inc., is a private family foundation based in Frederick, Maryland, dedicated to the enrichment of communities and families within Maryland, nearby states and the District of Columbia by supporting programs to strengthen the arts and sciences, historical preservation, educational advancement, spiritual enlightenment and well-being.

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Young adults who are undergoing cancer treatment at one of Baltimore's hospitals are eligible to stay free of charge at Ulman House, where visiting residents enjoy the camaraderie of other patients dealing with similar challenges. Photos show Ulman House kitchen and one of several public rooms.

# **Ulman House Provides Housing** for Out of Town Cancer Patients

he Baltimore-based Ulman Foundation I is dedicated to the support of young adult cancer patients. It was established in 1997 by the Ulman family in the wake of 19-year old Doug Ulman's cancer diagnosis. Feeling isolated by his medical condition, Doug desired the company of a community of people his own age facing similar cancer challenges-more difficult at a time prior to the prevalence of the internet.

Since its creation, the Ulman Foundation has grown steadily to increase the scope of its mission and service offerings. One of its most notable programs is its Ulman House Residential Program.

Opened in 2019, Ulman House is located in East Baltimore, minutes away from some of the city's nationally-renowned hospitals. It enables young adult cancer patients to have a free, age-appropriate, and accessible place



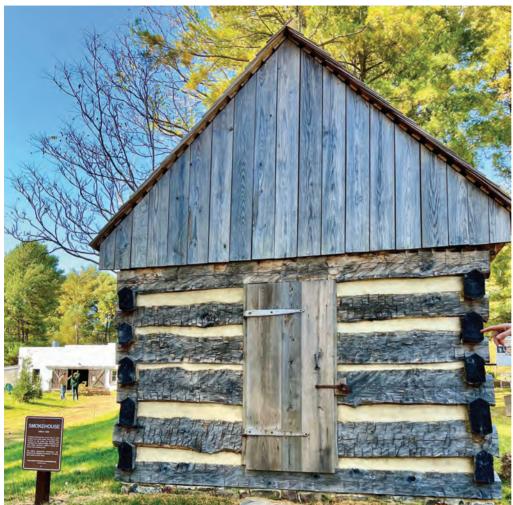
to reside during long-term, often life-saving cancer treatment.

Ulman House programs have been thoughtfully designed to reduce stress, alleviate the negative financial impact of cancer, and remove feelings of social isolation. Individuals whose primary residence is at least 30 miles away from Ulman House are eligible for housing, including those from Frederick County. During their stay, residents can participate in weekly music nights, art therapy programs, and support groups. Patients also gain access to a Patient Navigation team to better understand their treatments and navigate all of the complications cancer can introduce into one's life. There are no limits on how long a patient can stay, as long as their treatment is ongoing.

Delaplaine Foundation has provided funding to the Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults since 2018. Grants support the free services at the Ulman House, which have saved patients more than \$1 million in lodging fees since the house opened in 2019. To learn more about the Ulman Foundation and its services, visit:

www.ulmanfoundation.org

# **GREATER GOOD** Visitor Experience at Brown Site Expanded With the Construction of Reproduction Smokehouse



*Research documented the presence of a smokehouse on the grounds of the Kennedy Farm at the time of abolitionist John Brown's residency.* 

Delaplaine Foundation supported the ongoing effort to expand the visitor experience at the Sharpsburgbased Kennedy Farm, John Brown's raid headquarters, through financial support for the construction of a circa 1820s

smokehouse. A registered National Historic Landmark since 1974, the Kennedy Farm served as abolitionist John Brown's three and a half month staging ground for the October 15-16, 1859 raid he led on the federal armory at Harpers Ferry,



The Kennedy Farmhouse (left), restored in recent years, lodged John Brown, his sons, and other followers, prior to carrying out the raid of the U.S. Armory in Harpers Ferry.

Marlene Young is seen at the ribbon cutting event for the smokehouse which took place this fall. (then) VA, where several people were killed. The failed attempt led to Brown's capture and trial on charges of treason and murder at the Charles Town courthouse where he was later executed. The widely-reported raid and trial is credited with further igniting the abolition cause in America, which ultimately led to the Civil War.

John Brown Historical Foundation (JBHF) representatives explain that there has been a decades-long initiative to preserve, develop, and promote the Kennedy farm for greater inclusion in the area's rich Civil War experience–which includes Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, noted local skirmish sites, as well as major battlefields at South Mountain and Antietam.

In recent years, Foundation members raised the funds to restore the two-story farmhouse, which is the primary structure on the property. Research revealed the presence of a smokehouse on the farm at the time of Brown's residency. Delaplaine Foundation's grant award of \$18,000, combined with the donation of stone materials by Irwin Stone made the construction possible. JBHF's next major initiatives include the rebuilding of a spring house and cold cellar that were known to have existed.

The Kennedy Farm, located at 2406 Chestnut Grove Road in Sharpsburg, MD, is open daily to the public. While building interiors are closed, visitors can experience the grounds and gain greater insight concerning the Kennedy Farm experience through outdoor interpretive exhibits.



## **GREATER GOOD**

### **MEET THE BOARD**

### John Delaplaine



John Delaplaine, Delaplaine Foundation Trustee, is the owner of JCS, Inc., a local business specializing in steel and postframe construction, as well as general residential services. He also manages several commercial buildings constructed by JCS in Frederick and Easton, MD. John is committed to farming, overseeing 850 acres of his family farmland that includes 100 head of beef cattle. During the months of September and October, he operates Glade Valley Corn Maze, enjoyed on weekends by locals and visitors alike.

A lifelong resident of Frederick, John is the proud father to Eric, Kimberly, Brayden, and Paul.

### **SPOTLIGHT**

### Wm. F. Moran Museum Opens

The William F. Moran Museum, located in Middletown, MD, honoring the knife forging work of the nationally-renowned master bladesmith, opened Oct. 16, 2022.

The newly-constructed museum, supported with Delaplaine Foundation funding, offers interpretive information about Moran and quarters the W.F. Moran Bladesmith & Artisan Academy where the art of forging steel is instructed.





Vote for your favorite *Sailing Through The Winter Solstice* vessel now on display on Carroll Creek. Each \$1 vote will benefit a local charity named by the boat owner. Place your vote at: www.coloronthecreek.com.

### **IN BRIEF**

Delaplaine Foundation's *S.S. Greater Good* Joins the "Sailing Through the Winter Solstice" Flotilla on Carroll Creek



The S.S. Greater Good has joined the 27 other boats Sailing Through The Winter Solstice on Carroll Creek for the 2022-2023 event. The public is invited to vote online for their favorite boat(s), which will raise money for charity. Boats can be viewed on Carroll Creek through March 4th, 2023. Delaplaine Foundation Recipient of 2022 MD Preservation Award

Delaplaine Foundation, Inc. along with other partners was recently recognized by Elizabeth Hughes, Maryland State Historic Preservation Officer, who awarded Delaplaine Foundation a 2022 Maryland Preservation Award for Project Excellence: Preservation Partnerships for support of the work done at Catoctin Furnace and its Museum of The Ironworker in Thurmont, MD.