



THE GREATER GOOD

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A Quarterly Report from Delaplaine Foundation, Inc.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As Delaplaine Foundation continues celebrating our 25th Anniversary, we are also embracing an exciting new chapter in our history. On June 1st, we welcomed three new, non-family members to our



Board of Trustees: Arnold Farlow, Deborah Powell and Anne-Herbert Rollins. Their knowledge, experience and passion for our community will be an incredible addition to our board as we continue to grow and evolve.

One of the things we enjoy most about our work is the opportunity to connect directly with the nonprofit organizations we support through site visits. While grant applications and progress reports help tell their stories, there is nothing quite like meeting the people behind the mission, hearing their testimonies and witnessing the difference their work makes every day. Those experiences remind us that every grant represents an opportunity to improve the lives of the people they serve.

In June, we were honored to co-host the Frederick Nonprofit Summit with the Ausherman Family Foundation, created to provide high-quality, affordable professional development and networking opportunities for our local nonprofit sector and partner organizations. The energy in the room was a powerful sign of the dedication, innovation, and passion that drives their work!

Each day, we are reminded that philanthropy is about more than grant dollars. It is also about partnerships, trust, relationships and working together to create a stronger community. As we celebrate this milestone year, we remain inspired by what has been accomplished over the past 25 years and energized by what lies ahead. Here's to continued collaboration, meaningful impact and Philanthropy for a Greater Good!

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L to R: Michele Corr, Executive Director, Arnold Farlow, Board Member, Deborah Powell, Board Member, Marlene Young, Board President, Anne-Herbert Rollins, Board Member, Blair Wilson, Director of Grantmaking, Phil Hammond, Board Treasurer.

Delaplaine Foundation Appoints New Trustees

We have exciting news to share! In fulfilling a board-approved objective of our current strategic plan, Delaplaine Foundation has added three community trustees to its board. As of June 1, 2026, Arnold Farlow, Deborah Powell and Anne-Herbert Rollins have been appointed to the Board of Trustees. They will serve three two-year terms, providing additional depth to the board by contributing their expertise to that of existing board members to further advance the Foundation's mission of the enrichment of communities, families, and quality of life for all.

Arnold W. Farlow

Arnold Farlow has served as Executive Director of the Frederick Rescue Mission for 21 years, retiring from his role at the helm effective June 30, 2026.

His leadership has been transformational for the Frederick community. He has led the vital organization serving men in a faith-based addiction and life recovery program, serving 100,000 meals annually to the area's needy, hosting 25,000 visits per year for groceries at the Food Distribution Center, providing shelter and case management for homeless women and their children at Faith House, and directed and supervised



Farlow and the other new trustees signed the Board Commitment Statement at the Foundation office.

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Delaplaine Foundation, Inc., is a private family foundation based in Frederick, Maryland, dedicated to the enrichment of communities, families, and quality of life for all. We do so by supporting programs to strengthen the arts and culture, educational advancement, health, and human services in Frederick County, as well as historical preservation and spiritual enlightenment in Frederick County and surrounding areas.

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a staff of over 30 employees to execute all of these essential programs and services with the help of over 1,000 volunteers. He has partnered and collaborated with many people and organizations to bring about positive change. Through his accomplished leadership at the Frederick Rescue Mission meeting the needs of people navigating hunger, poverty, substance addiction, and homelessness, Arnold has gained extensive expertise in the human services sector and in-depth knowledge of the local landscape, the challenges, and opportunities.



Deborah W. Powell

Deborah Powell is a seasoned nonprofit and higher education leader with more than three decades of experience in strategic planning, program management, and community engagement across Frederick County and the broader region. She previously served as Executive Director of the Frederick Community College Foundation where she led philanthropic strategy and community partnerships in support of student access and success. Prior to that, she had a distinguished career at Mount St. Mary's University where she served in progressive leadership roles, including Director of Graduate and Adult Business Programs and director of a major capital campaign. She is deeply rooted in the Frederick Community with a long-term commitment to civic service affording her expertise in education, human services, the arts and spiritual enlightenment. She currently serves as Chair of the Carroll Creek Kinetic Art Promenade, a sub-committee of the Rotary Club of Carroll Creek and has held leadership positions in many other community organizations.



Anne-Herbert Rollins

Anne Rollins has practiced law for more than 35 years. She serves as counsel at the law firm of Miles & Stockbridge P.C. in Frederick where she specializes in nonprofit law, real estate and land use. As a lifelong resident of Frederick County with roots that go back many generations, she has a deep connection and commitment to the local community. In addition to a highly successful career as a lawyer who has been honored for her accomplishments and service to the legal profession, Anne is a longtime member and Past President of the Rotary Club of Frederick and has decades of extensive leadership service on community non-profit boards, including Board Chair/President of Frederick Health, the Frederick County Bar Association, YMCA of Frederick County, Heartly House, and American Red Cross, to name just some of her dedicated service. She considers board service an opportunity to help sustain and improve the community and the many attributes and resources that make Frederick County such a special place.

"We are honored to welcome these three accomplished new Trustees who bring with them decades of collective leadership and nonprofit expertise, each of whom brings not only valuable experience and a passionate commitment to our mission, but the diversity of their backgrounds and skill sets that will further strengthen our work by adding their insights and perspectives. This is an important moment in our Foundation's history as we prepare to enter our 25th annual grant cycle by adding strategic community Trustees to the Board, allowing us to benefit from a range of different perspectives in assessing and meeting community needs," said Marlene Young, Delaplaine Foundation Board President.



Delaplaine Foundation Co-hosts Frederick Nonprofit Summit



L to R: Glenda Testone, CEO of the Nonprofit Leadership Lab (Keynote Speaker), Peter Brehm, City of Frederick Council member for District 3, Michelle Nusum-Smith, Owner of The Word Woman, LLC, Scott McCaskill, President of McCaskill Financial, and Ron Cramer, former Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity.

On Tuesday, June 9th, over 290 people gathered in the JBK Theater at Frederick Community College for the annual Frederick Nonprofit Summit. This year's event was co-hosted by Delaplaine Foundation and Ausherman Family Foundation, with a focus on the current challenges faced by nonprofit organizations. This year's event saw registrants from Frederick County and beyond, and included founders, Board members, and nonprofit staff, as well as workers in the private sector.

The day began with networking and a continental breakfast sponsored by PNC Bank. Afterward, Glenda Testone, CEO of the Nonprofit Leadership Lab and nonprofit leadership expert, delivered a keynote entitled "Thriving in Crisis: How Nonprofit Leaders Can Meet This Moment." Testone addressed the difficult circumstances that many nonprofits are currently facing and offered strategies and leadership approaches to assist organizations in times of crisis. She detailed ten "superpowers" that nonprofit workers use to thrive in their organizations, which included building an army of storytellers, embracing risk, and thinking big.

Following the keynote address, a panel of community leaders and nonprofit professionals took the stage to share insights and strategies for nonprofit sustainability during challenging times. Panel participants included Peter Brehm, current City of Frederick Council member for District 3, Ron Cramer, former Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Frederick County, Scott McCaskill, President and Founder of McCaskill Financial, and Michelle Nusum-Smith, Owner and Principal Consultant of The Word Woman, LLC, along with Testone who moderated the discussion.

The panel began by discussing the difference between successful and unsuccessful nonprofits. Nusum-Smith emphasized the need for organizations to critically examine their programming to determine if it is still furthering the mission of the organization. All panelists mentioned the importance of building partnerships, not just with other nonprofits, but with for-profit businesses, churches, and government agencies that share similar values. Panelists also discussed carefully choosing board members who can share their "time, talent

and treasure" with the nonprofits they represent.

At the conclusion of the panel discussion there was a raffle drawing for prizes that included free financial and nonprofit consulting services. All attendees received a book written by Nonprofit consultant Joan Garry, entitled "Joan Garry's Guide to Nonprofit Leadership", supplied by Rowan Digital Infrastructure. Finally, as attendees left the JBK Theater they were able to pet and enjoy several canine ambassadors that were brought to the event by GO TEAM Therapy Dogs.

The Frederick Nonprofit Summit is a yearly event, planned by the Frederick Nonprofit Summit Committee. Along with Delaplaine Foundation and Ausherman Family Foundation, additional sponsors include The Community Foundation of Frederick County, United Way of Frederick County, Association of Fundraising Professionals, See What I Mean, PNC Foundation, Rowan Digital Infrastructure, Colmena Consulting, and The Frederick Center.



Delaplaine Foundation Applauds 2026 Carson Scholars



The Carson Scholars Program is dedicated to recognizing outstanding academic achievement and humanitarianism by awarding college scholarships to students in grades 4-11. Delaplaine Foundation has supported the Carson Scholars Fund and Frederick County scholars since 2020.

The Scholars, seen pictured left to right, are: AnnaBelle Fouche, Catoclin High School; Tanvi Chaturvedi, Urbana High School; Phoebe Yim, Linganore High School; Karen Cabrera, Frederick High School; Ava Dillman, Governor Thomas Johnson High School; Calah Kaufman, Brunswick High School; Alayna Shiham Khan, Tuscarora High School. Not pictured are: Joshua Lin, Middletown High School; Nabila Balami, Walkersville High School; Kessia Djoko, Oakdale High School.



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The Delaplaine Foundation-sponsored kinetic sculpture, "We Rise By Lifting Others," has been moved from Carroll Creek Park to the Kline Hospice House for the enjoyment of patients and staff. Thanks to the Rotary Club of Carroll Creek that moved the sculpture.

Jessica Wareham – 2026 Touching Lives Award Recipient



Congratulations to Executive Assistant Jessica Wareham for receiving a 2026 Touching Lives Award, which honors non-management employees and "unsung heroes" at local nonprofits who provide direct service to clientele or vital administrative support.

Jessica has worked for Delaplaine Foundation for the past four years, supporting the Board of Trustees, Associate Board members and staff in administrative operations and organizational coordination. Her experience and attention to detail helps ensure the office runs smoothly and efficiently.

Jessica appreciates working for a family foundation that allows her to work full time while keeping up with her active family. She is a wife and the proud mother of three children, two daughters, one son and the new arrival of another son mid-August of 2026.

"Both personally and professionally, Jessica models a genuine passion for Touching Lives for good through her consistent commitment to investing in the potential and the empowerment of rendering service to enrich the lives of others," said Marlene Young, President.

