

All Things Killingworth

The Killingworth Foundation Continues Building on Ten Years of Impact as the

Killingworth Community Fund at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County

The Killingworth Foundation (TKF) and the Community Foundation of Middlesex County (CFMC) are pleased to announce a partnership with the creation of the **Killingworth Community Fund**, a Geographic Affiliate Fund, at CFMC.

For ten years, The Killingworth Foundation dedicated itself to increasing the impact of local philanthropy in the Town of Killingworth. Thanks to the generosity of the community and the hard work of volunteers, TKF successfully enhanced the quality of life through grants supporting essential services, programs, and other community-sustaining work provided by nonprofit organizations. That philanthropic mission will not change with this new partnership. Rather, the newly named **Killingworth Community Fund** will now continue its work with the support of the Community Foundation's staff and Board of Directors, allowing the Killingworth Community Fund committee volunteers to focus on supporting the community they love.

Nonprofit grantees and local leaders alike applauded the partnership and praised the efforts of the newly named Killingworth Community Fund for its ten years of philanthropy and hard work. Chris Salafia, Treasurer of the Killingworth Youth League (KYL) reflected, "To me, The Killingworth Foundation represents all that is good about our town and its people. TKF embodies the small town values of integrity and honor. I'm pleased that the resources of the Community Foundation will help continue that commitment to make a meaningful impact on our community as the Killingworth Community Fund." In addition, Patty Dowling, newly retired Executive Director of the Shoreline Soup Kitchen & Pantries (SSK&P), stated, "We at SSK&P are grateful for the generous support of this wonderful organization. The need for our services has grown and we need to spread the word. The grant for new signs will always provide a consistent visual message of welcome and information to those in need. This new partnership with CFMC will strengthen the efforts of the Killingworth Community Fund and will benefit all."

During this transition the Killingworth Community Fund committee will be represented by Killingworth residents Mary Meixell, Mary Anne Lisk, Ed Lisk, Joan Gay, and Cathy lino. Wally Jones will serve as chair of the committee; he also serves as chair of the Community Foundation's Board of Directors.

The mission remains the same for the Killingworth Community Fund and the good work will continue, expand, and thrive. "Ten years ago, dedicated citizens created the Killingworth Foundation to increase the amount and impact of local philanthropy," explained Catherine lino, First Selectwoman, Killingworth. "Now the Killingworth Foundation is becoming the Killingworth Community Fund at the Community Foundation of Middlesex County, which will enable the organization to further its mission more effectively than ever, thanks to the professional staff of CFMC. I'm so pleased that this vital piece of Killingworth's civic network will continue to grow and prosper." Wally Jones echoed Cathy's sentiments

commenting, "We have so many dedicated and community-minded donors and volunteers in this town. I am excited to be part of KCF and look forward to building upon the work done by Nancy Dodson and many others in support of our local nonprofit organizations. Welcome to the CFMC family, Killingworth Community Fund."

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Community Foundation of Middlesex County is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all in Middlesex County. Its two-fold mission is: (1) to work with charitably-minded individuals and organizations to build permanent endowments and other charitable funds; and (2) to support local nonprofit organizations through effective grant making and multiple programs to address community needs. Since its founding in 1997 through 12.31.16, the Community Foundation has invested more than \$5.4 million in our region through grants to organizations for the arts, cultural and heritage programs, educational activities, environmental improvements, health and human services and for animal welfare, and so much more.

The Community Foundation welcomes conversations with good people who want to do great things. For more information, call 860.347.0025 or email info@MiddlesexCountyCF.org

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