



**Kelley**  
Foundation, Inc.

**2024**  
Annual Report



Please take a few moments to read the descriptions of the grants we've awarded this year. Although brief, they speak volumes about our community and the Kelley Foundation's commitment to it.

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## Letter From the President

For the calendar year of 2024, The Edward Bangs Kelley and Elza Kelley Foundation, Inc. (the Kelley Foundation or the Foundation) awarded \$351,500 in grants to 39 different organizations, an almost 20% increase in funding as compared to the prior year. The grants from the Kelley Foundation will help provide impactful programs and services in all areas of life across Barnstable County. In this Annual Report, we have featured a few of our grant recipients to illustrate how our funding makes a difference in our community.

About 36% of this year's Kelley Foundation grants supported a variety of Youth Development programs and initiatives including mentoring and skill-building initiatives, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) education, as well as food distribution and services for at-risk youth.

The Foundation also provided funding to Arts & Culture, Community Improvement, Health & Human Services, Food Security & Access, and Social Services. Examples include grants to support the well-being of the workforce in our community, the creation of permanent housing for local families, as well as enhancing accessibility to conservation land.

Finally, the Kelley Foundation Scholars Program provided four \$10,000 scholarships to local students pursuing a degree in nursing.

As always, thank you to those who support the Kelley Foundation: our Donors, our Members, our Board and our Administrative Agent, The Cape Cod Foundation.



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The Edward Bangs Kelley and Elza Kelley Foundation, Inc.

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Kelley Foundation Grant Recipient

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of  
Cape Cod & the Islands

To support the organization’s goal to connect 1,000 children with caring adults who will provide the support they need to succeed socially and academically through meaningful one-to-one mentoring relationships.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Cape Cod & the Islands (BBBS) was formed in 1974 and is the only one-to-one youth mentoring agency serving all of Barnstable County. The Kelley Foundation’s grant will support the organization’s “Commitment 1000” initiative to connect at least 1,000 children with caring adults over a five-year period and measure individual outcomes. Children of all ages will receive one-to-one mentoring to develop the resiliency, strength, and skills needed to achieve the personal goals that they define as “success” in the future. BBBS plans to make an unprecedented investment in staff development and expansion, volunteer recruitment and training, and technology and direct services. It will also focus on creating new and strengthening existing strategic partnerships with public school districts, state and municipal agencies, Cape businesses, and other youth-serving organizations.



2025 BIG BROTHER OF THE YEAR COREY  
FREDERICKSON WITH HIS LITTLE ‘BROTHER’,  
BRADY. THE TWO HAVE BEEN MATCHED FOR  
NEARLY FOUR YEARS. (PHOTO COURTESY OF BIG  
BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS)

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## Kelley Foundation Grant Recipient

### Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod

**To support the construction of four energy efficient, affordable homes in Dennis to increase permanent housing for local families in need.**

Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod was founded in 1988. Over the past 35 years, it has constructed over 180 volunteer-built, affordable homes on Cape Cod and become one of the top producing Habitat-affiliates in Massachusetts. The Kelley Foundation's grant will support the construction of four energy-efficient, affordable homes in Dennis to provide a permanent solution for four local families who have faced years of housing crises. Estimates project 15 individuals will live within these four homes.

According to data released by the Cape Cod & Islands Association of REALTORS®, in February 2020, the median sales price of a single-family home in Barnstable County was \$435,000. Four years later, that number increased 65% to \$717,000. During the same period, the price increase in Dennis was a staggering 91%. Affordability is not the only issue. Data from the same source and during the same timeframe shows the inventory of homes available in Barnstable County went from 1,426 to 422, a 70% decrease. In Dennis, the inventory decreased 51%.

Habitat Cape Cod serves families in Barnstable County with incomes at or below 60% (\$69,060 or less for a family of four) or 80%\* (\$92,050 or less for a family of four) of the area median income for Barnstable County. These families must have the stability of income to pay a mortgage and put in no less than 250 "sweat equity" hours per adult to help build their home.



## Kelley Foundation Grant Recipient

### Hyannis Public Library Association

**To support the creation of an accessible and innovative library resource for the greater Hyannis community by building a new, flexible multipurpose wing and integrating it with the rehabilitated historic structures gracing Main Street, Hyannis.**

The Hyannis Public Library (HPL), located in the hub of Main Street, has served residents and visitors for over a century. Its mission is to embrace diversity, inspire creativity, stimulate intellectual curiosity and facilitate lifelong learning by providing high quality resources, programming and services to all. In 2024, The Kelley Foundation awarded the HPL a multi-year grant to support its campaign to build a new, flexible, multipurpose wing and integrate it with the existing historic structures. Technology and accessibility upgrades, flexible spaces that the library and community partners can use for cultural programming, classes, and support groups, a dedicated teen space, study rooms, a teaching kitchen, and expanded adult and children's book collections will help HPL respond to the vibrant community's changing needs. The project should be completed by summer 2027.







PHOTO COURTESY OF CAPE COD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

# 2024 Grant Recipients

## \$351,500 Awarded to 39 Organizations

### Barnstable Land Trust

To support stewardship capabilities, improve conservation value of land, and help launch a fee-for-service model to benefit the broader conservation community by hiring a new land stewardship technician.

### Behavioral Health Innovators

To support expanding the Positive Alternatives for Student Support (PASS) program to at-risk high school students not necessarily facing suspension and the middle school population.

### Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Cape Cod & the Islands

To support the organization's goal to connect 1,000 children with caring adults who will provide the support they need to succeed socially and academically through

meaningful one-to-one mentoring relationships.

### Boys & Girls Club of Cape Cod

To support education and its year-round STEAM Program, serving 791 Cape Cod children and teens, ages 6-18, in a safe and affordable space.

### Brazilian Resource Center – Health Ministry

To support free medical care to anyone in need and the Center's rebuild from a November 2024 fire.

### Cape Cod Brite Lights

To support weekend food distribution to elementary students and the distribution of hygienic products for older students.

### Cape Cod Chamber Orchestra

To support the orchestra's collaborative concert with the JFK Museum in Hyannis.

### Cape Cod Children's Place

To support its mission of strengthening families across the Cape and Islands through a strategic planning process.

### Cape Cod Mended Hearts

To support cardiac patients with peer-to-peer support visits and information to help them get back to living their best lives.

### Cape Cod Modern House Trust

To support The Cape Cod Modern House Trust (CCMHT) and restore influential modern architect Marcel Breuer's summer home in Wellfleet.

### Cape Cod Museum of Natural History

To support the Coastal Explorer Science Van that will bring experiential STEAM programming, with a focus on nature being the pathway to science and innovation, to schools throughout the Cape.

### Cape Cod Music Society

To support the presentation of a classical concert series to the public.

### Cape Kid Meals

To support a team of volunteers to distribute nutritious weekend and in-school food supplies to children ages 2-18 enrolled in more than 44 schools across Cape Cod.

### CHAMP Homes

To support its Youth & Young Adult Cohort, which provides Transitional Housing Assistance tailored to the needs of 18–24-year-olds facing homelessness by helping them achieve self-sufficiency and self-worth.

### Chatham Historical Society

To support a collaborative benefit concert about the healing power of music by the Cape Cod Hospital Auxiliary and the Chatham Historical Society.

### Community Development Partnership

To support Canal House, the only sober living facility on the Lower and Outer Cape, which provides affordable housing and behavioral health services to those who are on the path to sobriety.

### Dennis Yarmouth Middle School

To support the 6th grade Model United Nations, a unique opportunity for students to learn about international issues and engage in critical thinking through an immersive fictional setting and scenario.

### Duffy Health Center

To support DEIB work through training for its agency and with community partners that will advance the DEIB Collective's multi-faceted workplan, strengthen its Equity Action Plan, and foster community understanding.

### Eventide Arts

To support hiring a 6-piece orchestra and a choreographer for its production of the Bob Fosse musical "Pippin." More than 1,100 people are expected to attend.

### Falmouth Service Center

To support the purchase of fresh produce, dairy, and a variety of proteins for Food Pantry clients.

### Falmouth Volunteers In Public Schools

To support the "Toolkit for Success" program, which consists of lessons, activities, and experiences for students, grades K-12, that will promote "employability skills" for a successful future.

### Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown

To supports the installation of a battery backup system connected to its existing solar array to provide power stability for the organization and its many artists in residence.

### Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod

To support the construction of four energy-efficient, affordable homes in Dennis to create permanent housing for local families in need.

### Harwich Conservation Trust

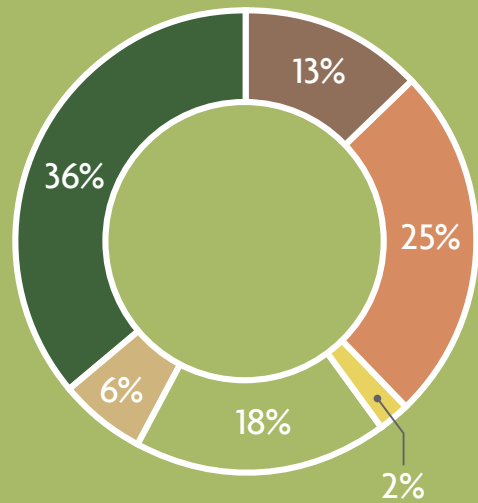
To support construction of a half-mile wheelchair accessible trail loop, trailhead, scenic overlook, and improved parking area at the Robert F. Smith Cold Brook Preserve to enhance accessibility and visitor experience.

THE CAPE COD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY'S COASTAL EXPLORER SCIENCE VAN BRINGS EXPERIENTIAL STEAM PROGRAMMING TO SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE CAPE.



## 2024 GRANT DISTRIBUTION

Total Grants Awarded \$351,500



- Arts & Culture
- Community Improvement
- Health & Human Services
- Food Security & Access
- Social Services
- Youth Development

### Harwich Fire Association

To support the creation of three affordable apartments on the second floor of the old Bank Street Firehouse, which will become a museum housing Harwich's first truck, 1928 Maxim Pumper.

### Hockey Shot

To provide opportunities to make hockey more accessible to families on Cape Cod. That includes creating learn-to-play/learn-to-skate programs, offering need-based financial aid for in-season tuition, and giving away/sponsoring kids for new equipment.

### Hope Floats Healing and Wellness Center

To support services, resources, and a nurturing and supportive space for clients to process the death of a loved one in healthy ways.

### Hyannis Public Library Association

To support creating an accessible and innovative library resource for the greater Hyannis community by building

a new, flexible, multipurpose wing and integrating it with the rehabilitated historic structures on Main Street, Hyannis.

### New England Coastal Wildlife Alliance

To support the training and supervision of high school and college students and community members to rescue and study the Diamondback Terrapin, a threatened species that lives in and around the coastal waters of Pocasset.

### One Shared Spirit

To support harm reduction services to Cape Cod residents to reduce the rates of overdose and infection and the stigma surrounding substance misuse.

### Penikese Island School

To support "Discovery Days," which turns the Island into an outdoor living classroom and provides students with place-based education, designed to improve learning engagement, cultivate self-confidence and social-emotional growth, and inspire environmental awareness.

### Pleasant Bay Community Boating

To support the Adaptive Sailing & Kayaking Program, which enables sailors with physical, cognitive, and/or emotional challenges to develop skills and participate in marine-related activities aboard the organization's fleet of vessels.

### Resilient Roots

To support the expansion of the organization's collaboration with Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod to create an educational and engagement program for homeowners through the installation of edible, ecological, and low-maintenance landscapes at new home builds.

### The Awareness Project

To support an interactive program for older adults, designed to introduce them to the benefits of mindfulness, entertain them with a concert, and engage them in a sing-along of familiar tunes.

### Cordial Eye

To support the Arts & Justice Collective, which hosts "Big Read Cape Cod," a Cape-wide community celebration featuring literary, art, and social justice events, programs, and other community activities centered around "Citizen: An American Lyric."

### The Max Warburg Courage Curriculum

To support a curriculum which uses storytelling to amplify student voices and build self-esteem through a capstone writing project, which also offers an opportunity for a student to become a published author.

### Tommy's Place Foundation

To support the construction of an outdoor gaming pavilion at the Centerville home, which provides a non-medical, therapeutic program for children with cancer.

### WE CAN Corporation

To support increased access to programs that build pathways to stability and self-sufficiency for women across Cape Cod.

### West Falmouth Library

To support the library's "Funding Our Future Campaign," to help build a financial foundation for ongoing development through a permanent endowment fund.

VOLUNTEERS AT CAPE KID MEALS DISTRIBUTE NUTRITIOUS FOOD TO CHILDREN AGES 2-18 ENROLLED IN MORE THAN 44 SCHOOLS ACROSS CAPE COD. PHOTO COURTESY OF CAPE KIDS MEALS.







# The Kelley Foundation Scholars Program

The Kelley Foundation Scholars Program aims to help students achieve academic success and build a vibrant healthcare workforce on Cape Cod.

Scholarships are available to residents of Barnstable County who have earned or will earn their associate's degree in nursing from Cape Cod Community College and are planning to pursue a bachelor's or master's degree in nursing.

## 2024 Scholarship Recipients

In 2024, four local students each received a \$10,000 scholarship to pursue careers in nursing.

Isadora Adao, Hyannis Cape Cod Community College	Tsvetelina Bernardo, Orleans University of Massachusetts Boston	Maya Ivanova, Harwich University of Massachusetts Boston	Maeve West, Bourne Cape Cod Community College
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## 2023 Scholarship Recipients Update

Lucy Ulyatt started the BSN program at the University of Massachusetts Boston and is now working as an RN. Rebecca Woodbury earned her ASN at Cape Cod Community College and enrolled at the University of Massachusetts Boston to pursue her BSN. Lateefah McGowan completed her ASN at Cape Cod Community College and is working toward an MSN at the University of Massachusetts Amherst to become a public health nurse.

ISADORA ADAO  
2024 SCHOLARS PROGRAM RECIPIENT



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# Your Support Makes a Difference

Your gift supports the work of the Kelley Foundation and the programs and initiatives of multiple nonprofit organizations throughout Cape Cod each year.

The foundation qualifies under the IRS as a private foundation; contributions and bequests are eligible for applicable federal income and estate tax charitable deductions.

The Cape Cod Foundation handles the back-office administration and day-to-day operations of the Kelley Foundation and coordinates grant and scholarship processes with the Kelley Foundation Board of Directors and Members.



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# Our Story

Two distant relatives. Two years of conversations. A new Foundation.

The Kelley Foundation was established in 1954. Dr. Julius G. Kelley inspired it. Edward Bangs Kelley funded it.

Edward, known as E.B., was born on Cape Cod and started his career by opening a small grocery business in Dennis. Later, the successful entrepreneur owned the E.B. Kelley Construction and Equipment Company in New York. E.B. traveled widely throughout the world and married a countess from Budapest, Elza DeHorvath. While the couple lived in Manhattan, they always had a second home in Dennisport.

At the time, Julius was the superintendent of the former Barnstable County Hospital in Pocasset. The two men were distant relatives.

Sometime after E.B. and Elza Kelley retired on the Cape, Julius proposed the idea of a foundation to promote the health and welfare of Barnstable County

residents. On December 10, 1954, E.B. and his wife founded the Edward Bangs Kelley and Elza Kelley Foundation, Inc. Upon E.B.'s death at the age of 89 in 1955, the Foundation came to life with the receipt of \$25,000 and a few securities from his estate. Over time, the Foundation received additional funds, making income available for grants.

The first grants were awarded in 1955; most were for medical scholarships, funds for hospital equipment, and support for health and welfare organizations. When Elza Kelley died, the Foundation received the balance of the bequest which increased our assets significantly.

Over the years the Foundation has received additional bequests and donations regularly. Today the Foundation has over \$9 million in assets to support grants for all aspects of community life: health and human services; social services; community improvement; food security and access; arts and culture, and youth development.

