

2026

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THORNAPPLE AREA ENRICHMENT FOUNDATION



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INVESTING IN TRADE OPPORTUNITIES AT TK

The Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation (TAEF) understands that not every student's path to a successful future runs through a four-year degree. That's why funding programs and scholarships across all career paths, including the trades, is a priority.

To meet the needs of our changing community, TAEF and its supporters recognize that skilled trades are facing a serious labor shortage, as experienced workers retire faster than they can be replaced. By funding training now, TAEF helps ensure the local and regional economy has an educated, trained workforce for years to come. TAEF sees this as a direct return on investment for the area, strengthening local businesses and infrastructure.

Scholarship funding means a student's financial situation doesn't determine whether they can pursue the career they want. Trades education also requires specialized tools, equipment, and safety gear that go beyond a typical school budget. To help close that gap, TAEF partners with the area's West Michigan Works! agency to purchase the equipment and tools students need to succeed in these careers.

TAEF will continue to support trades programming through both grants and scholarships, because we believe success takes many forms and investing in skilled workers today is an investment in the whole community's future.

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Thank you to our 2026 fundraising sponsors who supported our fundraising efforts helping us to raise $18,000 for classroom and community grants.

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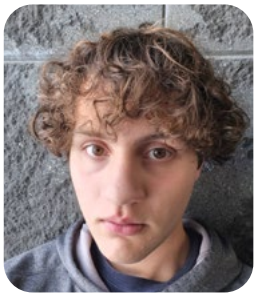
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2026 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

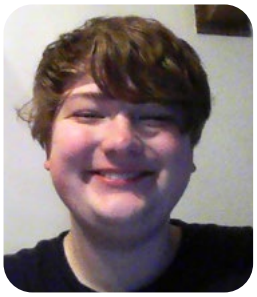
Scholarships are available for high school seniors, past graduates, and non-traditional students pursuing education through four-year degrees, two-year degrees, certifications, or licenses. Funds may be used for tuition and educational expenses, including books, tools, and equipment needed for program completion.



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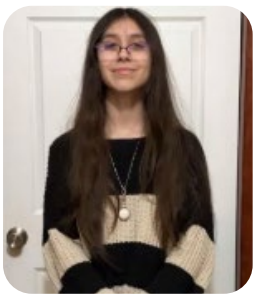
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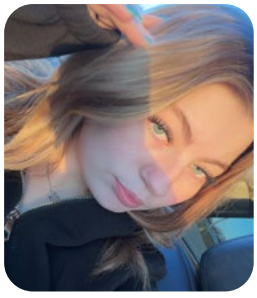
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2025-26 Grants

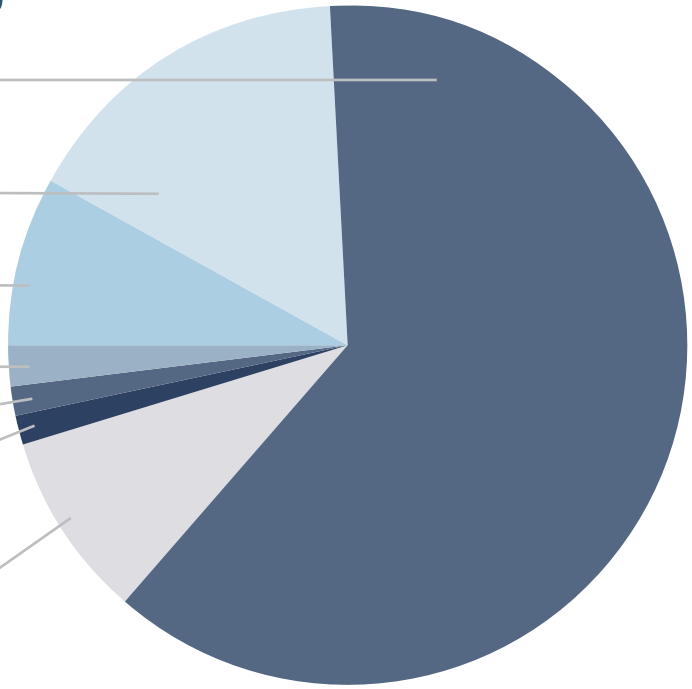
Each year the Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation supports the school and community with grants to enhance

NET ASSETS
$3,920,607

Total Grants Awarded
$24,875

Individuals Impacted
4,344

AWARDS BY FUND



- **$15,509** Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation
- **$4,017** Calvin C Plummer Memorial Fund
- **$2,000** Frank Tichvon Memorial Fund
- **$450** Middleville Women's Club
- **$400** Bradford White Corporation
- **$300** Jeff Lehman Memorial Fund
- **$2,200** Kermeen Family Fund

AWARDS BY FOCUS AREA

- **$8,501** Science
- **$6,509** English/Language Arts
- **$3,097** Special Education
- **$2,500** Athletics
- **$1,200** Enrichment
- **$1,239** Learning Environment
- **$830** Basic Needs
- **$700** Trades
- **$200** Social Studies
- **$100** Post Secondary Ed

AWARDS BY SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY

- **$7,033** Lee
- **$6,378** TK Community
- **$5,400** Middle School
- **$3,468** High School
- **$1,040** District Wide
- **$809** Page
- **$649** McFall
- **$100** Post Secondary

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Adam Dipp Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Lorraine Dahlgren Scholarship Fund

Lynn Helrigel Summers Memorial Fund

Mary Trepp Gilligan Scholarship Fund

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Middleville Women's Club Scholarship Fund

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RKW Student Working Fund

Robert Evans Memorial Scholarship Fund

Rodney & Rena Schad Memorial Scholarship for Industrial Arts

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Terrie Yoder Fund

Thomas R. Hamilton Memorial Scholarship

Thornapple Area Parks and Recreation Commission Fund

Thornapple Kellogg Alumni Association Fund

Thornapple Kellogg Public Library

Thornapple Kellogg Tradesman Scholarship Fund

TK Class of 1957 Scholarship Fund

TK Class of 1966 Scholarship Fund

TAPRC – Special Project Fund

Travis Wenger 4-H

Travis Wenger Memorial Scholarship Fund

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