



C Peter C. & Emajeau Cook Foundation

2015 Annual Report

MISSION STATEMENT:

With a Christian focus, we will establish, sustain and strengthen programs and services that improve the quality of life, community and economy with an emphasis on West Michigan.

- Consistent with our mission, 97% and 93% of the grants in 2015 and 2014 stayed in West Michigan.
- The combined impact of Program Related Investments and Grants for the Grandville Avenue Initiative was \$559,000 in 2015 and \$318,000 in 2014.
- There were seventeen first time recipients (including ArtPrize, Geek Group, and World Concern) in 2015 up from fifteen in 2014.
- The number of organizations receiving funding in 2015 rose to 103 from 85 in 2014.
- 53% of the organizations receiving grants were Christian in 2015 v. 48% in 2014.
- Four multi-year pledges were awarded in 2015 as compared to eight in 2014.
- For 2015, the largest grant was \$250,000, the mean \$5,000 and the average \$32,400.

Top Five Recipients in 2015

Habitat of Kent County	\$420,000
Hope College	\$250,000
Grandville Avenue Arts & Humanities	\$132,500
Camp Geneva	\$125,000
Davenport University	\$109,000

Grants approved in 2015 or prior – includes prepayment of multi-year grants.

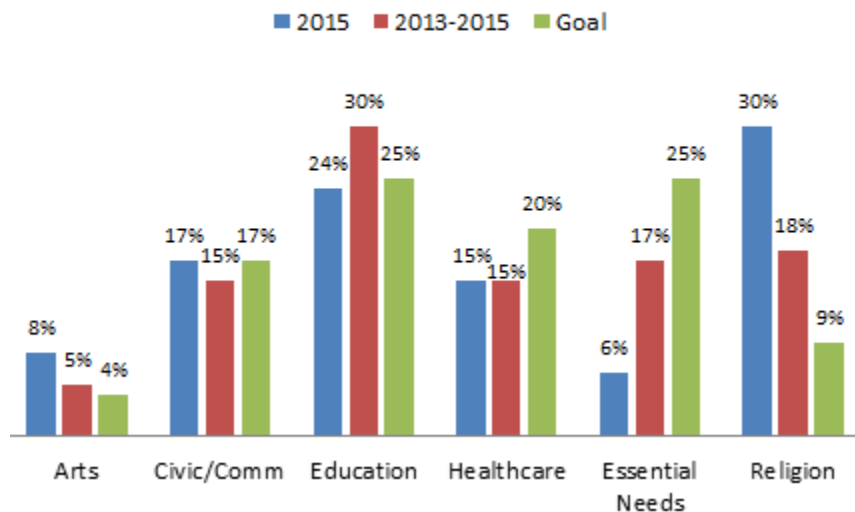
2015 Grants Authorized = \$1,862,960.

Top Five Grant Approvals of 2015

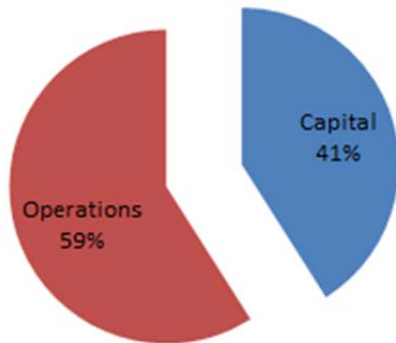
Reformed Church in America	\$250,000
Van Andel Institute	\$195,000
Grandville Avenue Arts & Humanities	\$115,000
Heartside Ministries	\$105,000
Next Step	\$100,000

May be multi-year grants approved in 2015.

Grants by Focus Area



Nature of 2015 Grants

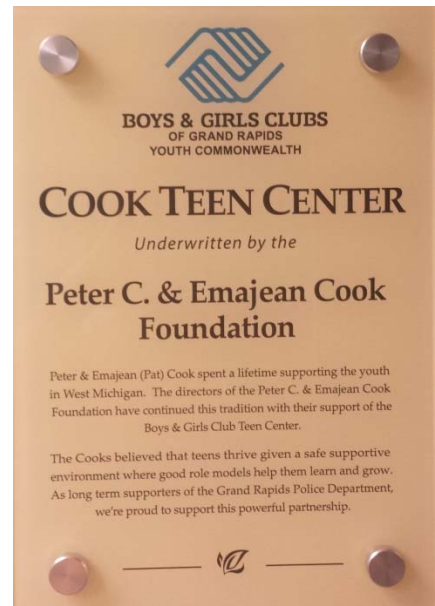


The Foundation generally supports only pre-selected charities or those invited to make a proposal. Grants can be capital, project based or operating in nature.

While 2015 grant activity favored operations, 2014 grants were 61% to Capital Projects.

TRIBUTES UNVIELED

In June 2015 one could enter the the Japanese Gardens at Meijer Garden through the Peter C. & Emajeon Cook Foundation Cherry Tree Promenade.



In early June the Paul I. Phillips Boys & Girls Club expanded their facilities to include the Cook Teen Center. A space dedicated to the needs and desires of the teen population.

CIVIC & COMMUNITY PARTNERS In 2015:

- ArtPrize
- Frederik Meijer Gardens
- Gilda's Laughfest
- Grand Rapids Art Museum
- Grand Rapids Public Museum
- Grand Rapids Symphony
- John Ball Zoo Society
- Kent County Parks Foundation

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