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MARY B. NIFISEN PRESIDENT

#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ahhh, summer! When I was a kid growing up in Crown Point I especially loved this time of the year. Not just because school was out, but because I love to be outside! I've always been active and involved in sports, so summer was an opportunity to enjoy both from morning til night. Some of my favorite memories include swimming on the Hub Swim Team with summer practices at Hub Pool, playing in the Crown Point Girls Softball League with many of my friends, spending hours at the golf course working on my game, and just hanging outside with family and friends around a bonfire.

Summer was also a time to do outdoor chores. I would wake up early on Saturdays (and I am not a morning person) to start a job outside, such as mowing the lawn, washing the car, cleaning gutters, or pulling weeds, just so I didn't have to dust or vacuum inside the house! As a business owner, my dad looked at 'chores' as our first work experiences to help develop character, self-discipline, teach basic money management skills, learn the importance of giving back and helping family, and instilling a good work ethic to carry with us throughout our lives.

Summer also meant going on some amazing bike rides with my neighbor Bobby, for miles, throughout the communities I called home. Bobby and I had our favorite routes. We rode everywhere throughout Crown Point and the Four Seasons to stop and see friends, before heading back to refuel downtown at the Cozy Corner Café. From there we'd ride down the 9-mile to Lowell, stopping to play on the swings and slides at one of the area parks before stopping at the DQ on Commercial Avenue to refuel once again. Then, it was on to Cedar Lake to ride around the lake and watch the boaters having fun zipping around and pulling water skiers over the waves. We'd stop at the DQ on Lake Shore Drive to recharge ourselves (by now I'm sure you can tell that ice cream was our favorite treat!). We'd get back on our bikes and head to US 41, riding south to US 231 (traffic wasn't like it is today), taking us back into Crown Point and our homes.

Summer was a special time! Looking back, it is ironic how my time spent in these communities as a kid would be the same communities I'm still passionate about now as an adult, loving each place for its own unique personality intertwined with a common bond all of us desire: a safe place to live and raise a family, good schools, family-friendly things to do, and employment opportunities.

In my role at the Foundation, I have the wonderful privilege to meet with people from each of these communities that they call or have called their hometown, who are passionate about seeing more good things happen. They have established permanent Funds that give back as grants every year to help keep our communities strong.

As you read the stories inside and learn of how these grants are making a difference in our communities, I encourage you to share this newsletter with a friend to introduce them to our work. If they have a cause they care about in the community, we have a Fund to support that interest! Together we can continue to create a better future in South Lake County... now and forever!

Thank you for your continued support and partnership,





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ATTAINING THE EDUCATION AND CAREER
THAT I HAVE ALWAYS WORKED SO HARD FOR.

#### KAYLA GUERRERO

2018 DEAN AND BARBARA WHITE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT







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#### **CPCF GRANTS AT WORK**

#### Meals on Wheels of NWI



#### With your help, 931 individuals received much-needed nourishment.

A \$5,000 grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation was awarded to Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana, Meals on Wheels delivers nutritious meals to those in need with the support of community volunteers. They provide an average of 1,300 meals each day and deliver to every city and town in Lake County.

Beyond delivering nutritious meals, Meals on Wheels addresses the issues of loneliness and isolation that many of its clients experience. A support system such as Meals on Wheels plays a crucial role in enabling its clients to maintain their independence. The daily human contact that Meals on Wheels provides serves as not only an informal wellness check to those who are most vulnerable, but also acts as a lifeline to the outside world.

"Many clients report that the personal interaction with the Meals on Wheels volunteer is their only contact with another person

during their days spent living alone," said Rachel Hurst, Director of Development of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana. "The social and emotional boost provided by at-home delivery is priceless. Studies show Meals on Wheels participants have fewer emergency department visits, fewer inpatient admissions, and lower medical spending."

The grant from the CPCF provided for the delivery of 931 meals which Meals on Wheels delivered throughout Crown Point, Cedar Lake, Lowell and Winfield.

"We are the only agency in Lake County that delivers hot, nutritious food to those in need," said Hurst of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana, "No one delivers a meal and wellness check like we do."

"Thank you again for your compassionate support," said Sandra Noe, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana. "Together, we deliver far more than a meal."

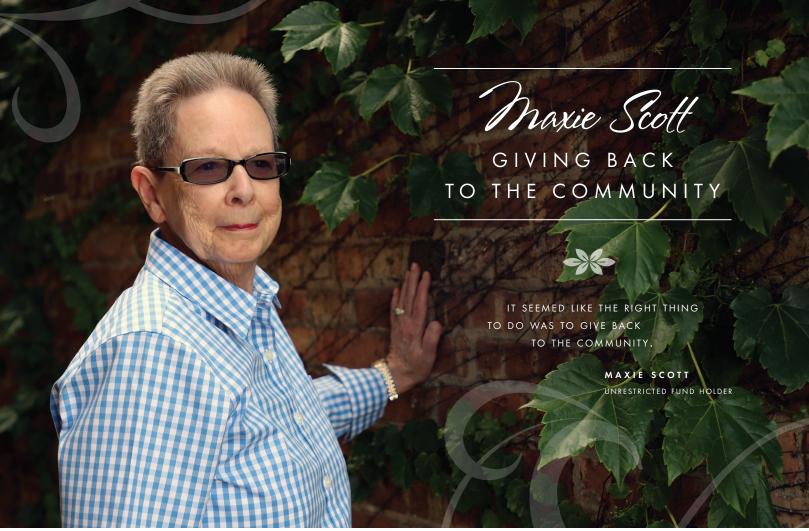
## UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY GRANTS

THE CPCF AWARDED \$62,970.00 IN COMMUNITY GRANTS IN THE JUNE CYCLE.

including a donation envelope for 2,000 mailings.

\* Grant from Cedar Lake Community Fund

Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana Fee assistance for Cedar Lake Club families for affordable childcare and high quality programming during the summer.	\$5,000.00* \$ 3,000.00	<b>NWI Symphony Society</b> Underwrite the Symphony's 3 classical concerts to be performed at Living Hope Church.	\$ 5,000.00	
Challenger Learning Center Funding for switches to handle network traffic for computers in the office and simulators.	\$ 1,000.00	Pink Ribbon Society Support the cost of underwriting a "Wellness Coloring Book" for Breast Cancer Patients.	\$ 2,000.00	
Children First Learning Center Foundation  New playground structure to meet new state codes.	\$ 2,160.00	Self-Injury Support Groups of NWI Set up a central office for the organization to meet the growing administrative needs.	\$ 5,000.00	
Coats for Kids and Families	\$ 1,000.00	3 3		
Monetary support to purchase, clean and mend gently used and new coats, hats, scarves and winter necessities for children and families.		Servants at Work Build two wheelchair ramps for mobility challenged persons in South Lake County.	\$ 2,000.00	
CPCSC/Col. Wheeler Robotics Support for the Robotics Team.	\$ 2,000.00	South Lake County Community Services, Inc. Fund the following projects: replace four baby changing stations in public washrooms, repair drywall and paint	\$ 2,300.00	
Down Syndrome Assoc of NWI & Chicagoland Provide an educational summer school for kids, teens and	\$ 2,700.00	four public washrooms.		
adults of all abilities.		United Negro College Fund Support scholarship pool for outstanding high school	\$ 1,000.00	
First United Methodist Church of Lowell, Inc. Help those living in South Lake County who are financially	\$ 3,000.00	scholars of color in NWI.		
struggling by providing them with household items, nutritious meals and personal services.		Urban Students of America, Inc.  Help fund a peace wall project to show unity between the students in wealthier school districts and students in under	\$ 1,500.00	
Hannah's Hope Improve health and quality of life for children with special	\$ 5,500.00	served communities.		
needs by providing therapy equipment.		Young Life of NWI Improve the social, emotional and spiritual health of	\$ 5,000.00	
Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry Help pay processing fees on wild game donations to donate meat to hunger relief agencies.	\$ 2,000.00	teens during their school years.		
Humane Indiana, Inc. Provide humane pet education programming in the Crown Point schools.	\$ 1,860.00			
Lake County Fairgrounds	\$ 1,250.00	THE CPCF HAS BEEN A VALUABLE PARTN	ER	
Purchase pet waste bags for the Fairgrounds.	¥ 1/200100	to meals on wheels of northw	EST INDIANA.	
Lake Street Robotics	\$ 1,200.00	WE ARE INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL		
Support for the Robotics Team.		TO OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH TH	E CPCF.	
Meals on Wheels of NWI, Inc. Provide free meals to needy South Lake County residents.	\$ 5,000.00	RACHEL HURST  DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMEN  MEALS ON WHEELS OF NO		
NICK Foundation, Inc.  Cover the cost of printing a multi page newsletter	\$ 2,500.00			



Maxie Scott in downtown Crown Point

Maxie Scott was raised in Gary. William Scott grew up in Vincennes. They both wound up working for the same branch of AT&T, but that's not how they met. "Everybody thinks we met at the phone company," Maxie said. "No, we did not. We both worked for the phone company and I talked to him on the phone every day. But I didn't meet him until I met him at the beach through a mutual friend."

The couple married and settled in Crown Point. They had friends who were involved with the Crown Point Community Foundation, and William and Maxie decided they would set up their own fund.

"We moved here 51 years ago and the community's been good to us," Maxie said. "It seemed like the right thing to do was to give back to the community."

The Scotts chose to endow an Unrestricted Community Fund. With this Fund type, the grants are awarded to charities which are selected by the CPCF Grant Committee. "We did the unrestricted because we didn't have a particular place where we wanted the money to go other than whatever they thought best," Maxie said.

Maxie also enjoys participating in the Woman's Giving Circle, an annual CPCF event where a group of women make a donation and award grants over dinner. "I enjoy going to the dinner because I see people I haven't seen in years, and it's fun giving out those grants," Maxie said.

William passed in 2015. He and Maxie were married for 57 years. Maxie enjoys traveling and her life at Wittenberg Village. And she's still involved in the Crown Point Community Foundation.

"I think it's a wonderful thing and they've done a lot of wonderful things for the community. You can't beat it," Maxie said.



# SETTING UP AN endowed FUND

SETTING UP AN ENDOWED FUND AT THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS AFFORDABLE, FLEXIBLE AND EASY.

An endowment fund can be started with a minimum gift of \$5,000. Another option is to create a pledged fund. Pledged fund payments can be spread out over a five year period.

If you do not wish to create a new fund and have a special area of philanthropy that is important to you, there are many established funds at the Foundation that you can gift to, that support those interests.



Visit us at www.thecpcf.org to learn more.

Maxie Scott enjoying her free time at Wittenberg Village.



William and Maxie Scott in 2008.



William and Maxie Scott sharing a smile in 1975.

## 2018 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Students and Adult Learners who plan on pursuing higher education were given some additional financial assistance this year from the Crown Point Community Foundation. The Foundation awarded 110 scholarships totaling over \$350,000. These funds were made available through the generosity of the Foundation's donors and its Scholarship Endowment Funds. "A Scholarship Fund at the Community Foundation is a way for a donor to connect to the future," said Mary Nielsen, President of the Crown Point Community Foundation. "We are happy to provide opportunities to so many deserving students and adults."



Kayla Guerrero and Mark Knox, Jr., were the 2018 recipients of the Dean and Barbara White Scholarships, which covers full tuition, room and board, and book stipend for eight semesters. Pictured are Andre Hatami, 2014 winner, Kayla, Mark and Mary Nielsen, President of the Crown Point Community Foundation.







 $^{f \Lambda}$  Nicole Sapper was the recipient of the Barney Family Scholarship. Julie Bieszczat, President, Barney Enterprises presented the award.

Elizabeth Rodriguez, recipient of the Marion Kellum Performing Arts Scholarship.





^ Crown Point High School scholarship winners at 2018 Awards Night.

#### THIS YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Alec Matalin Memorial		Barbara Jenkins Tyler		Burrell Family Scholarship		Christopher Day	
"Dope" Scholarship		Speech Scholarship		Aaron Sizemore \$2,000		Memorial Scholarship	
Christian Paris	\$2,500	Steve Landers	\$ 500	Anna Govert	\$2,000	Lauren Jostes	\$ 500
Melanie Albers	\$ 1,000						
		Barney Family Scholarship		Candace Lynne Walton		Col. John Wheeler	
Alfred J. Gruber Senior Social		Nicole Sapper	up to \$ 10,000	Memorial Scholarsh	nip	PTA Scholarship	
Studies Honorarium	ı		a yr for 4 yrs.	Emma Baker	\$ 1,500	Skylar Gomez	\$ 1,000
Audrey Gacsy	\$ 1,000	Barney's Hub					
		Bootery Scholarship		Charles and Marjorie		CP Youth Baseball Scholarship	
American Italian Benevolent		Sherry Zhang	\$ 1,000	Quickle Scholarship	*	Ty Handley	\$ 500
Society Scholarship			a yr for 3 yrs.	Thomas Clark	\$4,000	Ryan Bolda	\$ 500
John Daugherty	\$2,000						
Carly Zdanowicz	\$ 1,500	BJ Hubbard Scholarship		Charles Kleinschmidt		Crown Point Community	
Gina Szymborski	\$ 1,500	Audrey Gacsy	\$ 1,000	Memorial Scholarsh	nip	Foundation Schola	rship
Gina Stephenson	\$1,500			Carly Zdanowicz	\$ 1,000	Steven Landers	\$1,000
						Kristen Szaller	\$1,000

Sean Ives	\$1,000	Jerry Caravana Athlet	tic Dir	Marion Kellum		Shirley Mudy Scholars	shin
Sydney Young	\$1,000	Senior Scholarship	iic Dii.	Performing Arts Scho	larshin	Lauren Holden	\$ 500
Skylar Gomez	\$1,000	Alexis Woodburn	\$1,000	Elizabeth Rodriguez	\$ 500	Alexia Wojcieshowski	\$ 500
Madison Haas	\$1,000	AICXIS TTOOGDOIN	Ψ1,000	Enzabelii Rodinguez	Ψ 300	Hannah Ragsdale	\$ 500
Ty Handley	\$1,000	JoAnne and Jim Haag		Mark and Lindsay Ba	tes	Haman Ragsaalo	Ψ
Molly Hannan	\$1,000	Scholarship		Scholarship	103	Solon Robinson Eleme	antary
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Club Scholarshi	p*	Andrea John	<b>\$</b> 1,000	Football Scholarship		Emma Suris	\$ 500
Celina Fraire	\$1,000		. ,	Anthony Haage	\$1,000		
		Karen Pruzin Scholars	hip	, , , , ,	, , , , , ,	Tim Galusha Memoria	ıl
Dean and Barbo	ara White	Emily Campbell	\$1,000	Maurine Schlemmer		Scholarship	
Scholarship		Johnny Vittori	\$1,000	Memorial Scholarship		Aaron Kamstra	\$4,500
Kayla Guerrero	Full Scholarship		4 ./	Taylor Smith	\$ 500		ų ./
Mark Knox	Full Scholarship	Kathy, Russ and Jim K	eller	,	ų	Timothy Ball Elemento	ırv
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PTO Scholarship	-	PTO Scholarship	,		¥ 1/2 2 2	Joe Jackson	\$ 500
Marissa Myers	\$ 500	Molly Hannan	\$ 500	Ralph E. and Dee Ben	nett		,
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Scholarship		Emma Suris	\$1,000	Robert Taft Middle Sc	hool	Georgia Kurtz	\$1,000
Julia Fleszewski	\$1,000	Elillia dolla	Ψ1,000	PTA Scholarship		Ocongra Ronz	Ψ1,000
		Liss CARSTAR Scholars	shin	Lily Colvin	\$ 500	Trinity Lutheran PTL So	holarshin
Fran and Billie F	Hoffman	Shannon McCloskey	\$1,000	Emma Baker	\$ 500	Sean Ives	\$ 750
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Evan Georgas	\$1,000	Manhart / Gibbons Fa	mily	Steven Landers	\$ 500	Krisieri ozdilei	Ψ 730
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Madeline Edwards \$2.600		Ron and Suzanne Boi	rto	Jacob Keaveney	\$3,200		
Emma Suris	\$1,285		ar for 4 years	Scholarship*		•	er yr. for 4 yrs.
Hugo Rodriguez	\$1,285	per ye	ar ioi 4 years	Leah Nichin	\$ 500	ρe	er yr. 101 4 yrs.
		Marilee Thanholdt Me	morial	Jeffery Tompkins	\$ 500	Walter Bernacki	
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Family Scholars	hip						
Aaron Sizemore	\$ 500						



**HELP US LEAD, ENGAGE** AND ENRICH OUR COMMUNITY



WHY WE GIVE: At NIPSCO, giving back to the communities we serve is a fundamental part of our culture. Every year, our employees volunteer and donate to a wide range of organizations that are making a difference across our service area with a focus on basic human needs, economic development, education, environmental stewardship and public safety.

MISSION: NIPSCO has served the energy needs of northern Indiana for more than 100 years. Community support and involvement has always been at the foundation of our history. We're also making significant investments to improve service, including nearly \$30 billion in identified long-term system modernization and growth programs spanning the next 20+ years.



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MARCH 1, 2018 - JULY 10, 2018

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David & Lynn Goldenberg's 50th Anniversary Beverly Huber

Jim Larsen on his Birthday James & Esther Lambert

Our Local First Responders
B.J. & Kay Hubbard
James & Deborah Kirk
John & Barbara Verdouw

Faye Platt on her Birthday Thomas Platt & Uta Rehm

Paul Watland, One of Our Local First Responders Carsten & Georgia Falkenberg

### WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Board of Directors plays an integral role in the Crown Point Community Foundation. They select the recipients of CPCF grants, help to solicit donations, and promote the Foundation throughout the community. We are proud to welcome the following outstanding business and community leaders to the CPCF.



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JOHN MANIS HEIDBREDER, INC.



CYNDI WALSH WALSH ADVISORS

#### KEVIN HUSEMAN

Kevin Huseman was raised in Lowell. He and his wife Renee have 11 children, nine of whom are adopted. In 1990, Kevin and Renee founded Point Imaging, a graphics manufacturing business. In 2013 they founded Kingdom Housing, LLC. They began buying distressed residential properties, rehabbing them and providing clean, affordable housing for families of simple to modest means.

Kevin & Renee's history with the Crown Point Community Foundation began in 2012. Following the death of their oldest son Brandon on Thanksgiving day 2011, Kevin and Renee approached the Crown Point Community Foundation and established the Brandon Aaron Huseman Memorial Endowment Fund. In the spirit of Brandon's compassion for the vulnerable of society, his namesake fund was established to support fostering, adoption and at-risk youth.

In the spirit of Matthew 25:40, Kevin trusts that God will support his new role with the Crown Point Community Foundation.

#### **GEORGE LETZ**

George Letz has a passion for education. After attending Valparaiso University, he earned advanced degrees at Indiana University and Purdue University. He taught in Gary and Munster before becoming Principal at Hanover High School, Assistant Superintendent for Hanover, and Superintendent for Boone Township. His wife, Sharon, is a former Crown Point teacher at Timothy Ball.

"My interest in the Crown Point Community Foundation is simply a continuation of serving the youth of Northwest Indiana," George said. "I know a strong community is very important to everyone, especially the schools. I believe it does take a village to raise a

child. I hope my role as a member of the Crown Point Community Foundation will assist in South Lake County continuing to be a good environment for all citizens." George is also an active member on the Campagna Academy Board.

#### JOHN MANIS

John was born and raised in Crown Point and has lived here for over fifty years. His wife, Rebecca, is also a Crown Point native. They have three grown children, Makenna, Alyssa and Mason, who live throughout the Midwest. John graduated from Indiana University Northwest with a degree in Accounting. He has worked as a CPA for Heidbreder Inc. for the past 20 years. John has been active with Merrillville Civitan, Lake Area United Way, and Crown Point Youth Soccer. He joined the Foundation to continue to be involved in the community's charitable efforts.

#### CYNDI WALSH

Cyndi Walsh grew up in Lowell and earned a degree in Computer Engineering from Purdue University. Her love for investing led her to pursue an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago. After living in Chicago, Cyndi moved to Crown Point with her husband Tim to raise their two children. They have called Crown Point home for 23 years.

Cyndi has enjoyed a 30-year career in the financial industry. She currently serves as President of Walsh Advisors, a wealth management firm based in Crown Point. With their kids now grown and Tim commuting to New York every week for work, it is their love of the community that keeps the Walshes rooted in Crown Point. After serving for many years on State of Indiana boards, Cyndi is thrilled to serve her community and South Lake County through the Crown Point Community Foundation.

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#### Scholarship'

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#### Five Questions for

# Mike Dexter

CHAIR OF INVESTMENT COMMITTEE / MEMBER OF THE GRANTS COMMITTEE SECRETARY OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Mike Dexter grew up in Toulon, Illinois, a small rural community. He played football, basketball in high school and basketball in college. After college, he went into the family business at Dexter Oil Company with his father and also worked with his grandfather in their family farming operation. He left the family business and went back to school at Southern Illinois University, graduating with a degree in Agribusiness Economics. After graduating he became a financial advisor with Edward Jones. He was recently recognized for his 30th year with the company. His adviser and peers nominated Mike for a community service award which he received in June at Edward Jones' regional meeting.

### 1. What attracted you to the Crown Point Community Foundation?

I was raised in a small community where helping one another was something I was taught at a young age. Giving back to your community was something you did to make your community a better place. CPCF was the perfect organization where I could lend my professional knowledge to help guide, advise and share some of the great gifts we have been blessed with.

### 2. What is your advice to have fulfillment in retirement?

Although I'm far from retirement, I believe everyone needs to have at least one hobby or be involved with something you're passionate about and share that talent with someone else who has the same interest. Too many times in my career I help individuals who work their entire life at a job they don't like and after they retire they are lost or their health changes and they can't enjoy their time in retirement. Life can be short. Embrace it and live it to the fullest.

#### 3. Who are your heroes?

I have two types of people I look up to. I have had several opportunities in my career to meet some great leaders. Coach Wooden at age 90, former ND coach Lou Holtz, Coach K from Duke and Pat Summit, ladies coach from Tennessee. All four of these individuals have something in common. They never took their position for granted and used life skills with their players to have the most success. The second type other than my father and grandfathers are the men and women of the military and first responders, who have a special place with me and are true Superheroes!

#### 4. What do you do for fun?

I am someone who likes to stay busy.
For fun I enjoy golfing, boating, riding my
bike, skiing and working out. As a family we
always try to take at least one trip during the
year and get together with all my siblings
and their kids during the summer at the lake.

#### 5. What are you most proud of?

My kids have all been successful and talented in different ways, which makes every parent proud. I have tried to instill in them the trait of giving back. That is something that I feel has to be taught. You don't just figure that out on your own unless you are on the receiving end and in need of help. No one gets to the top or has success without help from others or mentoring on this journey!

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#### **Upcoming Crown Point Community Foundation Events:**

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