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Your words become your actions,
Your actions become your habits,
Your habits become your values,
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— MAHATMA GANDHI

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Two simple words that turn powerful when brought together. Finding, saying, and doing what you believe can be hard, but it can also be the most rewarding work of your life.

Alan and I believe in Strong Leaders. Stronger Communities.

We also believe you can lead from anywhere. After more than 35 years of giving more than $164M to more than 600 sites in 38 countries—we know this to be true. For we have seen near miracles happen when we invest in strong leaders and we have seen near disasters when we have strayed. We sense infinite possibilities when we look into the eyes of a young leader, and we learn timeless wisdom when we listen to the words of our elder leaders.

That is why one of our earliest endeavors was to establish the Pinnacle Leadership Center, which has a long history of developing strong nonprofit and young leaders. It is also why our most recent endeavor has been to establish Alnoba, our beautiful new gathering space on the Pinnacle property, which will open to leadership teams and community groups in fall 2016. Our giving is on many fronts—the Spine of Boston, the seacoast of New Hampshire, sustainability and conservation, and in small villages around the world. Each is important, and all share something in common—strong leaders at the helm committed to building stronger communities.

This report of our giving is shared in tribute and gratitude to the strong leaders we support. Whether you lead on the blocks of Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan; or in small New Hampshire towns and farms; whether you lead in the fight to help save the earth we share; or in service to others—we need you now more than ever, and we thank you with all our hearts.

We believe one of the greatest gifts we can give the next generation is a strong, safe, and clean community, and one of the best ways we can do that is to keep backing, developing, and learning from leaders who make a difference.

Harriet Lewis
Chair, Lewis Family Foundation
Since 1992, Grand Circle Foundation has supported more than 282 schools in 74 villages around the world through a variety of initiatives. We have stocked classrooms with books, supplies, and furniture. We have renovated schools and built dormitories. We have sponsored a teacher exchange, and encouraged children and parents to tend community gardens. In 2015 alone, we gave $1,014,126 and supported 20,809 students at 88 schools in 36 countries. Every step of the way, we have relied on strong local leaders to guide us.

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In 2015, we launched a new worldwide initiative called WASH, a project that will have an immediate and long-lasting impact in our partner villages by increasing life expectancy, student learning, and gender equality. WASH stands for “Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene,” and our goal is for all the schools and villages supported by Grand Circle Foundation to have access to clean water and toilet facilities by Earth Day 2016.

In the United States, we take such basic necessities for granted, but elsewhere in the world, a child dies from a water-related disease every 90 seconds, and one-third of the world’s population has no access to toilets. This is a special problem for girls, who often drop out of school at puberty for privacy reasons, and for women, who are vulnerable to attack when they venture out into the bushes to relieve themselves.

We wanted to ensure that everyone in our partner communities had safe water to drink and a good toilet to use, but when we surveyed conditions in their communities, we found that only 14% could rate their water and sanitation as excellent. Of the remainder, 19% were rated fair, 38% were rated adequate, and 29% were rated poor. Clearly we had a lot of work ahead of us. Since then, we have built toilets in countries from Myanmar to Peru; built boreholes and wells in India, Laos, and Indonesia; and provided water systems in many countries including Kenya, Guatemala, Namibia, and Tanzania.

As these projects are completed, we are funding other undertakings like gardens and solar energy projects to help each school and village become healthier and more self-sustaining. We believe our long-term partnerships with villages around the world give us a unique opportunity to strengthen local communities from the ground up.

TRAGEDY IN NEPAL

In April 2015, a devastating earthquake shook Nepal, killing approximately 9,000 people, wounding another 22,000, and causing $8 billion in damage. We were heartened when our travelers and associates donated more than $415,000 for relief efforts, but we needed help deciding how best to distribute the funds. Following guidance that Harriet developed for the Foundation long ago, we decided to “Ask the locals.”

In the weeks following the earthquake, Jan Byrnes, vice president of Grand Circle Foundation, visited Nepal and met with both earthquake victims and local service organizations to determine the greatest needs and best local organizations to address them. Five organizations were identified, and funds have been sent for the following purposes: The Himalayan Trust Foundation, a longtime partner, to rebuild damaged schools; The Nepal Orthopedic Hospital to purchase a sterilizing machine and other equipment; Yeti Tours, our local ground operator, to rebuild homes in Dharapani village; Environmental Camps for Conservation Awareness to provide water purification systems and solar lights; and Seven Summit Women to provide toilet facilities in remote mountain villages.

We continue to receive updates from these partners, and while the situation is improving, Nepal will need our support for many years to come.

OUR GENEROUS TRAVELERS

Our generous travelers are our partners at Grand Circle Foundation. We are deeply grateful for the donations they entrust to us. In 2015 alone, 11,081 travelers donated $1,294,312 in amounts ranging from $2 to $25,990 to support 227 projects around the world, including some they have created themselves.

Six years ago, Naomi and Mark Hughes, 12-time travelers from Hamilton, Virginia, began delivering bicycles to Africa so children could get to school more easily after their heavy morning chores. Called “Pets Providing Pedals” because Naomi’s dog-grooming business helps fund the cause, the project has delivered more than 1,000 bicycles over the years to schoolchildren, teachers, women, orphans, and handicapped workers.

The Hugheses make a real difference. Consider Lilian, a student at Amboseli Primary School in Kenya. After her father was killed in an elephant attack last year, Lilian’s chores increased, and the eight-mile trip to and from school seemed endless. But after a visit from Naomi and Mark, Lilian’s trip home flew by. For the first time, she was covering the miles atop a brand-new bicycle.

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Community Service in Boston

In Boston, Grand Circle associates have longstanding relationships with many community service providers. For example, associates have raised funds and walked to support the work of the AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts since 1994. Over the years, they have formed teams ranging from 10 to 100 associates, thrown ice cream parties, held raffles, and hosted all-you-can-eat taco lunches. In 2015, Grand Circle was once again recognized as a Gold Team, having raised $10,418 for the cause.

Our associates like to prepare food and serve meals, and throughout the year they put that enthusiasm to work in support of several organizations. They served dinner to veterans at the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans, and provided three kinds of cake for dessert—a real treat. They also served dinner at Rosie’s Place, the first women’s shelter in the United States, and helped out at Community Servings, where they prepared hot meals for home delivery to people ill with AIDS, their dependents, and caregivers. Other volunteers prepared meals and snacks at the West End House Boys & Girls Club, an organization that serves more than 1,500 youths ages 7 to 20.

Associates also sorted donated food at the Greater Boston Food Bank; participated in blood drives through area hospitals; and helped veterans move from the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans into homes of their own. In the latter program, called “Up and Out,” volunteers provided all the furnishings, linens, and kitchen supplies the veterans needed to get started, and they celebrated the vets’ new beginning with freshly baked chocolate chip cookies and a toast of sparkling cider.

Community Service Worldwide

International service requires a special kind of leadership because volunteering is not quite as ingrained in many cultures as it is in the United States. We have been humbled by the scope of events our overseas associates have organized in 19 countries—everything from blood drives to food drives—and we are heartened by the passion they have shown for helping others.

One of the most remarkable service efforts this year was led by John Thompson, our area manager in Slovakia, who organized a relief effort for refugees there. We see them on the news: crowds of migrants fleeing the horrors of war in their Middle Eastern homelands, arriving by the boatload on European shores, walking by the thousands through fields and along highways. These images highlight the enormity of the crisis: more than a million refugees have crossed into Europe, and the influx shows no sign of stopping.

But where we see crowds, John sees individuals. “When I saw the situation, I knew I needed to do something,” he says. “Even if you help just one person, it makes a difference.”

Since the beginning of September, John’s tentative “something” has grown into a group of more than 1,000 concerned citizens volunteering in the transit zone, gathering much-needed supplies, and raising awareness from afar. The group struggles with logistics, weather, and communication, and also with the difficulty that many European communities are reluctant to welcome the refugees with open arms. John hopes to help change this cold, geopolitical fact by putting a human face on the crisis and helping refugees one desperate person at a time.

Refugees need people like John Thompson to welcome them at the border—people who see them not as burdens or threats or statistics, but as fellow human beings. We salute John’s leadership and the enthusiasm, creativity, and compassion all our associates bring to their efforts to build stronger communities, all around the world, every day.
In 1977, Alan and Harriet purchased Alan’s uncle’s house in Kensington, New Hampshire, that we have come to call Beaver Dam. It had been home to generations of Alan’s mother’s family—the Sawyers and Blakes—who settled there in the 1700s. It is where Alan spent his boyhood summers, a place with deep family roots where land was passed from generation to generation at a time when folks tended to stay in one place. Alan’s Kensington summers stood in sharp contrast to the rest of his rather unsettled life in Boston’s inner city, where he moved 14 times in his first 10 years.

We believe roots matter. They give life to community and tenacity to dreams. Over the years, we have spent more time in Kensington, and today it is home to the Lewis Family Foundation North. It is where Pinnacle Leadership Center in Kensington to provide leadership training and learn-building experiences for our company; later we offered it to our nonprofit partners at little or no cost. In 2015, we built a new aerial park on the property to expand our existing ropes course and support our programming with young people from Seacoast New Hampshire and Boston’s Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan neighborhoods.

In 2008, we built Sawyer Park and donated it to the town of Kensington. Soon our neighbors were flocking to its playing fields, skateboard park, bandstand, and concession stand. Four years later, we purchased a lot at the town’s crossroads and opened the Farm at Eastman’s Corner, a community-governed year-round farm market and greenhouse operation, which donates 100% of all profits and 5% of all sales to support Sawyer Park. In 2015, we expanded our Farm operations with the opening of Cluckingham Palace, where our chickens lay the eggs for our breakfast sandwiches, and the opening of The Kensington Food Barn, where we make the Farm’s prepared foods and host our Farm-to-Table Dinners.

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Last year also saw the launch of the Lewis Family Conservation Foundation, dedicated to many different efforts to help save the earth we share. The Conservation Foundation has a wonderful case of double vision, imagining changes both great and small that can make life on earth more sustainable. From championing small farmers to preventing goliath utility companies from despoiling the landscape, the Conservation Foundation will provide leadership for a diverse community of environmental activists.

We look forward to fall 2016 when we will open the doors to Alnoba, the beautiful 14,530-square-foot gathering place we are building on the Pinnacle property. Already we can see its old New England timber frame take shape and its energy-efficient design unfold as we look out across the clearing. This is where we will continue our work to develop community leaders, promote stewardship, and celebrate life, wellness, and the arts. This time next year, Alnoba will sit at the center of a fine and growing circle of work, giving, and love.
Pinnacle is our leadership center in Kensington, New Hampshire. Set on 400 wooded acres just down the road from Beaver Dam and up the hill from the Farm at Eastman’s Corner, Pinnacle guides the work of all our enterprises. It is here that our senior leaders come to tackle hot topics and set corporate goals, where our associates go for their yearly business training, where inner-city youths from our nonprofit programs come to try the ropes course and test their courage. It is a place of challenge and revelation, and the platform for our success.

We believe that leadership can come from anywhere, not just the boardroom and the senate chamber, but from the breakroom, the mailroom, the classroom and metal shop, the street corner and pulpit, the grange hall and the farmers’ market. It can even arise in the solitude of a wilderness forest—wherever passion arises in the hearts and minds of people who are unafraid of dreams. Truly, you can lead from anywhere. But leadership needs nurturing—time and space to grow and an experienced hand to guide it. That’s where Pinnacle comes in, providing the training and confidence to turn passionate dreamers into effective agents of change.

Since 1993, Pinnacle has helped individuals, teams, and organizations achieve success by overcoming barriers, strengthening their leadership skills, and reconnecting with their founding passion and inspiration. Our Pinnacle training is challenging. We deliberately take participants out of their comfort zone so they can shake off the complacency and daily grind of routine, and build trust for better teamwork. We send teams out on the ropes course, give them tests of ingenuity, and require face-to-face dialogue about tough issues that hold the organization back. Our expert facilitators then teach the participants leadership skills and problem-solving techniques to help them take the actions that will move their enterprise forward with energy and conviction.

Over the last 15 years, we have extended Pinnacle’s leadership offerings to our nonprofit partners and the youths they serve. In our experience, nonprofits seldom take the time to get away, take a hard look at their operations, put the hot issues on the table, and make needed decisions and changes. Many of their leaders are so passionate and so dedicated that they exhaust themselves in their work. We can’t have that. We believe that strong communities absolutely depend on the strength of their leaders. After seeing too many good leaders burn themselves out, we began encouraging the leaders of our Community Advisory Group to make annual retreats to Kensington for Pinnacle training. Now many of their young charges come, too—1,400 youths last year alone from Seacoast New Hampshire and Boston’s Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan neighborhoods. Watching those young people take on the challenge of our new Aerial Park last summer was one of the highlights of our year.

2015 was a great year for Pinnacle and the leaders and communities we serve. Among Pinnacle’s accomplishments are these:

• Opened our new 200-foot Aerial Park Ropes Course in May
• Provided 303 days of Pinnacle programming, including 150 days to nonprofit groups and 50 retreats for Grand Circle teams
• Hosted 1,400 youths from Dorchester, Roxbury, Mattapan, and Seacoast New Hampshire over 46 days of programming
• Renovated and refurbished two residences—Briggs House (sleeps 7) and Brandy Run (sleeps 12)—for overnight guests, and broke ground for a new cabin, the Sawyer-Blake House (will sleep 8+)
• Disassembled the 1848 Barn from Greenland, New Hampshire, and moved it to Pinnacle, where it will be rebuilt and expanded for use in leadership trainings and community events
• Continued to watch Ahroba, our beautiful new gathering place, rise across the field from Clem’s Cabin

We look forward to building strong leaders and stronger communities for many years to come.
WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS OUR SHARED AND SACRED RESPONSIBILITY TO TAKE GOOD CARE OF OUR EARTH.

EARTH Matters The Lewis Family has been involved in issues of conservation, sustainability, and preservation for 40 years. Much of our work has been literally in our backyard—in New Hampshire and New England—while other work, conducted through Grand Circle Foundation, has taken us to far corners of the earth. In many ways, we consider it all to be our big backyard.

We believe that it is our shared and sacred responsibility to take good care of our earth. We inherited this belief from our ancestors who, long before it was trendy, held a deep and abiding love of land and fiercely protected resources they instinctively knew were limited. We have also been inspired by the teachings of many indigenous peoples who believe land cannot be owned, only cared for and passed on to the next generation. In 2015, we made a major commitment to these beliefs, establishing the Lewis Family Conservation Foundation in Kensington, New Hampshire.

Over the years, we have come to understand that we cannot treat our philanthropy as a sideline business. We have to walk the walk. And so we began the work of the new Lewis Family Conservation Foundation by embedding principles of conservation, sustainability, and preservation deep into the fabric of our enterprises. We made four commitments:

• We will serve as an integrated model for conservation, sustainable energy, and local food production in the rural New England communities around Kensington, New Hampshire.
• We will set baseline standards for water, sanitation, and hygiene for all the sites we support around the world through Grand Circle Foundation.
• We will work to preserve land, particularly farmland, and pass it on to generations to come, and will foster understanding of stewardship and the importance of preserving local history.
• We will work to become carbon neutral in our offices and operations by 2020.

These are big commitments, and we are in some big fights. We know we can’t go it alone. We depend on the help of trusted strategic partners, five of whom are profiled in the accompanying sidebar. Together, we will carry forward our vision to help save the earth we share.

FIVE PARTNERS IN CONSERVATION

David Conover
The Conservation Media Group trains and supports filmmakers and activists to make and share compelling call-to-action videos to support conservation initiatives. Funded by LFF: $950,000

Jane Dilley
The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests helps us preserve farmland and oppose the Northern Pass transmission-line project through the state’s scenic northern landscape. Funded by LFF: $328,423

Phil Coupe
ReVision Energy is creating a net-zero solar-energy plan for our 400-acre campus in Kensington, New Hampshire, that will also divert excess capacity to Kensington historical buildings and Sawyer Park. Funded by LFF: $316,489

Chris Steinkamp
Protect Our Winters is mobilizing the winter sports community to fight climate change through education, advocacy, and support of community-based projects. Funded by LFF: $170,000

Matt O’Malia
GO Logic has designed Alnaba, our 14,530-square-foot gathering place in Kensington, New Hampshire, to the rigorous “Passive House” standard for energy efficiency. Funded by LFF: $162,773
The Farm at Eastman’s Corner is our community-governed year-round farm and farm market in Kensington, New Hampshire. It is a place for townspeople and farmers to gather, share ideas, swap stories, and learn from one another. In addition to the market, the Farm maintains 11 high-tunnel greenhouses, several community gathering spaces, an animal yard, two commercial kitchens, and a solar farm. Together, the Farm operations serve as a model for economic and environmental sustainability and education.

We believe that by supporting local food production we help to build a stronger, healthier, and better-connected community. In 2015, the second full year of operation, Farm sales grew by 58.6% and we expanded our farm operations and programs while continuing to donate 5% of all sales and 100% of our profits to Sawyer Park in Kensington—more than $105,000 in donations to date.

The greenhouses produced a bounty of delicious and healthy local produce all year long. In fact, the Farm expanded production; crops now include heirloom tomatoes, cucumbers, several varieties of peppers, eggplant, summer squash and zucchini, ginger, turmeric, greens, carrots, radishes, and herbs. We had such a bumper crop of cucumbers and peppers that we were able to donate more than 2,000 pounds of fresh produce to the New Hampshire Food Bank, Our Neighbors’ Table, and the Greater Boston Food Bank.

Our Kensington Food Barn officially opened its doors in July and is now home to Karimah’s Kitchen and the Farm’s production kitchen. Staffed by a full-time culinary team, the Farm now offers a variety of prepared foods and grab-and-go options for sale for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Great tasting and affordable, the prepared meals give the community access to healthy, local food year-round. The culinary team has also expanded our ability to host farm-to-table dinners and cater events, both on- and off-site.

We are proud of the leadership role the Farm has taken in cultivating a strong, interactive community of local farmers, food producers, and townspeople who like to gather, learn, eat, and play together.

THE FARM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
Sawyer Park, Kensington, NH
Kensington Elementary School
Kensington Recreation Department
Kensington Youth Athletic Association
Kensington Congregational Church
Kensington Public Library
Exeter Area Chamber of Commerce
Our Neighbors’ Table, Amesbury, MA
The New Hampshire Food Bank
Greater Boston Food Bank
Trinity Education for Excellence Program
Lincoln Akerman School, Hampton Falls, NH
NH Farm to School
Farm to Institution New England
Southern District YMCA
Art and Soul, Newburyport, MA
Boy Scouts of America
American Independence Museum, Exeter, NH
Exeter Hospital
Prescott Park Arts Festival
American Red Cross
Relay for Life
Seabrook Elementary School
Tour de Cure
Climate Ride
Conservation Media Group
Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests
ReVision Energy
Toys for Tots
Seacoast School of Technology, Exeter, NH
University of New Hampshire
Southern New Hampshire University
Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
East Kingston Public Library
Amesbury Days
Alnoba is the beautiful gathering place we are building on the grounds of Pinnacle Leadership Center in Kensington, New Hampshire. Scheduled to open in September 2016, Alnoba is the realization of a dream we have long had to build an earth-friendly refuge where people can practice creative leadership, and transform communities large and small.

We believe in the power of nature to lift us out of the daily grind and into a more energized, mindful, and creative space. When Alnoba is finished—and we are more than halfway there—it will be the epicenter of our work in the North Country, offering meeting spaces, sustainable solutions, artistic inspiration, and innovative programming to our neighbors and community partners.

Part conference center, part woodland retreat, Alnoba encompasses a 14,530-square-foot space that we will make available for meetings, leadership trainings, community events, and celebrations. Its unique design unites the strength and beauty of old New England timbers with modern “green” technology, for example, incorporating passive and active solar energy systems and a geothermal heat pump. The result will be a passive house—the first of its kind in the Northeast.

Inside the building, we are creating a large meeting room with a vaulted ceiling and towering windows that will look out over acres of woods and fields. A central stone hearth and expansive stone terrace will invite people to gather, share stories, or reflect in silence. Other indoor spaces will include a gallery, a media room, a yoga studio, and a dining room where we will serve farm-to-table meals. Outside, sculptures and stonework arrayed across the landscape will deepen visitors’ connection to the beauty of nature and art.

Alnoba is a word from the native Abenaki people that means “becoming human.” It speaks to the idea that humans are rooted in the consciousness of their birthplace and are continually transforming as they grow. As we watch Alnoba rise from the woodland floor, we know it will soon be a place where people can connect with their roots and then branch out to transform themselves and their world.

Alnoba will be a special place where people and organizations can step out of their hectic lives, refresh their spirits, expand their minds, commit to healthful living, and deeply reconnect with their values. We can’t wait to open the doors!
Called “Through the Lens of History: Selma and Civil Rights,” the exhibit celebrated the 50th anniversary of the protest marches from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, in March 1965. The exhibit featured a collection of black-and-white photographs taken at the march by James H. Barker, then a young technical photographer from Pullman, Washington. The exhibit documented a turning point in the American civil rights movement, which led to the signing of the Voting Rights Act later that year. The exhibit also reminded us that the struggle against racial discrimination is ongoing—and that change can be accomplished when we work together toward a more just society.

During the course of the exhibit, we welcomed Mr. Barker to the Gallery, where he spoke about his experiences capturing the historic images and about the courageous leadership of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and other members of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, who led 25,000 marchers to Montgomery against determined and sometimes violent resistance. Boston radio station WBUR and NPR journalist Delores Handy hosted an event at which Mr. Barker had the unexpected opportunity to meet one of the marchers he photographed. The Gallery also provided a series of educational workshops for community leaders and groups of middle school and high school youths. A scavenger hunt for answers to assigned questions provided a fun and engaging way for the students to learn about this historic event.

The Gallery was thrilled to welcome over 2,000 visitors to the Selma exhibit, which served as a powerful and moving testament to the Lewis Family Foundation’s guiding vision: Strong Leaders, Stronger Communities.

In support of public art.

In 2015, the Lewis Family Foundation expanded its philanthropy into Boston’s public art arena through support of Now and There, a nonprofit organization dedicated to creating thought-provoking public art in Greater Boston. Now and There’s projects are all temporary, site-specific installations, hence the name.

Our support of Now and There helped fund a pop-up, participatory art project called “Faces of Dudley.” The project resulted in a kind of giant, fresh-faced community mural—a collection of 174 oversized photographs of residents of Dudley Square that were displayed on the grounds of the Dudley branch of the Boston Public Library from October 7, 2015, to January 19, 2016. The residents’ portraits and stories were collected over a single day by artists working from mobile arts labs provided by the INSIDE OUT Project and UP Truck.

While waiting for their portrait to be taken, participants were asked, “What can’t someone know about you just by looking at your portrait?” Answers to that question, along with all 252 portraits taken that day in the neighborhood, have been collected in a book, also called “Faces of Dudley,” which resides at the library as a permanent testament to the strength of this vibrant community.

In 2016, we will provide funding for another public art piece commissioned by Now and There, a work called “Public Trust” by Paul Ramirez Jonas. The work will explore the social power of promises, and we can’t wait to see it.
The vision of the Lewis Family Foundation Boston is to help transform the neighborhoods of Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan from within by helping young people from these critical communities to graduate from college and find good jobs that can support them and their families. Our goal is not only to improve these young people’s own lives, but also to help them return to their neighborhoods and invest their hard-won knowledge, leadership, capital, and service to close the opportunity gap.

We believe that well-educated young people employed in good jobs can help build strong urban communities.

We have been engaged in Boston philanthropy for 35 years, in causes great and small. In that time, we have supported more than a hundred organizations with donations totaling more than $42 million.

Five years ago, we began directing more of our giving to helping inner-city students graduate from college. The benefits of a college diploma are well known—better jobs, higher wages, longer and healthier lives—but a third of Boston schoolchildren fail to graduate even from high school, and only 18% of adults living in Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan have a bachelor’s degree. We established our CollegeWorks initiative to address this problem in 2012, with the goal of doubling the four-year graduation rate in those neighborhoods by 2020.

We realize that college is not the only route to a successful life. Many jobs that pay middle-class wages do not require a bachelor’s degree. Among them are jobs in burgeoning fields like healthcare, information technology, and biotechnology. In 2014, we launched a new initiative called JobWorks to help young people in our target neighborhoods get sustainable “middle-skills” jobs that will pay well, offer fulfilling work, and benefit their communities. Our goal now is to provide 500 middle-skills jobs each year by 2020.

In the following pages, we present the work of our leading Boston initiatives: the Community Advisory Group, which delivers our CollegeWorks and JobWorks programs, our Next Generation Leaders, our Bigger Than My Block movement, the Youth Advisory Council, and our Associates Fund. In 2015, we invested more than $4 million to support the gutsy leaders to whom we entrust these programs, affirming our belief that a small group of committed leaders who are mission-driven, results-focused, and passionate about social change will help make our neighborhoods places of opportunity and Boston a world-class city.

“I have the audacity to believe that peoples everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality, and freedom for their spirits.”

– MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
Our Next Generation Leaders Program provides leadership development opportunities to a small group of talented, college-bound students from Boston’s Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan neighborhoods each year. The program, which Harriet created in 2007, includes training at our Pinnacle Leadership Center, a paid summer internship at Grand Circle Corporation, community service work, and a capstone trip to Africa. It is a total-immersion course in what it takes to be a successful college student, a productive leader, and an empathetic citizen of the world.

Harriet chooses the Next Generation Leaders from a group of promising candidates recommended by our partner organizations in Boston. Harriet looks for character, spark, and a desire to learn from all of life’s experiences. More than that, she looks for young people who can make a difference in the next generation. She is looking for the risk-takers, the adventurers, the leaders, the dreamers, the quirky thinkers, and the change agents—and they always deliver. We are proud to present the 2015 Class of Next Generation Leaders.

The 2015 Class of Next Generation Leaders

Meet our 2015 Class of Next Generation Leaders, a group of nine high-energy, big-dreaming young people from our Boston partner organizations who are now hard at work in college, getting ready to take on the world. Each shares a few words of appreciation, wisdom, and inspiration.

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WE BELIEVE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOODS CAN BE “BIGGER THAN THEIR BLOCK.” They can go to college. They can get good jobs. They can rise above the stereotypes that are placed on their neighborhoods by making the right choices and connecting with the right people.

Bigger Than My Block (BTMB) is a movement and online platform for reaching college-bound students in Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan, and connecting them to resources that can get them into the right college—and help them graduate with critical life skills. The platform was launched in 2014 as part of the CollegeWorks campaign, which seeks to more than double college graduation rates in those neighborhoods by 2020. Our BTMB website provides students with college reviews written by Boston youths, sample financial aid offers, access to the White House College Scorecard, and links to our own community partners, who can help students overcome common barriers to college access, financing, and completion.

Not just a resource bank, BTMB strives to create a movement in our neighborhoods and our online community of young achievers seeking real information, real access, and a real voice in their own futures. The campaign has a discussion forum on the website, as well as Facebook and Instagram followers, so young people can share information and encourage each other’s successes. There is also an online “newsroom” with links to articles about higher education, job trends, neighborhood accomplishments, and other topics of interest to young people in the community.

As the website says, “Being Bigger Than My Block doesn’t mean you’re better than the block.” It means that young people can have dreams, that they can make their own decisions, and that they can find their own place in the world. When it gets hard, always remember:

Be BIG. Be BRAVE. Be BOLD.

BIGGER THAN MY BLOCK LAUNCHES AN INVASION!

In its first full year of operation, the Bigger Than My Block team launched a campaign to increase awareness of the Bigger Than My Block (BTMB) initiative in Boston Public Schools (BPS). Called “BTMB Invades BPS,” and enthusiastically spearheaded by our Youth Advisory Council, the campaign traveled to 9 public schools and 10 community organizations to promote the website and its resources to college-bound students and to sign up new members.

The campaign was a big success, attracting 1,600 new members to the website, for a total of 2,642 members—well above the goal of 2,500 members set last year. Bigger Than My Block also has 819 followers on Facebook and 478 followers on Instagram. These young people aren’t just observing; they are participating in the site and building a strong college-bound community in their neighborhoods. For example, the site now offers 368 student-written, no-holds-barred reviews of colleges they know about or now attend.

Excitement is growing, and we look forward to big gains next year.
The Associates Fund

WE BELIEVE PHILANTHROPY BELONGS IN THE WORKPLACE, so each year we set aside $100,000 for grants from our Associates Fund. Last year, our team of employee grant-makers supported these 12 schools and community organizations and their hardworking leaders in their work preparing Boston youths to be successful in college.

TechBoston Academy $70,000
Keith Love, Co-Headmaster
TechBoston Academy, a college preparatory school in Dorchester, believes that every student can learn and develop into a responsible citizen when provided a nurturing and challenging environment.

Madison Park Technical Vocational High School $35,000
Kevin McCaskill, Executive Director
Madison Park, a public high school in Roxbury, offers an integrated program of career technical training and academic education through 19 program offerings.

Boston Green Academy $5,000
Matt Holzer, Headmaster
Boston Green Academy, an in-district Horace Mann charter public school in Brighton, believes it is essential for students to understand and succeed in an interconnected global community that graphs with environmental, social, and economic issues.

Epiphany School $10,000
The Rev. John Foley IV, Head of School
Epiphany, an independent, tuition-free middle school in Dorchester, challenges students to discover and develop the fullness of their individual gifts. It prepares students to contribute actively to the society they will inherit.

Citizen Schools of Massachusetts $10,000
Pat Kirby, Executive Director
Citizen Schools partners with public middle schools in low-income communities in Boston to create an expanded learning day that helps students stay on track to succeed in school and achieve their dreams.

Beacon Academy $10,000
Cindy Laba and Marsha Feinberg, Founders
Beacon Academy provides a transformational year between 8th and 9th grades that will change the trajectory of the lives of promising, motivated, and hardworking students from Boston and surrounding urban areas.

Araya Scholars Program $6,500
Janet Altman, Program Director
Araya provides scholarships and mentorship to Boston Public Schools graduates who started college but later left for financial, personal, or academic reasons, helping them return to college and complete their degree or certificate.

Breakthrough Greater Boston $10,000
Elissa Spolman, Executive Director
Since 1992, Breakthrough Greater Boston has transformed urban education for students and teachers by inspiring excitement for learning, creating paths to college, and promoting careers in education.

Quest Adventures Inc. $10,000
Claudia Bell, Executive Director
Quest Adventures changes the lives of students from urban settings by empowering them through travel, community service, and increased self-efficacy to realize their fullest potential as contributing citizens of the world.

Roxbury Youthworks, Inc. $5,000
Mia Alvarado, Executive Director
The mission of Roxbury Youthworks is to help youth caught in cycles of sexual exploitation, poverty, victimization, abuse, crime, and violence to transition successfully to adulthood.

Generations Incorporated $5,000
Mary Guru, Executive Director
Generations Incorporated strives to improve the literacy skills of young children through Grade 3 while providing meaningful opportunities for older adults to serve as literacy volunteers in low-income communities.

Global Potential $10,000
Wendy Reynolds, Chief Executive Officer
Global Potential’s mission is to transform youths from underserved communities through education, service learning, and cultural exchange into globally competitive leaders effecting positive change in their lives and their communities.

The Youth Advisory Council

WE BELIEVE THAT THE SOLUTIONS TO TODAY’S PROBLEMS WILL COME FROM THE YOUNG.

We love their energy, confidence, enthusiasm, curiosity, and sense of possibility in all things, and so we involve them in the work of the Lewis Family Foundation wherever we can. In 2015, our Youth Advisory Council brought together 12 young adults from Boston’s Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan neighborhoods who are dedicated to creating change in their communities. We are grateful to them for supporting our efforts to increase the college graduation rates in their neighborhoods and advising us on our Bigger Than My Block movement.

WE BELIEVE IN YOU. YOU HAVE UNIQUE EXPERIENCES, UNDERLYING LOVE, AND EXPERTISE. SO BE THE CHANGE. WRITE YOUR NAME IN HISTORY. GET COMMITTED TO THE THINGS YOU GENUINELY LOVE. LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO HOLD BACK. DON’T BE AFRAID TO LOOK BACK AT YOUR PAST. WITH YOUR HEAD UP, YOUR BACK STRAIGHT, YOUR FEET ON THE GROUND, YOU ARE OUR YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL. WE BELIEVE IN YOU. DON’T LEAVE THE GOOD STUFF ON THE TABLE. WE BELIEVE IN YOU. CHALLENGE THE PEOPLE YOU CARE ABOUT TO BE GREAT. SHORTcuts are great, but they don’t help. Feedback is a gift; give a little, take a little. GREAT EMPOWER young people; amplify their voices. WE BELIEVE IN YOU.

We love our blocks. Love the bricks, the concrete, the pavement running, diversify your surroundings; go to Fields Corner, journey to Fort Hill. Appreciate the little things. Be dynamic. We believe in love, unity, and power on our blocks. We BELIEVE in the power of WE.

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They carry the light and kindle the fires that forge strong communities. We have seen it time and again in the work of the 14 men and women who serve on our Community Advisory Group (CAG).

These visionary leaders, who are pictured on the following pages, help us create positive change in Boston. They are our fearless allies who have the guts to tell us the truth, to say it how they see it, and keep us grounded in our work. They are the coaches who make us better players, the sage guides who share their hard-earned wisdom, the mistakes they’ve made, and the lessons they’ve learned. Together, we are working to increase four-year college graduation rates, and to provide employment and career pathways to young people from Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan.

We gave more than $1.8 million to our CAG partners for this work in 2015. Collectively, they served 12,352 Boston students—6,645 from Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan. Of those neighborhood youths, our partners supported 2,259 students to get into college, helped 154 students to graduate from a four-year college, and helped 382 students find work in good-paying middle-skills jobs. These leaders are our community builders. We cannot praise their work enough.

Fifteen years ago, we invited some longtime community partners to form our first Community Advisory Group. Originally a forum for sharing best practices, the CAG soon became an engine for achieving common goals. Though each organization’s work was different, we found we could leverage the combined expertise to increase our collective impact. Today, our 12 CAG partner organizations direct the work of our CollegeWorks and JobWorks initiatives.

**CollegeWorks.** In 2012, we set a goal to more than double the four-year college graduation rates in Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan by 2020. Our CAG partners are getting us there by offering programs that range from challenging academics and one-on-one mentoring to summer internships and financial aid counseling. They help young people study hard, make “good-fit” college lists, analyze aid packages, understand campus culture, and persevere to get their diplomas.

**JobWorks.** In 2015, we set a goal to help 500 Boston youths a year find good-paying middle-skills jobs by 2020. Our CAG partners are getting us there by offering opportunities that range from certificate and technical degree programs to arts training and full-year business internships. One helps off-track students get into community colleges; others help students practice entrepreneurship, find markets for their work, and get meaningful after-school jobs. All focus their attention on Dorchester, Roxbury, Mattapan, and other tough neighborhoods where good jobs will make a big difference.

In the next two pages, we present the 14 individuals who lead these CAG programs, along with some of their remarkable results. These wonderful women and men embody the vision of the Lewis Family Foundation: “Strong Leaders. Stronger Communities.”
Our Community Advisory Group Partners

Our CAG partners embody the Lewis Family Foundation’s vision of “Strong Leaders. Stronger Communities.” We believe these are the gutsy leaders who will help revitalize Boston neighborhoods.

**Anthony Benoit**
President, Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology
Foundation Support to Date: $1 million gifted and pledged
Mission: Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology strives to impart technical and professional skills as well as individual values that help create a foundation for success, civic responsibility, and lifelong learning.

**Mark Culliton**
Chief Executive Officer
College Bound Dorchester
Foundation Support to Date: $355,000 gifted or leveraged
Mission: The mission of College Bound Dorchester is to equip students with the skills, attitude, and experience to graduate from college. 2015 Results and Accomplishments: College Bound reports that 102 of its students are in college, and recidivism has declined 71%.

**Bob Giannino**
Chief Executive Officer
uAspire
Foundation Support to Date: $2.3 million gifted, pledged, or leveraged
Mission: Bob Giannino’s mission is to ensure that all young people have the financial information they need to find an affordable path to—and through—a postsecondary education. 2015 Results and Accomplishments: Last year, uAspire served more than 2,300 high school seniors and helped them complete more than 1,800 FAFSA student aid applications.

**Andrea Howard**
Executive Director
West End House Boys & Girls Club
Foundation Support to Date: $2.5 million gifted or leveraged
Mission: West End House seeks to inspire and enable youths from all backgrounds to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens. 2015 Results and Accomplishments: 94% of West End House seniors enrolled in college, the highest percentage ever for the program.

**Shannah Varon**
Regional Executive Director
Charter Public School
Foundation Support to Date: $135,000 gifted Mission: The mission of Artists For Humanity is to bridge economic, racial, and social divisions by providing underserved youths with keys to self-sufficiency through paid employment in the arts. 2015 Results and Accomplishments: 100% of the high school seniors working at Artists for Humanity in 2015 graduated on time, and 100% were accepted into college.

**Susan Rodgerson**
Executive Director
Boston Collegiate Charter Public School
Foundation Support to Date: $150,000 gifted or leveraged
Mission: BUILD uses entrepreneurship to excite and propel disengaged, low-income students through high school and on to college success. 2015 Results and Accomplishments: In its first graduating class, 96% of BUILD’s students graduated from high school on time and were accepted to college; 82% enrolled in a 2- or 4-year college.

**Robert Lewis, Jr.**
Founder and President
The BASE
Foundation Support to Date: $2.3 million gifted, pledged, or leveraged
Mission: The BASE’s mission is to become the nation’s premier baseball program by providing comprehensive athletic and educational enrichment and advancement experiences to prominent student athletes. 2015 Results and Accomplishments: The BASE served 264 students in Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan, and achieved 97% efficacy for college matriculation.

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Grand Circle Foundation  Our Honorary Directors

At Grand Circle Corporation, our primary mission is to help change people’s lives, both by offering thoughtful travel experiences and by giving back to the places our travelers encounter along the way. That is a big goal, and achieving it requires leadership. That’s why Grand Circle Foundation has sought out the wisdom, guidance, and experience of some of the world’s greatest leaders and mentors. Over the years, the Foundation’s Honorary Directors have included a Nobel Peace Prize winner, a former president, world-renowned adventurers, entrepreneurs, and giants of philanthropy. All have led from the heart, and given generously of their time and talent to help make the world a better place.

Today, we look especially to Lady June Hillary, widow of Sir Edmund Hillary and former chair of the Himalayan Trust, who remains a close friend and trusted advisor. We also benefit from the experience and counsel of human rights activist Lech Walesa, who led the Solidarity movement and became President of Poland; conservationist Ree Sheck, former Information Director for Costa Rica’s Monteverde Conservation League; and Willy Chambulo, Owner and Managing Director of Kibo Guides Safaris in Tanzania, who has been an invaluable partner in our support for schools in the village of Karatu.

In Memoriam

Our late Honorary Directors continue to inspire us today. One of our greatest heroes, Sir Edmund Hillary (1919–2008), was the first person to successfully summit Mount Everest, alongside the Sherpa mountaineer Tenzing Norgay. We also remember the pioneering spirits of Bradford Washburn (1910–2007)—an accomplished mountaineer, photographer, cartographer, and museum director—and his wife, Barbara Washburn (1914–2014), who was the first woman to climb Denali (Mount McKinley).

Last year, we especially remembered Angeles Arrien, who passed away in 2014. As a cultural anthropologist and President of the Foundation for Cross-Cultural Education and Research, Angeles was a strong advocate for preserving indigenous cultures. We are inspired by her embrace of values that transcend cultural barriers to encompass all humanity, and we routinely feel the echo of her efforts in the work of the Grand Circle Foundation.

Lewis Family Foundation North  Board of Advisors

These four advisors help guide all our work in the North Country, including the operations of the Farm at Eastman’s Corner, the Food Barn, and related enterprises, and especially the work of the newly established Lewis Family Conservation Foundation, which reaches throughout New England and around the world.

Philip Conkling
Strategic Consultant
Philip Conkling received a Master’s degree in Forest Science from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies before founding the Island Institute in 1983. The Island Institute is a community-based, sustainable development nonprofit organization dedicated to responsible use of the islands and waters of the Gulf of Maine. Philip served as the organization’s president for 30 years before launching an environmental consulting practice, Philip Conkling & Associates, focused on strategic planning, environmental analysis, and government relations in New England. Philip has written many books, including Islands in Time: A Human and Natural History of the Islands of Maine, and founded the coastal newspaper The Working Waterfront.

David Conover
President, Compass Light, Inc.
Founder, Conservation Media Group
David Conover was born and raised in a New England family with strong ties to the sea and a tradition of active storytelling. After receiving a Master’s degree in Education from Harvard, David worked as a professional seaman and at the Hurricane Island Outward Bound School. In 1985, he launched the documentary production company Compass Light, and in 1993 began filming travel destinations and corporate trainings for Grand Circle Corporation, as well as advising the company on its conservation practices. In 2014, he founded Conservation Media Group to help filmmakers, social media managers, campaign strategists, and conservation activists make and share call-to-action videos that advocate for conservation causes.

Jane Difley
Forester & President, Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests
Jane Difley became President of the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests in 1996. Under her leadership, the organization has protected more than 110,000 acres across the state. Jane also provides leadership for the Forest Society’s 25-year strategic plan, New Hampshire Everlasting, which calls for the permanent protection of an additional 1 million acres by 2026. A licensed forester, Jane worked for 10 years at the American Forest Foundation, served as President of the Society of American Foresters, and was Executive Director of the Vermont Natural Resources Council. She holds a Master’s degree in Forest Management from the University of Massachusetts.

Paul Rosenberg
Partner
The Bridgespan Group
Paul Rosenberg has worked with the Lewis family for more than 30 years. He currently heads the Boston office of the Bridgespan Group, a philanthropy consulting firm, where he leads teams working on issues affecting public health, education, and disadvantaged populations. Paul came to Bridgespan from Bain & Company, where he was a partner and helped lead the consultancy’s North American Health Care practice. Paul has also served as Special Counsel to the U.S. Department of State and as Senior Adviser for International Trade to Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown. In 1984, he managed the U.S. Senate campaign for John F. Kerry.

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Jim O’Brien
Vice Chairman
Kensington Investment Company, Inc.
Jim O’Brien has served as a longtime coach for each member of the Lewis family, as well as for senior leaders in their companies. He currently advises the Lewis Family Foundation on key capital investment projects and serves as mentor to the Boston team. He joined Grand Circle Corporation in 1995 after serving as Chairman of Boston-based General Investment & Development Companies. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board (1980-1986). Jim graduated from the United States Military Academy, West Point, in 1959 with a degree in Engineering. He is also a graduate of Aircrane and Ranger schools.

Henry Barr
Founder and Senior Partner
Barr and Cole
Henry Barr met Alan Lewis in the 1960s at West End House’s summer camp in Maine. In the late 1990s, Henry played a pivotal role in the renaissance of the camp and its sister organization West End House Boys & Girls Club, in Boston, leading a major campaign to raise funds needed for building improvements and expansion. From 1978 to 1991, Henry served as the Administrator of the Courts for the Trial Courts of Massachusetts and oversaw the implementation of the comprehensive Court Reorganization Act of 1978. Henry also serves on the Advisory Board for the UMass Amherst Center for Public Policy and Administration.

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Paul Rosenberg has worked with the Lewis family for more than 30 years, serving on the boards for both Kensington Investment Company and the Lewis Family Foundation North. He currently heads the Boston office of the Bridgespan Group, a philanthropy consulting firm, where he leads teams working on issues affecting public health, education, and disadvantaged populations, with a particular focus on advocacy and the intersection of the nonprofit and government sectors. Paul came to Bridgespan from Bain & Company, where he was a partner and helped lead the firm’s North American Health Care practice. He also led the firm’s pro bono partnership with Charlestown High School for nine years.

Mark Frevert
Executive Vice President & Chief Architect
Grand Circle Corporation
Mark Frevert currently serves as Executive Vice President & Chief Architect at Grand Circle Corporation, where he has worked in an executive capacity for 27 years. He spent 20 years opening more than 30 Grand Circle offices worldwide, hiring and training associates in dozens of countries, and helping them design interesting itineraries and deliver unique intercultural experiences to travelers. In 1992, Mark helped establish the charitable Grand Circle Foundation, and in 1998 he played an integral role in the launch of Grand Circle Cruise Line. An avid skier, swimmer, film buff, reader, and traveler, Mark has visited more than 125 countries on all seven continents.

Honoring Our Community
Each year, the Lewis Family Foundation presents three awards for outstanding contributions to the community. Last year’s winners are featured in the next several pages. We will announce this year’s winners at our spring Lewis Family Foundation dinner. They will stand in the eminent company of the previous winners listed below.

The Lewis Changing People’s Lives Award
Last year, the Lewis Changing People’s Lives Award was given to Greg Johnson and Mike Wasserman of Bottom Line. Established in 2003, this award recognizes Boston community leaders who have overcome extraordinary obstacles to achieve outstanding results and significantly help others. Greg and Mike head up the team at Bottom Line, a lead partner in our CollegeWorks initiative, which seeks to double college graduation rates in Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan by 2020. Together, they have provided bold leadership and inspired the work of our many partner organizations in this important campaign.

Greg Johnson
Chief Operations Officer, National Initiative, Bottom Line
Greg Johnson is focused on helping the students in the care of his organization. He is passionate about his work, and it shows. Greg is often quoted saying, “Nothing is more rewarding than seeing a student make it through.”

Mike Wasserman
Executive Director Massachusetts, Bottom Line
Mike Wasserman is dedicated to the students he serves. His leadership style and his passion drive and inspire his team to achieve their goals. When asked last year to name the top three qualities of a great leader, his response was, “Humility, dedication, and authenticity.” In fact, Mike embodies all three.

The Lewis Family Foundation thanks Greg and Mike for their vision, their sense of urgency, and their deep commitment to helping more than 1,200 students from Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan to dream big and go far.

Recipients of the Lewis Changing People’s Lives Award
2014 Greg Johnson, Chief Operations Officer, National Initiative, Bottom Line
Mike Wasserman, Executive Director, Massachusetts, Bottom Line
2013 Bob Giannino, CEO, uAspire
2012 Meg Campbell, Executive Director, Codman Academy Charter Public School
2011 Catherine O’Amato, President & CEO, The Greater Boston Food Bank
2010 Deb Re, CEO, Big Sister Association of Greater Boston
2009 Andrea Howard, Executive Director, West End House Boys & Girls Club
2008 Erica D. Brown, Executive Director, City on a Hill Charter Public School
2007 Henry L. Barr, former Board Chair, West End House Boys & Girls Club
2006 Karen Peluso, Executive Director, Neurofibromatosis, Inc.
2005 Jeraldine "Jerry" Martinson, Executive Director, Big Sister Association of Greater Boston
2004 Susan Rodgerson, Executive Director, Artists For Humanity
2003 Greg Zaff, CEO, SquashBusters

THE LEWIS CHANGING PEOPLE’S LIVES AWARD

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THE EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Last year, the Excellence in Community Service Award went to Chris Messina, Director of Digital Production at Grand Circle Corporation. This award, which was established in 2004, honors Grand Circle Corporation and Lewis Family Foundation associates for their leadership in our Community Service program.

Chris Messina
Director of Digital Production
Grand Circle Corporation

Chris Messina is passionate about community service. In her first four years at Grand Circle, she donated 90 hours of her time to company-sponsored events like Rebuilding Together Boston and the “Up and Out” program for homeless veterans—more than any other Boston associate.

When asked why she volunteers, Chris said, “It’s the small things that make volunteering rewarding, like getting a hug from a veteran or seeing how a renovated home can improve the lives of women and children. I feel I am making a difference for tomorrow and beyond.”

THE CEO SOCIAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

Last year, the CEO Social Leadership Award was given to John Simon, Chairman and Co-Founder of the GreenLight Fund and Managing Director of Sigma Prime Ventures. This award was established in 2007 in partnership with the Boston Business Journal to recognize exceptional civic leadership in the Boston business community. It comes with a $25,000 grant to be used for charitable purposes at the CEO’s discretion.

John Simon
Chairman & Co-Founder,
GreenLight Fund
Managing Director,
Sigma Prime Ventures

John Simon is an active entrepreneur, creator, and investor in both for-profit and nonprofit enterprises. The GreenLight Fund, which he founded with Margaret Hall in 2003, seeks to transform the lives of children and families in Boston’s high-poverty urban areas by bringing innovative, results-driven nonprofits to Boston and supporting their start-up years in the city. GreenLight nonprofits currently reach more than 50,000 families and children in Boston. John, a Rhodes Scholar, is also a founder of the Steppingstone Foundation, which has been improving educational opportunities for Boston schoolchildren for 25 years.

Recipients of the Excellence in Community Service Award

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Recipients of the CEO Social Leadership Award

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<td>John Simon, Chairman &amp; Co-Founder, GreenLight Fund</td>
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<td>John Donahue, President &amp; CEO, Arbella Insurance Group</td>
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<td>Ronald L. Walker II, Managing Partner &amp; Founder, Boston’s Next Street Financial LLC</td>
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<td>Don Rodman, President/Director, Rodman Ford</td>
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<td>Andrew Dreyfus, President &amp; CEO, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts</td>
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<td>Kevin McCa, President &amp; CEO, Paradigm Properties</td>
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<td>Joel Lamstein, Co-Founder &amp; President, John Snow, Inc.</td>
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<td>John Fish, Chairman &amp; CEO, Suffolk Construction Company</td>
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<td>Robert Giason, Co-Founder &amp; Co-Chairman, Wainwright Bank &amp; Trust</td>
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Recognition of Our Work

Over the years, we have received many honors and awards for our work in Boston and around the world. It is heartening to be recognized for our own leadership in building stronger communities. Our thanks go to all our partners, advisors, and associates who have helped us along the way.

CORPORATE LEADERSHIP & PHILANTHROPY

Top Corporate Charitable Contributors in Greater Boston

Travel + Leisure’s Global Vision Award
Philanthropic Leadership: 2013
Philanthropic Travel: 2010

25 Best Medium-Sized Companies to Work for in America
Great Place to Work Institute®, Inc. and Society for Human Resource Management 2006

The Committee to Encourage Corporate Philanthropy (CECP) Excellence Award
Created by the late Paul Newman and Ian Dur (Chevron) for outstanding CEO commitment, dedication to measurement, and innovation in corporate philanthropy. 2006

Ernst & Young New England Social Entrepreneur of the Year
For philanthropic leadership and innovation 2006

Boston Business Journal
Best Places to Work
Top 20, Large Company Division 2005

OTHER AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Freedom House
Champion’s Award: 2014

BUILD Boston
BUILDer Award for Innovation and Entrepreneurship: 2012

Greater Boston Food Bank
Volunteers of the Year: 2011

New England Center for Homeless Veterans
Battlefield Citation Awards 2010

West End Boys & Girls Club
Passport to Belonging Award: 2009

City on a Hill Charter Public School
Citizenship Awards: 2006

The Government of Tanzania
The Humanitarian Award: 2006

UNESCO World Heritage Centre
Partners in Conservation: 2004

Neurofibromtosis of Massachusetts Bay
Cornerstones Award: 2004

Thompson Island Outward Bound
North Star Award: 2004
Founder’s Award: 1998

Aids Action
Corporate Partner Award: 2002

Big Sister Association of Greater Boston
Achievement Award 2001

Shelter, Inc.
Recognition Award: 2001

National Society of Fundraising Executives
Hero of Philanthropy Awards: 2000

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay
Founders’ Award: 1996
35 Years of Giving

We believe in the power of philanthropy to support strong leaders and help change the world. It’s not just money—though money is important, of course. Good philanthropy is also a creative partnership, a joyful exercise of imagination, collaboration, and accountability that allows passionate dreamers to become strong leaders and true agents of change.

Over the past 35 years, since 1981, we have pledged or donated $164 million to people and places all over the world. We are honored to help support the strong leaders, strong communities, and strong organizations you see listed in the following pages. They are building a just and sustainable future for all our children and grandchildren to share on this beautiful planet.

**GRAND CIRCLE FOUNDATION WORLDWIDE**

City of David, Israel .............................................. $2,090,000
Himalayan Trust, Nepal ...................................... $550,000
State Museum of Auschwitz-Birkenau, Poland .......... $439,000
San Francisco School, Costa Rica .......................... $261,181
Minh Tu Orphanage, Vietnam ............................... $230,555
Banjika Secondary School, Tanzania ..................... $197,052
Sinamune Disabled Children's Orchestra, Ecuador .... $176,319
Ziga Primary School, Zimbabwe ............................ $166,420
Yipirinya School, Australia ................................... $155,425
Njamo Primary School, Zimbabwe ........................ $153,618
Ephesus, Turkey .................................................. $150,000
Raqchi School, Peru ............................................ $147,588
Nja Panda Primary School, Tanzania ...................... $139,351
Villa Marcelo Primary School, Peru ......................... $132,752
Bashay Primary School, Tanzania ........................ $121,284
Machachulalongkorn Buddhist University, Thailand .... $116,723
Dobrisa Cesaric Elementary School, Croatia .......... $114,860
Friends of University for Peace Foundation, Costa Rica .... $107,500
Amboseli Primary School, Kenya .......................... $106,169
Kinderdijk Windmills, Netherlands ......................... $102,000
Shao Ping Dian Primary School, China .................... $101,091
Goetz Academy, Poland ....................................... $100,000
My Son Sanctuary, Vietnam ................................ $100,000
La Concepcion School, Argentina .......................... $99,495
Sonalfuca Primary School, Costa Rica .................... $98,601
Di Ji Orphanage, Tibet ........................................ $94,399
Rhotia Primary School, Tanzania .......................... $91,413
SOS Children's Village, Portugal ............................ $89,925
Lubulani Primary School, Zimbabwe ...................... $87,423
Taraning Primary School, Tanzania ........................ $80,502
St. Petersburg Music Boarding School, Russia ........... $75,327
Friends of the Budapest Opera, Hungary .................. $75,000
AIC, Kajado Primary/Secondary Boarding School, Kenya $74,892
Guang Ming Primary School, China ........................ $73,157
Tloma Primary School, Tanzania ........................... $72,236
Gorome Primary School, Turkey ............................ $66,480
Pucruto School, Peru .......................................... $63,368
Sani Adarsh Vidhya Mandir, India .......................... $63,318
San Josecito de Cubris School, Costa Rica ............... $60,958
Kamiti Ya Nyoka Primary School, Tanzania ............. $58,861
Tin Keo Village, Laos .......................................... $58,260
Arkun Masle Elementary School, Croatia ................ $58,000
Center for Traditional Textiles, Peru ........................ $57,700
Endoro Primary School, Tanzania .......................... $56,244
Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial, Israel ................ $55,200
Don Churn Primary School, Thailand ...................... $54,606
Valley of the Kings, Egypt ................................... $53,025
Huo Kou Primary School, China ............................ $52,515
Fontein Social Center, Swaziland ........................... $51,506
St. Mary's Primary School, Zimbabwe ..................... $50,977
Kahi Pegost, Russia .......................................... $50,720
Yanamono Clinic, Peru ........................................ $50,265
Great Wall of China, China .................................. $50,000
Pompeii, Italy .................................................... $50,000
Roman Theater, Spain ........................................ $50,000
Kaitan Middle School, New Zealand ....................... $46,954
Mahamakut Buddhist University, Thailand ............. $46,400
Kantrida Elementary School, Croatia ........................ $46,000
Myo Maiti Middle School, Myanmar ....................... $44,835
Dar ET-Taleb Education Center, Morocco ............... $44,517
Ayabase Primary School, Tanzania ......................... $44,487
Krovun Primary School, Cambodia ........................ $44,330
Escuela Rural Sol Del Pacifico, Chile ....................... $43,958
Salantai Day Care Center, Lithuania ....................... $43,482
Anton Tomaz Liehart Elementary School, Slovenia .... $43,000
San Rafael de Chachagua School, Costa Rica ............ $42,560
Aye Yeik Mon Orphanage, Myanmar ....................... $41,657
Official Parvulos Santa Catarina School, Guatemala .... $41,560
Pu Ong Ka Primary School, Thailand ..................... $38,015
Weavers for the Environment, Thailand ................... $36,800
Northern Territory Dept of Art and Museums, Australia $34,518
Santa Maria della Pietta School, Italy ....................... $34,300
Children's Oasis Orphanage, Mexico ...................... $34,100
Safe Passage (Camino Seguro), Guatemala ................ $33,210
Zakladni Skola, Czech Republic ............................ $33,000
Nelahozes Elementary School, Czech Republic .......... $32,500
R.C. Public School, India .................................... $31,478
Sri Venkateshwara Orphanage, India ...................... $31,100
Los Llanos Monteverde School, Costa Rica .............. $30,881
Bund Naturschutz, Germany ................................ $30,000
Sigatoka District School, Fiji ................................ $29,926
Josefa Ortiz de Dominguez Elementary School, Mexico $29,512
Senkoji Temple, Japan ........................................ $28,851
Elementary School Laslovo, Croatia ........................ $28,000
Elementary School Vinjeshvic, Croatia ................. $28,000
Tarahumara Children's Hospital, Mexico ................ $27,500
Lakia Bedouin Village, Israel ................................. $26,951
Bashay Dinner Hall, Tanzania .............................. $26,905
Elementary School Biljo, Croatia ........................... $25,000
Elementary School Daq, Croatia ........................... $25,000
Elementary School Knezevi Vinogradi, Croatia ....... $25,000
Setpagane Post Primary School, Myanmar ............... $24,812
Quel Queil School—Chico, Chile ........................... $24,424
Baan Khon Sung School, Thailand ........................ $23,826
Doctors without Borders, South Africa ................. $23,600
Mae Yang Rong Primary School, Thailand ............... $23,412
Boonyapark Early Childhood Center, Thailand .......... $23,193
Hector Peterson Secondary School, South Africa ....... $22,643
Tin Keo School, Laos .......................................... $22,456
Juan Manso Estevez School, Costa Rica .................. $21,677
Jacob Basson Primary School, Namibia ................. $21,233

**LEWIS FAMILY FOUNDATION NORTH**

Pinnacle Leadership Foundation ............................ $9,000,000
The Farm at Eastman's Corner ............................ $5,566,000
Alnobah ......................................................... $8,948,000
CONSERVATION

Conservation Media Group, USA ...........................................$950,000
Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, USA ..........$328,423
Namibia Rand Nature Reserve, Namibia ................................ $300,000
Conservation Law Foundation, USA ....................................$217,733
Hurricane Island Foundation, USA ......................................$189,000
Protect Our Winters, USA ....................................................$170,000
Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire, USA.....................$150,000
Live Free or Die Alliance, USA .............................................$70,000
Kangaroo Island, Australia ..................................................$67,314
Monteverde Conservation League, Costa Rica ......................$42,016
TREES/Project Tambopata, Peru .........................................$21,100
Organization for Tropical Studies, Costa Rica ......................$15,600
The Rainforest Alliance, Mexico ............................................$13,667
The Rainforest Alliance, Peru ...............................................$13,667
The Rainforest Alliance, Costa Rica ......................................$13,666
Imire Black Rhino Breeding Program, Zimbabwe ................ $10,000
University of New Hampshire, USA ......................................$10,000
Okavango Delta Lion Monitoring Project, Botswana ................$9,556
Eastern Africa Environmental Conference, Tanzania .............$9,502
Turks & Caicos Reef Fund, Turks & Caicos .........................$5,000
Global Environment Project Institute, Spain .........................$4,500
Friends of Coco Islands, Costa Rica .....................................$2,500

LEWIS FAMILY FOUNDATION BOSTON

Babson College .................................................................$5,400,000
West End House Boys & Girls Club ...................................$1,914,850
Bottom Line .................................................................$1,797,641
Arts For Humanity ...........................................................$1,434,085
City on a Hill Charter Public School ...................................$1,470,763
Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center .............$1,498,029

Children’s Museum .........................................................$950,000
The Boston Foundation ......................................................$840,000
Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology ............................$666,333
SquashBusters ...............................................................$668,600
StreetSafe Boston ............................................................$525,000
Big Sister Association of Greater Boston ..............................$495,450
Codman Academy Charter Public School .............................$470,000
The BASE .................................................................$498,500
Summer Search ..............................................................$310,000
College Bound Dorchester ................................................$300,900
uAspire .............................................................................$235,000
Rebuilding Boston Together ...............................................$244,000
Now and There, Inc. .......................................................$210,000
Freedom House ...............................................................$180,000
Year Up, Inc. .................................................................$175,000
Boston Collegiate Charter Public School .............................$135,150
Greater Boston Food Bank ...............................................$126,000
BUILD ...............................................................................$106,650
Boston Sparks Association ...............................................$106,000
Action for Boston Community Development, Inc. .............$100,000
Tech Goes Home (Open Air Boston Net Inc.) ......................$100,000
New England Center for Homeless Veterans .......................$90,000
InnerCity Weightlifting, Inc. ...............................................$86,730
Academy of the Pacific Rim Charter Public School ................$75,000
Black Ministerial Alliance of Greater Boston, Inc. ...............$75,000
Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation, Inc. .......$70,000
YMCA of Greater Boston .................................................$67,500
Families for Excellent Schools ..........................................$50,000
Historic Boston Incorporated ............................................$50,000
One Fund Boston ............................................................$50,000
Freedom Trail Foundation, Inc. ..........................................$40,000
West End House Camp .....................................................$35,000

Boston Business Journal ....................................................$55,500
Generations Incorporated ..................................................$33,000
Breakthrough Greater Boston .............................................$30,000
Epiphany School, Inc. ......................................................$30,000
Trinity Boston Foundation ................................................$30,000
Rogerstone Communities ................................................$28,000
Kwong Kow Chinese School, Inc. .....................................$27,500
Greenlight Fund Boston ...................................................$25,000
Lift the Charter Public School Cap .....................................$25,000
Friends of the Children - Boston .......................................$22,500
Mothers for Justice and Equality .......................................$22,500
Smith Leadership Academy Charter Public School .............$20,000
Wang YMCA of Chinatown .................................................$20,000
Teen Voices/Women Express Inc. .....................................$17,500
Quest Adventures, Inc. .....................................................$16,500
Beacon Academy ............................................................$15,800
Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence .....................$15,000
Boston Partners in Education .............................................$15,000
Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center, Inc. ...............$15,000
Boston Preparatory Charter Public School .........................$10,000
Boston Showstoppers .......................................................$10,000
Citizen Schools ..............................................................$10,000
Dream Big, Inc. ...............................................................$10,000
Edward W. Brooke Charter Public School .........................$10,000
Young Achievers Science & Math ......................................$10,000
Global Potential ...............................................................$10,000
Hyde Square Task Force ..................................................$10,000
Parenting Journey ...........................................................$10,000
Posse Foundation ...........................................................$10,000
Rosbury Preparatory Charter Public School .........................$10,000
Shelburne Community Center .........................................$10,000
Sociedad Latina, Inc. ........................................................$10,000
Sportsmen’s Tennis & Enrichment Center .........................$10,000
TechBoston Academy .....................................................$10,000

Women’s Express/Teen Voice .............................................$10,000
Madison Park Technical High School .................................$8,500
Boston Police Athletic League, Inc. ...................................$8,200
Building Educated Leaders for Life B.E.L.L. .......................$7,500
United South End Settlements .........................................$7,500
Alray Scholars Program ..................................................$6,500
English High School .......................................................$6,000
National Center for Afro-American Arts .............................$6,000
Alison Mae Regan Memorial Fund .....................................$5,000
Bird Street Community Center .........................................$5,000
Boston Children’s Chorus ..................................................$5,000
Boston Green Academy .....................................................$5,000
Committee to End Elder Homelessness ..............................$5,000
Conservatory Lab Charter Public School ...........................$5,000
Elizabeth Stone House .....................................................$5,000
Ellis Mendell Elementary School .......................................$5,000
Epiphany Middle School ..................................................$3,000
Hattie B. Cooper Community Center ................................$5,000
Horizons for Homeless Children .......................................$5,000
La Alianza Hispana ..........................................................$5,000
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MYTOWN .................................................................$5,000
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New Hampshire Public Television ......................................$5,000
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Rosbury Youthworks .......................................................$5,000
SheJumps .................................................................$5,000
South Boston Neighborhood House ...................................$5,000
St. Mary's Women & Children's Center ..............................$5,000
Strong Women Strong Girls .............................................$5,000
The Center For Teen Empowerment ..................................$5,000
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<td>Year the Lewis Family Foundation started</td>
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<td>Dollars donated by the Lewis Family since 1981</td>
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<td>Days of programming for nonprofits at Pinnacle Leadership Center in 2015</td>
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<td>Percent of sales at The Farm at Eastman’s Corner that comes from New Hampshire suppliers or is grown or prepared at the Farm</td>
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<td>Percentage of electrical energy provided by solar panels for our Farm and Food Barn in Kensington, NH</td>
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<td>Number of strategic partners working with the Lewis Family Conservation Foundation</td>
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<td>Dollars donated through Associates Fund grants to 12 nonprofits working with youths in Boston</td>
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<td>Number of Next Generation Leaders and Alumni working at Grand Circle in summer 2015</td>
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<td>Years associates have volunteered to support the AIDS Action Committee</td>
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