



THE NEXT GENERATION

of the DELAWARE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

WHO WE ARE

Background

The Delaware Community Foundation (DCF) manages charitable funds for individuals, families, businesses and organizations, and distributes income from the funds as grants to humanitarian, educational, health and cultural entities throughout the First State. With more than 1,000 funds and over \$225 million in assets and annual grants up to \$15 million, the Foundation provides a lasting source of charitable funding to benefit Delawareans today and for generations to come. For 25 years, the DCF has been connecting people who care with the causes they care about.

The Delaware Community Foundation has a long-standing tradition of encouraging and enabling young adults to participate in their local communities throughout the state. That tradition has been embraced and advanced by the DCF's current President and CEO Fred Sears. Since joining the DCF, Fred has sought new ways to engage young professionals and harness their energy and enthusiasm to help advance the many causes and organizations the DCF supports. This infusion of young and motivated individuals is not only helping to effect change today, but is also building a foundation for the future. These young adults are the next generation of community leaders.



Mark Lucey, TNG President

What is The Next Generation?

The Next Generation (TNG) of the Delaware Community Foundation is a philanthropic organization that was created and is directed by young professionals living and working in Delaware. TNG leverages many of the Foundation's resources, but members have established their own structure to raise funds and support the community. There are currently 35 members of TNG who have chosen to dedicate their time and resources to helping find ways to give back to our community.



Several Board Members

Our Philanthropy

Through the charitable fund established in 2004, The Next Generation has awarded more than \$155,000 in support of initiatives that address underlying social challenges faced by the most vulnerable Delawareans. This year, TNG was able to raise and award \$25,000 to five nonprofit organizations promoting education, awareness and solutions to the problem of childhood obesity. "Childhood obesity is a growing concern nationwide and The Next Generation of the Delaware Community Foundation felt that it was vital that we pledge our support specifically to local agencies promoting wellness, education, and physical activity," stated TNG's president Mark Lucey. "According to ygoy.com, almost 60% of children in America are obese children. Studies also reveal the fact that 40% of obese children and 70% of obese adolescents become obese adults. That's a cycle that we need to work to end." As a result of TNG's efforts, five nonprofit organizations will now be able to offer out-of-school programs like physical fitness and nutrition.

To learn more about becoming involved with The Next Generation, please call: 302.571.8004 or email: hannah.messner@gmail.com www.delcf.org/TNG

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