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OUR MISSION

The mission of the TCSD Foundation is to :



Enhance Pre-K through 12 educational and extracurricular opportunities in the district



Forge partnerships with friends of the Trumansburg Central School District



Raise funds and award grants to foster personal growth and encourage excellence

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President's Message

Thank you!

We are continually amazed at the support our community provides for the children in the Trumansburg school district and we could not do this work without it.

We are excited to present our 2012 ANNUAL REPORT highlighting our collective efforts and achievements. 2012 was another year of growth for the TCSD Foundation. In addition to funding many creative teacher grants in excess of \$5,500, we were fortunate to be able to continue our exciting TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER (TKED) program as well as to increase our endowment for the future.

Our year was highlighted by the support of all of you and the team effort of our teachers, community organizations and the administration of our district. We are looking forward to 2013 and the continued connection to our community. Thank you.

Tara Masters



2012 Grant Distributions and Grant Details

TEN GRANTS
\$20,190

For the year January 1 to December 31, 2012, the TCSD Foundation partnered with individual donors, businesses, service providers and other charitable organizations to focus \$20,190 for specific purposes through 10 individual grants.

Trumansburg Kids Explore & Discover

\$14,389 • For 2012 operations and implementation

Trumansburg Elementary School

4 grants totaling \$3,100

\$1,000 • Youth Art Month , Grades K–12
Project Principal: Ellen Pennock

Activities and special workshops for K-12 art departments engage students during Youth Art Month (March) and throughout February, March and April. Workshops include four aspects and interpretations of plaster casting. This year the Art of Andy Goldsworthy was the inspiration for an outdoor school/community snow-art project. A K-12 Art show featuring student workshop art was held in March.

\$1,000 • Food Literacy Program
Project Principal: Jeanie Wiggins

Food Literacy Program provides nutrition education in elementary classrooms, K-4. Program developed and delivered by Food Studies Institute. Nutrition educators in classrooms include food service employees, and trained food educators and volunteers. Program has a good record of encouraging children to try and also prepare nutritious foods.

\$600 • Social Studies/Reading Buddies
Project Principal: Gail Brisson

“Reading Buddy Bin” organized around social studies topics, add books to existing resources. Reading Buddies Program pairs older and younger students to read and discuss books together, fostering literacy and social studies education. Teachers develop lesson materials and activities for books in the bins. Topics supported include Martin Luther King, Jr., Women’s History and U.S. Presidents.

\$500 • Elementary School Library Donation in memory of Carol Kappel

Trumansburg Middle School

2 grants totaling \$1,100

\$300 • New Leaf Club Resources
Project Principal: Jennie Owens

New Leaf Club provides activities, support and education regarding healthy life style choices. Awarded initial funding in 2011, club doubled participation. Community members volunteer time to share expertise with students.

\$801 • 7th Grade Corning Museum of Glass Field Trip
Project Principal: Amanda Columio

7th grade guided tour of Corning Glass Museum. Tours developed and led by the museum’s education staff complement NYS curriculum. Students participate in hands-on glassmaking experience in museum workshops.

Trumansburg High School

1 grant totaling \$1,000

\$1,000 • Living Environment Students - Floating Classroom
Project Principal: Sue Stein

Students participate in an ecology field trip aboard the Cayuga Lake Floating Classroom research vessel. They learn and conduct data collecting techniques; data is added to a Citizen Science database. Students take a walking, working field trip up Taughannock Creek to learn about stream ecology and geology. Experiences are prepared for and followed up with classroom discussion, graphing activities and written analysis questions.

Community

1 grant totaling \$350

\$350 • Ulysses Philomathic Library New Technology
Project Principal: Annette Birdsall

Two Leapads™ purchased to encourage young patrons (ages 2-5) and parents to enjoy stories and games in the development of early literacy skills. Family workshop teaching and exploring technology and literacy included.

Scholarship for Community Service

1 grant totaling \$250

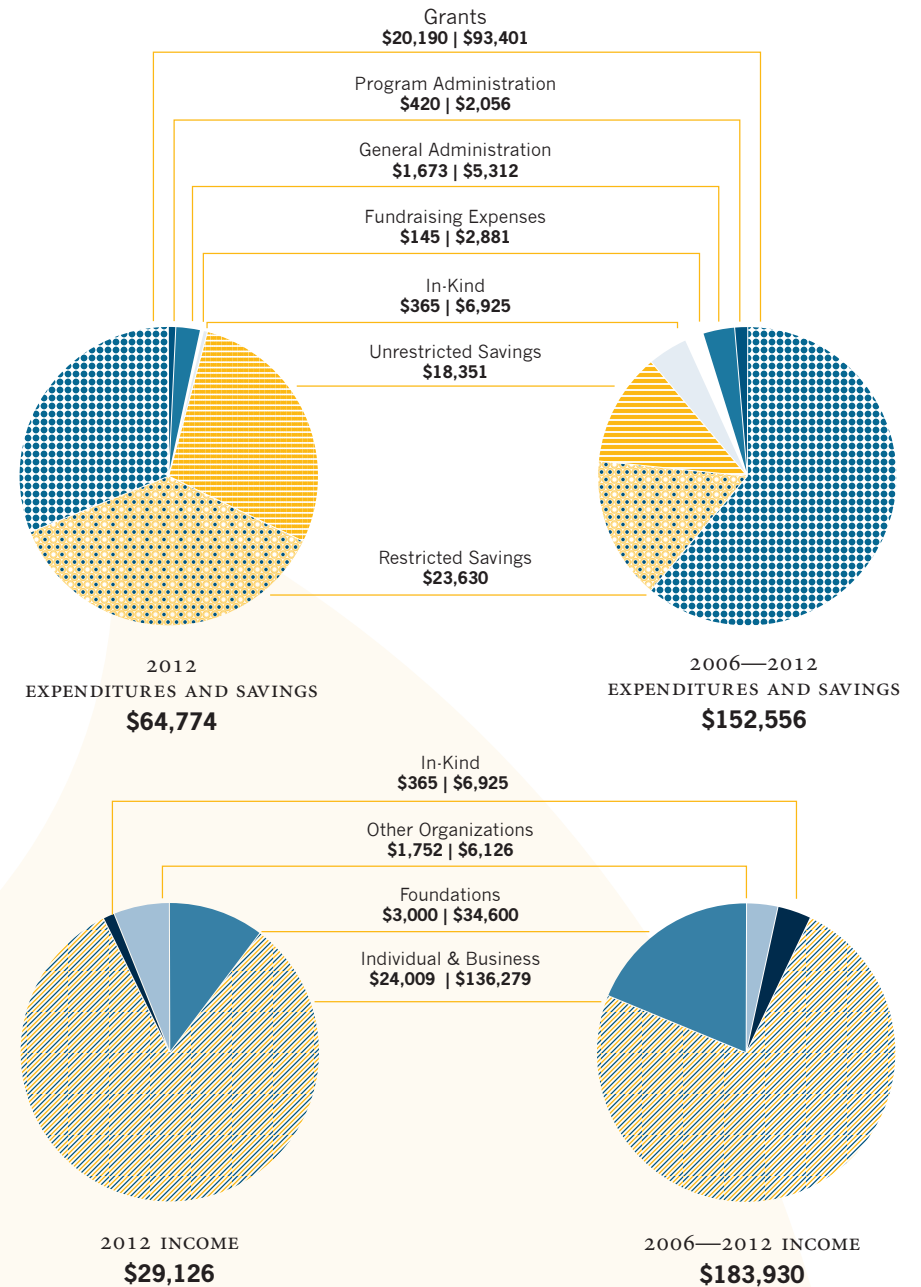
\$250 • Makenzi Swartwood

2012 Financial Report

The following report highlights the success of our efforts and our activities in 2012. In 2012 we raised a total of \$29,126 from individuals, businesses and other charitable organizations in support of our efforts. Some of our income was received in the form of in-kind goods and services that were critical to our success. This income was used to fund the *TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER* program, nine other grants and our community service scholarship.

Our campaign in 2013 will be focused on raising funds to increase awards for teacher grants, expand the *TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER* program, fund exciting new programs and increase our endowment to support our efforts to enhance the education of students throughout our school district for the future.

Please visit our website (www.tcsdfoundation.org) for more information about our donors, business partners, *TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER* program and other ways you can support the efforts of the TCSD Foundation.



YOUTH ART MONTH

MADE POSSIBLE BY A GRANT FROM THE TCSD FOUNDATION



During the month of March 2012 and 2013 the Trumansburg Central School District celebrated Youth Art Month, a nationally recognized observance intended to bring attention to the value of arts education and the importance of quality school arts education programs. As a team, the art teachers feel that these types of activities contribute to the schools mission “to inspire a love of learning”.

Students in all three schools learned about many artists and their impact on the world of art. Excitement was generated for this subject matter by using a format familiar to sports fans: March Madness bracketology. Students and staff voted for their favorite Artists, cheered for the winners and in the end only one was named champion.

In addition to activities scheduled in each art class, students were given another opportunity to celebrate art by attending an extracurricular workshop and experiment with a variety of materials that are not typically available. With funding provided by the TCSD

Foundation, students were able to meet local artists, learn about their

craft and create their own works of art.

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Then on March 28th of this year, the students, their families, friends and the community all had an opportunity to attend an art showcase featuring the projects that students created during the workshops and their regular classes. In addition to all the plaster creations, grid drawings, paintings and

more, there were also photographs of the students while they worked.
Elementary art teacher, Sara Apker shared “Our goal is to inspire students with all the arts have to offer”. From our observation it was clear that students were engaged during the process and judging by the crowd at the event they were proud to show off what they had accomplished.

8 Square Schoolhouse

TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER (TKED) PROGRAM



TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER (TKED) is a program of the TCSD Foundation in collaboration with the Discovery Trail and the Trumansburg Central School District to provide curriculum-based field trips to the eight sites of the Discovery Trail for Trumansburg students Pre-K through 6th grade. Our 4th grade TKED trip is to the Eight Square Schoolhouse of The History Center in Tompkins County.

The Eight Square Schoolhouse was built in 1827 by local carpenter Henry Balcom. It is the earliest school still existing in Tompkins County, and the only brick octagonal schoolhouse left in New York State. Used as the Town of Dryden District Number 5 school until 1941, the building is now on the National Register of Historic Places. In 2000 it became an Official Project of Save America's Treasures.

At the Eight Square Schoolhouse, our students have an opportunity to experience a day at school in 1892. The Eight Square Schoolhouse is led by trained schoolteachers who volunteer with The History Center. Students engage in such activities as pen-and-ink penmanship lessons, reading aloud from primers of the day, and outdoor recess with games from that time. Students are encouraged to dress the part; vests and knickers for boys and dresses with bonnets for girls and bring lunches; parchment paper wrapped homemade white bread with jelly or a fruit, that replicate what their great-great grandparents might have taken to school.

Fourth grade teachers prepare students with activities that compare a child's life in 1925 to life today and activities that relate directly to the Eight Square Schoolhouse visit. Students also make tin lunch pails, and copybooks for writing lessons as they might have over a century ago. These activities include a classroom discussion about the issues

facing today's schools and how school is different and how it is the same as then.

As part of our program, each student receives a copy of *The Secret School* by Avi, a wonderful complement to this trip to the Eight Square Schoolhouse. The story takes place in 1925, and describes how fourteen year-old Ida Bidson secretly takes over as the teacher when the one room schoolhouse in her remote Colorado area unexpectedly closes. Thanks to the Trumansburg Elementary PTO for their partnership and sponsoring of these books.

Our TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER program provides our PRE-K – 6TH grade students with valuable educational opportunities right here in our backyard. Please visit our website for more information and photos of past TKED trips. With your support we look forward to enhancing the education of Trumansburg students through this important program for years to come.