40 years of backing our youth

The Watertown Area Community Foundation has supported the Town Players Summer Youth Theater program for several years. This photo was taken in 2014.

Yes, a ‘picture is worth 1,000 words’

With that in mind, we celebrate 40 years of looking forward and giving back to youth-serving organizations and programs with a few snapshots.

Literally hundreds of thousands of dollars have been awarded by the Watertown Area Community Foundation in grants for youth. The Boys & Girls Club and the Foundation have partnered since the very beginning. Other early grants supported playground equipment at Garfield School, new band uniforms for the Watertown Arrow Band,

40 Years ... 40 Stories: The Watertown Area Community Foundation celebrates 40 years of “Looking Forward and Giving Back”, in 2019. Join the Foundation as it takes the opportunity this year to not only celebrate, but also to look back with gratitude over the past 40 years.
The kids at HeadStart are thankful for their play area surrounded by a 6-ft. privacy fence that was supported by a Foundation grant to Interlakes Community Action Partnership.

2018 Women & Giving grant supported the Watertown Middle School Girls Night Out.

Destination Imagination and summer youth programs through the Watertown Park & Recreation Department.

Still others include: Boy & Girl Scouts, the DARE program, Watertown Healthy Youth, Robotics, Middle College, ICAP/Headstart and Smile Mobile, Lake Area Child Protection Team, Odyssey of the Mind, PACH, Watertown Park & Recreation, Town Players Youth Theater program, High School Orchestra and so many more...

We hope you will enjoy this “little” story through pictures that shows the Foundation’s “big” support of our youth – our future... one of the best ways to invest in the vitality of the greater Watertown area!
Giving Back 365 donors Ernie Edwards (deceased) and Prudy Calvin join Jan DeBerg at LATI for a bike parade featuring LATI Educare children on new playground bikes that were purchased with the help of a 2012 Giving Back 365 grant.

Youth Council members Bailey Lear and Taylor Stacey have fun with the kids at the LATI Educare Center. A 2014 Youth Council grant supported the purchase of this full-size deluxe sand and water table.