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Local Giving. LOCAL IMPACT.

We serve the City of Lynchburg and the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, and Campbell.

The GLCF administers scholarship funds that help talented local students further their education.

The **Watt & Jennifer Foster Fund** at the GLCF provides scholarships for students graduating from William Campbell High School, Halifax County High School, and Rustburg High School. Recently, Jennifer Bryant-Foster and Watt Foster made a significant addition to the fund with a generous gift of over \$526,000.

This gift will provide local students with generous support as they seek higher education. “We want to help students who might not otherwise be able to have the opportunity to go to further their education due to the cost,” says Jennifer. “These students are the future of our community and will one day be our workforce.”

Scholarship donors can define the criteria they would like to use to select the recipient, and the donor may also serve on the selection committee to choose the student recipient annually. To learn how you can start a scholarship fund, call 434-845-6500.



Jennifer Bryant-Foster and Watt Foster

Improving our community since 1972.

Donors Make our Impact Possible!

From an initial investment of \$14,000 from three donors in 1972, the GLCF has grown to an asset size of over \$70 million with 331 endowed funds.

We remain committed to growing and thriving to support generations to come.

You are invited to become a part of the GLCF tradition!

Give us a call to learn how you can help carry on this legacy for future generations.

Reflecting on Over 50 Years of Impact

Greater Lynchburg Community Foundation President & CEO Kathryn Yarzebinski will be the featured speaker in the final event of the 2024-2025 Jones Memorial Library’s John D. Owen, Jr. History Lecture Series.

The lecture will showcase the history of the GLCF and how it has impacted our community since 1972.

“Jones Memorial Library offers an annual endowed series of 6 lectures,” says its Executive Director, Deborah Smith. “This year’s focus is on business and organizations that are local changemakers. We invited the Greater Lynchburg Community Foundation to participate because of the impact it has had in promoting civic engagement and philanthropic generosity. In just over 50 years, the GLCF has already been incredibly impactful because of its support of local nonprofits in the region.”

The Jones Memorial Library is a specialized genealogy and history research library that is located above the Lynchburg Public Library. Its collection in genealogy and central Virginia is one of the largest in the state.

If you have been involved with the GLCF, or *Greater Lynchburg Community Trust* as it was known until 2018, **we invite you to share your memories, photos, and testimonials on the impact of our work.** Please email info@lynchburgfoundation.org or call 434-845-6500.

Please
join us!

“GLCF: Here for Good”
April 16, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Jones Memorial Library, 2311 Memorial Avenue, Lynchburg

President's MESSAGE

HERE FOR GOOD.



Kathryn Yarzebinski
President & CEO

As someone who loves history (and libraries!), I could not have been more excited when Deborah Smith, Executive Director of the Jones Memorial Library in Lynchburg, asked me to give a lecture there on the history of the GLCF.

Since that day, I have been researching GLCF history and gaining many insights about our community and how this organization was shaped by its incredible generosity.

I have had the pleasure of speaking with former Board members and staff who have led this organization through the years. Each of them had enormous vision to see what was possible, and dedication to making that vision a reality.

These leaders inspired generous donors to entrust the GLCF with their charitable legacy, and it is an honor to carry on their work and steward those gifts, all while making our community a better place to live.

I hope you can join me for “GLCF: Here for Good” on April 16 at 5:00 p.m.

The Greater Lynchburg Community Foundation works to solve our community's greatest challenges by providing grants and scholarships, and by helping individuals, families, and organizations create their charitable legacy.

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Board Member Spotlight

AMANDA STANLEY

joined the GLCF Board of Directors in 2025. She is the founder and CEO of The Artisan Leader, a consulting and coaching business for executives, teams and organizations. Amanda is the former President & CEO of DePaul Community Resources, and has an extensive career in working with at-risk adults and youth. Amanda holds a B.A. from the University of Richmond and an M.S. from Virginia Tech. A resident of Bedford since childhood, Amanda and her spouse have two children. “Joining the GLCF Board means that I get to participate in the powerful work of collective impact, witnessing the magic that happens when we connect needs to resources,” she said. “How exciting to be a part of such a sustaining testament to all of the good in this community.”



Amanda Stanley

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