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*Strengthening communities where trustees reside.*

## Vision

*To positively impact lives in the areas of art, education, health, social services and women's issues. The Stocker Foundation seeks creative ideas and projects, both new and existing, that serve as a catalyst for constructive change to help build strong communities, to strengthen families, to provide sound educational programs and vital human services.*

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# Greetings from the President



More than 20 years ago with the help of my three daughters, Nancy Woodling, Jane Norton and Mary Ann Dobras, I established The Stocker Foundation from a portion of the estate of my husband, Paul Stocker. We were the first Trustees and our mission was simple – *Strengthen the communities where we lived – Lorain County, Ohio and Pima County, Arizona.* These were the areas we knew best, where we lived and expended our energies, time and resources. Although the Foundation’s primary funding objectives have changed very little, our Board has expanded to include three adult generations of our family – myself, my three daughters, and my grandchildren and their spouses. We have recently added the fourth generation in the form of a Junior Board which includes the three oldest of my great grandchildren, aged 8 to 14. I am pleased that the Foundation is able to provide some funding to all the communities where our Trustees

reside, even though the majority of the funds are reserved for Lorain County because that is where the asset base was generated. My husband would be so pleased to see the ways in which The Stocker Foundation has partnered with the agencies that promote health, welfare and social services, women’s issues, the arts, education and civic affairs in an effort to improve the quality of life for everyone.

As my family grew, and some moved to other areas, we found the same types of “people problems” everywhere. Every community has its disadvantaged children, youth, and seniors, its families-in-crisis—with the local organizations doing their best to try to solve these problems. By offering our services (through grant awards) sometimes alone and sometimes by collaborating with other philanthropic organizations, we felt that we might be able to help. Over the years I have come to believe that the word “community” has several meanings. A community can be “a group of people who live in the same geographic areas.” Another definition of community might be “a group of people who share the same values and beliefs and concerns about the people around us.” Both concepts describe the communities where our Trustees live, and I hope that we are making at least a small impact in those areas.

Our Board works diligently in an effort to make prudent decisions regarding the proposals we receive and the grants which we award. We could not do our job efficiently without the assistance of our fine, dedicated staff, who do the fact-finding, keep the records and handle the multiple details that are a part of a family foundation. The number of proposals received and the dollar amounts requested usually far exceed the Foundation’s ability to fund, and sometimes the Board must deny even a well-thought proposal describing a specific and important project. In these financially troubled and challenging times our Board will have to make some very difficult decisions. The needs are even greater, but the funds are more limited and we will have to decide which human needs should take priority. I like to say that “a family foundation is a business with a heart.” Believe me, we will do our best!

As my long term as President of The Stocker Foundation draws to a close, I am truly grateful for these 23 years of working together with the succeeding generations of my family in our several communities. I have the utmost confidence in our Board and the thoughtful decisions the members will make in the future as they strive to carry out our mission – *Strengthen communities where Trustees reside.* The Stocker Foundation is in good hands!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beth K. Stocker". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

Beth K. Stocker

# Letter from the Executive Director



Over this past year, we, board and staff, have spent a great deal of time considering to what degree The Stocker Foundation measures up—if we can truly call ourselves effective grantmakers and good stewards. To that end, The Stocker Foundation's operations are guided by a number of principles and practices. We have identified a basic set of policies that define the fundamental objective to be served as well as the Foundation's program interests and, most importantly, our collective willingness to move toward implementing them. This board takes very seriously its role to steward financial resources wisely, to focus on the big-picture and to hold staff accountable for the Foundation's performance. Taking the time to re-examine the Foundation's operating framework and grantmaking process has proven very useful in our efforts to evaluate the social benefit made in the communities where

The Stocker Foundation has a funding presence.

Definitely, this is a work-in-progress as we continue to reflect and strive to improve/modify our operations where appropriate, and as it connects with the growing involvement of the Stocker family. And, in today's uncertain economy, I am pleased to report that in fiscal year 2001–02, \$2.5 million was awarded in grants and other special allocations. (This includes the five-year commitment to the Investment in Excellence Initiative, managed by Business Volunteers Unlimited.)

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Finally, I would like to reaffirm The Stocker Foundation's commitment to open dialogue and collaboration with all who diligently work toward improving and strengthening communities. Foundation staff (including myself) are available for conversation and counsel—we enjoy the opportunity to connect and to build/maintain relationships! As you review this year's annual report take note of a few significant changes: 1) The Stocker Foundation has revised its mission statement; 2) Proposals will only be accepted from counties where Trustees reside; and 3) Grant application guidelines have been modified. Please also note that the Foundation's Web site is updated monthly and all pertinent information and forms are readily available for download ([www.stockerfoundation.org](http://www.stockerfoundation.org)).

Although we in philanthropy do not have an "official rule book" to follow, The Stocker Foundation does have a solid game plan in place that helps us to think and act strategically so that we may continue to call ourselves effective grantmakers and good stewards—ultimately "Strengthening communities where Trustees reside."

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia O'Brien". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.

Patricia O'Brien

# History of the Foundation

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Beth K. Stocker



Nancy Woodling



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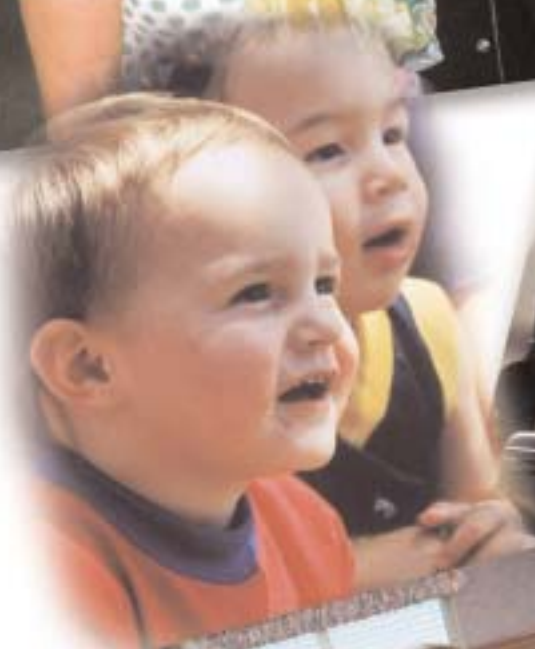


Brent Norton

The Stocker Foundation is a private grant-making foundation established in 1979 by Beth K. Stocker, from the estate of her husband, C. Paul Stocker.

During their life together, Paul and Beth Stocker incorporated their personal values with their philanthropic spirit of giving to the arts, education, youth and self-help for the disadvantaged and disabled. Upon establishing The Stocker Foundation, Beth Stocker, with the help of her three daughters, championed those interests and formulated the guiding principles of the Foundation. Over the years, other fields of interest have been added reflecting the priorities of the Trustees.

Paul Stocker, an electrical engineer and inventor, co-founded Lorain Products Corporation in 1936. Under his leadership, Lorain Products grew from a one-room operation to a multi-plant manufacturing facility of telecommunications equipment. It maintained a worldwide reputation for quality products, service and dependability in the telephone industry. Upon Mr. Stocker's retirement in 1973, Lorain Products Corporation became a subsidiary of Reliance Electric. During the last twenty years, the company has experienced several mergers and acquisitions. It continues to be a major employer in Lorain County. With a strong engineering and manufacturing presence, it remains a leader in the telecommunications equipment industry serving a global market.



# Areas OF Interest

## Arts & Culture

The Stocker Foundation believes that art enriches quality of life, stimulates new ideas and nurtures existing talents. The Foundation supports fine arts programs in all mediums (dance, drama, music, creative writing, and visual arts) that provide school-aged children and community members with access.

## Community Needs

The Stocker Foundation supports the concept of building strong communities and enhancing the quality of life for individuals and families. The Foundation is also interested in grassroots organizations that empower ordinary people to effectively participate in the political, social and economic processes which affect their lives.

## Education

The Stocker Foundation believes every student should have equal opportunity to achieve his/her full potential, and be prepared to competently participate in an increasingly intercultural society. The Foundation supports organizations that take an active role in reexamining educational practices and how they affect the learning of students. Of interest are programs that focus on achievement in basic academic and prevocational skills as well as programs and services for adult students who are striving to complete high school or earn a college degree.

## Health

The Stocker Foundation supports affordable and quality healthcare systems that provide all individuals and families with information and access to quality medical attention. Organizations that provide direct medical services, equipment to those in need (with emphasis on programs that serve disadvantaged and underserved populations) are of special interest.

## Social Services

The Stocker Foundation supports organizations that provide direct services to individuals and families in crisis, as well as long-term efforts to help people to help themselves ensuring a better quality of life and sustainable future for all. Providing for basic human needs and supporting preventative education is of particular interest.

## Women's Issues

The Stocker Foundation supports programs that teach girls to grow into strong contributing members of society and for women to achieve their full potential. The Stocker Foundation recognizes that many of society's problems have a greater impact on women and girls, and that non-gender-specific programs often do not meet their special needs.



# Arts & Culture

**TOTAL GIVING**

**1979**  
**\$3,297,162**  
**2002**

In 2001–2002, the Foundation funded 31 projects for a total of \$271,032.



*Tucson Jazz Society*

**American Southwest Theatre Company \$7,500**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

Toward multicultural theater performances and increased outreach to New Mexico State University students

**Arizona Theatre Company \$7,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Continued support of the *Student Matinee Program*, which provides underserved youth with education and opportunities to attend live theater performances

**The Art Room \$8,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide expressive arts programming and mentoring relationships for children at two homeless shelters in Tucson

**Arts Express \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide support and scholarships for the Fine Arts Youth Academy, a summer music, dance, theater, and visual arts immersion program for children in grades 4–12

**Arts Genesis \$5,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Continued support of the *ArtsBuild Program*, a project that links the arts with core studies of language, social studies, math and science



*Messengers of God*

**ArtsReach** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward creative writing instruction for K–12 educators and a series of writing workshops for students, targeted toward Native American and low-income youth in southern Arizona

**Borderlands Theater** **\$4,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Continued support of the *Mentor/Intern Program*, which provides high school and college aged students with an opportunity to learn all aspects of theatrical production

**Choral Spectrum** **\$2,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the organization's 2002–2003 concert season, which includes several community performances and outreach throughout Lorain County

**Cleveland Opera On Tour** **\$7,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support *Music! Words! Opera!* curriculum, allowing Lorain County elementary and middle school students to learn about and create their own operas

**Cleveland Public Theatre** **\$7,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward *Act Now! Lorain*, an interactive dramatic arts education program designed to foster creative expression and self-knowledge for at-risk youth and women in transition from poverty

**Dance Matrix** **\$2,150**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide students aged 8–17 the opportunity to enhance their dance skills and creative self-expression through instruction, mentoring, performances, and exchange programs with other dance troupes

**Doña Ana Arts Council** **\$25,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

Toward the renovation and preservation of the historic Rio Grande Theatre, along with community-based arts education programming at the site

**Great Lakes Theater Festival** **\$7,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the organization's educational outreach programming, bringing classical theater into the everyday lives of students and the community

**Las Cruces Symphony Association** **\$10,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support educational music outreach programs for school-age children and families

**Lorain Palace Civic Center** **\$25,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the renovation of the heating and cooling systems within the Palace, a community civic center, meeting place, and entertainment facility

**Lyric Opera Cleveland** \$5,000*Lorain County, Ohio*

Continued support of *OVERTURE* and *Opera Chord Workshops*, two educational programs that introduce students to live theater performance and allow them to interact with and learn from singers and musicians

**MAD Factory** \$10,000*Lorain County, Ohio*

Continued support of a year-round dance, drama and puppetry program for school-aged youth between the ages of 6 and 18

**Messengers of God** \$20,000*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the implementation of an afterschool and summer program for underserved school-aged youth in the areas of dance, mime and drama

**New Mexico CultureNet** \$5,000*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support *Poetry Jam 2003*, a two-day workshop that encourages high school students to interact with local poets and to develop and compare their own poetic endeavors

*Arts Express***Ohio Dance Theatre** \$3,382*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the *Umoja Program*, a work celebrating the historical African-American experience through dance, vocals, drumming, live music and narrative

**The Patriots Community Band** \$1,500*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the organization's 25th anniversary by helping to purchase formal wear for band members

**Patronato San Xavier** \$15,000*Southern Arizona*

Toward the ongoing restoration and repair of San Xavier del Bac, an historic 200 year-old mission in the Sonoran Desert

**PeaceWeb** \$7,500*Southern Arizona*

To support the Real World Peace Theatre, a dance, drama, and poetry project about peacemaking and conflict resolution for students at Southside Community School

**Professional Flair, Inc.** \$5,000*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward an in-school lecture/performance and main stage theater production of *The Snowman* by Dancing Wheels, a troupe of dancers with and without disabilities

**The Repertory Project** \$8,000*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support a modern dance program at two high schools in Lorain that will educate students about the history of modern dance, teach basic skills and assist students in creating a performance

**Stocker Humanities and Fine Arts Center \$10,000***Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the 2001–2002 performance season of music, film, theater, and dance programming at the Center

**Tucson Jazz Society, Inc. \$5,000***Southern Arizona*

To expand *JazzWerx*, an after-school program offering students aged 10–18 professional-level arts education in jazz musicianship

**Tucson Children's Museum \$10,000***Southern Arizona*

To support and provide educational materials for *Children Just Like Me*, a traveling multimedia exhibit of world children and their everyday surroundings

**Tucson Symphony Orchestra \$10,000***Southern Arizona*

Toward classical music education programs for over 16,000 preschool through high school students in Tucson and southern Arizona

**Tucson Girls Chorus Association \$5,000***Southern Arizona*

In support of the organization's mission—to *provide an environment where youth develop self-esteem and music literacy through a well-structured program of music education and performance*

**Young Audiences of Santa Cruz County \$12,000***Southern Arizona*

In support of 2001–02 arts programming for school-aged youth living in rural southern Arizona. Curriculum includes live performances, workshops and residencies

*Dance Matrix*

# Community Needs

**TOTAL GIVING**

1979  
\$1,597,636  
2002

In 2001–2002, the Foundation funded 19 projects for a total of \$178,868.



*Deaf and Deaf-Blind Committee on Human Rights*

**ACCION New Mexico** **\$10,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To provide economic empowerment and technical assistance to low-income and minority small business owners in Doña Ana County

**City of Bisbee** **\$4,608**

*Southern Arizona*

To support increased visibility and services of the Copper Queen Library throughout the surrounding area through construction of two curbside book returns

**Cleveland Restoration Society** **\$6,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the Preservation Resource Center of Northeastern Ohio, which provides community education and technical assistance for historic preservation and economic revitalization projects throughout Lorain County

**Deaf and Deaf-Blind**

**Committee on Human Rights** **\$3,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the *Interpreter Fund for Human Rights*, which enables deaf- and deaf-blind individuals to participate fully in nonprofit events and meetings

**Friends of Little League North** **\$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support partially the construction of baseball fields and surrounding parkland for community use

**Horizon Activities Centers \$7,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the *Central Lorain Facility Relocation Project*, ensuring that child care needs of low or moderate income area families continue to be met

**Las Cruces Downtown \$5,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support the design and planning efforts to revitalize the Main Street of Las Cruces, New Mexico

**Leadership Lorain County \$10,260**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To provide scholarship support, over two-years, for existing and emerging leaders to participate in a program designed to strengthen the quality and effectiveness of community leadership

**Lorain Public Library \$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

In support of a campaign to provide library cards for children between the ages of 5 and 8 in local public and private schools, encouraging them to become life-long readers

**Mainstreet Lorain Development Corporation \$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward a comprehensive marketing program designed to publicize the organization's efforts of revitalizing downtown Lorain

**Mobile Meals of Tucson \$5,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To increase the efficiency of the organization's home-delivered meals program for the elderly and disabled through the installation of a new communication system

**Oberlin Historical and Improvement Organization \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the renovation of historic buildings and the documentation of artifacts necessary for the Oberlin Heritage Center to achieve national accreditation

**Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio \$50,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the purchase of a refrigerated delivery truck to supply hunger relief organizations with emergency food to families in need

**South Lorain Community Development Corporation \$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Continued housing development and economic revitalization activities in south Lorain neighborhoods

**South Shore Community Development Corporation \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the renovation of the Gould Auditorium at St. Joseph Community Center, which will provide low-cost meeting space for local organizations

**Southwest Environmental Center \$3,500**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support the installation of an aquarium that will showcase endangered Rio Grande River inhabitants

**Tucson Arts District Partnership \$3,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support the *Street Side Banner Project*, an artist-in-residence program that allows city school children to design banners that are installed along Tucson streets

**Tucson-Pima Library Foundation \$6,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support *One Book/One Community*, a county-wide reading initiative highlighting discussions and celebrations of *Bless Me, Ultima* by Rodolfo Anaya

**Zuni Avenue Peace Center \$7,500**

*Southern Arizona*

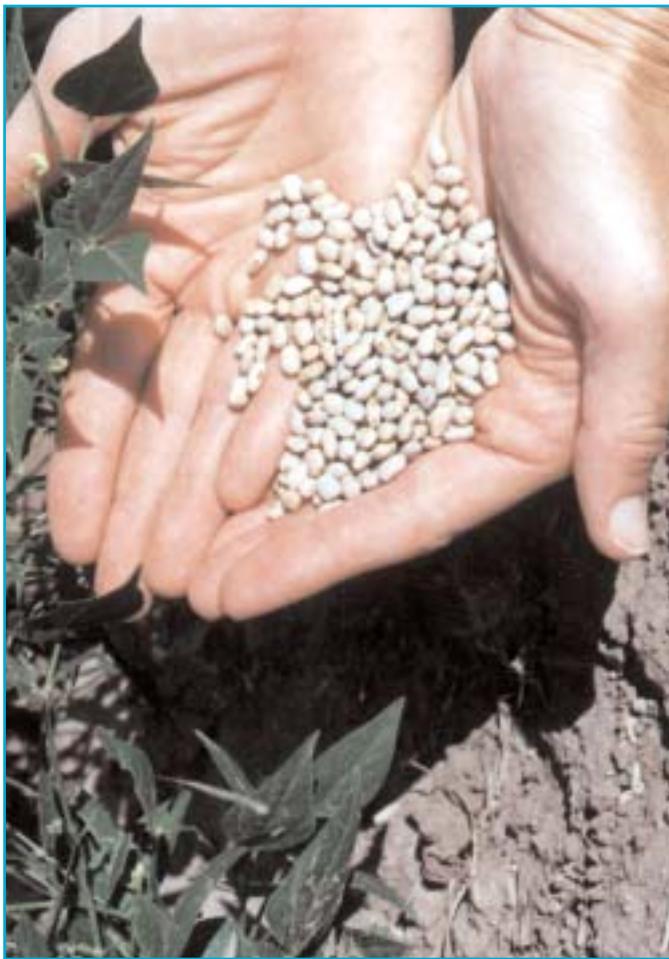
To support the Peace Initiatives Project, which provides community events, conflict resolution, and restorative justice for the diverse Corbett neighborhood of Tucson

# Education

**TOTAL GIVING**

**1979**  
**\$4,235,476**  
**2002**

In 2001–2002, the Foundation funded 32 projects for a total of \$329,409.



*Native Seeds/SEARCH*

**The Access Program** **\$12,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support high school advisory services that promote post-secondary education and training throughout Lorain County

**The Center for Leadership in Education** **\$20,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Support of Leadership Academy VI, a leadership development program for teams of teachers and administrators from Lorain County school districts

**Cleveland Zoological Society** **\$10,000**

*Cuyahoga County, Ohio*

Toward the construction of the Center for Zoological Medicine, a new animal hospital with an education pavilion introducing visitors to worldwide animal care and conservation

**Common Ground** **\$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the expansion of a year-round outdoor education program, which provides environmental and adventure education for school-aged youth.

**Dorothy McConner Educational Enrichment Program (DMEEP)** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the summer youth program *Many Cultures: One Community*, which will provide elementary and secondary students with computer learning and study skills assistance along with information on diverse cultures and communities



Lake Erie Nature and Science Center

**Educational Service Center  
of Lorain County** **\$9,500**

Lorain County, Ohio

To support the continuation of *Lorain County Reads*, a program that provides adult volunteer reading tutors for elementary school children throughout Lorain County

**Extended University** **\$5,000**

Southern Arizona

Toward the *Dreams Afterschool Program*, an educational enrichment program providing creative writing, one-to-one mentoring, and small-group tutoring for high-need teen students in central Tucson

**Foundation For The Transformation  
of Teaching and Learning** **\$10,000**

Southern Arizona

To support the *Volunteer Mobilization Project* goal of enrolling all eligible children in southern Arizona in the federal Children's Health Insurance Project

**Ideastream** **\$10,500**

Lorain County, Ohio

To support the broadcast of *Reading Rainbow*, an educational television program broadcast on WVIZ and used as a teaching tool throughout northeast Ohio

**KRWG-TV** **\$10,500**

Doña Ana County, New Mexico

To support the television broadcast of the early literacy teaching tool *Reading Rainbow* and to provide related educational materials to teachers and child care providers

**KUAT-TV** **\$10,500**

Southern Arizona

To obtain *Reading Rainbow*, an educational television program used as a teaching tool in school districts throughout southern Arizona

**La Pilita Association** **\$2,500**

Southern Arizona

Toward the provision of educational activities at the La Pilita historic site in regional history, archaeology, environmental studies, and community service for students at Carillo Magnet School

**Lake Erie Nature and Science Center** **\$15,000**

Lorain County, Ohio

To present essential wildlife biology and other science literacy education to elementary schools in the city of Lorain

**Little Lighthouse Learning Center** **\$4,700**

Lorain County, Ohio

Toward the purchase of food storage equipment and educational materials for this daycare center that serves children between the ages of two and one-half and five

**Lorain City Schools** **\$10,000**

Lorain County, Ohio

Toward the activities of the Schools' Business Advisory Council, supporting academic reform in Lorain City Schools



**The Lorain County Historical Society \$30,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward better climate control and efficient archival storage of the Society's collections of fragile Lorain County artifacts

**Mentors of Challenged Adults, Inc. \$7,500**

*Southern Arizona*

To support *Mochá U*, a post-secondary educational program for adults with developmental disabilities

**National Conference for Community and Justice \$9,128**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the *It's Your Move Project*, encouraging high school and middle school students to spread the messages of diversity, inclusion, and respect throughout their schools

**National Inventors Hall of Fame \$8,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support *Camp Invention*, a hands-on science summer camp offered in multiple locations throughout Lorain County



*Cleveland Zoological Society*

**Native Seeds/SEARCH \$10,831**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide continued support of the growout of native, endangered seeds that provide food and ceremonial materials for the Tohono O'odham tribal communities

**Northern Ohio**

**Reggio Emilia Exhibit Taskforce \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the *Hundred Languages of Children* exhibit, documenting creative approaches to early child care and education in the preschools of Reggio Emilia, Italy

**OASIS Institute \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the Intergenerational Tutoring Program, which utilizes senior volunteers as literacy tutors for at-risk K-3 students in nine Tucson-area school districts

**Oberlin Early Childhood Center \$20,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the continued provision of quality child care services and child care assistance to moderate and low-income families

**Public Services Institute \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the *Lorain County Jobs For Ohio's Graduates Program*, which helps high school students stay in school, achieve academically, and move on to quality careers

**SciEn TeK-12, Inc. \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To increase participation of high school students in underserved schools in the scientific and technological learning process of the Southern Arizona Regional Science and Engineering Fair



*ideastream, WVIZ/PBS*

**Sierra Middle School  
Media Magnet Program** **\$5,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support the *Media Magnet Program*, which enables students to learn animation, video editing, television production, and other communications skills

**Therapeutic Riding of Tucson** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support equine programs for special needs students at Utterback and Alice Vail Schools in Tucson

**Town Hall of Cleveland** **\$1,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Continued support of the *Student Scholarship Fund*, which allows high school juniors and seniors from Lorain County to attend one of the lectures and to enhance their knowledge of the sciences, history, economics, current events and the humanities.

**Tucson Botanical Gardens** **\$6,750**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward technology upgrades to better coordinate the administration of the organization's horticultural and ecological education programs and environmental stewardship

**United Way of Tucson  
and Southern Arizona** **\$15,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward *First Focus on Kids*, an initiative working to ensure that child care centers in Tucson are fully accredited and children enter school with the skills needed to succeed

**Voices** **\$5,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support an afterschool mentoring program for underserved youth between the ages of 14 and 21 called *110 Degrees*

**Voices for Education** **\$5,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support the Parent Leadership Institute, a multi-session training to increase parents' knowledge of and involvement in their children's schools



*Hundred Languages of Children  
Reggio Emilia Exhibit  
(Northern Ohio Taskforce)*

# Health

**TOTAL GIVING**

**1979**  
**\$1,693,274**  
**2002**

In 2001–2002, the Foundation funded 14 projects for a total of \$190,210.



*St. Luke's Healthcare Clinic*

**Allen Medical Center Foundation** **\$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the reestablishment of the Foundation office, supporting the modernization and expansion of medical services to southern Lorain County

**Cleveland Sight Center** **\$6,869**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward services for low-income seniors who are adjusting to an independent life of limited sight or blindness

**Easter Seals Arizona** **\$14,530**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide materials and training for physical therapy services to children in rural southern Arizona

**Echoing Hills Village Foundation** **\$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

For equipment improvements to ensure the safety of the organization's care facilities for special needs individuals throughout Ohio

**Elyria Club of Negro Business and Professional Women** **\$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the continuation of the *Tri-City Lupus Project* of health education and support for lupus sufferers

**EMH Foundation** **\$50,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the transformation of the EMH Regional Healthcare Center's existing maternity unit into a state-of-the-art LDRP Birthing Unit

**Kidney Foundation of Ohio, Inc.** **\$3,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To provide emergency assistance for medication to Lorain County kidney transplant and dialysis patients



*Easter Seals Arizona*

**Leukemia & Lymphoma Society,  
Desert Mountain States Chapter**                      **\$2,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the *Patient Aid Program*, which assists leukemia and lymphoma patients with medication, testing, and transportation needs

**Lorain County Free Clinic, Inc.**                                      **\$20,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the *Prescription Drug Program*, which provides prescription drugs for individuals unable to pay for these medical costs

**Mental Health Association of Arizona**                      **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the implementation of *Options*, a teen depression/suicide prevention program that provides education and local treatment assistance

**National Alliance for  
the Mentally Ill – New Mexico**                                      **\$12,539**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support the *Bilingual Family to Family Program*, providing Spanish-speaking families with information and access of services for a loved one with mental illness

**Pima County Health Department**                                      **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To expand the *Give a Parent Support (GAPS) Program*, which works with first-time parents to improve family functioning and to promote positive parent-child interactions

**Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation**                                      **\$7,772**

*Southern Arizona*

To support *Omeyocan YES*, an HIV, STD, pregnancy, and substance abuse prevention program for south Tucson Latino youth aged 15–18

**St. Luke's Health Clinic, Inc.**    **\$7,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

Toward the computerization and increased capacity of the clinic and its provision of low- or no-cost medical services to the community

**United Community Health Center, Inc.**                                      **\$18,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward computer upgrades allowing for better connectivity and communication among the Center's health clinics in rural Pima County



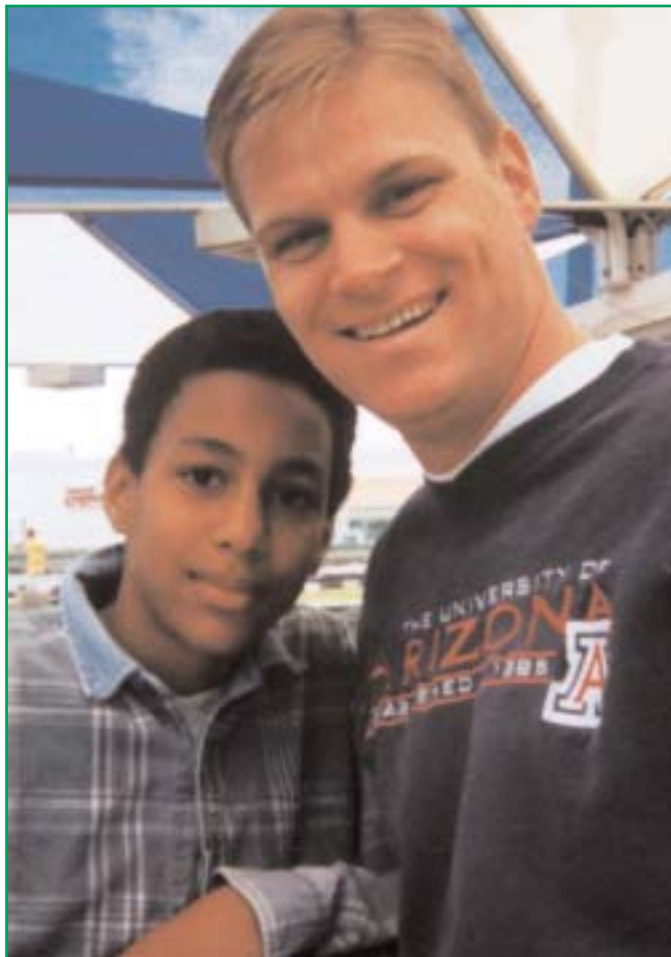
*Lorain County Free Clinic*

# Social Services

**TOTAL GIVING**

**1979**  
**\$6,677,732**  
**2002**

In 2001–2002, the Foundation funded 55 projects for a total of \$681,926.



*Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tucson*

**Adoption Network Cleveland** **\$6,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Continued support of a Lorain County satellite office, which provides information, referrals, and services for all members of the 'Adoption Triad'

**Aid to Adoption of Special Kids** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward Year Two of the *Southeast Arizona Adoption Initiative*, a program that assists rural families who seek to adopt special needs children

**American Red Cross – Lorain County Chapter** **\$13,457**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To upgrade communication and training equipment for its disaster relief services

**American Red Cross – Southern Arizona Chapter** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support emergency Disaster Relief and Disaster Action Team recruitment and training in rural areas of southern Arizona

**BICAS** **\$8,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support the development of self-reliance and self-esteem in underserved adolescents and adults through a bike repair program

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lorain County, Inc.** **\$15,000**  
*Lorain County, Ohio*  
 Continued support of the *Learn and Serve Program* for elementary school children in underserved areas of Lorain County

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tucson** **\$15,000**  
*Southern Arizona*  
 Toward *Campus Pals*, a mentoring program that pairs University of Arizona college students with local boys and girls

**Boys & Girls Club of Bisbee** **\$10,000**  
*Southern Arizona*  
 To support the Club's educational programming by providing books, computers and room furnishings

**Boys & Girls Club of Lorain County** **\$10,000**  
*Lorain County, Ohio*  
 To develop a *Cadet Enrichment Program*, providing specialized after-school recreation, tutoring, prevention education, and conflict resolution programs for area children 6–9 years old



*Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center*

**Camp Fire USA Southern Arizona Council** **\$6,000**  
*Southern Arizona*  
 To support the *Community Family Club Program*, providing community activities for families and children at low-income apartment complexes across Tucson

**Casa de Esperanza, Inc.** **\$5,000**  
*Southern Arizona*  
 To support *Building Memories Together*, an intergenerational daycare program that brings together seniors and children for music, crafts, play, and socializing

**Child Care Resource Center** **\$20,000**  
*Lorain County, Ohio*  
 To establish a Child Care Emergency endowment fund and to provide mini-grants for the pressing emergencies of licensed child care providers in Lorain County

**Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center** **\$10,000**  
*Lorain County, Ohio*  
 Toward community interpreting services, sign language instruction, and assistance with basic needs for deaf and hard of hearing individuals in Lorain County

**Conflict Resolution Center of the West Shore, Inc.** **\$10,000**  
*Lorain County, Ohio*  
 To continue the expansion of the *Juvenile Diversion Mediation Program*, which brings educators, police, parents, and at-risk youth together for mediation services as alternatives to legal action

**Desert Dove Farm, Inc.** **\$5,000**  
*Southern Arizona*  
 To assist at-risk youth through a horse therapy program that promotes responsibility, cooperation, and encourages healthy emotional development

**Drop the Guns \$9,932**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the outreach program *Train 'Em Up*, anti-violence workshops and programming

**El Centro de Servicios Sociales, Inc. \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To help manage and protect the finances of mentally and physically-challenged individuals, the elderly, and those with chemical dependencies and exploited populations

**Elyria Special Olympics \$7,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To expand recreational opportunities that improve the physical fitness, self-confidence and sense of achievement for school-age children with special needs in greater Elyria

**Family Counseling Agency \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide support for the *Senior Companion Program*, which allows older, low-income men and women to provide other elderly adults and disabled individuals with support and companionship

**Green Valley Assistance Services, Inc. \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support the development and implementation of a computerized *Case Management Program*, enabling more efficient assistance to elderly Green Valley residents in need of social services and in-home support

**Hacienda Del Sol \$17,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

Toward the provision of transitional housing and assistance in achieving self-sufficiency for homeless families, women, and children

**Humility of Mary Housing \$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward *Faith House*, a transitional housing and life skills management program for homeless, single-parent families to help them move toward independent living

**Jardin De Los Niños \$15,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

Toward day care, health services, and education for homeless children in southern New Mexico

**La Casa Inc. \$18,046**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To provide continued support of literacy, mentorship, and recreational needs for homeless men, women, and children

**Las Familias \$16,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward *Project New Start*, which provides counseling and treatment for teens addressing dual issues of sexual and substance abuse



*Lorain United Methodist Ministries (Camp I.D.E.A.S.)*

**Learning For Life \$5,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support a program in rural southern Arizona that teaches elementary school children ways to build character and make good decisions

**New Beginnings For Women & Children \$20,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support *Youth Advantage*, a project that provides educational enrichment activities for homeless children in the organization's care

**Long Term Care Ombudsman \$24,776**

*Cuyahoga County, Ohio*

To expand the organization's presence in local nursing homes, to provide advocacy and assistance to the residents, and to mediate staff/resident issues

**Old Fort Lowell Live-at-Home Program, Inc. \$2,500**

*Southern Arizona*

To support *Neighbor Helping Neighbor*, a program that provides home visits and other free assistance to older adults and individuals with disabilities

**Lorain United Methodist Ministries \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward *Camp I.D.E.A.S.*, a summer camp that provides recreational activities and continued enrichment for special needs students and their typical peers

**Our Lady of the Wayside \$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To partially support the *Computer Educational Program*, which provides one-on-one classroom instruction in computer skills to individuals with mental and physical disabilities

**Lutheran Church of the King \$3,800**

*Southern Arizona*

In support of a neighborhood program that provides counseling and parenting skills on how to maintain positive relationships with one's children

**OUR TOWN Family Center \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Continued support of the *CommonUnity*, a residential program that allows teenage moms to transition into permanent housing and employment situations

**Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity \$40,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support the community-driven construction of one home for a low-income family in Las Cruces

**Parent Aid \$20,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the expansion of parenting skills education and child abuse prevention services to rural northwest Pima County

**Neighborhood House Association of Lorain County \$35,850**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Continued support of the organization's proactive approach to serving indigent populations

**Pima Council on Aging \$25,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the acquisition of a larger headquarters for the organization's myriad of services to seniors throughout Pima County

**Neighborhood Nurturing Through Wellness \$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the *Youth-In-Action Club*, which will provide creative learning projects for at-risk youth aged 7-14





*Volunteer Action Center*

**Pima Youth Partnership** **\$20,565**

*Southern Arizona*

To support a program that strengthens the relationship between Pascua Yaqui Indian parents and their adolescent children through increased communication and cooperation

**Project YES** **\$30,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support an afterschool program that offers both educational and recreational opportunities to underserved children in grades one through eight

**Recovery Resources** **\$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward transportation of Lorain County youth to the organization's substance abuse treatment services

**Salvation Army – Lorain** **\$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

Toward the provision of after-school and weekend recreational, educational, and motivational programming for youth at the Salvation Army Community Center

**Samaritan Counseling Center** **\$6,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the *Project Transition: Keeping People Working Program*, which provides mental health and work-related counseling services for indigent women and their children

**Save Our Children** **\$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

In support of the continuation of summer youth programming, which provides recreational and intellectually stimulating activities for school-age children

**Southern Arizona Children's Advocacy Center** **\$20,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the provision of child abuse services, including medical evaluation and interviewing, case management, and professional and community education

**Southwest Human Development Inc.** **\$5,000**

*Southern Arizona*

For continued support of the *Arizona Wolf Trap Early Learning Program*, which provides arts-in-education for pre-school children in five Pima County Head Start classrooms

**Teen Lifeline** **\$15,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the provision and promotion of 24-hour toll free hotline offering peer counseling services for troubled youth in southern Arizona communities

**TMM Family Services, Inc.** **\$14,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support a short-term transitional housing program, which allows single-mothers to live independently while seeking permanent housing and employment solutions

**Travelers Aid Society of Tucson \$15,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support the organization’s emergency shelter operations for homeless adults, families, and special needs households

**Tu Nidito Children and Family Services \$15,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To aid in the expansion of support services for grieving families and the terminally ill in the Spanish-speaking communities in southern Arizona

**Tucson Urban League, Inc. \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the *Kente Project*, which works to provide HIV/AIDS counseling, testing, and prevention services within the African-American community in Tucson

**Vocational Guidance Services, Inc. \$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the implementation of a *Custodial Maintenance Program* at the Elyria site—providing increased job training/placement services to the disadvantaged and /or disabled

**Volunteer Action Center \$10,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the *Family Matters Program*, which recruits and places families as community-service volunteers in local nonprofits involved in family-related activities

**Youth Challenge \$5,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To provide sports and recreational activities for children with physical challenges across Lorain County



*Youth Challenge*



# Women's Issues

**TOTAL GIVING**

**1979**  
**\$1,553,539**  
**2002**

In 2001–2002, the Foundation funded 11 projects for a total of \$153,090.



*Habitat for Humanity Tucson*

**The Brewster Center \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support the Center's provision of a domestic violence shelter, counseling, and educational services for women and children

**Colonias Development Council \$6,000**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

Toward supplies and equipment needed for the creation of a community childcare center in Chaparral, an impoverished part of southern New Mexico

**Compass House, Inc. \$15,000**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To support the *Women's Transitional Housing Program*, providing a home and support network for women with alcohol and drug dependency issues as they transition toward an addiction-free life

**Family Planning Services of Lorain County \$7,500**

*Lorain County, Ohio*

To expand diversity management, education, and training opportunities for staff, as well as to conduct focus groups and assessments of community needs

**Global Village Communications, Inc. \$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To support the distribution of ninety domestic violence video training sets to Cochise, Pima, Santa Cruz counties and to Doña Ana County in New Mexico



*Sahuaro Girl Scout Council, Inc.*

**Habitat For Humanity Tucson** **\$28,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the construction of one home built exclusively by women called *Women Building a Legacy*

**Sahuaro Girl Scout Council, Inc.** **\$18,390**

*Southern Arizona*

To provide increased outreach, recreational activities and leadership opportunities to school-aged girls throughout southern Arizona



*Compass House, Inc.*

**Southern Arizona Center**

**Against Sexual Assault** **\$15,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Toward the *Su Voz Vale* (Your Voice Counts) project, which provides sexual assault counseling for Hispanic women, children, and families at El Pueblo Neighborhood Center in South Tucson

**Women's Intercultural Center, Inc.** **\$23,200**

*Doña Ana County, New Mexico*

To enhance local economic development by providing local women with skills training in pottery, sewing, and carpentry as well as assistance in marketing their work to the surrounding communities

**Women's Transition Project** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

To support transitional housing and case management services to homeless women and children in Cochise County

**YWCA Tucson** **\$10,000**

*Southern Arizona*

Continued support of *It's Time to Talk*, a youth diversity and inclusiveness program for high school students



*Family Planning Services of Lorain County*

# Information for Grant Seekers & Grant Submission Guidelines



*City of Bisbee,  
Copper Queen Library*

As an initial approach, The Stocker Foundation appreciates the opportunity to discuss proposal ideas and to answer questions prior to any grant submission. Although guidelines are available for download at [www.stockerfoundation.org](http://www.stockerfoundation.org), initial contact with staff is still preferred.

### Who can Apply:

- The Stocker Foundation’s grantmaking is restricted by geography. Currently eligible are the communities located in Lorain and Cuyahoga Counties, Ohio; Pima County, Arizona; Bernalillo and Doña Ana Counties, New Mexico; and King County, Washington.
- Organizations that have complied with their granting contract, including the submission of a final evaluation, are eligible to apply. The Stocker Foundation will consider one proposal per organization per the Foundation’s fiscal year.

### When to Apply:

Letter of Inquiry	Proposal Deadline	Board Decision	Evaluation Due By
October 27, 2003	December 15, 2003	March, 2004	March, 2005
April 3, 2004	May 15, 2004	August, 2004	August, 2005
July 2, 2004	August 15, 2004	November, 2004	November, 2005

**Grant proposals and Letters of Inquiry must reach the Foundation no later than 5:00 p.m. on the stated deadline date.**

### When not to Apply:

- Any organization that has not previously submitted a proposal, received a declination the last time a proposal was submitted, or has not yet received IRS tax-exemption status must first submit a **Letter of Inquiry** for consideration a minimum of 6-weeks before the submission deadline. (Guidelines are available by calling the Foundation office or by download at [www.stockerfoundation.org](http://www.stockerfoundation.org))
- Proposal requests for the following are not accepted: annual campaigns; conferences; deficit financing/debt reduction; government services; individuals; loans; mass mailings; private or parochial schools; public school services required by law; religious exclusivism; research projects and tickets or advertising for fundraising activities. Proposals for capital requests are occasionally accepted when specific criteria is met.

### How to Apply:

- Proposals must be specific to Stocker Foundation guidelines:
  - 1) Include 3 copies; bound or expensively produced proposals are not necessary
  - 2) Stocker Foundation cover sheet (download at [www.stockerfoundation.org](http://www.stockerfoundation.org))
  - 3) Proposal Format: 5-page maximum, using a 12-point font
    - a) One-page executive summary of the proposal
    - b) For Programmatic or Direct Service Requests, include **Parts I and II** from the Grant Guidelines
    - c) For Capacity Building, Capital Improvements or General Operating Requests, include **Parts I and III** from the Grant Guidelines
  - 4) IRS Determination Letter verifying tax-exempt status
  - 5) A copy of the most final evaluation from the most recent grant awarded
  - 6) Supplemental materials should be included only if relevant to the proposal

**Dates and format are in effect until May 15, 2004**

Send completed grant requests to:

Patricia O'Brien, *Executive Director*  
The Stocker Foundation  
559 Broadway, 2nd Floor  
Lorain, Ohio 44052

## Grant Guidelines

### Part I: Organizational Assessment

- Organizational history, mission and vision
- Is there a strategic plan in place? Year adopted?
- Number of full and part time employees?
- Has the organization or any staff members received external recognition for excellence?
- Describe the organization's use of best practices in terms of service delivery.
- How many active volunteers are there? How are volunteers utilized?
- Provide a board list; include cumulative total of giving for the previous fiscal year. Was there 100% participation among board members?
- Describe the role of the board within the organization. Does the board share any major responsibilities with the executive director or other key personnel?
- Does the organization actively seek out opportunities for collaboration?
- What have been your organization's greatest strengths and challenges during the current year and projected for the next 3-5 years?
- Include a current fiscal year's general operating budget with year-to-date actual numbers.
- Will the organization end the current fiscal year with a balanced budget? If no, please explain.
- Does the organization have an endowment? If yes, what year was it established and what is the current fair market value?
- List the organization's major sources of funding (must total 100%).

### Part II: Programmatic or Direct Service Delivery

- Provide a brief description of the program or service to be delivered.
- Who will benefit from this program or service and how?
- What is the date the program/service is schedule to begin? What is the frequency the program or service will be delivered over the next 12 months?
- Are any other organizations in the community offering a similar program or service? If yes, is there a possibility for collaboration?
- If the program or service requires an outside service provider, elaborate on that relationship as it relates to the program.

- If the program or service is education related, how does it fit within existing state proficiency testing?
- Will the program or service be implemented using existing or new staff? What are their qualifications?
- How does the program or service fit within the existing mission of the organization? Is this considered a core program or service of the organization?
- Include a copy of the project budget. Document how Stocker Foundation funding will be used.
- What percentage of the project budget is designated for administrative overhead? If more than 25%, please explain.
- What other sources of funding are pending or committed? (List all sources of funding, dollar amount and date of notification).
- If the proposal is not funded as requested, what are next steps?
- If the project will continue after grant funds have been expended, how will it be sustained?
- How will the program or service be evaluated?

### Part III: Capacity Building, Capital Improvements or General Operations

- How were the board and staff involved in the process of identifying this requested need?
- What is the timeline of implementation?
- Are there any national standards or regulations applicable to this request?
- How does the project fit within the existing mission of the organization? Will this grant enhance a core program or service of the organization?
- Include a copy of the project budget.
- Document how funding will be used.
- If request is for equipment, include quotes. Address the plan to manage on-going maintenance and/or insurance related expenses.
- What other sources of funding are pending or committed? (List all sources of funding, dollar amount and date of notification).
- If the proposal is not funded as requested, what are next steps?
- If the project will continue after Stocker Foundation funds have been expended, how will it be sustained?
- What impact will this project have on the organization and population served?

# Financials

Statement of Financial Position	2002	2001
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	\$130,430	\$14,897
Investments at Market Value	\$35,325,833	\$39,386,723
Other	\$18,378	\$21,174
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$35,474,641</b>	<b>\$39,422,794</b>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
Liabilities	\$520,904	\$620,519
Net Assets	\$34,953,737	\$38,802,275
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$35,474,641</b>	<b>\$39,422,794</b>
<b>Statement of Activities</b>		
Revenues	-\$1,051,933	-\$5,616,259
Expenses		
Grants Authorized	\$2,372,780	\$2,098,311
Other Expenses	\$423,825	\$392,169
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,796,605</b>	<b>\$2,490,480</b>
Change in unrestricted Net Assets	-\$3,848,538	-\$8,106,739
Unrestricted Net Assets, beginning of the year as previously reported		\$47,762,128
Adjustment for change to accrual basis of accounting		-\$853,114
Unrestricted Net Assets, beginning of the year as restated	\$38,802,275	\$46,909,014
<b>Unrestricted Net Assets, end of the year</b>	<b>\$34,953,737</b>	<b>\$38,802,275</b>

The summarized financial data includes accounts of The Stocker Foundation. Barnes Wendling, Certified Public Accountants, has issued an unqualified opinion. The financial statements of The Stocker Foundation were audited by Barnes Wendling. Copies are available for examination at the Foundation.

## 2001-02 GRANTS

