The Jeffrey Mansion Project

Over $1.2 million raised, help us reach our new goal of $1.5 million.

Due to the outstanding results of our early campaign efforts and the generosity of the Jeffrey Family, we have increased our goal from $1 million to $1.5 million in support of the City’s Jeffrey Mansion Project.

The expansion allows us to complete the following work at Jeffrey Mansion:

• Usable space will increase from 4,500 square feet to over 12,000 square feet
• A new parks service garage will be built in a different location
• The current garage will be enclosed to provide additional space for our increasing programming needs
• An elevator will service all four floors of the Mansion
• The ground floor will be entirely rehabbed for additional programming space
• A new grand staircase to connect the first and ground floor

We, the current residents of Bexley, will accomplish a game-changing renovation of Jeffrey Mansion. This will be the largest private/public undertaking since the first Bexley pool was built in the 1950’s.
Hello from our Bexley Community Foundation! 2018 has seen the creation of our 12th Fund – the Bexley Celebrations and Events Fund, two grant cycles granting over $200,000 to projects and organizations in our community, the growth of our Capital Campaign for the City’s Jeffrey Mansion Project from a $1 million goal to $1.5 million, two bus tours on the Bexley Beat to locations of grants funded by the Foundation and so much more.

We have had fun celebrating the 4th of July, handing out popsicles at the Splish, Splash and Dash Youth Triathlon, volunteering at Bexley Day of Kindness, watching the daffodils in Drexel Circle bloom, the list goes on and on!

Without you, none of this would be possible. Thank you for supporting the work of our Foundation.

If you have already made your 2018 gift, THANK YOU. If you have not yet done so, we ask you to consider a year-end tax deductible donation to the Bexley Community Foundation. Gifts can be made by credit card through our website or by check using the enclosed envelope. We hope to see you around Bexley soon!

Jeffrey Walker
Board Chair

Hallie Raskin
Executive Director

NEW!

BEXLEY CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS FUND

The Bexley Celebrations and Events Fund is established to support the City in presenting annual community events, including the 4th of July Celebration, Main Event, Jazz in the Park in South Bexley, Easter Egg Hunt, Harvest Festival, Tree Lighting and Menorah Lighting.

FUND UPDATE

BEXLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY AUTHOR SERIES FUND

On Tuesday, April 23, 2019, we will welcome bestselling and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Richard Ford as the featured guest for the 2019 Bexley Community Author Series. Mr. Ford’s talk will take place in Capital University’s Mees Hall at 7:00 p.m., with an opportunity to meet him to follow.

2019 GRANT DEADLINES

We will hold two cycles for grants in 2019.
For giving guidelines and priorities, please visit our website at bexleycommunityfoundation.org.

**LETTER OF INTENT DEADLINE**
January 25, 2019
June 21, 2019

**GRANT SUBMISSION DEADLINE**
March 15, 2019
August 16, 2019
CORNERSTONE AWARD

The Bexley Community Foundation annually awards their Cornerstone Award for Philanthropy and Service at its Annual Fall Gathering. The award is given each year to honor current or former Bexley residents who inspire and challenge us by their examples of exceptional service and giving to Bexley and the greater community.

This year’s recipients are the Jeffrey Family. The Jeffrey Family legacy for giving started with the first generation of the Jeffrey Family in Columbus, Ohio. Joseph A. and Celia Jeffrey were late-19th century, early-20th century residents of the near east side of Columbus. Through tenacity, talent, good sense, and fortuitous timing, they built a thriving business enterprise, the source of which was The Jeffrey Manufacturing Company. Now, seven generations later, his descendants honor him and Celia by continuing their legacy of charitable giving.

Robert Hutchins Jeffrey (1873–1961), J. A. and Celia’s son, was instrumental in founding Bexley in 1908. In 1941, R.H. (as he is known to the family) donated his estate, named Kelvedon, including the 34-acre grounds and large manor house, to the City of Bexley for use as a community center and recreation complex. It is now known as Jeffrey Mansion. Other family gifts to the community of Bexley include the Agnes Jeffrey Shedd Theatre on the CSG campus, and more recently, support of the renovation of the Drexel Theatre.

The family today has risen to the challenge of supporting the work of our Bexley Community Foundation, especially in its desire to support the upkeep, maintenance, and most recently – expansion – of Jeffrey Mansion. The family continues to hold the City of Bexley dear to its heart and is very grateful for the continued good works of our Bexley Community Foundation.

City of Bexley: $5,000 was awarded to the City for diversity programming in our community.

City of Bexley: The Bexley Recreation and Parks Department received a grant for $4,760 to install two sun shades at the Bexley Pool.

City of Bexley/Bexley Citizens Police Academy: $7,500 was awarded for Bexley Police Department appreciation week including a cookout for police officers and their families, and other projects.

Local Matters: A grant from the Bexley Wellness Fund was awarded for a healthy cooking demonstration at Jeffrey Mansion.

Maryland Elementary PTO: The Maryland Elementary PTO received $7,000 to update the kindergarten playground at Maryland Elementary.

South Community Garden/City of Bexley: $28,165 was awarded to install a fence around the garden in South Bexley.
• 2018 Grant Awards
• Year End Donor Solicitation
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• Annual Fall Gathering Recap
• 2019 Grant Cycle