Annual Report of the Organization
Fiscal Year 2016

July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016
Our Mission
To increase private investment and community involvement in the Woburn Public Schools. Our goal is to support educational programs and initiatives that empower teacher creativity and drive innovation in the classroom beyond that which is possible with public dollars.

Our Purpose
To provide grants directly to educators, opportunities for professional development and investments in technology and curriculum as tools in learning.

Our Work
WCEF is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization which raises funds in community through:
- Our Women’s Awesome Teacher Tribute campaign, held each spring
- Our annual fall event, the Women’s Forum & Purse Raffle
- Grant writing, to engage local private and corporate foundations
- Partnerships with local businesses through sponsorships and third-party fundraisers
- Direct appeals and solicitations, to encourage community-wide interest and support

2016 Statement of Condition
Fiscal year 2016 was a time of exciting growth for the Woburn Community Educational Foundation. We continue to have great success with our community fundraising activities; the proceeds from our teacher tribute campaign and Women’s Forum event combined represent almost 75% of our total yearly revenues. This past year we also forged important new partnerships with local businesses and secured our first leadership gift from a local foundation, Winning Home, to support our shared commitment to the district’s most at-risk students.

Our Educator Grant program, through which we distribute most of the dollars raised, saw a 500% increase in the number of requests from Woburn teachers. Through the generous investment of our community, WCEF made grants of almost $16,000 to support classroom-based projects that could not be funded by the regular school budget. Since our founding in 2014, we have funded almost $30,000 in new projects in the Woburn Public Schools.

We are grateful for the investment by Woburn families, businesses, educators and community leaders in our efforts to support innovation in our public schools. Your contributions make a difference in the educational experiences of today’s students; your support excites and inspires our educators; your involvement makes an impact on the success of our schools every day.

Thank you for helping us to create and build a stable foundation for our schools, one that will serve our community well into the future.

Learn more about WCEF at www.woburnedfoundation.org
2016 Woburn’s Awesome Teacher Tribute Campaign

Held each spring, the Woburn’s Awesome Teacher Tribute Campaign invites any member of the community to make a donation to WCEF in honor of any current or former educator in the Woburn Public Schools. Tribute awards are created for each educator and personally delivered by members of the WCEF board. Since 2014, the WATT Campaign has raised almost $8,000 for Educator Grants, and has served as a reminder for all our Awesome Teachers that their hard work is noticed and appreciated and that their efforts make a difference every day.

Congratulations to our 2016 Woburn’s Awesome Teachers, so honored by their current and former students and their families, as well as their colleagues, friends and community:

**Altavesta**
- Mrs. Bock
- Mrs. McGuerty
- Mrs. Nickerson
- Ms. O’Mahony
- Mrs. Russo
- Ms. Valente

**White**
- Ms. Bonsignore
- Ms. Briere
- Ms. Desmond
- Ms. Martyny

**Goodyear**
- Ms. Bennett
- Mrs. Billings
- Mrs. Cedrone
- Mrs. Gibbons
- Mrs. Johnson
- Mrs. Lawler
- Ms. McDonough
- Mrs. Murphy
- Ms. Ross

**Wyman**
- The Entire Staff
- Ms. Elin
- Mrs. Farrell
- Mrs. Potamis

**Reeves**
- Mrs. Carnevale
- Mrs. Chute
- Miss Fischella
- Mrs. Funicello
- Mrs. Johnson
- Ms. Kelly
- Ms. Landry
- Mrs. Macdonald
- Mr. Moore
- Mrs. Morrison
- Special Ed Staff
- Mrs. Willa

**Joyce**
- Ms. Dattilo
- Ms. Farrell
- Mrs. Maynes
- Ms. Murphy
- Mrs. Pappagianopoulos
- Mrs. Power
- Ms. Tourigny
- Mr. Varoutsos
- Mrs. White-Yelito

**Hurld**
- Mrs. Burns
- Mrs. Carney
- Mrs. Connolly
- Mrs. Crampton
- Mrs. Danizio
- Mrs. Hooper
- Mrs. Kozachuk
- Mr. Liquori
- Mrs. McGuerty
- Mrs. Mills
- Mrs. Tedesco

**Kennedy**
- Mr. Battle
- Mr. Caggiano
- Ms. Chartier
- Ms. Clafin
- Mr. Cudmore
- Ms. Klinger
- Mr. Nelson
- Ms. Satow

**Shamrock**
- The Entire Staff
- Mrs. Allardi
- Ms. Barry
- Ms. Boudreau
- Mrs. Crawford
- Mrs. King
- Mrs. Kulis
- Ms. LeTo
- Ms. Marsden
- Mrs. McGuerty
- Ms. Messuri
- Ms. Murray
- Ms. Richards
- Mrs. Roffi
- Ms. Scarvalas
- Ms. Sullivan
- Ms. Swan
- Mrs. Waldo

**WMHS**
- Mrs. Baccari
- Mr. Bridgeo
- Ms. Dattilo
- Mrs. Duran
- Ms. Escobar
- Mr. Keeley
- Ms. Lapolice
- Mr. MacCurtain
- Ms. Miller

**Lin scott Rumford**
- Mrs. Dabrieo
- Mrs. Plamondon
- Mrs. Ra Rosa
- Mr. Wells
- Mrs. White

**Retired**
- Mrs. Adgate
- Mr. Finn
- Mrs. Runfulo
Donor Honor Roll

These individuals and businesses have invested in the continued growth and success of WCEF during the past year. These contributions support new initiatives and projects that cannot be funded by the regular school budget. Thank you for making an important difference for today’s students.

**Individuals**

Wayne & Vanna Altman  
Michelle Arsenault  
Thomas Bardascino  
Jane Bates  
Santhosh Beerelli  
Mary Bonsignore  
Kelly Boudreau  
Laura Caggiano  
Brenda Cirone  
The Concannon Family  
Ellen Crowley  
David Crowley  
Cheryl Dabrieo  
Monica Dattilo  
Kara Dattilo  
Laura DiLorenzo  
Joseph & Shannon Dooley  
Senator Ken Donnelly  
Mark & Julie Donovan  
Nathan Driscoll  
Stacey Dusablon  
Rick Metters & Maura Embler  
Sharna Favuzza  
Laurie Gellman  
Abby Gillis  
Raji Gopal  
Laurie Greene  
Melissa & Dan Greer  
Carolyn & Scott Hamilton  
Maura Hooper  
Carrie Johnson  
Constantina Kesaris  
Faith Kiio  
Mrs. Allardi’s Kindergarten Class  
Zainah Kivumbi  
Christina Langone  
James Lawler  
Rob Leite  
Abigail Lowry  
Paul & Kathy Lucero  
Penny Maciejka-Hoene  
Robert E. & Karen Maguire  
Anna Mahan  
Barry & Kelly Mahoney  
John & Susan Marshall  
Michael Martini  
Carole Michelini  
Nancy Morris-Dhaliwal  
Zipporah Muhon  
Michael & Stacie Mulrenan  
Vanda Murphy  
Ha Nguyen  
Ruth Ortmayer  
Satya Palvadi  
Ellen Power  
Linda Prisco  
Sheryl Queen  
Donald & Janet Queenin  
Varsha Redreddy  
Linda Riley  
Valerie Riordan  
Greziela Santos  
Shantal Sekandi  
Colleen Sheehy  
Vinod Shekapuram  
Allen & Jane Ticehurst  
Jaclyn Verrow  
Matid Chaudhry & Maria Waheed  
Jolene & Wayne White

**Businesses & Organizations**

Ame & Lulu  
Amazon & Amazon Affiliates  
Bay State Tee Shirt Supply  
Crest View Plaza  
E.G. Barker Lumber Company  
Eugene Mickey, DMD MPH, PC  
G.W. Gately, Inc.  
J. Mulkerin Realty  
Kevin Mooney, DDS, PC  
Little Folks Day School  
Lynch Cantillon Funeral Home  
Melanson Development Group  
Northern Bank & Trust  
Rockland Trust  
Shamrock School PTO  
Stanton & Company CPA’s  
Winchester Savings Bank  
Winning Home, Inc.  
Whole Foods Market  
Woburn Historical Society  
Woburn Teachers Association
In 2016, WCEF received a total of 46 proposals from Woburn teachers through the Educator Grant Program. Of these, 18 projects were selected through a competitive process which considered creativity in teaching and the potential to advance student achievement. Funding of these grants totaled $15,479. Educators will submit final reports on the progress of these projects in December 2016.

**Rosemary Donovan, Guidance Counselor**  
**Woburn Memorial High School**  
$800.00 for EmWave Mindfulness System  
This project will bring a new tool to the WMHS Guidance Office, to serve those who experience social-emotional stress. The EmWave Mindfulness System is a self-directed intervention for students who experience extreme anxiety; the goal of this program is to reduce time spent out of the classroom.

**Abby Gillis, English Teacher and Department Chair**  
**Woburn Memorial High School**  
$1,000.00 for Travis Roy Motivational Speaker Program  
WCEF is proud to co-sponsor this school-wide assembly. All WMHS students have read Roy’s memoir *Eleven Seconds*; they will now get to hear his inspiration story and meet this motivational speaker in person.

**Elizabeth Miller, History Teacher**  
**Woburn Memorial High School**  
$946.00 for Google Viewer Virtual Field Trips  
The purchase of Google Viewers will integrate with existing classroom technology to allow students to travel the world in three-dimensional virtual reality.

**Susan Thifault, Fine Arts Teacher and Department Chair**  
**Woburn Memorial High School**  
$1,000.00 for GoPro Video Production Program  
Students in the WMHS Fine Arts Video Program will have a new learning experience through the use of GoPro Cameras, the latest advance in digital image technology.

**Joanne Young, Eighth Grade Teacher**  
**Joyce Middle School**  
$850.00 to Connect All Students with Technology  
This project was developed to respond to the needs Joyce students who are currently homeless and do not have access to computers. This learning center will be available during out-of-school time, to provide equal access to technology for all students to facilitate use of Google tools in the classroom.

**Judi O’Neil, Special Education Teacher**  
**Altavesta School**  
$1,000.00 for Customized Learning with IPads  
The integration of Ipads in the Resource Room will be used to create customized learning experiences for diverse learners of varying academic needs.
Bethany Newman, Music Teacher  
Goodyear Elementary School  
$595.00 for Moving on the Musical Staff  
Funds will be used to purchase a Wenger Footnotes Music Rug, which enables students to use their whole body in kinesthetic learning activities to find notes on the musical staff and explore melody.

Kerri Vasquezi, Life Sciences/English Teacher  
Goodyear Elementary School  
$500.00 for Life Cycle of Raptors Presentation  
WCEF is pleased to provide funding that brings the interactive enrichment program, *Life Cycles of Raptors*, to the school's 2nd grade.

Marlene Faulkingham, Fourth Grade Teacher  
Hurld Elementary School  
$996.00 for IXL Math Program  
This project funds the purchase of 4 licenses to bring differentiated, engaging and measureable technology based learning experiences to 100 students.

Susan Plamondon, Second Grade Teacher  
Cheryl Dabrieo, Third Grade Teacher  
Linscott-Rumford Elementary School  
$890.00 (each) for Lego Build to Express  
This Lego Program provides hands-on learning experiences that use manipulatives to engage students in higher level thinking activities, and opportunities for students to get excited about learning, to think creatively, and to work cooperatively in a community of learning and respect.

Linda Riley, Special Education Teacher  
Linscott-Rumford Elementary School  
$1,000.00 for AIM Project  
WCEF is providing funding for the pilot of the Alternative Instruction Model as a supplemental STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) class for students who are accelerating in the general education classroom. The success of this project will determine future goals for STEM content in the general classroom curriculum.

Marie LaCour, Art Teacher  
Reeves Elementary School  
$1,000.00 for Historical Woburn Art Installation  
This art project creates a permanent installation and engages all students in an exciting, hands on art project to learn American history as it unfolded in Woburn. This project fosters collaboration, pride, belonging and a sense of place.
Erin Murphy Dean, Special Education Teacher  
Reeves Elementary School  
$929.00 for Learning Literacy Center
This technology project will provide students with moderate disabilities an opportunity to access information across the curriculum with increased independence. Students will develop their active learning skills in the areas of Reading, Writing and Listening.

Bethany Newman, Music Teacher  
Reeves Elementary School  
$982.00 for Making Ukulele Music
WCEF funding will purchase 19 of these highly versatile instruments, giving students the opportunity to make music instead of just learning about music.

Pamela Barry, Special Education Teacher  
Shamrock Elementary School  
$501.00 for Social Thinking Curriculums
This project will provide a multi-sensory, cognitive behavioral social learning curriculum that will help students with social emotional deficits develop better self-regulation across a range of social situations.

Alicia McAnulty, Speech/Language Teacher  
Shamrock Elementary School  
$800.00 for the Visualizing & Verbalizing Program
WCEF will provide funding for this program, as a highly effective instructional method and intervention to develop language comprehension and expression skills for students of all ages.

Thomas O'Halloran, Fifth Grade Teacher  
Shamrock Elementary School  
$800.00 for a Virtual Multi-Cultural Classroom
Through the purchase of 3 Chromebooks, students will now be part of a virtual multi-cultural classroom through integration of the ePals online platform. This project also introduces students to the use of technology as learning tool.

2016 District Pilot Project: Lexia Core 5 Reading Program

In June of 2016, WCEF secured a grant of $100,000 from the Cummings Foundation to fund a pilot project to bring the Lexia Core 5 Reading Program to the district’s underperforming students in kindergarten through grade 5. The goal of this project is to ensure that all the students in the Woburn Public Schools are proficient readers by grade 4, to support future academic achievement and success. A report on the first year of this five-year project will be included in our 2017 Annual Report.
Financial Report

This is a report on the operations of the organization for fiscal year 2016; July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. These financials were approved by the WCEF Board on August 25, 2016.

**Income**

- Balance Forward – FY 2015: $3,206.70
- Unrestricted: $4,691.86
- Teacher Tributes: $3,961.06
- Grants Received: $5,000.00
- Events: $13,424.94
- **Total Income**: $30,284.56

**Expenditures**

- Operations: $1,101.98
- Marketing/Fundraising: $576.98
- Grants Paid: $16,479.86
- Events: $5,265.45
- **Total Expenditures**: $23,424.27

**Income and Expenditures Breakdown**

- **UR: Unrestricted**: 17%
- **TR: Temporarily Restricted**: 15%
- **GR: Grants Received**: 18%
- **ET: Events**: 50%
- **FO: Foundation Operations**: 5%
- **GP: Grants Paid**: 70%
- **FR: Fundraising**: 2%
- **ET: Events**: 21%

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Financial figures are presented in thousands of dollars.
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