Cupboard. It was eye-opening to see how great the need is for food in Chester County, despite our perceived widespread wealth. Community Foundation staff helps us notice, ask questions, and understand things that might have escaped our attention, such as the impact of the PA budget impasse on community nonprofits and the people they serve.”

Working with Community Foundation staff, the Daley family refined its grantmaking process. The family decided to split its grantmaking pools evenly among the four members. This way, each can select grantees that speak to them, while making sure everyone has an equitable share to give.

The grantees chosen in the first year of the Daley Family Foundation speak volumes about the varied interests and experiences of each family member:

- Janet chose to award grants to support cancer patients and fund cancer research, in honor of family members touched by the disease.
- Kanya’s grants were made to nonprofits close to home, that resonated with her professionally, and that spoke to her heart and mind together.
- Carol Ann’s volunteer connections and family ties guided her decisions.
- Chuck’s grants were made to nonprofits that rescue his favorite animals, as he is personally familiar with the good work done in the community.

Decades ago, Charlie and Janet did a good thing when they decided to use some of their good fortune and create a donor advised fund. Their spirit of generosity has grown into a family endeavor, involving the next generation in the legacy of community giving, now and forever.

Note: Learn more about professional advisors John R. Twombly, Jr. Esq. & Michael Connelly in the Door Opener articles of this annual report.

“If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else.”

~ Booker T. Washington