

The Parkersburg Area Community Foundation's Civic Leaders Fellowship Program

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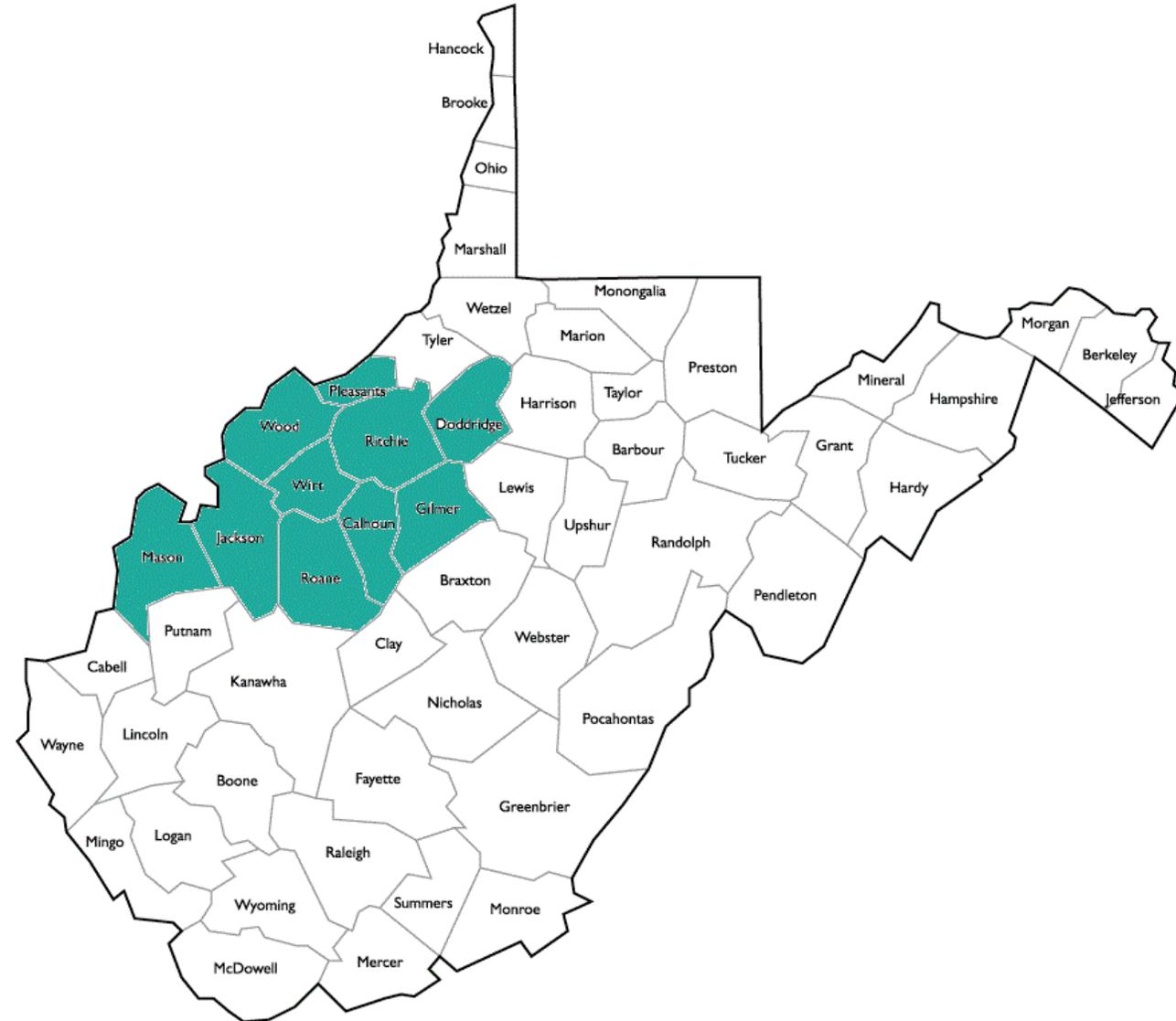
Investing in Appalachia's Youth

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The PACF's Scope of Philanthropy

In 2013, the PACF and its Regional Affiliates generated:

- \$235,855 in scholarships to 245 students
- \$310,104 in competitive grants to 87 organizations for important projects and 9 Humane Societies
- \$17,264 in emergency & mini-grants to organizations needing “extra” help
- And, more than \$817,000 in directed, designated and advised grants for a wide array of charitable purposes



The Problem?

Young adults seeking employment opportunities outside of the West Virginia after graduation.

College students feel they have no employment or interest or opportunities or within their hometown.

Civic Leaders Fellowship Program

Program Concept: Provide college students with full-time, paid work experience at various non-profits and other local organizations at no cost to the participating organizations.

3-Year Program

Year 1: Professional Development

Year 2: Grant Writing

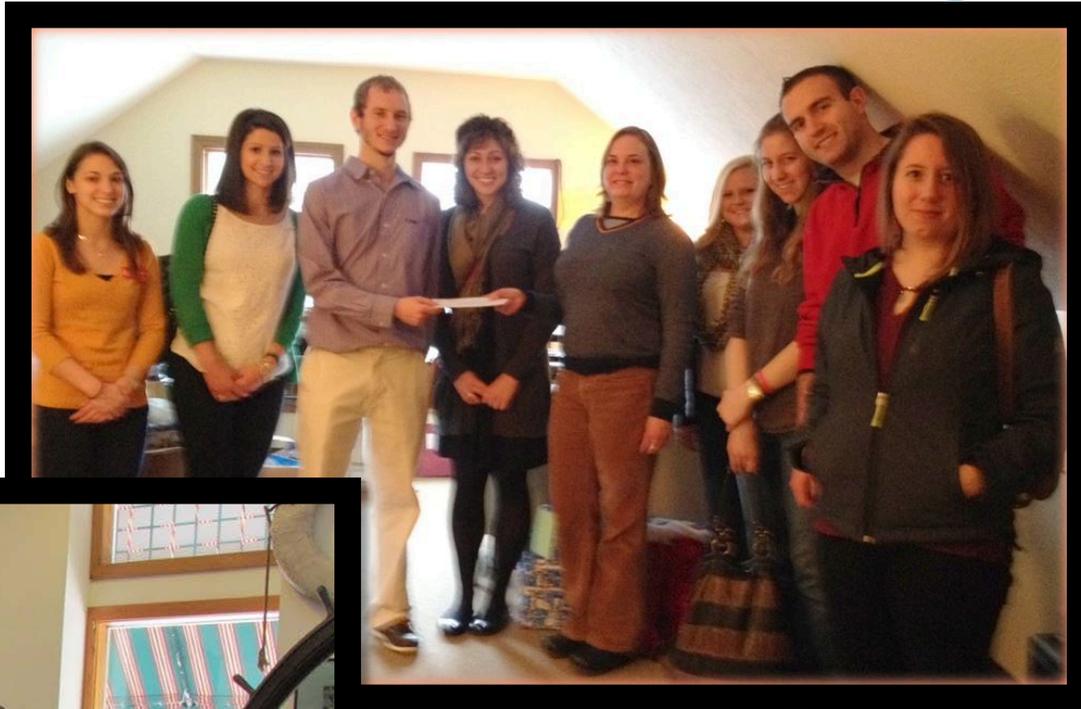
Year 3: Networking and Preparation for Workforce Entry



Professional Development



Grant Writing



Networking and Preparation for Work Force Entry

- Developing a Professional Network
- Interviewing Skills
- Branding Yourself Professionally
- Understanding Management Styles/Techniques
- Maintaining a Professional Resume
- Writing Cover Letters
- Giving Presentations



How the Civic Leaders Fellowship Program Benefits the Community

- Provides a full-time intern (for eight weeks) to non-profits and other local organizations at no cost to the host organizations.
- 2nd-Year Interns conduct site visits and award grants to local non-profits while learning how to participate in the grant-writing process.
- College students learn how to become involved with local philanthropic organizations.
- College students learn about local positions and return to the area for employment post-graduation.



For more information visit:

<http://www.pacfwv.org/civic-leaders-fellowship-program-2014>

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