



A bi-monthly e-publication offering a snapshot of key issues impacting philanthropy, our community and the foundation's agenda.

## Strategic Focus Areas

### PHILANTHROPY

#### The Foundation Center elects Clotilde Perez-Bode Dedecker to its Board



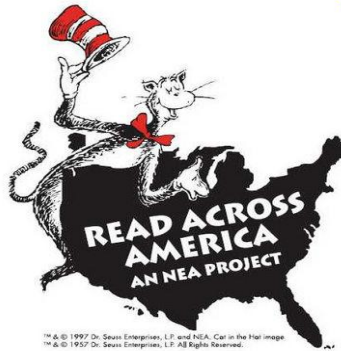
The Foundation Center, the leading source of information about philanthropy worldwide named **Clotilde Dedecker**, President / CEO of the Community Foundation to its board of trustees. Her service begins in April 2011.



#### Community Foundation disaster relief fund accepting donations toward Japan relief efforts

In the wake of Japan's massive earthquake and tsunami, the Community Foundation is accepting donations online that will go towards relief and recovery efforts. If you wish to make a donation [click here](#).

### SELF SUFFICIENCY



#### Read to Succeed Buffalo participates in Read Across America



Read to Succeed Buffalo participated as a host site for "Read Across America" a day-long celebration of reading with events taking place throughout the city.

#### Oishei makes largest private grant to Canisius College's Science Hall



A **\$2 million grant** from The John R. Oishei Foundation will help fund the first phase of development for Canisius College's Science Hall, fostering a collaborative learning environment.

### REGIONAL ASSETS



#### Despite county cuts, foundations offer support to dozens of arts and cultural groups



Eleven foundations including The John R. Oishei Foundation and the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo have raised **\$430,000** to benefit **36** arts/cultural organizations in Erie County.

#### Oishei supports Roycroft Campus' Power House reconstruction



Ravaged by fire in 1997, the Power House on the Roycroft campus will be rebuilt thanks in part to a grant made possible by The John R. Oishei Foundation, creating an educational centerpiece for the campus.

**Do more than give, solving complex issues facing communities**



Mark Kramer, philanthropic strategist and accomplished author leads the discussion in his new book on how donors can rise to address the complex issues facing our communities. (Chapter 1 is available for free download)



**Slow U.S. economic recovery has many nonprofits anticipating another difficult year**



A recent survey from Nonprofit Finance Fund found that **85% of the 1,900 nonprofit leaders** surveyed expect demand for their services to increase in 2011, especially organizations providing critical services.



**HOME begins construction on mixed use facility**



The Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, along with **7 funders** and over **50 donors** awarded nearly **\$2.9 million** for the construction of the Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME) facility.

**Oishei supports third year of Catholic Diocese's Leadership Competencies program**



Fully funded by The John R. Oishei Foundation, the program seeks to educate administration, teachers and school boards on leadership skills while advancing efforts for increasing enrollment and volunteerism.

**Community Foundation awards grant to Regional Youth Ballet**



The Bauman Fund administered through the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo awarded a grant to the Chautauqua Regional Youth Ballet in Jamestown to support the production of Les Sylphides in its original form.



**Central Terminal releases master plan supported by Community Foundation**



The Central Terminal Restoration Corporation with support from the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo has released its master plan calling for mixed use development for the East Side landmark.

**NEIGHBORHOOD REVIVAL**

**UB partners on Federal grant to support "Promise Neighborhoods" program**



In partnership with UB's Center for Educational Collaboration the Buffalo Promise Neighborhood program will receive **\$750,000** from a federal grant and local funders including The John R. Oishei

**COMMUNITY HEALTH**



**MAP expands its greenhouse and Aquaponic farm to a commercial scale**

**ENVIRONMENT**

**Community Foundation hosts Green Code meetings to engage residents in shaping Buffalo's future**



Buffalo Green Code meetings co-hosted by the Community Foundation are encouraging input from neighborhood residents across the city for shaping Buffalo's

Foundation to support a community based educational development program.



**The Niagara District of the West Side is making a comeback**



**Harvey Garrett**, executive director of the West Side Community Collaborative explains how training and empowering residents in these neighborhoods has resulted in an improved quality of life.

**Oishei makes one-stop campus for refugee services a reality**



The John R. Oishei Foundation awarded a **\$500,000 grant** to Catholic Charities of Buffalo to renovate the Nativity Roman Catholic Church on Buffalo's West Side expanding its capacity for refugee services.



The Massachusetts Avenue Project will complete an expansion project by early spring, growing their operation by nearly **20 times**, providing residents/restaurants with thousands of pounds of fresh fish and vegetables.

**Oishei supports Family and Children's Service expansion project**



Family and Children's Service of Niagara County has reached its capital campaign goal of **\$3.3 million**, thanks in part to a challenge grant provided by The John R. Oishei Foundation.



**NU wins top spot in College Green Bowl contest**



Niagara University students were awarded **\$3,000** through an online contest hosted by the Community Foundation and GrowWNY.org to support the construction of a community vegetable garden.

new sustainable land use plan.

**Lois Gibbs Fellowship names this year's fellows**



The Clean Air Coalition with support from the Community Foundation selected **15 fellows** to participate in activist training during this year's Lois Gibbs Fellowship program.



**Community Foundation supports reNU Niagara's leadership development program**



The Community Foundation awarded a **\$27,374 grant** to address the leadership gap that exists in the city of Niagara Falls by building civic capacity through environmental revitalization.