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he City of Allentown’s park system is vast and wide. It offers everyone unfettered access to the quiet of nature, the boisterous chatter of a basketball game, the abundant fragrance of roses, and the rush of water down a stream. This diversity of environment is stewarded by the City of Allentown and enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.

Parks are a great meeting place where everyone is welcome. Prior to the pandemic, Allentown’s parks were increasingly enjoyed by diverse groups of people representing all of the City’s population. The pandemic intensified the use of outdoor spaces, making Allentown an ideal destination for all people seeking relief from stress, boredom, inactivity, and isolation.

The Trexler Trust is appreciative of the City’s efforts during such a difficult time. We especially thank Mr. Rick Holtzman and his indomitable parks crew for keeping the parks available when we needed them most. And, for maintaining them now that we’ve all fostered a greater desire to be outdoors.

Allentown’s great diversity in its park system invites everyone to experience something outdoors. The offerings run the gamut from a skateboarding park to a covered bridge to soccer fields and spray parks. Picnic pavilions gather families and friends while sculpture brings creative thought inward. The

City boasts 27 different parks with many unique amenities including a boat launch, a trout nursery, and a band shell.

General Harry C. Trexler called parks “the lungs of a city.” His lasting gift to Allentown’s residents is this generous park system that was immediately available to act as a place of safety, deep satisfaction, and well-being during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The City of Allentown will benefit from the Trust’s 2022 distribution of \$2.05 million for the “improvements, extension, and maintenance of all its parks.” Lehigh County charities will receive \$4.1 million in grants to continue their philanthropic service to the community.

We invite you to seek out the charitable organizations listed in these pages and learn about the good work that they do. And, we invite you to enjoy the diversity of Allentown’s parks throughout the City—take a stroll in the Old-Fashioned Garden, catch a fish in the Little Lehigh, treat your dog to a romp in the Dixon Street Dog Park, bike along the towpath—get outside with your neighbors and into nature.

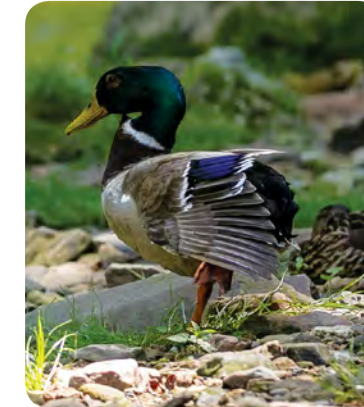
**Barnet H. Fraenkel**

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# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



## Statement of Revenues and Expenses

	2022	2021
<b>Revenues</b>		
Dividends and Interest	\$2,463,142.77	\$1,353,885.77
Realized Capital Gains (Losses)	13,671,233.11	(2,046,922.92)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	16,134,375.88	(693,037.15)
<b>Expenses</b>		
Administrative and General	745,229.43	729,883.02
Professional Services	101,358.61	123,011.95
City of Allentown Park Studies	17,792.00	24,034.59
Occupancy	91,409.86	44,640.15
Insurance	12,267.00	7,403.00
Excise Tax	14,584.00	0.00
<b>Total Administrative Expenses</b>	982,640.90	928,972.71
<b>Excess of Revenues Over Expenses Before Grants</b>	15,151,734.98	(1,622,009.86)
<b>Charitable Grants</b>	5,979,684.50	5,697,895.00
<b>Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenses After Grants</b>	9,172,050.48	(7,319,904.86)
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets</b>	9,172,050.48	(7,319,904.86)
<b>Fund Balances - Beginning of Year</b>	111,876,750.26	119,196,655.12
<b>Fund Balances - End of Year</b>	\$121,048,800.74	\$111,876,750.26

## Statement of Financial Position

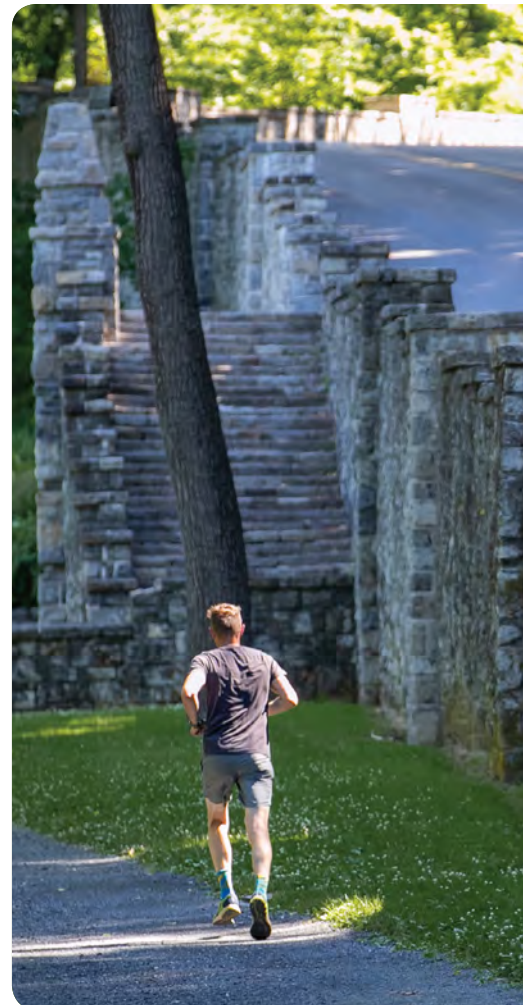
	2022	2021
<b>Assets</b>		
Investments		
Mutual Funds	\$94,356,200.01	\$91,113,725.27
Alternative Investments	26,405,392.01	20,908,292.15
<b>Total Investments</b>	120,761,592.02	112,022,017.42
Cash	58,044.75	164,573.73
Other Non-Investment Assets	296,507.86	270,779.43
<b>Total Assets</b>	121,116,144.63	112,457,370.58
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>		
Liabilities	67,343.89	580,620.32
Fund Balances	121,048,800.74	111,876,750.26
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	\$121,116,144.63	\$112,457,370.58

The figures contained in this report are compliant with accounting procedures for estates in Pennsylvania and provisions of the Will of Harry C. Trexler. Asset values are shown at acquisition cost rather than market value.



# DISTRIBUTION TO BENEFICIARIES

<b>Allentown Area Ecumenical Food Bank</b> underwrite operating expenses for the food pantry.....	\$65,000
<b>Allentown Art Museum</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$175,000
<b>Allentown Band</b> underwrite operating expenses for Lehigh County concerts and educational outreach.....	\$4,000
<b>Allentown Band</b> underwrite building improvements.....	\$4,000
<b>Allentown Central Catholic High School</b> underwrite scholarships for Allentown School District transfer students entering 9th grade with a maximum scholarship of \$7,500.....	\$25,000
<b>Allentown Public Library</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$75,000
<b>Allentown School District Foundation</b> support the Allentown School District Science Fair.....	\$40,000
<b>Allentown Symphony Association</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$70,000
<b>Allentown Youth Soccer Club</b> underwrite equipment costs.....	\$3,000
<b>Allentown, City of</b> improvements, extension, and maintenance of all its parks.....	\$2,050,000



<b>Animal Food Bank Services</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$10,000
<b>Baum School of Art</b> support the 2022 City Arts program.....	\$31,000
<b>Baum School of Art</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$110,000
<b>Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lehigh Valley</b> support expansion of the community-based mentoring program in Lehigh County.....	\$18,000
<b>Boys and Girls Club of Allentown</b> underwrite expense of a new HVAC system.....	\$60,000
<b>Boys and Girls Club of Allentown</b> underwrite educational programming and operating expenses.....	\$70,000
<b>Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center</b> support programming for Lehigh County residents.....	\$35,000
<b>Burnside Plantation</b> underwrite programming for Lehigh County families.....	\$7,500
<b>Cancer Support Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley</b> underwrite Lehigh County programs.....	\$4,000
<b>Casa Guadalupe Center</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$75,000



The City of Allentown proudly offers more than 2,000 acres of dedicated park land for the benefit of residents and visitors. These parks are as diverse as the community they serve.

Families enjoy the Li'l-Le-Hi Trout Nursery all year long. Feeding the fish and watching them swarm for food is every child's delight. The fish hatchery, maintained by volunteers, helps stock the creek for the community's anglers.





Recreation of all varieties can be found throughout Allentown's park system. What looks like a lazy day in the creek under outstretched trees really is a game of outwitting the fish of the Little Lehigh Creek.

Intense physical activity adds great fun to being outdoors. Community Bike Works creates opportunities in Keck Park for youth to learn the basics of bicycling and earn their own bike—all the while developing healthy relationships with nature and each other.



<b>Casa Guadalupe Center</b> support the Pa'Lante Education Program for students K-12.....	\$97,000
<b>Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Allentown</b> underwrite operating expenses for community support services.....	\$55,000
<b>Cedar Crest College</b> purchase equipment for Forensic Science education.....	\$25,000
<b>Civic Theatre of Allentown</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$45,000
<b>Coalition for Appropriate Transportation</b> underwrite expenses for Lehigh County programs.....	\$5,000
<b>Communities in Schools of Eastern Pennsylvania</b> underwrite operating expenses in the Allentown School District.....	\$140,000
<b>Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley</b> underwrite operating expenses for the Sixth Street Shelter.....	\$20,000
<b>Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley</b> underwrite youth programming for the Neighborhood Partnership Program.....	\$25,000
<b>Community Bike Works</b> underwrite operating expenses for Allentown programs.....	\$80,000



<b>Community Music School</b> underwrite Lehigh County operating expenses.....	\$50,000
<b>Community Services for Children</b> underwrite innovative programming for low-income Allentown children.....	\$30,000
<b>Coplay Public Library</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$20,000
<b>Da Vinci Discovery Center of Science and Technology</b> underwrite Lehigh County program expenses.....	\$40,000
<b>Da Vinci Discovery Center of Science and Technology</b> second installment for the Allentown Expansion Project.....	\$100,000
<b>DeSales University</b> purchase equipment for Speech Language Pathology education.....	\$20,000
<b>Easterseals Eastern Pennsylvania</b> underwrite developmental evaluations of Lehigh County children.....	\$10,000
<b>Emmaus Historical Society</b> underwrite expenses for community education services.....	\$2,500
<b>Emmaus Public Library</b> underwrite operating expenses.....	\$20,000
<b>Everlasting Life Ministries</b> underwrite expenses to serve Lehigh County residents.....	\$35,000
<b>Family Promise of the Lehigh Valley</b> underwrite services for Lehigh County homeless families.....	\$15,000
<b>Fund to Benefit Children &amp; Youth</b> underwrite necessities for low-income Lehigh County families.....	\$5,000





The diversity of Allentown's parks matches the diversity of Allentown's residents. The parks offer a wide range of activities for youth and elders along with many passive areas for quiet reflection and rejuvenation.



**Grace Community Foundation**  
underwrite operating expenses for the food pantry.....\$30,000

**Grace Montessori School**  
underwrite scholarships for low-income students residing in Allentown.....\$12,000

**Greater Valley YMCA**  
underwrite capital improvements for the Allentown branch.....\$75,000

**Greater Valley YMCA**  
underwrite operating expenses for the Allentown branch.....\$200,000

**Guardianship Support Agency**  
underwrite operating expenses to assist decision-impaired Lehigh County residents.....\$12,000

**Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley**  
underwrite the Home Repair Program for low-income Allentown residents..... \$150,000

**Haven House**  
underwrite food pantry and transportation expenses for Lehigh County residents.....\$30,000

**Jerusalem House Ministries**  
underwrite expenses to serve neighborhood residents.....\$50,000

**Jewish Community Center of Allentown**  
support creation of a media center.....\$10,000

**Jewish Community Center of Allentown**  
support general operating expenses.....\$85,000

**Jewish Family Service of the Lehigh Valley**  
underwrite case management services for low-income Lehigh County residents.....\$45,000

**Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation**  
support educational programs and new technology.....\$50,000



The Lehigh Valley Road Runners hosts formal running events like the Superbowl 10K, free summer runs for kids, the ice scraper series, and informal running groups at South Mountain Preserve, Lehigh Parkway, and Cedar Creek Park.

The Dixon Street Dog Park is directly across from the Lehigh County Humane Society. The dog park has two fenced areas: one for large dogs and one for small dogs. Next to Trout Creek Park, it's a great place to take Fido and friends for a romp in the grass.

**Lehigh Conference of Churches**  
support improvements to Dubbs Memorial Community Center.....\$70,000

**Lehigh Conference of Churches**  
underwrite operating expenses.....\$125,000

**Lehigh County Historical Society**  
support operating expenses.....\$60,000

**Lehigh County Humane Society**  
support community vet clinic services for low-income Allentown residents.....\$10,000

**Lehigh County Senior Citizens**  
support social, recreational, and educational programs for Lehigh County elders.....\$25,000

**Lehigh Valley Arts and Cultural Alliance**  
underwrite operating expenses for Lehigh County services.....\$12,500

**Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living**  
underwrite operating expenses for Lehigh County services.....\$30,000

**Lehigh Valley Children's Centers**  
support the renovation of the South Mountain Center's play area.....\$25,000







**Lehigh, County of**  
 underwrite wayfinding signage at  
 the Trexler Nature Preserve .....\$47,500

**Lehigh, County of**  
 underwrite the development of the HUB software  
 for Lehigh County’s Regional Intelligence and  
 Investigation Center (RIIC).....\$75,000

**Liberty Bell Shrine of Allentown**  
 underwrite educational programming for  
 Allentown School District students.....\$15,000

**Literacy Center**  
 underwrite operating expenses to  
 serve Lehigh County residents.....\$75,000

**Macungie Band**  
 support operating expenses.....\$1,000

**Manito Life Center**  
 support equine-based therapy programs for  
 at-risk Lehigh County residents.....\$35,000

**Mercy School for Special Learning**  
 underwrite operating expenses to  
 serve Lehigh County students.....\$55,000

**Miracle League of the Lehigh Valley**  
 underwrite facility improvements.....\$5,000

**Muhlenberg College**  
 underwrite the internship program  
 benefiting Allentown nonprofits .....\$50,000

Gather your friends for a bike ride along the Lehigh River. Start in Keck Park, wind your way down to Canal Park, and enjoy the path along the water’s edge. Or, grab your canoe and float downriver, gazing at the tree-lined shore and the many birds soaring overhead.

Technique matched with bravado draws skateboarders to Allentown’s Skatepark. One of the many amenities of Jordan Park, the skatepark is the ideal venue for perfecting tricks and enjoying the skateboarding culture.



**Municipal Band of Allentown**  
 underwrite operating support and  
 Lehigh County concerts.....\$1,000

**Neighborhood Center**  
 underwrite operating expenses.....\$45,000

**Northern Lehigh Recreation Authority**  
 underwrite a youth summer  
 recreation program.....\$10,000

**Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival**  
 underwrite educational programming  
 for Allentown School District students.....\$25,000

**Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra**  
 support for the 2021-2022 season.....\$10,000

**Pinebrook Family Answers**  
 underwrite operating expenses for  
 services to Lehigh County residents.....\$100,000

**Pioneer Band of Allentown**  
 underwrite operating expenses and  
 Lehigh County concerts.....\$1,000

**Pratyush Sinha Foundation**  
 underwrite programs in the  
 Allentown School District.....\$7,500

**Promise Neighborhoods of Lehigh Valley**  
 support increased organizational  
 fundraising capacity.....\$75,000

**Public Library of Catasauqua**  
 underwrite technology upgrades.....\$15,000

**Repertory Dance Theatre**  
 support Allentown School District  
 educational outreach programs.....\$10,000

**Resurrected Community  
 Development Corporation**  
 support the Freedom School for Allentown youth.....\$15,000

Allentown’s parks blend nature with art—sculpture mixes with the sweet smells of the Rose Garden. General Trexler looks out over Trexler Park. Workers enjoy lunch in the Arts Park under the trees and in front of the mural while admiring da Vinci’s Horse.







**Ripple Community**  
 underwrite operating expenses for services to  
 Lehigh County residents.....\$110,000

**Sacred Heart Hospital of Allentown**  
 support the Faith-Based Nursing  
 Program in Allentown.....\$50,000

**Salvation Army**  
 support the Allentown Corps'  
 operating expenses.....\$185,000

**Sights for Hope**  
 support services for Lehigh County residents.....\$12,000

**Slatington Public Library**  
 underwrite operating expenses.....\$30,000

**Turning Point of Lehigh Valley**  
 support services for Lehigh County residents.....\$20,000

**Union and West End Cemetery Association**  
 underwrite operating expenses.....\$10,000

**Valley Against Sex Trafficking**  
 underwrite programming.....\$7,500

**Via of the Lehigh Valley**  
 support employment programs for  
 Lehigh County residents.....\$20,000

**Wildlands Conservancy**  
 continue support for the  
 Jordan Creek Greenway.....\$25,000

**Wildlife Information Center**  
 underwrite operating expenses for  
 services to Lehigh County residents.....\$25,000

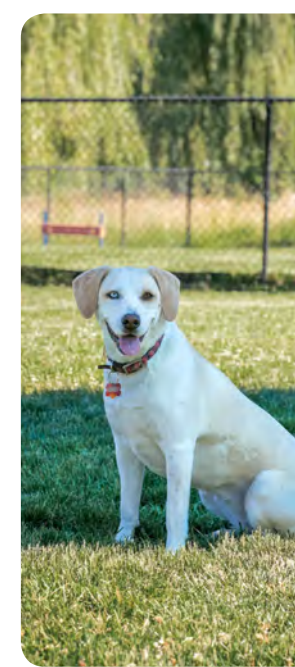
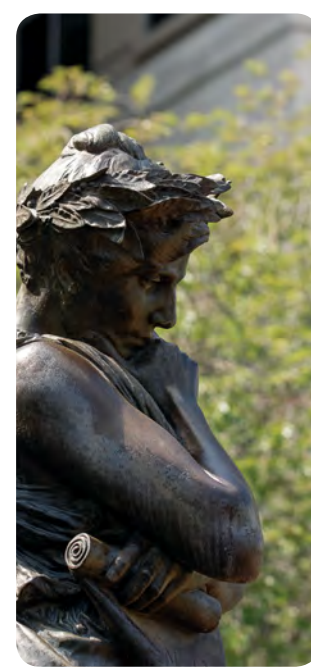
**Young Women's Christian Association**  
 underwrite operating expenses for  
 services to Lehigh County residents.....\$75,000

**Zion's Reformed United Church of Christ**  
 underwrite operating expenses for  
 the Jubilee Breakfast Ministry.....\$10,000

The Works Progress Administration (WPA) structures lend their enduring strength as unique elements of Allentown's park system. Lehigh Parkway is graced with several monumental structures built during the Great Depression of the 1930s.

Throughout the City can be found picnic areas; historic features; courts for basketball, tennis, pickleball, and handball; walking and biking trails; playgrounds; equestrian trails; swimming pools and spray parks; performance spaces and fountains; public art; and so much more.

The parks are a meeting place for old friends and new. Thank you to our friends at Community Bike Works, Lehigh County Humane Society, and Lehigh Valley Road Runners for your help with this report. These organizations bring our community together in unique ways and we are grateful!







HARRY C. TREXLER TRUST



LEFT TO RIGHT:

- J. Scott Pidcock
- Donald M. Bernhard
- Jamie P. Musselman
- Barnet H. Fraenkel
- L. Charles Marcon

## TESTAMENTARY TRUSTEES

	Term
<i>Nolan P. Benner</i>	1934-1980
<i>Victor E. Fritz</i>	1951-1963
<i>Granville J. Heintzleman</i>	1934-1940
<i>J. Thomas Schantz</i>	1934-1951
<i>George F. Seiberling</i>	1934-1945
<i>John C. Shumberger Sr.</i>	1945-1958
<i>Joseph S. Young</i>	1934-1985

## APPOINTED TRUSTEES

<i>William B. Butz</i>	1940-1986
<i>Elmer H. Bausch</i>	1958-1964
<i>Carl J.W. Hessinger</i>	1963-2001
<i>Richard K. White</i>	1964-2000
<i>Dexter F. Baker</i>	1982-2006
<i>Kathryn Stephanoff</i>	1985-2010
<i>Philip I. Berman</i>	1987-1997
<i>Daniel G. Gambet</i>	1997-2017
<i>Malcolm J. Gross</i>	2000-2020
<i>Robert C. Wood</i>	2002-2011
<i>William F. Greenawald</i>	2007-2008
<i>Barnet H. Fraenkel</i>	2008-
<i>Jamie P. Musselman</i>	2010-
<i>L. Charles Marcon</i>	2012-
<i>J. Scott Pidcock</i>	2017-
<i>Donald M. Bernhard</i>	2020-

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