

DEXTER KEEZER COMMUNITY FUND P.O. Box 572 Truro, MA 02666

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For those of you who are not aware of the Dexter Keezer Community Fund; its purpose is to help Truro residents in need.

A little background; In the 1970s when Mr. Keezer, a public-spirited Truro resident, retired from the Truro Neighborhood Association (TNA), a fund was established in his honor to help assist Truro residents through unexpected financial crises. The fund was administered by the TNA for many years. Then, thanks to the initiative of Mr. Keezer's daughter Nan Keezer Read, the Fund became an independent organization in 1999 and achieved 501c3 non profit status in 2002.

The fund is administered by volunteers, who, in conjunction with other local charitable organizations, make financial grants to residents who are in need of temporary help. Helping with a month's supply of heating oil, a missed mortgage or rent payment, a critical automobile repair, snow removal for a senior or disabled person are all examples of how the Fund has helped our neighbors in need. We are also available to assist families and individuals with expenses that may not be covered by medical insurance; such as equipment to help assist a disabled person or their family to better manage the challenges that they face; or costs for a child to join a sports team or other extracurricular activity that would otherwise be beyond the family budget.

The DKCF has been a major contributor to the Truro Food Pantry over the years. This past year, the fund granted a total of \$12,000 to the pantry; which would not be possible without the generosity of our benefactors. Having the Food Pantry available for our residents makes it possible for families and individuals to have funds available for other vital expenses.

COMMUNITY AID

The Fund is deeply grateful to these local and other charitable organizations for their generous gifts to the Fund: Truro Treasures, The First Congregational Parish of Truro, the Unitarian Universalist Meetinghouse of Provincetown, The Town of Truro Human Services Committee, and the Chapel of St. James the Fisherman of Wellfleet.

In addition, the Fund applauds the numerous Truro people and others who enthusiastically respond to our annual appeal.

WE WELCOME YOUR SUPPORT



During 2014 the Fund distributed a total \$32,672 to Truro families and individuals in need; Thus far in 2015 a total of \$22,217 has been given in grants to members of the community.

To ensure the same level of generosity in the year ahead, we ask you to send your fully tax-deductible donation payable to the Dexter Keezer Community Fund and mailed to Box 572, Truro, MA 02666.

You may use the enclosed envelope for your check, or contribute on line at <u>www.keezerfund.org</u>.

HOW TO CONTACT THE FUND

If you are a Truro person in need, please contact your place of worship or any of the Following agencies:

Lower Cape Outreach Council	508-240-0694
Homeless Prevention Council	508-255-9667
Truro Council on Aging	508-487-2462
Helping Our Women	508-487-4357

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