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 Cheboygan Communities Foundation,
 Kling's Auto Recycling, Michigan Lake
 Products, Straits Area Printing &
 Wheeler Chevrolet-Buick
 Team Up to Clean Up Cheboygan County!

CHEBOYGAN COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION PRESENTS:



NORTHERN STEEL

WE WANT YOUR GARBAGE... AND THAT'S NOT TRASH TALK.

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 re-use 3353
 revitalize

The members of **NORTHERN STEEL** - 2016 promo photo shoot

Cheboygan Communities Foundation has teamed up with **NORTHERN STEEL**, a worldwide phenomenon in the new wave of 'Trash Metal' music, and an environmentally responsible message: **We want your recyclable metals, and we want them NOW!** If you have discarded metal items in your yard or on your property that you've been wanting to get rid of, now is the time to be done with it once and for all. **NORTHERN STEEL** has wowed audiences across the globe, but they've come home for the summer to rock and roll the neighborhoods and spread their unique recycling message to the masses. Whatever you've got: old household appliances, junk cars or trucks, farm equipment. . . EVERYTHING METAL!

ANNOUNCING FREE PICK-UP!!*
CALL 420-5710!!

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

- VEHICLES • METAL BOATS
- METAL HOISTS • FARM EQUIPMENT
- CULVERTS - PIPES

**Items need to weigh at least 1,000 lbs to qualify for free pick-up*

If you have smaller metal items you would like to dispose of and for details or more information, please call Denise at 231-420-5710.

Call between 4 & 7 pm or leave a message.

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Northern Steel Starts Off with a Bang!



On Saturday, July 9th, our Kick Off Event at Michigan Lake Products was a huge success! Both Wheeler Motors and Michigan Lake Products made very generous donations.



President Richard Sanford and board member Noreen Keating made some announcements and thanked sponsors, attendees and contributors who helped with the event.



Mike Ridley, Tuscarora Township Supervisor, thanked members of the Cheboygan Communities Foundation for their hard work and dedication to the Northern Steel initiative in helping to clean up Cheboygan County.

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Economic Development Continues to Move Forward in Cheboygan County

Summer 2016

Foundation Board Members Meet with Senator Gary Peters

Congress has approved construction of another heavy Great Lakes Icebreaker in a semi-annual bill that authorizes U.S. Coast Guard funding for the next two years.

Senator Gary Peters called the new Great Lakes cutter a "much-needed addition." Senator Peters pushed for the ship in 2015, saying wear on the existing fleet had reduced its ability to clear shipping lanes; particularly during the previous two winters, when ice cover reached historic levels on the lakes.

Encouraged by the news, members of the Cheboygan Communities Foundation went to work and scheduled a meeting with Senator Gary Peters earlier that month. They passionately made the case for making Cheboygan the home port for the new Icebreaker. Our facility can easily accommodate a second icebreaker. This facility was upgraded in 2006 for exactly that purpose, and for a time both the old and new Mackinaw Icebreakers were located here before the senior ship was decommissioned.

The Cheboygan Communities Foundation prompted many community organizations to draft letters of support.



Cheboygan Communities Foundation board member Noreen Keating and Senator Peters discuss the advantage of locating the new Ice Breaker in Cheboygan.

Available infrastructure and a much needed economic boost for our community were popular themes and helped to make a compelling case for the Cheboygan area. Those letters were presented and well received by Senator Peters during their meeting.

On June 8th, The Great Lakes Maritime Task Force reported that U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin, D-Wis., had succeeded in getting \$2 million in funding for the vessel included in a bill that would fund the Department of Homeland Security.

Baldwin's provision would be the first to pay for initial work on the Icebreaker to complement the 240-foot Mackinaw, the only other vessel currently operating

on the lakes that is capable of cutting through fresh water ice up to 32 inches thick.



USCGC MACKINAW (WLBB-30) on the job in the Straits



USCGC MACKINAW (WLBB-30) in port at the mouth of the Cheboygan River

Grants Awarded by the Foundation:

- The Port of Cheboygan, \$12,500
- Digital Works, \$10,000
- Cheboygan Area High School Building Trades, \$1,400

Community Fiscal Sponsorships:

- The Wanigan Race
- The Great Up North Marketing Alliance

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Foundation Provides Assistance and Funding to the City of Cheboygan

The City of Cheboygan was seeking financial assistance to hire a qualified consultant to complete the site assessment required under section five of the Redevelopment Ready Communities® Program.

The Redevelopment Ready Communities® (RRC) Program is a state-wide certification program that supports communities to become development ready and competitive in today's economy. It encourages communities to adopt innovative redevelopment strategies and efficient processes which build confidence among businesses and developers. Through the RRC program, local municipalities receive assistance in establishing a solid foundation for development to occur in their communities - making them more attractive for investments that create places where people want to live, work and play.

With the facilitating of Cheboygan Communities Foundation board member Mary Herbert, both the City of Cheboygan and the CCF have identified the RRC program as their top priority for encouraging development and enhancing the health of the community. Unfortunately limited staff capacity of city employees make RRC a difficult goal to complete without outside help.

With that in mind, **the Foundation awarded a grant of \$1650** to the City of Cheboygan to help pay for the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) to assist in completing the RRC program requirements.

The need for the City to complete the RRC process is paramount for attracting future development and gaining access to grant funds from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC). Just recently the MEDC came out with a new grant program that the City of Cheboygan is eligible for called Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement, or ICE grants. If successful, this grant would give Cheboygan up to \$1 million to replace the water and sewer line as well as repaving and adding curbs and gutters to Huron Street from Lake Street to Division Street. This could have a huge impact on the City budget and the public health of its residents; however, without formal engagement in the RRC program, the City will lose points on their grant application which may impact their ability to receive the funding.

City officials, including Tom Eustice, City Manager, the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments and the NLEA recently approved a resolution to move forward with plans to have Cheboygan become a Redevelopment Ready Community.



Creating Opportunities for Cheboygan Area High School Students

Cheboygan Communities Foundation President and CEO Richard B. (Dick) Sanford and board member Jim Conboy are shown here presenting \$1400 to Ron Hart - Construction Trades teacher, Charles Miller - Paraprofessional Construction Trades, and students of the Cheboygan Area High School Building Trades program.

In January, the Cheboygan Communities Foundation agreed to provide funding for six students and two teachers to attend the Great Lakes HBA Builders Show in Novi, Michigan. The foundation also made arrangements for them to meet with northern Michigan builders, remodeling and historic preservation specialists which will hopefully result in long term relationships with the students and Cheboygan Area High School.

This was an incredible opportunity for students and teachers to gain information from the industry that we normally would not be able to see first hand, given our location. The Construction industry is rebounding everywhere at a very fast pace. The industry will need workers to fill all areas in construction and students coming out of high school can get right into a really good job. They can do this without much more training than they are getting right here at Cheboygan Area High School. The students were really excited as they had tried to go last year but did not have the funds.

Upon their return, the students and teachers began work on the renovation of the Cheboygan Carnegie Library under the project management of Cheboygan Communities Foundation board member Mary Hebert.

The Cheboygan Communities Foundation is a non-profit organization and all donations are tax-deductible. Donations go directly to projects and organizations identified by the Foundation as having potential to improve the quality of life for the residents and citizens of Cheboygan County.



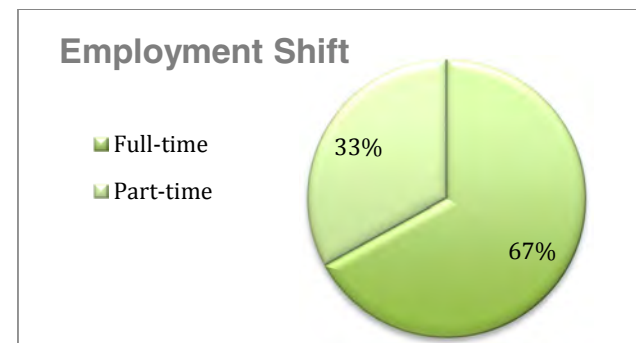
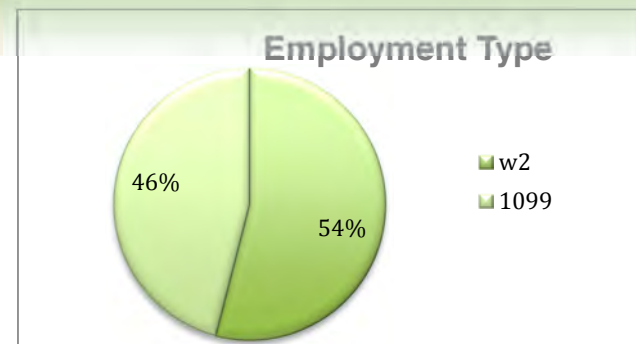
"The Cheboygan Communities Foundation is really doing a great job helping to bring jobs to this area."

Ron Hart, Construction Trades teacher



Digital Works continues to connect Cheboygan County residents with new employment opportunities. Their numbers continue to increase and they will be introducing a new service called "Customer Service Performance Improvement Program" available to local employers and businesses.

Cheboygan		Enterprise	
119	Applicants	3,573	
71%	84 Orientation Attended	61%	
57%	48 Candidates Enrolled	46%	
90%	43 Training Graduates	82%	
26%	11 Waiver	18%	
33%	14 Job Searching	14%	
74%	18 Placement	81%	
\$9 - \$15	Average Wage	\$14	



Cheboygan Communities Foundation awarded grants totalling \$10,000 in the effort to encourage Digital Works to locate in Cheboygan County.

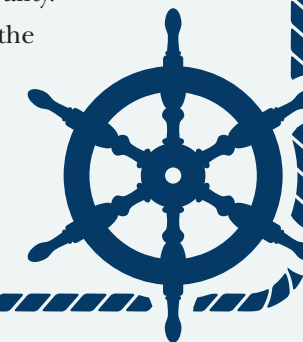


Join The Admiralty Society in 2016 to Become a Founding Member!

Donate \$500.00 or more and join a distinguished list of community leaders by becoming a founding member of the Cheboygan Communities Foundation Royalty.

Member benefits include an invitation to the CCF Annual Meeting, recognition on website, at donor events, in community announcements and other CCF communications.

For information, please call 231-420-5710.



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