

WHY SUPPORT THE TAMWORTH FOUNDATION?

The 21st century presents tremendous and often difficult challenges to small towns like ours. We need to be flexible enough to respond to changing conditions while protecting the best of what we have. To achieve this balance requires innovative thinking and creative problem solving.

Since 1937, The Foundation has helped Tamworth fulfill its needs and create new projects that benefit the community, relying solely on the contributions of our donors. We also depend on our supporters to give us guidance and thoughtful opinions.

Our grants touch virtually all aspects of life in Tamworth. We support our youth, our elderly, community and medical services, the arts, the town's infrastructure, and many special projects. In making decisions, we strive to allocate funds where we feel they will provide the greatest present and future good for all Tamworth residents.

Tamworth Jr. Ski Program — 2007 photo by Sabina Robbins



From the restored **Veterans Memorial** to an **emergency heating assistance fund** during a cold winter when prices spiked, to the **Nonprofit Summits** designed to help our local nonprofits work together and prosper, The Foundation supports the community through grants, guidance, and the management of our endowment.

Supporting The Tamworth Foundation is an effective and direct way to support Tamworth.

Tamworth Veterans Memorial Dedication Ceremony — 2007



photo by Bradley Ball

WAYS TO GIVE

The **Tamworth Foundation** sends out an **annual appeal** letter asking for support from the community we serve. **We gratefully accept donations at any time of year.** In addition to the generous unrestricted giving that allows us to make grants to a wide variety of local organizations, as a **community foundation** we can administer **gifts designated for special purposes** such as a field of interest fund, a scholarship fund, support or an endowment for a specific local organization. We can help individuals who wish to contribute in perpetuity to the town they love through **Planned and Legacy Giving**. For more information, please contact us.

Tamworth Caregivers offers no-fee transportation services to homebound Tamworth residents, providing access to crucial medical and independent living services. The Tamworth Foundation contributed toward this critical need for transportation services funding.

—Melissa Donaldson

THE TAMWORTH FOUNDATION GRANT GUIDELINES

Priority for Tamworth Foundation discretionary funding is given to projects and organizations which demonstrate the following:

- **service to the people of Tamworth**
- **enhancement of the applicant's mission**
- **evidence of collaboration with other community organizations**
- **a means of becoming self-sustaining**

We welcome ideas and queries as well as formal applications. In addition to grant money, we offer advice and guidance to community nonprofits and projects. For more information and an application form, please visit our website: www.tamworthfoundation.org

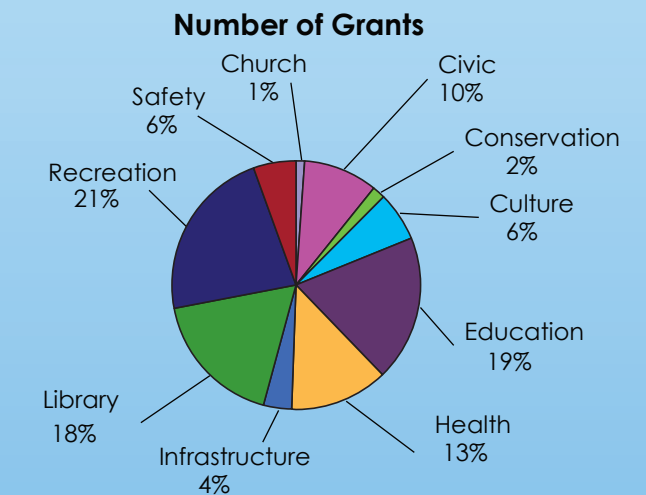
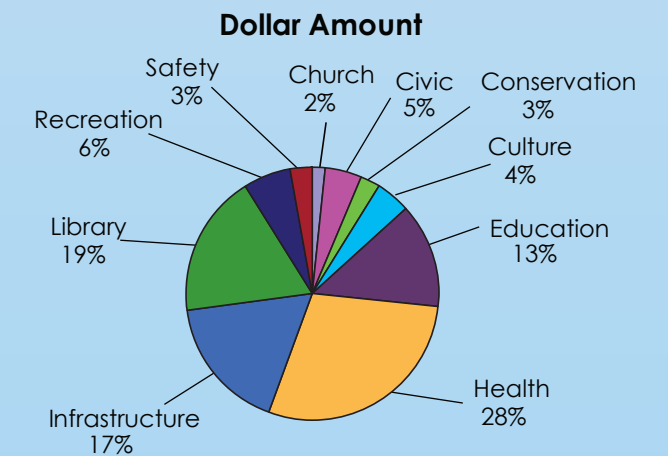
The gift of a sound system to the Arts Council of Tamworth supported our mission to bring the arts to Tamworth. It has also been used by TCNA, The Community School, The Barnstormers and other local nonprofits. It has provided Tamworth residents with sound for weddings, funerals, fundraising for families in need, and more.

—Dennis Quinn, ACT

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Grant History: 1937-2009

Category	Dollar Amount	Number of Grants
Church	61,950	9
Civic	175,049	78
Conservation	97,158	13
Culture	160,583	50
Education	503,071	150
Health	1,077,146	102
Infrastructure	639,691	28
Library	691,725	141
Recreation	218,328	177
Safety	108,861	45
Grand Totals	\$3,733,562	793



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MISSION STATEMENT:

The purpose of this Corporation shall be to preserve and improve the physical properties of the spiritual, intellectual, social and physical well-being of the inhabitants of the Town of Tamworth in Carroll County, New Hampshire, through the acquisition, management and disposition of properties to that end.

—September 4th, 1937



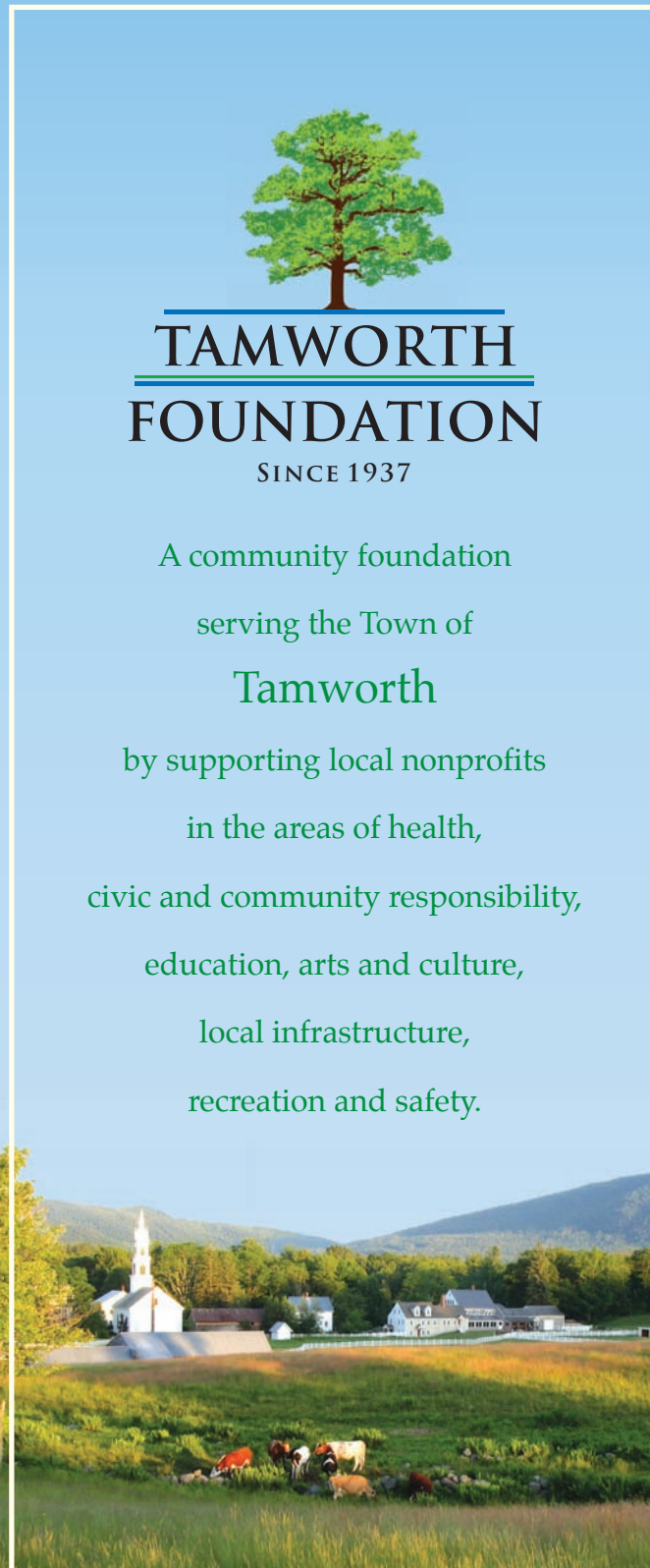
Ordination Rock • photo by Janina Lamb

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Tamworth Village
photo by Sheldon Perry



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SINCE 1937

A community foundation

serving the Town of

Tamworth

by supporting local nonprofits

in the areas of health,

civic and community responsibility,

education, arts and culture,

local infrastructure,

recreation and safety.

WHO WE ARE

The Tamworth Foundation was formed in 1937 by a group of Tamworth citizens to protect and support the town they loved. Their model was Sandwich's Quimby Fund.

More than seventy years later we are still fulfilling the mission of our founders. We strive to bring awareness and care to all that we do, so that our grants genuinely contribute to the quality of life in Tamworth.

The Tamworth Foundation has a board of six directors elected to three-year terms by the vote of our members at the annual meeting. Our members are the many people who

support The Tamworth Foundation's mission through generous donations and by sharing ideas, energy and expertise. We are here to help where there is need.

As a **community foundation**, we serve the town in several ways:

- We use unrestricted funds to make grants to local nonprofits for initiatives that will benefit the town.
- We can act as a fiscal agent for unincorporated groups designing projects that will serve the community.
- We administer directed gifts for special purposes, and we can help design gift vehicles suited to the needs of the donor.

I didn't realize the depth and the breath of what can be accomplished with one charitable organization until I was asked to become part of this wonderful entity four years ago. I soon learned that the goal of The Tamworth Foundation was to support all members of our community from the very young to the elderly.

Our board's diverse backgrounds pave the way for innovative thinking as to who we can serve and how. More importantly, you, our members, have helped these ideas come to fruition. With your generous support, we have helped every facet of the Tamworth Community.

—Gail Marrone, from *The State of the Foundation*, August 24, 2009

The Tamworth Civic News has received more than one type of valuable support from the Tamworth Foundation. In addition to financial support for special projects, the board has been willing to sit down with us and answer any and all questions about how to better manage our organization.

—Annie Riecken, Editor, TCN

Cook Library • photo by Bradley Ball

