

The Cabot Community Association (CCA) is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization and is led by a Board of Directors and a few very part-time paid staff members (approximate annual payroll \$24,000 for three individuals). The CCA works with residents to respond to community need and create programming to enhance the quality of life in Cabot, as well as promote economic development.

The town's investment in CCA of \$10,000 last year helped to leverage additional contributions of nearly \$216,000 in participant fees, charitable contributions, and grants that directly support the projects that Cabot residents run and participate in.

In calendar year 2023 the CCA:

--Launched the **Cabot Children's Center** on the ground floor of the United Church of Cabot to address the urgent need for childcare in Cabot. The center opened in November 2023 and is operated by Heather Smires of ABC LOL Childcare. The CCA secured more than \$109,000 for project coordination, equipment, and renovations to the Church.

--Served as fiscal agent and managed **flood relief donations**, from Go Fund Me and other contributors, totaling more than \$57,000, distributed grants to 77 residents and businesses, and assisted with volunteer coordination. All funds raised were awarded to flood relief.

--Coordinated **Cabot 4th of July** festivities. We continued to focus our efforts on promoting local business with increased food offerings in the village, vendor displays and organizations hosting activities to raise funds and provide activities for our holiday guests.

--Hosted the **Cabot Fall Foliage** event to provide opportunities to promote local businesses (Burtt's Orchard, Goodrich's Maple Farm, The Den, Cabot Village Store) and enjoy Cabot's fall foliage (Cabot Trails, Shutterbug car tour).

--Promoted and administered **Community Grants** to Cabot not for profits and grass roots organizations. The CCA awarded a total of \$10,000 to sixteen projects run by Cabot Not for Profits and grass roots organizations. Grant recipients from July 2022– June 2023 include: Cabot Arts, The Cabot Chronicle, Friends of Cabot Library, Fall Foliage Festival, Cabot Historical Society, Cabot Mentoring, Cabot July 4 celebration, Neighbors in Action, and Cabot Community Theater.

--Provided **bookkeeping**, administrative assistance, technical help, and grant research to six local grass roots organizations/projects who, because of their affiliation with the CCA, can solicit tax-deductible donations. These groups are Cabot Christmas Dinner, Friends of Cabot Mentoring, Ride the Ridges, Friends of Cabot Library, Friends of Cabot Trails, and Cabot Community Theater.

--Published *The Cabot Chronicle*. *The Cabot Chronicle* began publishing in 2008, and is a reliable communication vehicle for Cabot residents, government, businesses, and organizations.

In 2023 The Cabot Chronicle:

- Delivered 12 issues to every household in Cabot and beyond;
- Offered free and discounted advertising space to local not-for-profits and community groups;
- Provided extensive space to the town and school for coverage of town business and outreach;
- Dedicated a writer to regularly report on Selectboard meetings and town business.
- Encouraged citizens to participate in local elections by providing information they need;
- Collaborated with Historical Society to honor Cabot Veterans and capture their stories; and
- Promoted understanding and appreciation for what makes Cabot a great community.

We welcome new volunteers and ideas. If you are interested in being involved in any of the projects mentioned above, please contact us.

Paul Wade, PresidentFrRoz DanielsR.Lori Augustyniak, Executive Director

Frank Kampf, Vice President R.D. Eno Jeanne Johnson, Secretary Susan Robinson

Cabot Community Association Financial Report for fiscal year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Income	CCA Administration	The Cabot Chronicle
Advertising, Subscriptions		7,883
Charitable Contribution	44,371	2,599
Appropriation	10,000	15,000
Total Income	54,371	25,482
Expenses		
Administrative Expenses	(787)	(311)
Cabot Childcare Initiative	(27,000)	
Community Grants	(10,000)	
Insurance	(3,621)	
Office Rent & Utilities	(3,600)	
Printing & Postage	(204)	(10,122)
Payroll and Payroll Expense	(14,658)	(20,215)
Total Expenses	(59,870)	(30,648)
Net Income	(5,499)	(5,166)