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The Mission Statement of the Dexter Keezer Community Fund is
"to assist Truro residents in need of temporary financial
assistance in a timely manner."

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The fund grew out of the vision of Dexter Keezer, a public-spirited Truro resident. In 1999 through the initiative of his daughter, the DKCF first came about in an informal manner and in 2002, the fund became an independent 501c3 non-profit organization through the efforts of the trustees at that time.

In keeping with the mission of the fund, the current trustees have developed relationships with a number of local organizations, including the Homeless Prevention Council, Lower Cape Outreach, the Truro Council on Aging, Helping our Women, as well as local houses of worship and our schools. In this way we are able to reach out to those who may need assistance.

Because of the generosity of our many donors, we have been able to assist residents with rent and mortgage assistance, auto repairs, utilities, medical devices and equipment not covered by medical insurance. We generously assist many families and elderly residents during the holiday seasons and have been a major supporter of the Truro Food Pantry since our inception. In addition, we help to assist families with the cost of school programs as well as Truro recreation programs, which their children would otherwise be unable to attend due to the cost; and, going forward, we hope to begin offering scholarships to local deserving students.

Your donations may be mailed to: The Dexter Keezer Community Fund, P.O. Box 572, Truro, MA 02666 Or visit us at www.keezerfund.org to donate on-line

From Nauset Regional HS Guidance Counselor;

"I wanted to reach out to you to share the sincere, heart felt thanks from the families the Dexter Keezer Fund was able to help this year. This fund was able to provide essential support to several 8th grade students and their families, families that otherwise would not have the means to help their children take part in an amazing trip to Washington, DC.

The families have shared with me what this has meant to them. Being able to provide for their children, when they did not think they would be able to do so, has meant the world to them. Allowing their children the opportunity to take part when they have been embarrassed about not being able to fund such an opportunity in the past, has helped not only the students, but their parents as well.

So, I wanted to make sure to share their thoughts and feelings with you and the entire Dexter Keezer Fund "family", from these families to your "family"...thank you. It truly has made a difference in several families' lives this year."

The Trustees of the Dexter Keezer Community Fund are so very grateful for all the support that we have received from our many benefactors. All donations, from the smallest to the largest, are essential in enabling us to continue in our mission "to assist Truro residents in need of temporary financial assistance in a timely manner."

For those who may need assistance from the fund you may contact any of the following organizations:

Helping Our Women: (508) 487-4357
 Homeless Prevention Council: (508) 255-9667
 Lower Cape Outreach Council: (508) 240-0694
 Outer Cape Health Services: (508) 349-3141
 X2107
 Truro Council on Aging: (508) 487-2462
 Truro Recreation Dept: (508) 487-1632
 Truro Central School: (508) 487-1558
 Your House of Worship

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| Grants made October 2016- September 2017 | | | | | | |
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| Food Pantry | Mortgage Rent | School Costs | Auto Exp | Utilities | Holiday Help | Medical Other |
| \$8,000 | \$7,571 | \$7,142 | \$1,303 | \$3,946 | \$4,290 | \$2,161 |

In Memoriam: Ansel B. Chaplin (1931-2017)

Mr. Chaplin was an original board member of the Dexter Keezer Community fund since 1999. He will be remembered as the Board's Dexter Keezer historian, for he knew Mr. Keezer and his family very well.

Ansel will be remembered for his many years of unwavering service and dedication to his passion to make a difference. He will be remembered as the founder of the nationally recognized Compact of Cape Cod Conservation Trust. He will be remembered as the co-founder of the Truro Conservation Trust (1981). He will be remembered that he helped to establish the Truro Neighbor Association. He will be remembered as the "guiding hand" in information and evolution of the Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown. He will be remembered for service as a Board Member of Outer Cape Health Services, The Truro Planning Board, the Truro Board of Health and the Truro Shellfish Advisory Committee.

He will be mostly remembered for the twinkle in his eyes.

Sallie Tighe, Trustee, Dexter Keezer Community Fund