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PHILANTHROPY AND COMMUNITY

2025 Annual Report



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# BUILDING OPPORTUNITY. PRESERVING CULTURE. INVESTING IN PEOPLE.

## President and Chair's Message

### To Our Community Foundation Family,

As you reflect on the three cover photographs of this year's report, we hope they inspire the same values that have guided the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) for the past 35 years. **Fort Christian** reminds us that strong foundations endure. **Annaberg Plantation** reflects the resilience to overcome hardship. **Fort Frederik** stands as a symbol of courage, freedom, and the power of collective action. Together, these landmarks capture the enduring spirit of the Virgin Islands—and the heart of CFVI's mission.

For 35 years, CFVI has served as a trusted steward, convener, and connector, bringing together philanthropy, partnerships, and local knowledge to strengthen our community. Through grants, scholarships, and strategic initiatives, we have supported nonprofits, expanded educational opportunities, and preserved the rich culture and history of the Virgin Islands.

In 2025, as traditional funding sources became more limited, CFVI worked to identify new resources and strengthen partnerships to meet evolving community needs. We remained committed to advancing education, supporting the arts and humanities through the Humanities Council of the Virgin Islands, and building the capacity of nonprofit organizations across the Territory.

This year also brought moments of reflection and loss. CFVI mourned the passing of Board Member Emeriti Henry "Hank" Feuerzeig and Alda Monsanto, whose leadership, generosity, and commitment to the Virgin Islands helped shape our organization and community. We honor their legacy with gratitude and a renewed commitment to the values they embodied.

To our donors, nonprofit partners, board members, and community leaders, thank you. Together, we are building a stronger, more resilient future for the Virgin Islands.

With gratitude,



Dee Baecher-Brown  
*President*



Marie ThomasGriffith  
*Chair, Board of Directors*

In 2025, the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) stood at the intersection of urgency and opportunity. Across the territory, nonprofits faced funding cuts, students navigated rising educational costs, and cultural institutions worked to preserve Virgin Islands history and identity amid shrinking national support. At the same time, the strength, creativity, and generosity of our community remained unwavering. CFVI's role was clear: to ensure critical resources reached the people and organizations that needed them most.

# WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO



The Children's Museum of St. Croix  
Sends a big **"Thank You"** to  
The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands  
for our Van, so we can bring more  
Pop-Ups to the community!



## Our Mission

To be a catalyst for positive change and enrich the quality of life in the Virgin Islands while preserving our islands' unique cultural heritage by inspiring philanthropy, strengthening nonprofits and engaging the community. We do this by connecting people and resources with community needs.

## Our Vision

A vibrant, thriving Virgin Islands with opportunity for all fostered by a culture of generous giving.

## Our Focus Areas

- Children, Youth and Families
- Community
- Early Childhood
- Education
- Environment
- Health and Human Services
- Humanities and the Arts
- Disaster Recovery Assistance

## Our Programs

- Humanities Council of the Virgin Islands - HCVI
- Center For Excellence
- Center for the Book
- Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands - STEM
- Financial Literacy - STEM
- Hodge Senior Citizen Assistance
- J. Raymond Jones
- Little Free Libraries
- Next Generation Scholars
- The Family Connection

## Our Values

- **Leadership** - as a territory-wide community foundation providing grants, scholarships, and technical assistance in the Virgin Islands
- **Collaboration** - trusting in the power of partnerships to create a more positive and transformative impact
- **Knowledge** - with a deep understanding of the Virgin Islands culture and the opportunities and challenges
- **Equity and Inclusion** - believing that all voices are vital to the territory's future
- **Integrity** - being honest, open, ethical and reliable in everything we do
- **Accountability** - to our donors, partners and the community
- **Sustainability** - championing actions that support long-term social, environmental and economic solutions

*Photos: Cadwell Turnbull Workshop  
St Thomas; Thank you from the  
Children's Museum of St. Croix,  
CFVI Staff members at Agricultural  
Fair*



# OUR BOARD AND STAFF

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## In Memoriam



Alda Monsanto,  
Director Emeritus



Henry "Hank" Feuerzeig,  
Director Emeritus with  
his wife Penny Feuerzeig

# IMPACT AT A GLANCE:

## Turning Resources into Results

Since 1990, CFVI's investments have touched nearly every corner of the Virgin Islands—strengthening nonprofits, opening doors for students, and helping our community thrive.

### **\$68+ million invested**

tens of thousands of Virgin Islanders served through education, health, arts, environment, and community-based programs

### **\$64+ million in nonprofit grants and programmatic services**

hundreds of nonprofit organizations strengthened, and expanded to meet evolving community needs

### **\$4+ million in scholarships**

generations of students supported on their paths to higher education, careers, and leadership

### **Over 125 funds, 40 fiscal sponsorships and 15 programs**

## 2025 BY THE NUMBERS



### **\$4 million distributed through 1,600 grants**

with an average award of \$5,000



### **Territory-wide philanthropic investment**

with programs over a diverse array of support; \$555,000 in Education, \$467,000 in Community Initiatives, \$235,000 delivered to Children Youth and Families, \$1,802,000 in Health and Human Services grants, \$395,000 in the Humanities and \$917,000 in Environmental distribution supporting stewards, farmers



### **\$173,000+ in scholarships**

65 Virgin Islands students supported with tuition, books, and educational expenses—reducing financial barriers and increasing opportunity

## These numbers represent more than dollars.

They represent nonprofits that kept their doors open, students who received essential financial support to finish advanced degrees, families in need and individuals with health challenges who received support, and support for a community that continues to show resilience, creativity, and hope in the Virgin Islands.

# WHY CFVI:

## Credibility, Urgency, and Solutions

For 35 years, CFVI has been the Virgin Islands' most trusted philanthropic partner, connecting generosity to the communities that need it most.

### CREDIBILITY

For 35 years, the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) has served as a trusted philanthropic leader with deep roots across St. Croix, St. Thomas, and St. John. CFVI is widely recognized as the premier nonprofit facilitator in the Virgin Islands, **combining national standards of stewardship with unparalleled local knowledge.**

CFVI's credibility is grounded in its responsiveness, long-standing relationships with Virgin Islands nonprofits, financial stewardship and nuanced understanding of community needs, challenges, and opportunities. This on-the-ground expertise ensures that philanthropic investments are aligned with what works, where they are needed most, and when they matter most—maximizing impact for donors and communities alike.

### URGENCY

As nonprofits face rising costs, funding reductions, and growing community needs, the demand for coordinated, responsive philanthropy has never been greater. Without trusted local leadership, critical philanthropic investment could bypass the Virgin Islands entirely.

**CFVI helps ensure resources reach organizations, students, and families when support matters most.**

### SOLUTIONS

CFVI is uniquely positioned to translate generosity into lasting outcomes at scale. Through its donor network, grantmaking expertise, and community partnerships, CFVI mobilizes resources, identifies new funding sources, and creates pathways for sustained investment in people, culture, and institutions.

Over time, this approach has supported thousands of grants, strengthened hundreds of nonprofit organizations, and opened doors for generations of Virgin Islands students—delivering impact that is both measurable and deeply human. **By pairing local insight with disciplined stewardship, CFVI turns philanthropic intent into solutions that endure.**

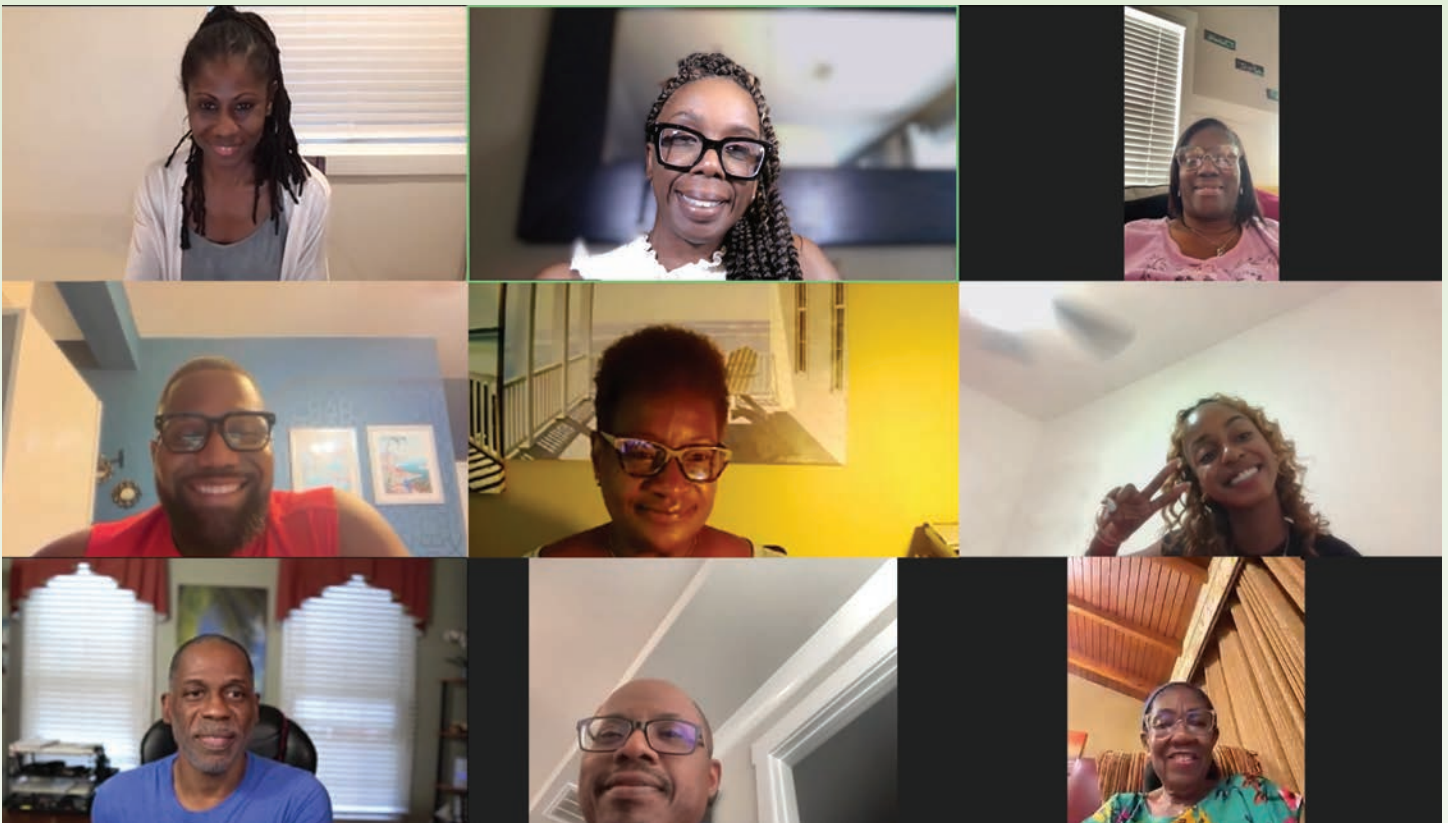
*Photo: Dr. Olassee Davis, professor, environmental activist, ecologist, ethnobotanist and cultural historian*





# STORIES THAT SHAPED 2025

## Opening Doors Through Education



For dozens of scholarship recipients, 2025 marked a turning point. Students from St. Croix, St. Thomas, and St. John pursued higher education in fields including education, health care, technology, the trades, and the arts—many as first-generation college students. Recipients shared that CFVI scholarships relieved financial pressure and allowed them to focus fully on their academic and professional goals, strengthening the future workforce and leadership of the territory.

**To learn more about CFVI's Scholarship Program and/or if you would like to establish a scholarship, please visit [CFVI.net/Scholarships](https://cfvi.net/Scholarships).**

*Photo: Zoom meet-and-greet with Dayana Esprit, the Hodge family, and friends.*



## HONORING A LEGACY OF CARE: Dayana Esprit Named First Recipient of the Valerie E. Hodge Scholarship

The Valerie E. Hodge Scholarship Fund, created in 2023 in memory of Valerie E. Hodge, a devoted foster parent on St. Thomas from 1970-1985, represents more than financial assistance – it reflects a lasting legacy of compassion, advocacy, and belief in the potential of youth emerging from foster care. The scholarship supports Virgin Islands students pursuing higher education after foster care. Valerie Hodge dedicated her life to opening her home and heart to children facing abuse, abandonment, disability, and instability. Through this scholarship, her family continues her mission of helping young people transition successfully from foster care into adulthood and educational achievement.

This year, that legacy lives on through Dayana Esprit, the first recipient of the \$2,500 Valerie E. Hodge Scholarship established at the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands.

Dayana, a sophomore at the University of the Virgin Islands majoring in Computer Science, was selected for her outstanding academic achievement, perseverance, and determination in overcoming personal and financial challenges while remaining focused on her educational goals. A graduate of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School, she exemplifies the resilience and promise the scholarship was created to support.

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**“This scholarship is not only an investment in your education, but also a reflection of the belief that you have incredible potential to make a difference in the world,” members of the Hodge family shared with Dayana during a virtual meet-and-greet.**

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For the Hodge family, Dayana’s story reflects the very purpose of the scholarship: helping young people transition successfully from foster care into higher education and greater self-sufficiency. In addition to financial support, Dayana will continue to receive encouragement and mentorship from the Hodge family as she progresses through her educational journey – ensuring that Valerie E. Hodge’s legacy of care and opportunity continues to inspire future generations.



### Supporting Futures Beyond Foster Care

With support from CFVI, a student who experienced the foster care system in the Virgin Islands is pursuing a college degree through the Valerie E. Hodge Scholarship program.



Valerie E. Hodge

# Preserving Culture, History & Story

Through strategic partnerships and a network of 38 organizations, HCVI is preserving Virgin Islands history, culture, and identity for future generations.



*In August 2024, CFVI was designated the Humanities Council of the Virgin Islands (HCVI), restoring a permanent humanities council for the first time since 2014, when National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) funding was suspended. As part of a network of 56 state and jurisdictional humanities councils, HCVI strengthens humanities programming and resources across the territory.*





# KEEPING VIRGIN ISLANDS HUMANITIES ALIVE

Humanities-focused grants help preserve the Virgin Islands' rich history, culture, and traditions by elevating community voices and ensuring local stories are shared across generations.

In 2025, CFVI, which serves as the Humanities Council of the Virgin Islands\* (HCVI) continued to invest in initiatives that preserve and celebrate Virgin Islands culture, history, and identity while fostering collaboration among organizations and communities. These efforts reinforce a shared commitment to cultural preservation, storytelling, education, and civic engagement.

A key milestone was HCVI's **Virtual Humanities Showcase** in March 2025, which brought together 60 participants and featured nine presentations from grantees engaged in humanities programming. The public event has generated ongoing engagement and visibility for local humanities work. The showcase created opportunities for organizations to share programs, identify potential partnerships, and increase community awareness of humanities resources across the islands. The event also demonstrated the long-term impact of humanities investments: one presenter leveraged local council-supported work to secure a National Endowment for the Humanities faculty award to advance oral history curriculum development at the local university, while another expanded the reach of a documentary project that has since been screened at venues throughout the territory.

Since 2024, HCVI has cultivated a strong network of 38 humanities-focused organizations across the Virgin Islands. Through ongoing outreach, information sharing, and collaboration, HCVI continues to strengthen the territory's humanities ecosystem and connect partners with funding opportunities and resources.

In October 2025, HCVI established four \$50,000 partnerships with organizations implementing humanities programming throughout the territory:

- **Virgin Islands Architecture Center for Built Heritage and Crafts (VIAC)** - Supported the Old Barracks Storytelling Project Education Initiative, which develops traditional and digital educational resources that explore Virgin Islands history and culture through the lens of the historic Old Barracks property in Christiansted, St. Croix.
- **Friends of Virgin Islands National Park** - Expanded the Cinnamon Bay Campground Chats series, a popular educational program that highlights St. John's natural, cultural, and historic resources through presentations on topics such as sea turtle conservation, traditional music and crafts, archaeology, coral reef protection, and astronomy.
- **American Ancestors** - Advanced the Genealogy in the Classroom Project, providing professional development for educators across the U.S. Virgin Islands. The initiative equips teachers and librarians with tools to incorporate genealogy and family history research into classroom learning, engaging students in deeper exploration of their heritage and community history.
- **Caribbean Genealogy Library** - Supported a multifaceted humanities initiative that includes the documentary *St. Thomas in the 1900s*, a public speaker series, and educator-focused training on accessing and using primary source materials. The project promotes historical literacy and encourages broader engagement with Virgin Islands history, culture, and research.

Photos: VI Architecture Center, Caribbean Genealogy Library

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# Building a Foundation for Lifelong Learning

Early childhood literacy continued to be a cornerstone of CFVI's community investment. In 2022, CFVI was honored by the Library of Congress with designation as the U.S. Virgin Islands **Center for the Book**, joining affiliates in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., and the U.S. territories. Through this partnership, CFVI promotes literacy, reading, and Virgin Islands literary heritage through community programs and initiatives.

Under the Center for the Book umbrella, CFVI's literacy efforts include Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, Little Free Libraries, and ParentPowered, all designed to encourage reading, strengthen family engagement, and support lifelong learning or children and families throughout the territory.

Each year, the Library of Congress Center for the Book also highlights "Great Reads from Great Places," a national collection of books celebrating the literary heritage of every state and territory. **The U.S. Virgin Islands' selections** are featured alongside books from across the nation during the National Book Festival.

*Former scholarship recipients volunteering at the Library of Congress 2025 National Book Festival:  
L-R - Erick Encarnación, Curtis Charlery, Jr., Twanna Hodge and Tashema Clarke*



Parents participating in literacy programs reported increased confidence in supporting learning at home, affirming that strong readers—and strong communities—begin with empowered families.



## DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

CFVI helped bring **Dolly Parton's Imagination Library** to the U.S. Virgin Islands through grant funding to the Virgin Islands Children's Museum.

Through this program:

- Any child in the USVI from birth to age five can receive a free, high-quality children's book in the mail every month.
- Books arrive during the most critical years of brain development and language acquisition.
- More than 2,500 children territory-wide have already been reached.

This simple but powerful program helps families build home libraries and fosters a love of reading from the very beginning.





## CAMPAIGN FOR GRADE-LEVEL READING

CFVI represents the U.S. Virgin Islands in the **Campaign for Grade-Level Reading**, a national initiative focused on ensuring children read at grade level by the end of third grade—a key predictor of future academic success.

Through this coalition, CFVI brings:

- National research and best practices
- Training and resources for educators and communities
- A focus on kindergarten readiness, early school success, and family engagement

The goal is simple and transformative: to ensure every child in the Virgin Islands has the reading skills needed to thrive in school and in life.



# AUTHOR EVENTS

In 2025, CFVI hosted Virgin Islands author Cadwell Turnbull for two writing workshops and book signings—one on St. Thomas in partnership with the VI Children’s Museum and Island Booksellers, and one on St. Croix at Undercover Books. The workshops brought together aspiring and established writers to explore storytelling and shared narrative building.

CFVI serves as the Library of Congress Center for the Book, U.S. Virgin Islands affiliate. Turnbull’s novel, “The Lesson,” was the adult selection for 2024.

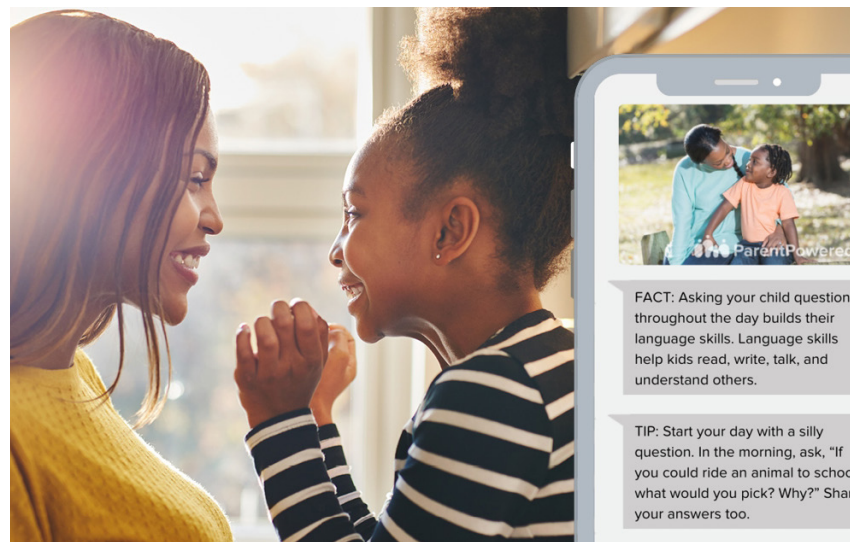


# PARENTPOWERED

CFVI’s partnership with **ParentPowered** supports families with a research-based, text-message curriculum designed to promote child development from birth through 12th grade. Each week, caregivers receive simple, age-appropriate activities and resources that encourage learning through everyday routines and strengthen family engagement. Originally launched in the USVI as Ready4K in 2020, the program is available in English, Spanish, and Arabic at no cost to families.

By the numbers - 2025-2026 School Year:

- Served the families of 604 children
- 100% of families enrolled are still connected and receiving weekly learning strategies
- 100% of families agree the texts have helped them understand their child’s growth and learning





# CFVI's Investment in Agriculture

## BUILDING A MORE RESILIENT FOOD SYSTEM

The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) was asked by the VI Department of Agriculture (VIDA) and the [US Department of Agriculture \(USDA\)](#) to administer an award of \$2 million through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure (RFSI) Program to strengthen the territory's local and regional food system. The program supports infrastructure and equipment investments that expand the capacity to aggregate, process, store, transport, and distribute locally produced agricultural products, creating new market opportunities for farmers, food processors, and food businesses.

After receiving the grant, CFVI used a competitive grant process, selecting [nine projects](#) to improve food system infrastructure across the U.S. Virgin Islands. More than **\$800,000** was invested in two infrastructure projects, including the construction of processing and aggregation facilities with cold storage and refrigerated delivery vehicles. An additional **\$600,000+** supported seven equipment-only projects, providing more than 34 pieces of specialized processing, storage, packaging, and distribution equipment.

These investments will benefit hundreds of local farmers and producers by reducing post-harvest losses, improving product quality and shelf life, expanding cold-chain capacity, and increasing access to new wholesale and institutional markets, including restaurants, schools, hospitals, hotels, and wholesalers. The initiative will also support the development of **91 new value-added products** featuring locally grown specialty crops such as mangoes, soursop, gooseberries, peppers, genip, sugarcane, and coffee!



# Nonprofits Rising to Meet Community Needs

## Nonprofits Building Momentum

A CFVI grant helped a local nonprofit expand its youth programming, reach more families, and strengthen internal operations—positioning the organization for long-term impact.



CFVI grants supported nonprofit partners addressing a wide range of community priorities—from youth development and workforce readiness to environmental stewardship and arts and culture. Through the Popular VI Community Fund and other initiatives, organizations expanded programming, reached new audiences, and strengthened internal capacity.

These stories reflected CFVI’s role as both a funder and a collaborator, helping nonprofits adapt and thrive in a changing landscape.

## ENGINEERS FOR TOMORROW OUTREACH

**Support from the Margaritaville Wyndham Educational Fund** at CFVI strengthened the organizational capacity of Engineers for Tomorrow Outreach by providing the resources needed to expand youth STEM programming, enhance instructional quality, and improve program coordination and delivery. The grant funded materials and instructors for thirteen hands-on engineering workshops serving youth ages 8-13 in St. Thomas, including nine sessions through the Wesley Methodist After-School Program and four community Saturday workshops that increased outreach to local families.

Through interactive projects focused on generators, solar cars, traffic lights, bridge design, and Artificial Intelligence (AI), students developed critical thinking, coding, and problem-solving skills while gaining confidence in STEM learning. The workshops connected engineering concepts to real-life issues affecting the Virgin Islands, including renewable energy and power outages. By strengthening internal operations and expanding community engagement, the grant enabled Engineers for Tomorrow Outreach to deliver more impactful, accessible, and consistent programming while inspiring greater interest in engineering and technology among participating youth and families.

*Left: Gift Hill Afterschool Enrichment Program*

*Right: Engineers for Tomorrow workshops*







# A Model for Community Philanthropy



Together, partnerships like this show that when businesses, employees, and community organizations work side by side, philanthropy becomes more than giving – it becomes a shared commitment to building a stronger future for all.

## CFVI & BANCO POPULAR POPULAR

In 2022, Popular Inc., in partnership with the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI), established the **Popular VI Community Fund** with an initial contribution of \$100,000 to support youth education, youth economic empowerment, and environmental initiatives in low- to moderate-income communities across the U.S. and British Virgin Islands.

More than a traditional corporate giving program, this partnership empowers Banco Popular employees to participate directly in philanthropy by contributing at personally meaningful levels and serving on the grants review committee. This hands-on involvement strengthens employee engagement while helping direct funding to organizations making a measurable impact for children, youth, and families throughout the territory.

Through grants of up to \$10,000, the fund supports nonprofit organizations providing direct services focused on education, workforce readiness, vocational training, financial education, and environmental stewardship, with priority given to projects serving low- to moderate-income communities and individuals.

The Popular VI Community Fund serves as a strong model for corporate philanthropy in the Virgin Islands – demonstrating how businesses can engage employees, strengthen communities, and create lasting impact through partnership with CFVI.

Here is a list of the [2025 Banco Popular grantees](#).

*Top left: Caribbean Museum Center for the Arts*

*Below: Friends of the Virgin Islands National Park*

*Opposite page clockwise from top: The University of the Virgin Islands; St. John Rescue; LSSVI Empowerment Enterprise; Montessori School*









# LOOKING AHEAD: OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE



As CFVI looks ahead, we do so as a premier and trusted nonprofit institution in the Virgin Islands—recognized locally and by stateside partners for our integrity, responsiveness, and deep understanding of this community. With 35 years of on-the-ground experience, CFVI is uniquely positioned to help philanthropy flow where it is needed most and to respond effectively to both pressing challenges and emerging opportunities.



CFVI remains committed to:

- **Growing scholarship opportunities and expanding access**, building on decades of support for students whose education strengthens families, the workforce, and future leadership in the Virgin Islands
- **Expanding humanities funding** to preserve and elevate Virgin Islands culture, history, and creative expression for generations to come
- **Strengthening early childhood and educational pipelines** by investing early and consistently in systems that support children, families, and educators over time
- **Serving as a trusted bridge between donors and community needs**, translating generosity into thoughtful, well-informed investments that deliver meaningful impact at scale



Through thousands of grants made, students supported, and people reached over time, CFVI has demonstrated how community-centered philanthropy can strengthen institutions and improve lives. By continuing to pair national standards of stewardship with deep local knowledge, CFVI will help ensure that our Virgin Islands not only endure—but thrive.



*Photos: Pricilla Quinn, Aubrey Cecil Quinn Memorial Scholarship Fund; Ten Sleepless Knights grant is Interview: Glen 'Kwabena' Davis; Strengthening early childhood; Lemonade (BVI) Limited*



# PHILANTHROPY WITH A PERSONAL TOUCH

## Join the Angels Network

Since 1999, members of the **Angels Network** have contributed more than \$8 million in unrestricted funding – the wings that allow CFVI to respond quickly wherever help is needed most. These gifts sustain scholarship grants, literacy programs, humanities projects, and direct aid to local partners delivering critical services in every community.

Angels allow CFVI to respond to community needs with flexibility, care, and impact.

## Giving with Purpose

Consider establishing a **Fund** in honor of a loved one to transform generosity into meaningful community support—demonstrating how personal philanthropy can create lasting change.

Many donors open funds at CFVI because they want a simple, meaningful way to give back to the Virgin Islands community while creating a lasting charitable legacy. Rather than managing a private foundation or navigating complex administrative requirements, donors can partner with CFVI to support the causes they care about most.

Through CFVI funds, donors are able to respond to community needs, invest in long-term solutions, and support nonprofit organizations making a difference across the territory. CFVI's deep local knowledge, trusted partnerships, and flexible giving options help donors maximize the impact of their philanthropy while ensuring their contributions strengthen the Virgin Islands for generations to come.

*Photos: 2025 Angels Reception*

In 2025, CFVI continued to steward donor intent with care—connecting generosity to meaningful, lasting impact. Whether supporting education, humanities, food systems, or community well-being, donors played a critical role in shaping the stories that defined the year.



# ANGEL DONORS

Includes contributions made through June 30, 2026

## Angels \$20,000 and Above

Betty Saks and  
Bart Kavanaugh  
Frank Halley Charitable  
Trust  
Kimelman Family

## Angels \$10,000 - \$19,999

Michael Allietta and Ryan  
Bolton  
Cynthia and Jesse Ferrer  
Shana and Hugh Griffith  
International Capital and  
Management, Co., LLC  
JMP Fund  
Rashida Hodge  
Renaissance Charitable  
Foundation

## Angels \$5,000 - \$9,999

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Dee and Richard Brown  
Ricardo and Josefina Charaf  
Conduit Fund  
Uriel Cohen  
Mark Coolidge  
Marjorie Rawls Roberts and  
Daryl Dodson  
Allison and Jacob Flanders  
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Trudie and Neil Prior  
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## Angels \$500-\$4,999

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# MAHOGANY LEGACY SOCIETY

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- Faile Foundation
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- National Endowment for the Humanities

## New Funds & Fiscal Sponsorships

- **Alda Monsanto Scholarship Fund** - One scholarship of \$5,000 for graduating high school seniors or current undergraduate students with a minimum GPA of 3.0 pursuing a degree in finance, economics, or a related field at an accredited institution.
- **Aubrey Cecil Quinn Memorial Scholarship Fund** - The scholarship will award \$1,000 per year to a graduating high school senior who is graduating from Charlotte Amalie High School (CAHS) and who is attending the University of the Virgin Islands (UVI). The scholarship is intended for students with an average GPA but who shows academic promise and commitment.
- **Conduit Fund** - To provide monies for charitable causes that benefit the U.S. Virgin Islands, with a commitment to ensuring (1) learn to swim opportunities and lifeguard training are expanded; (2) historical sites are renovated and preserved/maintained; (3) community health services are made more readily available; (4) educational programs are made more accessible; and (5) the historic Jewish community of the USVI is supported.
- **Guana Fund Educational Scholarship** - Guana Fund Educational Scholarship: educational scholarships for British Virgin Islands residents who have graduated from a BVI primary school and high school.
- **Judi Nagelberg Fund** - To provide monies to enhance the educational, physical, social, cultural and environmental well being of the residents of the Virgin Islands.
- **M.A.M. Memorial Culinary Scholarship Fund** - Up to two \$3,500 scholarships for students who graduate(d) from a high school on St. Croix and are pursuing a full-time degree in culinary arts/chef training.
- **Rashida A. Hodge Scholarship Fund** - The Rashida A. Hodge Scholarship provides full tuition, fees, and housing for up to four years at North Carolina State University (NC State) to outstanding high school seniors from the U.S. Virgin Islands public school system.
- **Renaldo Turnbull Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund** - A \$2,500 scholarship for graduating high school seniors of Charlotte Amalie High School (CAHS) and/or current undergraduate students who graduated from Charlotte Amalie High School (CAHS) with a minimum 2.25 GPA and who lettered (played) any sport for CAHS for a minimum of 2 seasons and is pursuing an undergraduate degree or trade school.



# COMMUNITY DONORS (cont.d)

## All Funds & Fiscal Scholarships

|                                                                |                                                  |                                                   |                                                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 32 Squared Fund                                                | Estelle Parrott Scholarship Fund                 | Margaret Ann White-Lewis Fund                     | St. Croix Community Hospital Foundation                       |
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| Charlotte Amalie High School Class of 1951 Scholarship Fund    | Joseph W. Boyd, Jr. Fund                         | Renaldo Turnbull Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund | USVI Governor's Programs                                      |
| Charlotte Amalie High School Alumni Physician Scholarship Fund | Judi Nagelberg Fund                              | Richard Silver Charitable Fund                    | Valerie E. Hodge Scholarship Fund                             |
| Conduit Fund                                                   | Judith A. Towle Environmental Studies Fund       | Schmidt-Holdsworth Family Fund                    | VI Justice Initiative                                         |
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|                                                                | Lisa Etre Fine & Studio Art Scholarship Fund     |                                                   | World Ocean School Fund                                       |
|                                                                | M.A.M. Memorial Culinary Scholarship Fund        |                                                   |                                                               |
|                                                                | Mahogany Legacy Society                          |                                                   |                                                               |

# 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT AT A GLANCE

2025

2024

## ASSETS

|                            |                     |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Cash and Cash Equivalents  | \$1,120,194         | \$3,424,675         |
| Contributions Receivable   | \$53,243            | \$448,458           |
| Investments, at Fair Value | \$17,547,155        | \$14,892,823        |
| Other Assets               | \$12,508            | \$7,481             |
| <b>Total Assets</b>        | <b>\$18,733,100</b> | <b>\$18,773,437</b> |

## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

|                                         |                     |                     |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Liabilities                             | \$182,476           | \$465,545           |
| Without Donor Restrictions              | \$10,977,788        | \$9,964,735         |
| With Donor Restrictions                 | \$7,572,837         | \$8,343,159         |
| Net Assets                              | \$18,550,625        | \$15,130,857        |
| <b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b> | <b>\$18,733,100</b> | <b>\$15,596,402</b> |

## Revenues, Gains and Other Public Support

|                          |           |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Grants and Contributions | 3,364,300 | 6,917,289 |
| Investment Return        | 1,962,152 | 1,501,175 |

## Expenses

|                     |             |             |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Program Services    | \$4,373,000 | \$4,129,925 |
| Supporting Services | \$706,722   | \$1,111,504 |

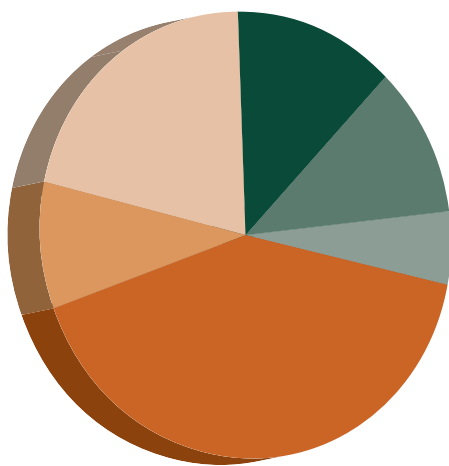
## CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

|  |           |             |
|--|-----------|-------------|
|  | \$246,730 | \$3,177,035 |
|--|-----------|-------------|

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# Program Services 2025



|                                |             |      |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------|
| ● Education                    | \$555,000   | 13%  |
| ● Community                    | \$467,000   | 11%  |
| ● Children Youth Families      | \$235,000   | 5%   |
| ● Health And Human Services    | \$1,802,000 | 41%  |
| ● Disaster Recovery Assistance | \$1,000     | < 1% |
| ● Humanities                   | \$395,000   | 9%   |
| ● Environmental                | \$917,000   | 21%  |

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