

# ANNUAL REPORT 2014

How we **met** our mission



SCRIPPS GERONTOLOGY CENTER  
An Ohio Center of Excellence

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# *BUILDING ON PARTNERSHIPS*

Strong foundations &  
new connections

This is a storied organization steeped in tradition and legacy. Over our nearly 100 years of history, we've met a few people along the way. These people and the places they work have become important partners in helping us meet our mission. Some of these relationships span decades and other connections are only just beginning.

ALL OF OUR PARTNERS CREATE A STRONG FOUNDATION  
FOR OUR FUTURE WORK—

*FOR WORK THAT MATTERS.*

These partnerships are what set us apart and position us for another 100 years of making a positive difference.

SCRIPPS GERONTOLOGY CENTER

Founded  
'22



# From the DIRECTOR

**SUZANNE KUNKEL, PhD**

Executive Director

*Dear friends, producing an Annual Report always provides a welcome opportunity to reflect on the challenges and successes of the past year. We don't get far into that process before I am struck with a deep sense of gratitude—for the colleagues who devote themselves to our shared mission and invest the hard work it takes to accomplish our goals, for our community partners who keep us grounded in work that makes a difference, for the students who infuse energy and fresh perspectives in all that we do, and for our friends and donors who support us in so many ways. The achievements in this report reflect all of these contributors.*

As you'll see in the following pages, our research continues to respond to the enduring issues that face aging societies (such as caregiving, the demographics of aging and health, and long-term services and supports). Keeping our eyes on the horizon for important emerging topics, we have expanded our work related to person-centered care, the arts and dementia, older workers, and global aging. In an effort to reach multiple audiences with the results of our research, we have broadened the ways we communicate by including training videos and a longer-term agenda for more online workshops and trainings.

Our impact depends on our partners. Ranging from funders, to the organizations that provide internships for our students, to our Opening Minds through Art (OMA) sites, to the agencies that collaborate with us on research, these partners keep our work grounded, meaningful, and forward looking. Some of our most important partners are our alums, who serve as ambassadors of our mission and role models for our students. Building on those connections, and thanks to the generous support of the Cottrell family, we





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FUTURE."**

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—SUZANNE KUNKEL



launched the Cottrell Leadership Program in 2014. This program connects our students to speakers, discussion groups, and alums who are leaders in the field of aging.

It is a pleasure to celebrate our accomplishments. But we are also hard at work planning our future. Culminating an extensive and inclusive process that took place in 2014, our strategic plan for the next three years focuses on three goals: enriching our core work of high-quality and high-impact aging-related research; enhancing our existing relationships and reaching new constituents in new ways; and increasing our organizational depth and agility.

In the not too distant future, we will celebrate our 100th anniversary. As we plan for our next 100 years, we renew our commitments to mentoring the next generation of gerontologists, to producing knowledge that is useful and innovative, and to serving alongside our partners to lead the field of aging. We are grateful to have you with us on this journey into our next century.

-1920



1922

Our founder E.W. Scripps establishes the center in 1922 as the Scripps Foundation for Research in Population Problems.

-1930

1934

The New York Times publishes an article by Scripps researchers Thompson and Whelpton on predicted population change and economic implications.



-1940

-1950

INDIANAPOLIS  
STUDY

1946

Scripps Foundation again gains more national attention with the publication of the Indianapolis Study—the first psycho-social study of fertility in the U.S.

-1960

1961

Fred Cottrell, Scripps director, serves on planning committee for first White House Conference on Aging setting the stage for the passage of several major pieces of legislation for older Americans.



-1970

-1980



1976

Scripps is designated by the U.S. Administration on Aging as one of seven centers on aging in the country.

-1990

1989

Ohio General Assembly funds the Ohio Long-Term Care Research Project at Scripps. The project continues to this day providing lawmakers with information about older Ohioans and their long-term care needs.



-2000

-2010



2011

The Ohio Board of Regents names Scripps an Ohio Center of Excellence recognizing our capacity to strengthen the economy with "broad-minded scholars and creative, dynamic thinkers."



WE'RE MAKING A

# **POSITIVE DIFFERENCE**



OUR MISSION IS TO DO WORK THAT  
MAKES A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE IN THE  
LIVES OF AGING INDIVIDUALS, THEIR  
FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES, AND TO  
MEET THE NEEDS OF AGING SOCIETIES.

WE ACCOMPLISH OUR MISSION  
THROUGH EXCELLENCE IN  
***Research, Education, and Service.***









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*To hear more from  
Kate & others*

**“You see this connection...and it just makes everything you’re doing worthwhile.”**

KATE DE MEDEIROS, PhD

**Faculty and Scripps Research Fellow**

BEHIND THE  
**QUOTE**

Dr. de Medeiros is making a positive difference through Self Stories–writing workshops designed to build community among older adults. Kate partnered with the Franklin Foundation in 2014 to implement her workshops for a community of older adults in the Cincinnati area . She developed Self Stories in part to help build community and social networking among older adults. Each workshop is based on a different literary genre and the participants are asked to write

according to the genre of the week. Group members are given time and space to share what they wrote. Dr. de Medeiros explains that, “in housing communities... although there are lots and lots of people there, folks can remain feeling quite isolated.” Kate plans to write a grant proposal to study the effects of these workshops on interactions and social networking among older adults.

LET'S TALK

# Budget

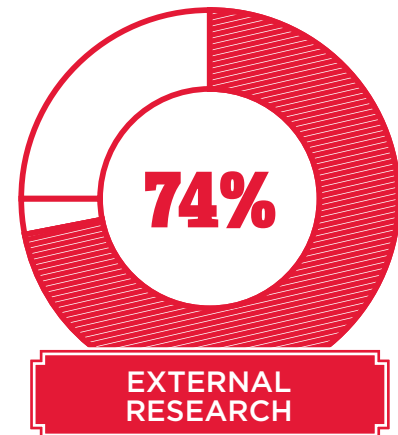


This number is more than our total funding. It's the fruit of meaningful partnerships forged around common questions and a desire for useful answers. It's also an investment in the next generation of students and leaders.

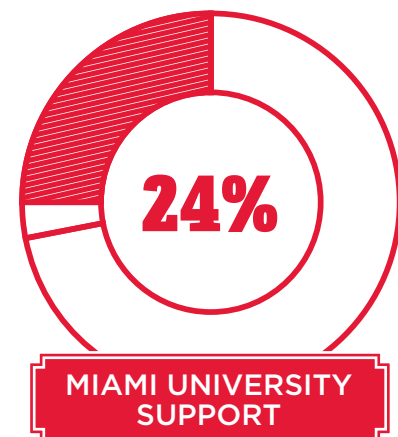
**IT'S OUR MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.**



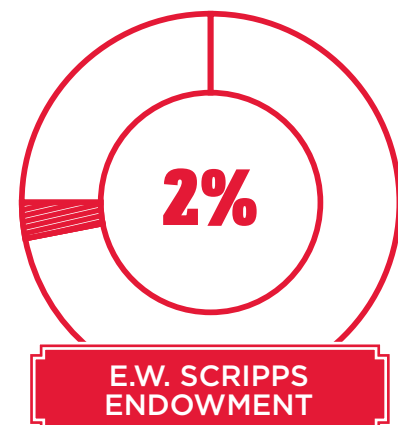
Research is the core of what we do. In 2014, Scripps managed **39 externally funded research grants** that generated **\$1.4 million** in funding. That's **seventy-four percent** of our total operating budget funded through our research.



We are a vital part of the Miami community. Our leadership in education and our focus on external funding are **important contributions to the Miami mission**. In 2014, **Miami provided twenty-four percent** of our budget to help us deliver on our mission.

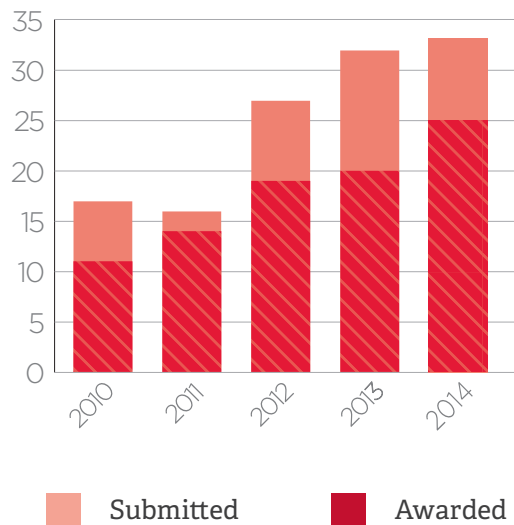


We're only as strong as our foundation and our original endowment from E.W. Scripps is **the cornerstone** that has made it all possible. It's **a rock-solid connection** to our origins that has helped us earn recognition as **one of the premier institutions** in aging research and education.





We push ourselves every year to expand our efforts and grow our impact. In 2014, we went after 33 funding opportunities and landed 25 of them.



WE GENERATED  
**\$1,439,079**

*in external research funding*



**31**

The **number of publications in journals, books, and reports** produced by our staff and fellows.

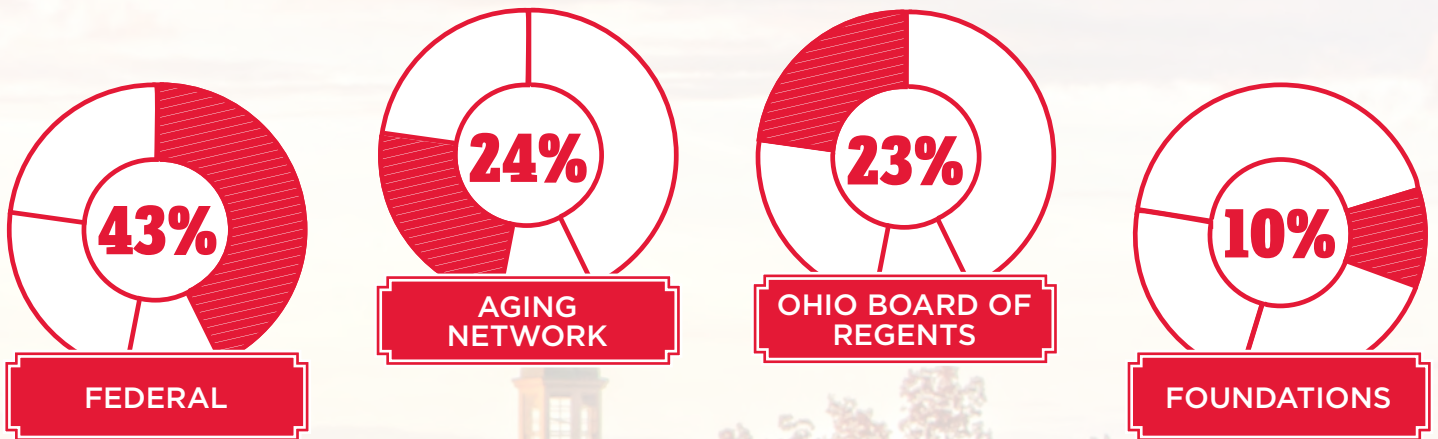
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THE NUMBER OF TIMES OUR RESEARCH OR RESEARCH SCHOLARS **appeared in the media** IN 2014.



## RESEARCH FUNDING

– By Source –



### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Mission Accomplished

## STANDING UP FOR OHIO'S ELDERS

### *Our Work at Work*

No matter where the funding comes from, we design all our projects for maximum impact. Our research results are at their best when they support the important work of others. In 2014, the Ohio Attorney General launched a state-wide elder justice campaign using our demographic

work as supporting material for their cause. Our work helped them articulate the urgency of protecting and improving the lives of every older person in Ohio. This is just one of the many ways our work has a positive impact on our state and our communities.

## ***A FEW of our RESEARCH PROJECTS AND FUNDERS FROM 2014***

### **Process Evaluation of Older Americans Act Title III-E National Family Caregiver Support Program**

• *The Lewin Group, Inc./Department of Health & Human Services* •

### **Evaluation of Creative Arts Programming for People with Dementia**

• *Cedar Village Retirement Community* •

### **Gernerativity in the Lives of Older Women (GLOW)**

• *University of Maryland/Department of Health & Human Services* •

### **A Caregiver Respite Strategy for the State of Ohio**

• *Ohio Department of Aging/Administration on Aging* •

### **Measuring Ohio's Progress in Achieving a Balanced System of Long-Term Services & Supports**

• *Ohio Department of Medicaid/Department of Health & Human Services* •

### **Tracking Long-Term Services Use in Ohio**

• *Ohio Department of Aging* •

### **Understanding US Regional Health and Mortality Disparities: A Life Course Approach**

• *Duke University/ Department of Health & Human Services* •

### **Information and Planning: Understanding the Capacity of the Aging Network**

• *National Association of Area Agencies on Aging/ Department of Health & Human Services* •

### **Describing and Assessing Leadership for Person-Centered Nursing Home Care**

• *Harvey Picker Center* •

### **Neighborhood Assistants Pilot: A Program Evaluation of Person Centered Staffing**

• *Francis E. Parker Memorial Home* •





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To hear more from  
Kathryn & others

**“I just passionately believe in the work that caregivers do and the importance of supporting them.”**

KATHRYN MCGREW, PhD

**Scripps Senior Research Scholar**

BEHIND THE  
**QUOTE**

Caregivers are the foundation of providing long-term care and services to our older population. Dr. Kathryn McGrew is currently researching how Ohio might be able to better relieve stresses that caregivers bear. In previous work, Kathryn proposed a model for incorporating respite for caregivers into PASSPORT, Ohio's Medicaid waiver program for home- and community-based services. Her most recent project for the Ohio Department of Aging tests that respite model. Historically, respite has centered around

giving caregivers a break from their caregiving. This research focuses on incorporating the caregiver in defining what respite would mean for them so that specific interventions can be implemented to lower their overall stress. “We want them to tell us, in their own words, so that we can find a way to go into the situation and create a service plan that’s meaningful and truly gives relief, or respite, to that caregiver,” McGrew explains. Hear more about her project and others at [YouTube.com/ScrippsAging](https://www.youtube.com/scrppsaging).









# **WE MENTOR TOMORROW'S EXPERTS IN AGING**

Like all of our colleagues at Miami University, we embrace the higher education goal of nurturing critical and creative thinkers. For us this means fully integrating world class graduate education with research by including assistantships in our proposals for funding. We value a learning environment that is centered on the student research experience, grounding them in the essentials and empowering them with hands-on opportunities.



# Investing in our **FUTURE**

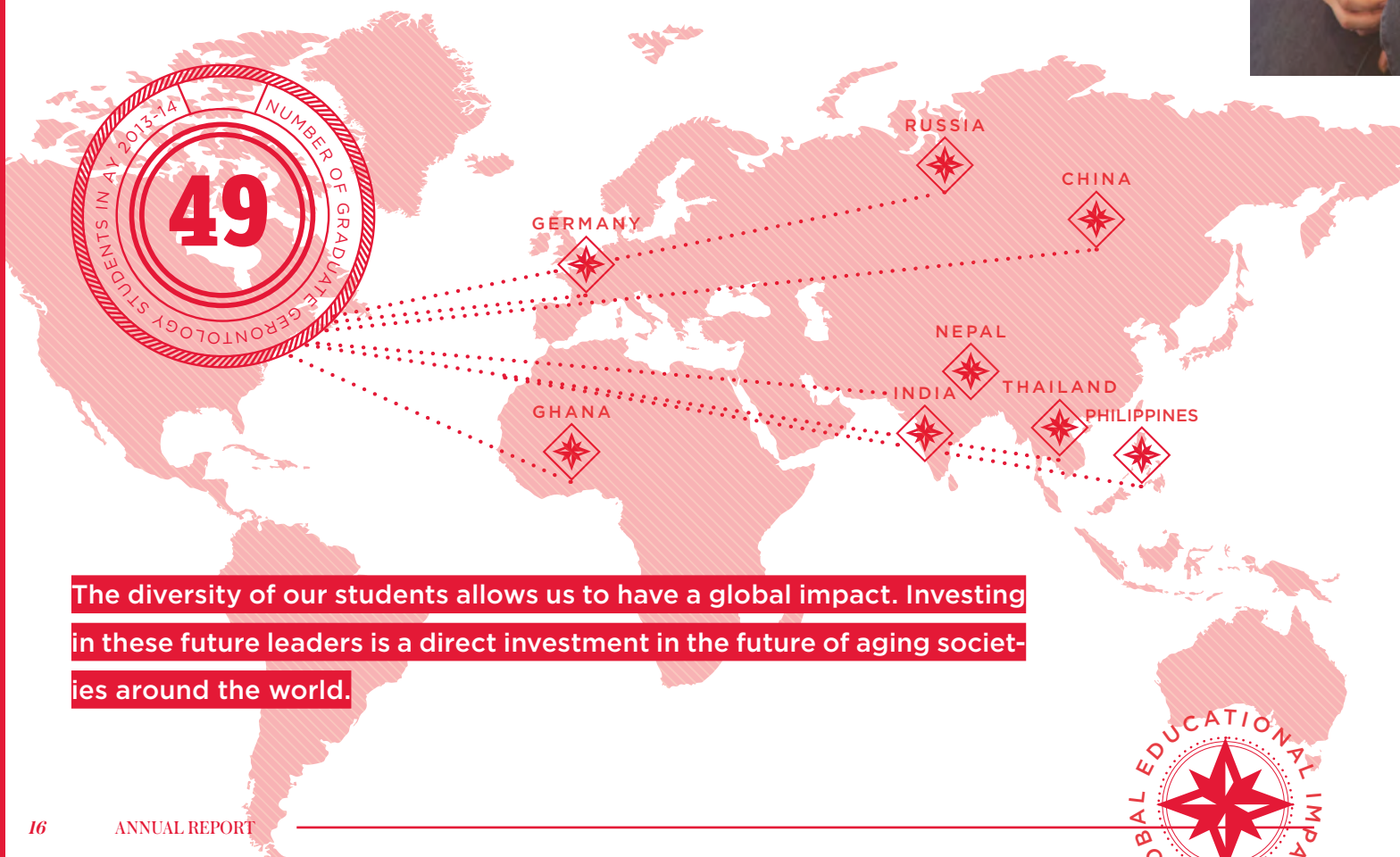
By building graduate assistants into our research proposals, we were able to provide over

## \$124,010

in funding so students could receive hands-on experience with some of the top research projects in the country. That translates to

## 7,000+

graduate assistantship & summer research hours.



The diversity of our students allows us to have a global impact. Investing in these future leaders is a direct investment in the future of aging societies around the world.







Thanks to these contributions, 24 students gained valuable experience by attending professional conferences and making research presentations.

## World Class



Miami is one of only nine universities in the world offering gerontology degrees at all three levels:

**Undergraduate, Masters, and PhD**





**WE VALUE PARTNERSHIPS**  
— *That Produce* —

**IMPACT**

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**WE VALUE PARTNERSHIPS THAT  
PRODUCE IMPACT. WITH GOOD PART-  
NERSHIPS, THE SKY TRULY IS THE LIMIT.**

Over the years, we have built strong, foundational partnerships with organizations across the country and the world. We also continue to invest in new collaborations that will help us meet our mission of making a positive difference in the lives of aging people around the world.

Some of these partners provide internships for students and enrich the educational experience at Miami by providing expertise in our classrooms, small group sessions, and seminars. Many of our partners are host sites for Opening Minds through Art (OMA), our arts-based program that enriches the lives of elders with dementia. And many of our strongest relationships are with the agencies that fund and collaborate with us on research, keeping our work grounded, meaningful, and forward looking.

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# PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

## Beacon Hill Village

BHV in Boston is at the leading edge of a grassroots village movement that is redefining aging in place in some communities. They partnered with us by hosting a summer master's-level practicum experience that informed the student's decision about a career direction focusing on the Village movement.

## Lockheed Martin Leadership Institute, Miami U.

Louise Morman, Director of the Leadership Institute in Miami's College of Engineering & Computing, shared ideas, resources, and enthusiasm about transformational leadership as we developed our Cottrell Leadership Program.

## Cedar Village Retirement Community

Cedar Village has been foundational to our OMA program. As an OMA partner they have provided a platform for our research on arts and elders with dementia. They also serve as a supporting partner for our OMA regional training program.

## National Association of Area Agencies on Aging

Our grant work and ongoing partnership with n4a is producing useful information on how the aging network is growing and changing. We are proud of this national partnership. Through it, we're learning information that will help shape the future of aging in every community in our nation.

## Ohio Department of Aging

Through our relationship with ODA, we have ongoing opportunities for high-impact research that helps Ohio plan for the future of our older population. This partnership is about serving every Ohioan as they age.

## City of Oxford/Oxford Village/Oxford Seniors

Through this collaboration, we're doing work that makes a difference right in our own backyard. This partnership incorporated our students and staff in collecting valuable data on housing needs and preferences for older adults in our hometown of Oxford. This meaningful work will help make our community a better place to grow old.

## PARTNERS IN RESEARCH & TRAINING

- » Cedar Village Retirement Community
- » City of Oxford
- » Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio
- » College of Engineering & Computing, Miami U.
- » Dept. of Family Studies & Social Work, Miami U.
- » Farmer School of Business, Miami U.
- » Franklin Foundation
- » The Lewin Group, Inc.
- » National Association of Area Agencies on Aging
- » Dept. of Nursing, Miami U.
- » Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging
- » Ohio Department of Aging

## PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

- » AARP Ohio
- » Dept. of Anthropology, Miami U.
- » Bantaksin Nursing Home
- » Beacon Hill Village
- » Butler County Probate Court
- » Dept. of Kinesiology & Health, Miami U.
- » The Knolls of Oxford
- » Learning Center for Holistic Healthcare for the Elderly & Hospice Care
- » Liberty Nursing Center
- » Lockheed Martin Leadership Institute, Miami U.
- » Manitoulin Centennial Manor/Extendicare Canada
- » Dept. of Sociology & Gerontology, Miami U.
- » Dept. of Speech Pathology & Audiology, Miami U.

## OPENING MINDS THROUGH ART PARTNER SITES

- » Berkeley Square Retirement Community
- » Cedar Village Retirement Community
- » Club 36 at Beaverdam, Calgary
- » Club 36 at Harvest Hills, Calgary
- » Liberty Nursing Center of Oxford
- » Luther Manor
- » Maison Senior Living, Calgary
- » Mt. Pleasant Retirement Village
- » Otterbein Senior Lifestyle Choices
- » Oxford Adult Day Services
- » Presbyterian Retirement Communities Northwest, Skyline
- » Strathmere Lodge
- » The Knolls of Oxford
- » Twin Lakes Senior Living Community
- » Twin Towers Senior Living Community
- » Westover Retirement Community
- » Woodland Country Manor
- » Woodridge Nursing Home



# BEYOND THE NORMAL WORK WEEK

We want to make a difference any way we can. And we're willing to go beyond the normal work week to do it. Our staff, faculty, and fellows provide professional service and leadership in volunteer roles at the local and national level. But it doesn't stop there. We also serve the community by empowering undergraduate students from Miami and other universities with opportunities to lead through acts of service with our Opening Minds through Art (OMA) program.

## HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE WAYS OUR STAFF & FACULTY PROVIDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE IN 2014

- » AARP Ohio Executive Council Member
- » Board Member, Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education
- » Editorial Board Member, Journal of Applied Gerontology
- » Treasurer, Gerontological Society of America
- » Editorial Board Member, Journal of Aging Policy
- » Editorial Board Member, The Gerontologist
- » Associate Editor, Journals of Gerontology, Social Sciences
- » Executive Committee Member, Gerontological Society of America
- » Chair of Executive Committee & Board, Otterbein Senior Lifestyle Communities—Lebanon

UNDERGRAD STUDENTS INVESTED  
**6,996**

SERVICE-LEARNING HOURS  
IN OUR OPENING MINDS  
THROUGH ART PROGRAM

OVER THE PAST YEAR

**235**

UNDERGRADUATES

volunteered with our Opening  
Minds through Art program

(INCLUDING 112 MIAMI HONORS  
STUDENTS)





#### MORE THAN ART

Our OMA program is so much more than an art activity. Students learn the importance of service to the community. And the failure-free environment promotes elders' autonomy and provides meaningful social interactions.





WE SIMPLY COULDN'T DO IT  
**WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF SO**  
**MANY**  
**WHO HAVE GIVEN SO MUCH.**  
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE.



## EXTENDING OUR CAPACITY TO

## MEET OUR MISSION

These generous people have helped sustain our work through charitable donations. We couldn't do all that we do without our donors. Their support helps extend our capacity to meet our mission year in and year out.

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- » Richard Anderson
  - » Robert Applebaum
  - » Sarah Blumenthal
  - » David Brown
  - » Robert & Nancy Cottrell
  - » Phyllis Cummins
  - » Kate de Medeiros
  - » Robert A. De Roziere, Sr.
  - » Robert DeBell & Karen Martin
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  - » David Sunderland
  - » Rebecca Tracy
  - » Martin & Marilyn Wade
  - » Charles & Barbara Whelpton
  - » Toyota Motor Sales



# So Many Ways to CONNECT

MANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR PRESENT AND PAST SUCCESS. BECOME A PART OF OUR FUTURE—STAY CONNECTED.

## CONNECT ONLINE

Want to know more about our work and mission? There are many ways to get (and keep) in touch with us. Go to [ScrippsAging.org](http://ScrippsAging.org) to visit us online and interact with our research and learn more about the students we train. And follow us on social media.



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### **Scripps Gerontology Center**

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Congrats to our own Dr. Kunkel for receiving the 2015 Clark Tibbitts Award at #AGHE2015!

### **Ohio Assoc. of Area Agencies on Aging – @o4advocacy**

Hosting Area Agency on Aging Quality Summit in CBus today w/ @AndreyOstrovsky and @ScrippsAging's Bob Applebaum #caringhearts #businessmind

### **Laura Hahn - @arthurandbernie**

Interested in global #aging — and living in Thailand? Apply to my fab master's program! @ScrippsAging



## CONNECT THROUGH GIVING

Another way you can connect with our mission is through giving. You can help us continue to provide quality research, education, and service with charitable donations to these funds:

- » Scripps Enrichment Fund
- » The Whelpton Memorial Lecture Fund
- » The W. Fred Cottrell Leadership Development Program Fund
- » Opening Minds through Art (OMA)
- » Scripps General Operations Fund

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