



# LGBTQ+ Fund for Greater Lowell



2024 GLCF LGBTQ+ fund benefit brunch inside Cobblestones Restaurant in Lowell on June 15, 2024.

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The Greater Lowell Community Foundation (GLCF) announced at its annual meeting on June 7, 2023 that it established a new endowed field of interest fund to support the local lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & queer (LGBTQ) community in Greater Lowell. The LGBTQ+ Fund for Greater Lowell will provide grants to nonprofits supporting the LGBTQ+ community.

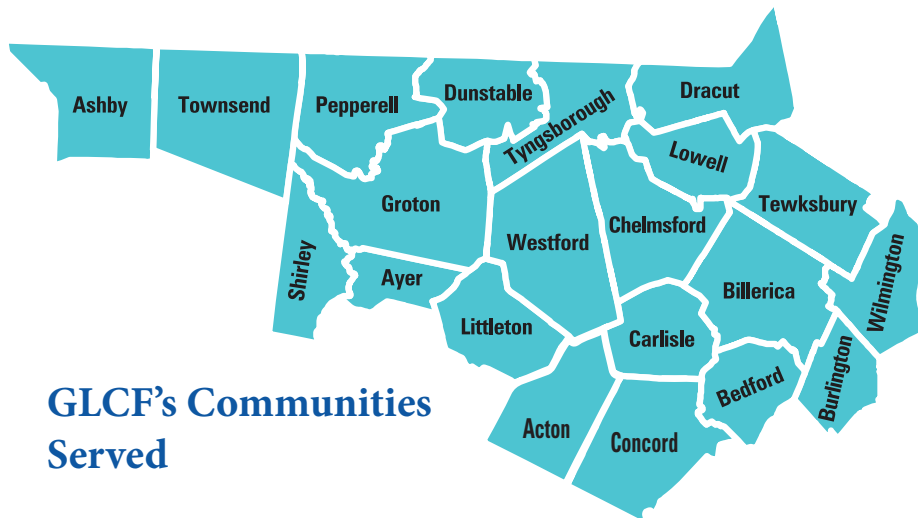
While the foundation is comprised of more than 500 charitable funds dedicated to improving the quality of life in 21 neighboring cities and towns, this is the first GLCF fund specifically dedicated to nonprofits serving LGBTQ individuals.

Two pioneering Asian-American women, life-partners for more than 30 years, have started this new GLCF fund as a way to give back to the local LGBTQ community. Julie Chen, Chancellor of UMass Lowell, and her spouse, Susu Wong, founder and owner of the marketing firm Tomo360 donated \$25,000 to start the fund.

## Purpose of the LGBTQ+ Fund for Greater Lowell

This endowed fund, distributed annually as part of GLCF's Discretionary Grant Cycle, provide a source of funds to support nonprofit organizations working to improve the quality of life for the LGBTQ+ in Greater Lowell by providing legal, health, education, advocacy, or other high-demand services/programs.

Initial contributions certainly set the LGBTQ Fund up for success, but it is an endowed fund, or one that is invested to generate a permanent, growing stream of capital. This means the more supporters that invest in the LGBTQ+ Fund the more exponential growth it can achieve - and the more LGBTQ+ grants the annual funding can support.



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