**PRESS RELEASE**

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 **The Pageau Trust is announcing it will be receiving and acting on grant applications for the 2023 summer grant period. For the past 10 years has accepted and issued grants from a wide variety of Windham civic organizations, charities and similar public oriented beneficiaries.**

 **Leo and Rose Pageau were long-time residents of Windham and wanted to give back to the community. To accomplish that goal they established and funded the Leo J. and Rose Pageau Trust. With that intent in mind they directed the Trustees over an extended period of time to use the Trust to benefit community groups in the Windham area. Specifically, the Trust funds are being used to help local libraries, educational and school projects, area beautification efforts, support youth sports programs and meet the needs of the areas less fortunate.**

 **During these past years the trust has in one form or another helped more than 130 local groups who provide a serviced or benefit to local community and has issued grants that exceed $850,000.**

 **This past for support from the Pageau Trust has been provided to an extensive number of local non-profit charitable groups and programs. Each provides a different benefit to our Windham community and includes grants to groups such as the Covenant Soup Kitchen to help feed those who require aid, local library’s, funding for the Third Thursday events, assistance in the Main Street Christmas Lighting efforts, The Windham Garden Club for projects to improve the town by improving its appearance, the Windham Historical Society, the Senior Center, WAIM , the Windham High School Booster Club and a variety of other groups and programs. For a more detailed view visit the Pageau website.**

 **During this time when more groups, and people, need help the trust is asking for each of us to contribute as well. To that end The Pageau Trust is making matching grants to those applications that show ability to obtain wide community support for the charity or group.**