

## WHO ARE WE?

In 1997, the Healing Touch International Foundation, Inc. (HTIF) was founded by Janet Mentgen as a non-profit charitable organization to receive and distribute funds to assist, encourage and advance the philosophy, objectives and techniques of Healing Touch therapy. HTIF's funding of grants for research, education and service helps accomplish these goals around the world. Janet had formally created Healing Touch as an energy medicine program and in 1993 she had formed The Colorado Center for Healing Touch, a for profit organization to teach and progress Healing Touch. The Foundation was established in 1997 to allow collection of tax-exempt donations to augment the activities of the Colorado Center. Janet served as the initial Foundation president.

In 2000, Janet asked Bonnie Morrow to assume leadership of HTIF. Bonnie had been a member of the Foundation Board since its founding and Janet charged her with the task of guiding the organization as it grew in financial strength, volunteers and activities. Bonnie was Foundation President for ten years, providing leadership that ushered in an expansion of the HTIF Board for greater participation and ultimately grew the HTIF bank account by nearly three times during her tenure.

After Janet's death in 2005, the Colorado Center for Healing Touch was renamed the Healing Touch Program (HTP) and, because the Healing Touch International name was being used by another program, in 2007 the Healing Touch International Foundation changed its name to the Healing Touch Worldwide Foundation (HTWF).

Janet and Bonnie's legacy has been carried on since 2010 under the presidencies of Donna Fink, Karen Chin, Nancy Lavergne and Norman Morrow, current president and Bonnie's husband. From 2000 through mid-2023, Janet's objectives have been advanced by providing over \$250,000 in grants and scholarships.

Norman Morrow *President* 

Barbara Cox Treasurer

Deborah Poelker Secretary

Lisa Mentgen-Gordon Leanne Bishop JoAnne Veith *Board Members* 

Mary Duennes Maddie Ferbal Karen Chin Carol Komitor *Advisory Council* 



# OUR VISION

Advancing Healing Touch Worldwide.

# **OUR MISSION**

Supporting Healing Touch research, service, and education through grant opportunities.

# OUR CORE VALUES

The Healing Touch Worldwide Foundation (HTWF) improves people's lives by advancing Healing Touch worldwide – to assist, encourage and advance the philosophy, objectives and techniques of Healing Touch therapy. The Foundation's mission is accomplished by raising awareness and by raising funds to support Healing Touch research, service and education through grant opportunities.

We are guided by the following core values.

### **Core Value #1 Dedication**

We are dedicated to and passionate about advancing Healing Touch. We are driven to identify ways to continuously raise awareness of Healing Touch and to raise funds and make grants to allow the advancement of Healing Touch. All that we do is centered on this purpose.

#### Core Value #2 Fun

We have a positive energy and attitude and like to have fun. Reflected in how we interact with others and how we carry ourselves; this positivity is contagious. This makes others curious and interested in learning more.

#### **Core Value #3 Teamwork**

We work collaboratively within and outside the Foundation. We believe that by working as a team with clear focus, we get things done.

## Core Value #4 Caring

We are caring, compassionate and heart centered, never losing sight of the wonderful benefits of the Healing Touch energy modality. We strive to promote Healing Touch and expose everyone to it.



## Core Value #5 Professional

We approach the work of the Foundation with integrity and with respect for our founder's vision, for those with whom we work, and for those with whom we interact. We respect the experiences, knowledge and diversity of the Healing Touch community as well those who have yet to experience or embrace Healing Touch. We are vigilant stewards of the Foundation's funds through responsible planning and management of our resources.

### **Core Value #6 Visionary**

We think "outside the box" to bring awareness of the Foundation's purpose and mission. We are creative and innovative in our approach to increasing awareness, raising funds and engaging with the Healing Touch community and beyond.

### Core Value #7 Spiritually Guided

We use our innate abilities to access divine guidance which provides help and support in all areas of the work that we do. We trust this guidance to lead us to the higher good that is beneficial for our Healing Touch Community and others.

## OUR ORGANIZATION

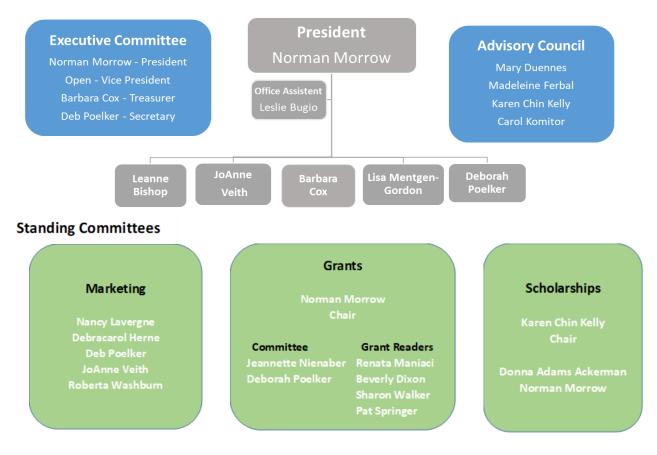
The following organizational chart shows our organization as of August 2023. The Foundation's activities are managed by a Board of Trustees with the assistance of three standing committees – Marketing and Fundraising, Grants and Scholarships.

In addition, we have an Advisory Council to provide advice to the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees meets monthly and the Board meeting minutes are circulated to all active volunteers once the minutes are approved to foster communication and transparency. The Committees meet on differing schedules depending on need.

Office activities are handled by Leslie Bugio from her home in Houston. Leslie handles the Foundation phone (281-856-8340) and e-mail (<u>htwfoundation@aol.com</u>), maintains central records, and supports the Board and all committees as needed.





Our Scholarship Program provides 50% of tuition cost up to a maximum of \$300 or \$500, depending on the Level, for HTP Levels 1-6 and Healing Touch for Animals (HTA) Levels 1-4, for dedicated students in financial need. Scholarship Committee members review applications and grant scholarships on a quarterly basis. For 2023 YTD, 32 Scholarships worth up to \$12,000 have been awarded.

Our Grants Committee reviews grant applications for a wide variety of funding requests, including research (e.g., to demonstrate the efficacy of Healing Touch), service grants (e.g., bring Healing Touch to underserved communities, such as veterans and hospice residents and workers), and education grants (e.g., for instructors to teach overseas or for foreign practitioners to become instructors). The Grant Committee has also recently written two papers pertaining to Healing Touch research, published in Energy Magazine and has awarded a €17,400 Research Grant to a Netherlands Research Institute.

Our Marketing and Fundraising Committee generates innovative ways to inform the greater community about Healing Touch and HTWF and the opportunities we can provide, while generating and executing fundraising opportunities such as hosting quality seminars on Energy Medicine.