BUILDING A LEGACY

GIVE TO A FUND OR ESTABLISH YOUR OWN

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The Community Foundation of Grand Forks, East Grand Forks & Region is a tax-exempt nonprofit organization created by and for the people of the middle and upper Red River Valley. Since 1998, we have been helping individuals, families, nonprofits, and businesses establish charitable funds to give back to the communities and causes they love.

CONNECTING PEOPLE WHO CARE WITH CAUSES THAT MATTER.

IDENTIFY ASSETS
Examples typically include cash, publicly traded or closely held securities, or real estate; however, bequests are also common.

CONSIDER THE TAX BENEFITS
Not only are gifts to the Community Foundation tax deductible, but contributions to endowment funds may also be eligible for the North Dakota Endowment Tax Credit. Learn more at gofoundation.org/tax-credit.

DETERMINE THE TYPE OF THE FUND
Distributions from funds can support nonprofit organizations; schools, libraries, and other public entities; houses of worship; or scholarships. Consider which causes mean the most to you and your family and the type of fund that best suits your goals.

SELECT A NAME
Many donors choose to name their fund “The (Surname) Fund.” Occasionally, however, donors wish to remain anonymous. If this is the case, contact us for help with naming your fund, so it reflects your interests and intentions while keeping your name private.

GROW YOUR FUND
A one-time gift can create a lasting legacy through a fund; however, consider the growth in your charitable impact if you make giving to your fund an annual tradition for you and your family.

STEPS TO ESTABLISH A FUND
Give back and make a lasting difference in your community by establishing your own fund to support the things that matter the most to you. The Community Foundation has the resources and expertise to help guide you through the entire process. Getting started is easy!
Unrestricted Funds
An unrestricted fund recognizes that a community’s challenges and opportunities will change. It provides flexible resources to support innovative responses. Fund holders entrust the Foundation with the selection of promising projects to receive grant funding through a competitive process based on community needs. Distributions are made in the name of the fund or anonymously.

Creating an unrestricted fund is best when you want your gift to have maximum impact on the community’s most pressing needs - now and forever.

Designated Funds
A designated fund is a way to support specific nonprofits for generations to come. Many donors recognize their annual gifts are a critical resource for the nonprofit organizations they support.

Designated funds name specific nonprofits as the beneficiaries of their grants and ensure support in the donor’s name continues in perpetuity.

Creating a designated fund is best when you have supported select organizations for years and want that support to continue forever.

Scholarship Funds
A scholarship fund provides students with educational dollars according to specific criteria, such as field of study or geographic area. When a donor establishes a scholarship fund, they can choose the name of the scholarship, the eligibility criteria, and the award amount. The Community Foundation manages all fiscal and administrative aspects of the fund, including the application, selection, and award processes.

Create a scholarship fund if you are passionate about supporting students in the pursuit of their educational goals.
WAYS TO MAKE AN IMPACT

Charitable giving makes a difference. It helps those who are struggling with illness or economic hardship. It provides shelters with beds, libraries with technology, and parks with accessible playgrounds. With over 100 funds, the Foundation is a flexible vehicle to make a gift supporting what is most important to you and your loved ones.

RECURRING
Automatically have gifts deducted from your debit or credit card through our secure giving website. You choose the amount and the duration of your giving. Donations can be started or stopped at any time.

MATCHED
Easily double your gift if you or your spouse’s employer participates in a matching gift program. Contact your human resources department for more information or email the Foundation with questions.

TRIBUTE
Make donations to any fund at the Foundation in honor or memory of someone special. We will notify the honoree or the family of those memorialized.

STOCK
Donor gifts of appreciated securities to the Foundation, and you may be eligible for a charitable income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the stock, while avoiding the capital gains tax. Contact our office for transfer instructions.

IRA
Donors age 70 1/2 or older can transfer up to $100,000 annually from their IRA directly to the Community Foundation without being subject to income taxes on the distribution. Contact your IRA administrator or the Foundation for more information.

PLANNED
Bequests, charitable gift annuities, charitable trusts, endowments and beneficiary designations of life insurance or retirement plan assets are simple yet impactful ways you can leave a legacy while shaping the future of the region.

Corporate Funds
A corporate fund can be a donor-advised, field of interest, unrestricted, or designated fund created to facilitate corporate philanthropy. If you own your business, have substantial holdings in closely held stocks, or are charged with managing your corporation’s charitable giving, giving through the Community Foundation offers tax advantages, eliminates record keeping and administrative hassles, and gives your business access to the guidance of our professional staff for both grantmaking and gift planning.

- Donate cash or other business assets. Contributions are tax deductible and you can make additional donations at any time. Making larger donations in more profitable years helps reduce your dependence on annual cash flow to sustain corporate giving levels.
- Decide which requests for support to fulfill and recommend those grant recipients. Or, allow the Foundation to assist in setting up your own grant program, managed by the Foundation.
- The Foundation handles all administrative paperwork, legal and audit fees, and correspondence with grant recipients.
- Our efficient administration of your giving program means more of your charitable resources are directed into the community.

NATIONALLY ACCREDITED

The Community Foundation of Grand Forks, East Grand Forks & Region is an accredited foundation meeting the nation’s highest philanthropic standards for operation quality, integrity, and accountability set forth by the Community Foundations National Standards Board. We have demonstrated our commitment to the success and well-being of every cause and person we support, and are willing and able to stand by every grant we have made.

The National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations Accreditation Program represents a community foundation’s dedication to going above and beyond federal and state requirements to demonstrate accountability and excellence to communities, policymakers, and the public.

Additionally, the Community Foundation is a platinum-level GuideStar participant, demonstrating a commitment to transparency.

Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law and may be eligible for ND State Tax Credits. Online gifts can be made at gofoundation.org/give (standard credit card fees may apply). Mailed contributions can be made payable to the Community Foundation with the fund of choice noted on the memo line and mailed to 620 DeMers Avenue, Grand Forks, ND 58201.
ESTABLISHED FUNDS AS OF MAY 15, 2022

Donor-Advised Endowment Funds
- Alerus Financial Donor-Advised Fund
- Anonymous
- Brockman Feldman Family Fund
- Tim and Sandy Crazy Family Fund
- Enerson Family Fund
- Eversen Blanche Gift Fund
- Hansen Family Fund
- Hastings Geiger Fund
- Glenn and Dina Hoff Fund
- Dave, Mary Cail, Eric, and Alison Nordmad Family Fund
- Charles and Joann Hurley Memorial Fund
- Johnson Kuhlman Ark Fund
- Derrick and Tara Johnson Fund
- John S. and James L. Knight Foundation Fund
- Daniel and Marilyn Kuhlman Family Fund
- Paul and Kosta Kuhlman Family Fund
- Steve and Melissa Kuhlman Family Fund
- Lemke Family Fund
- Loyland Abshur Grandsons Fund
- Mike and Katherine Maidenberg Fund
- Neel Family Fund
- Greg and Susan Opp Fund
- Paul Ray Memorial Fund
- Peabody Family Fund
- Troy and Jackie Pihetren - Valley Oral and Facial Surgery Fund
- Redmann Family Fund
- Jim and Connie Sattrom Family Fund
- Schroeder Family Fund
- Wells Fargo Fund
- Yunker Family Fund

Organizational Endowment Funds
- Aneta Parkview Health Center Fund
- Campbell Library Literacy Fund
- Chamber Leadership Fund
- Christus Rex Fund
- Community Violence Intervention Center (CVIC) Fund
- Development Homes, Inc. Fund
- Empire Arts Center Fund

FOR ENDOWMENT GIFTS

Endowments are a sustainable forever gift. Many donors choose to establish or add to existing endowment funds to provide a vital base source of funding that may allow the organization to carry on, even in lean years.

Businesses (C and S corporations, estates, limited liability companies, trusts, and financial institutions) that pay North Dakota income tax may take a 40% credit up to a total of $10,000 for gifts to the qualified endowment fund of a qualified North Dakota charity. Effective for taxable years starting in 2011.

Individuals may receive a state tax credit for a contribution for $5,000 or more (lump sum or aggregate in one year) to a qualified North Dakota endowment. The tax credit is 40% of the charitable deduction allowed by the IRS up to a maximum credit of $10,000 per year per taxpayer or $20,000 per year per couple filing jointly. Effective for taxable years starting in 2011.

The credit may be carried forward for 3 additional tax years if it cannot all be used in one year.

FOR PLANNED OR DEFERRED GIFTS

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE TAX CREDITS

Field of Interest and Unrestricted Endowment Funds
- Arts and Culture Impact Fund
- Community and Human Services Impact Fund
- Community Foundation Fund
- Community Opportunity Fund
- Environmental Sustainability Impact Fund
- Families First Fund
- Founders and Directors Fund
- Friends of Downtown Fund
- Greenway and Environment Fund
- Home of Economy Fund
- Human Rights Impact Fund
- Gordon and Trudy Isenminger Endowment for the Arts
- Women’s Fund

Designated Endowment Funds
- ArtWise Fund
- Circle of Friends Humane Society Fund
- Keith and Maxine Driscoll Sacred Heart Fund
- Endowment Fund for Oral Health in Grand Forks
- Forks Handicapped Club Fund
- Forum Communications Public Art Fund
- Grand Forks Center for Exploration Children’s Museum Fund
- Grand Forks Curling Club Fund
- Sidney E. Isenminger Fund
- Kvidt Family Sacred Heart Fund
- Maidenberg Leadership Fund
- Joseph and Jennifer Martin Sacred Heart Fund
- Paul and Julie Mutch Fund for Riverside Christian School
- North Dakota Museum of Art Fund
- Northern Valley Youth Orchestra Fund
- Operation Good Samaritan Fund
- Greg and Susan Opp Fund for Children
- Public Arts Commission Fund
- Tamara C. Read Strings Fund
- Saint Gianna’s Maternity Home Fund
- Timothy Goetz Memorial Fund for Kids
- UND Writer’s Conference Fund
- Y Family Center Fund
- Zachary Doze Sacred Heart Fund

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- Fund Holder

**Estdablished Funds Continued**

Organizational Endowment Funds Continued

Friends of First Night GGF Fund
Global Friends Coalition Fund
Grand Forks County Historical Society Fund
Grand Forks Senior Center Fund
GGF Community Theatre - Fire Hall Fund
Greater Grand Forks Symphony Fund
Harry Romberg Memorial Fund
HOPE Church Fund
Koinonia Ecumenical Spirituality Center Fund
Lommel Fund of United Way of GF, EGF and Area
ND Association for the Disabled (NDAD) Fund
Riverside Christian School Fund
Summer Performing Arts Fund
Thompson Fire Department Fund
Trakanen Fund for Northlands Rescue Mission
Valley Senior Living Foundation Fund
Women's Pregnancy Center Fund
Zion United Methodist Fund

Scholarship Endowment Funds

Charles Thueber Memorial Fund
East Grand Forks Rotary Club Fund
Grand Forks Republican Women Fund
Muri Spangler Fund
Muriel and Svend Andersen Larimore Fund
Norval Meagher Sacred Heart School Student Fund

Donor-Advised Flexible Funds**

Blair Flegal Estate Fund
Randy and Merrilee Brown Family Fund
Tim and Sandy Crary Family Fund
Forum Communications Fund
Gigstad Hagen Fund
Grand Forks Children's Museum Fund
ICON Youth Sports Initiative Fund
Daniel and Marilyn Kuhiman Family Fund
Mark Loesle Memorial Fund
Opp Family Fund
PS Industries, Inc. - Satrom Fund

J. Ryan Fund
Scott and Sue Stinar Family Fund
James and Betty Younggren Family Fund

Special Project and Fiscal Sponsorship Funds**

Arise Above Foundation Fund
Art Matters Fund
Arts Regrant Program Fund
Community Foundation Annual Fund
Downtown Development Association (DDA) Fund
Empire Alive Fund
Grand Awards Fund
Grand Forks in Color Fund
Grand Forks Police Department Fund
GGF Indigenous Sewing Circle Fund
GGF Young Professionals (GGFYP) Fund
Greenway Takeover Festival Fund
Main Street Grand Forks Challenge Fund
Mingston Fund
Myron's Wardrobe Fund
Nonprofit Relief Fund
North Dakota Shakespeare Fund
Park River Area Legacy Fund
Starving Artist Fund
The Art of Giving (TAG) Fund
The Empty State Theatre Fund
The Great American Folk Show Fund
The Longest Table Fund
The Longest Table Micro-Grant Fund
University Park Neighborhoods Fund
Upper Red River Valley (URRV) Disaster Relief Fund
Women’s Fund Operating Fund
Women's Leadership Academy Fund

*Distributions support nonprofit organizations and eligible public entities through a competitive grantmaking process.

**Not qualifying endowment funds.