

CONNECTING PEOPLE WHO CARE WITH CAUSES THAT MATTER.

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.

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 your through the entire process. Getting started is easy!

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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.

FUND TYPES

When creating a fund through the Community Foundation, donors choose the type for their fund(s). The "type" determines how charitable grants from income are distributed.

Donor-Advised Endowment and Flexible Funds

A donor advised fund provides a means for the donor and their family members to stay involved by making granting recommendations. All recommendations are forwarded to the Foundation's board of directors for final approval. Our most popular fund option, donor-advised funds provide maximum convenience and flexibility by enabling donors to address a wide variety of issues, because giving priorities may change over time. The Foundation manages check writing, reporting, and paperwork. Many donors choose this type of fund to simplify their annual giving.

The Foundation offers two types of donor advised funds:

- <u>Flexible funds</u> allow you to make grants, as long as you maintain a minimum balance. These funds will accrue investment returns, which can add to the amount available for grantmaking.
- Endowed funds are designed to continually grow charitable assets, thereby leaving a lasting resource for the community. Only a portion of the income earned on the fund's assets is available for grantmaking each year, with the emphasis on growing the principal for long-term use. This choice is best for those whose philanthropic vision extends far into the future.

Create a donor-advised fund when you have an active interest in supporting a number of causes and want to remain both involved and flexible in your charitable objectives. The donor-advised fund is also a good option if you want to involve future generations in family philanthropy.

Field of Interest Funds

A field of interest fund supports a broadly defined area such as the arts, the environment, health and wellness, or a more narrow interest, such as dental care for children of low-income families. Fund holders identify their area of interest and can participate in the grantmaking process or utilize the Foundation's expertise to identify worthy grantees.

Creating a field of interest fund is best when you are passionate about a community issue and want the flexibility to support it in perpetuity, without necessarily committing your funds to a specific organization.

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.





FUND TYPES CONTINUED

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. ACCREDITED

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Excellence. Accountability. Impact.™

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

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

Donate 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.

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.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE TAX CREDITS

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

Individuals may make a qualified deferred gift to a qualified North Dakota nonprofit organization or endowment fund. The Community Foundation and its component funds are considered qualified charities. The tax credit is 40% of the charitable deduction allowed by the IRS up to a maximum of \$10,000 per year per taxpayer or \$20,000 per year per couple filing jointly.

ESTABLISHED FUNDS AS OF MAY 15, 2022

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 Iseminger Endowment for the Arts* Women's Fund*

Designated Endowment Funds

Y Family Center Fund

Zachary Doze Sacred Heart Fund

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. Jorgenson 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 Orchestras Fund Operation Good Samaritan Fund Greg and Susan Opp Fund for Children **Public Arts Commission Fund** Tamar C. Read Strings Fund Saint Gianna's Maternity Home Fund Timothy Goetz Memorial Fund for Kids UND Writer's Conference Fund

Donor-Advised Endowment Funds

Alerus Financial Donor-Advised Fund Anonymous Brockman Feldman Family Fund Tim and Sandy Crary Family Fund **Enerson Family Fund** Evenson Blanche Gift Fund Hansen Family Fund Hastings Geiger Fund Glenn and Dona Hoff Fund* Dave, Mary Gail, Eric, and Alison Homstad 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 Krista Kuhlman Family Fund Steve and Melissa Kuhlman Family Fund Lemke Family Fund Loyland-Asbury Grandsons Fund Mike and Katherine Maidenberg Fund Neel Family Fund* Grea and Susan Opp Fund Paul Ray Memorial Fund Peabody Family Fund Trov and Jackie Petersen - Valley Oral and Facial Surgery Fund Redmann Family Fund Jim and Corinne Satrom 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**

ESTABLISHED 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 Lommen 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 Trankina Fund for Northlands Rescue Mission Valley Senior Living Foundation Fund Women's Pregnancy Center Fund Zion United Methodist Fund

Scholarship Endowment Funds

Charles Thurber Memorial Fund
East Grand Forks Rotary Club Fund
Grand Forks Republican Women Fund
Muir Spengler 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 Kuhlman Family Fund
Mark Loeslie 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 Minogitoon 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.

"My husband and I
established a fund at the
Community Foundation,
because we want our children
to see the impact of giving
back to our community.
For us, charitable giving is a
family tradition."

- Fund Holder

