what we do

The Winneshiek County Community Foundation connects people with the causes they care about and makes grants to nonprofit organizations enriching our communities.

We do this by helping to simplify the philanthropic process, giving generous people a way to support what they care about. Gifts to the Community Foundation become part of a permanent endowment, which means they will benefit your community forever. We invest gifts so they grow, maximizing the resources available to use for grantmaking that addresses community needs.

“When you make a gift to a fund or establish a fund with the Community Foundation, you help meet our county’s critical needs. It is this generosity that allows us to make grants to organizations changing lives and enriching our local communities.”

LORRAINE BOROWSKI
Winneshiek County Community Foundation Committee Chair
Grantmaking by program area

- Art and Culture: 33%
- Community Betterment: 12%
- Education: 7%
- Health: 12%
- Historic Preservation: 31%
- Human Service: 5%

2016 Discretionary Grants
Listed by grant program area including organization, grant project

**Art and Culture**
- City of Calmar, Winneshiek County Freedom Rock Project
- City of Spillville, Signage for Outbuildings/Structures at the Bily Clocks Museum
- New Minowa Players Ltd., 40 for 40 Capital Campaign

**Community Betterment**
- City of Ossian, The City of Ossian - Educational and Performance Pavilion
- City of Spillville, Spillville Big Stones Mill Park Shelter
- Friends of Fort Atkinson, 2016 Friends of Fort Atkinson Walking Tour Brochures
- Winneshiek County, Conservation Board: Neste Valley Recreation Area
- Winneshiek County Agricultural Association, Hand Dryers

**Education**
- St. Francis de Sales School, Technology Upgrades
- Turkey Valley School District, Learning in Motion

**Health**
- Aase Haugen Senior Services, Dementia Care Therapeutic Equipment Package
- Ossian Senior Hospice, CCDI Remodel
- Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission, Food and Fitness Fun in Winneshiek County

Endow Iowa
Gifts to the Community Foundation may be eligible for the Endow Iowa Tax Credit. Taxpayers can receive a 25% Iowa tax credit through Endow Iowa in addition to normal federal charitable income tax deductions for certain charitable gifts.

For more information go to cfneia.org/endowiowa.