what we do

The Howard 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 matters to them. Gifts to the Community Foundation become part of a permanent endowment, which means they will benefit your community forever. Donors can make gifts to existing funds or create their own named fund to support the charities of their choosing. We invest gifts so they grow, maximizing the resources for grantmaking that addresses community needs.

Howard County Community Foundation grants provide essential funding to nonprofits and government entities serving Howard County and its residents. Since 2005, we have granted over $1,000,000 to support our partners in making our communities better places for all people.

A Legacy of Good

Planning for a future that benefits your family and community leaves a legacy of good. Go to cfneialegacy.org to find information to help achieve your charitable goals through a planned giving option that’s right for you.
2017 Discretionary Grants Awarded

grantee organization and grant program listed

art and culture
City of Cresco, Cresco Theatre and Opera House - PA System
The First Freedom, Inc., Puppets & PROgramming

community betterment
American Legion Post 0597, Elma Memorial Hall Equipment Needs
American Legion Post 135, Howard County Freedom Rock Bridge Organization, Leadership Program + Mural/Signage
City of Chester, Community Center Interior Remodel Project
City of Chester, Parks and Rec - Chester Softball Scoreboard
City of Chester, Partners in Progress - Main Street Planters
City of Cresco, Chamber of Commerce - Welcome Center Landscape Remodel
City of Cresco, Parks and Recreation - Disc Golf Tee Boxes
City of Elma, Park Board - Replace Broken, Outdated Playground Equipment
City of Elma, School Building Upgrades
City of Lime Springs, Community Center - Heating/Cooling Upgrade
City of Lime Springs, Privacy Walls for Swimming Pool Locker Shower Rooms
City of Lime Springs, Public Library - Computer and Mobile Technology Classes & Youth Makerspace Enhancement
City of Protivin, Safety Radar Speed Sign
City of Riceville, Woodland Avenue Pedestrian Sidewalk Lighting Project
Cresco Wildlife Club, Cresco Wildlife Club Trap Shooting
CRICCET, Howard County Drug Drop Off Box
Driptrunners Snowmobile Club, Driftrunners Snowmobile Club Maps
Howard County, Safety Trail Measures for Howard County Lime Springs Community Club, New Christmas Decorations Project
Prairie Springs Recreational Trails, Outdoor Water Fountain for People and Pets
Riceville Community Foundation, Riceville Community Center - Rear Entry Doors
Riceville Community Foundation, WGWL - Bike Fix-it Stations

education
Riceville Community School District, K-12 Art Department Kiln: Phase 1
Trinity Catholic School, Phasing Out Desktops
Turkey Valley Trap Shooting Team, Team iPad

our 2017 impact

$105,385 total grants distributed
includes grants from all funds

$99,193 discretionary grants distributed

$1,002,845 total assets held by HCCF
$904,521 total endowed assets
$141,287 in donations in 2017

our funds
CUSB Bank Designated Fund
CUSB Bank Scholarship Fund
The First Freedom, Inc. established by Elaine Rose Govern Fund
Howard County Community Impact Fund
Howard County Endowment Fund
Howard County Expendable Fund
Howard County Historical Society Fund
Howard-Winneshiek Community School Foundation Fund
New Oregon Cemetery Fund
Regional Health Services of Howard County Endowment Fund
Riceville Ambulance Service Endowment Fund
Riceville Legacy Fund established by Peter J. and Elaine R. Govern Alvin and Karen Voyna Family Fund

Make a gift to a fund, or create your own fund with the Howard County Community Foundation at howardccf.org.

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