what we do

The Tama 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.

Tama County Community Foundation grants provide essential funding to nonprofits and government entities serving Tama County and its residents. Since 2005, we have granted over $1,400,000 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 Gladbrook, Gladbrook Matchstick Marvels Brochure Distribution
South Tama County Community School District, Instrument Storage Shelving for New Band Room at STC
STC Music Boosters, STC Marching Band Uniforms
Tama County, Livestock & Fair Association
Welting Opera House Company, Sound Equipment
Wolf Creek Players, Camp Creamery 2017

community betterment
American Legion Post 0127 Ehrig-McTurk, LED lighting for Gladbrook Memorial Building
AMVETS - Iowa Department, Continuance of Replacing Ceiling in Lincoln Armvet Building
City of Chelsea, Chelsea Community Hall
City of Chelsea, New Ceiling and Lighting for City Hall and Library
City of Clutter, Library - Furnace and Air Conditioner
City of Dysart, Tree Board - Trail Improvements and Development
City of Gladbrook, Library - Movable Shelving
City of Tama, Ceiling Restoration Eagles 2017
City of Tama, Enright-Schroeder American Legion Hall Improvement
City of Tama, Library - Records Migration and Inventory Scanner
City of Tama, VPW Mechanical Repairs and Replacements 2017
City of Toledo, Parks Department - King Cole Memorial Water Fountain
City of Toledo, STC Joint Recreation Board
City of Toledo, Tama Toledo Chamber - Tables & Canopy
City of Vining, City Park Upgrades
South Tama Youth Baseball, STC Facility Restroom Project
Tama County, Conservation Board - Outdoor Education Program - Archery Equipment
Tama County Humane Society, Cat Housing

education
Al Exitio, Al Exitio Tama: Tama Youth To Success
American Legion Post 0127 Ehrig-McTurk, Tama County Government Day 2017
Green Mountain Garwin Community School, Digital Microscopes for Agricultural Science Education
Iowa College Access Network - East Central Iowa Student Success Center, Tama County FAFSA Challenge
North Tama County Community School District, North Tama 4 Year Old Preschool Playground Equipment

environment
Our Sacred Space, Inc, dba Pilgrim Heights Camp & Retreat Center, Our Sacred Space/ Kid’s Corner

health
Child Abuse Prevention Services, Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Program
City of Tama, Police Department - Stand Clear - AED
Iowa River Hospice, Day of Care

historic preservation
Dysart Cemetery Association, Dysart Cemetery Historic Archway and Plot Location Project
Dysart Historical Society, Historical Museum Front Door Replacement Project
Prairie Rivers of Iowa, Restoration/Repair of the Historic Lincoln Highway Bridge in Tama
Tama County Historical Society, Energy Efficient LED Lighting

human service
ACCESS, Tama County Victim Services
Central Iowa Residential Services, Tama Opportunity Center and Tama County Residential Services Consumer Needs
Children and Families of Iowa, Assisting Survivors of Domestic Violence in Tama County
City of Chelsea, Fire Department Extrication Pump
City of Garwin, Insulating New Fire Department & Ambulance Building
City of Gladbrook, Gladbrook Fire - Pagers
City of Gladbrook, Gladbrook-Lincoln Ambulance Paramedic Level Supplies
Mid-Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America, Mid-Iowa Council Camp Scholarship Program
Mid-Iowa Workshops, Inc, Services Computer, Printer and Rugs
Northeast Iowa Food Bank, Backpack Program
Tama County Day Care dba Kids’ Corner Child Care Center, Outdoor Play Area Renovation
The Compassionate Friends, Compassionate Friends Newsletter - Tama County
Zion Lutheran Church WELCA, Home & Health Closet

as of December 31, 2017