

# HANDS-ON PHILANTHROPY

Establishing a donor advised fund with the Cerro Gordo County Community Foundation provides you the opportunity to be actively involved in making a difference for organizations you care about.

## CONVENIENT, PERSONAL, POWERFUL

For donors who value freedom, convenience, and choice, a donor advised fund is one of the most powerful charitable tools for making your community stronger. Donor advised funds provide a hands-on approach to philanthropy.

Your named fund allows you to support multiple nonprofits and meet community needs as they arise. The Community Foundation supports you through personalized service, using our insight into community need and knowledge of nonprofit organizations doing great work to help increase the effectiveness of your giving.

**Getting started is easy.** Creating a fund that allows you to make a difference during your lifetime and can impact your community forever is simple. You can use cash, stock, or other assets to create your fund and qualify for tax benefits including the Endow Iowa 25% state tax credit. It takes \$10,000 or more to establish your donor advised fund.

Contact our Development staff at 319-287-9106 or [info@cfnea.org](mailto:info@cfnea.org) to discuss how you can turn your generosity into charitable actions.

"It's exciting we could be charitable in our life, and after we've passed. That money is always going to stay in the Foundation and always grow. Our family can continue to direct to charities in the community, or, if our family prefers, the Community Foundation will continue to enhance the community."

**NICK & LEA ANDERSEN**  
Donor Advised Fundholders  
Nicklos and Leandra Andersen  
Family Fund

## A Simple Way to Give



### give

a gift to impact your  
community forever



### grow

charitable dollars through  
professionally managed  
investment



### grant

to your favorite causes  
impacting your  
community

Start your donor advised fund  
today by going to  
[cfnea.org/createafund](https://cfnea.org/createafund).

## Key Benefits of

# Establishing a Donor Advised Fund

Helping the causes you care about is easy when you work with the Community Foundation to establish a donor advised fund.

**Personalized Giving** Your fund is your tool for personalized giving. Support the causes and community you love by making grants to multiple projects and needs as they arise throughout the year, all through one convenient charitable account.

**Work With Our Staff** Our experienced staff can help you make grants that have the most impact on the causes you care about. We have an in-depth knowledge of community needs and projects across our 20-county region. You can access Foundation staff and discuss your charitable intent and we can help you increase the effectiveness of your giving.

**Family Engagement** Many donor advised fundholders involve family in grantmaking decisions. This generational giving model passes on your philosophy of generosity. Fundholders may also name successor advisors for their fund to continue the family legacy of giving.

**Efficient Management** The Community Foundation handles all the administrative tasks that assist in best meeting your philanthropic goals. This includes professional management and financial oversight of your dollars to grow the charitable impact of your fund.

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## Grantmaking Made Easy

Making grants from your donor advised fund with the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa is simple. Our user-friendly donor portal, available at [cfneia.org](http://cfneia.org), gives you 24-hour access to your fund to make grants, review grant history, or see your available to grant balance.



**Nick and Lea Andersen** started kindergarten together in Goldfield, Iowa, and after a lifetime together, their love remains strong. "I think forever is a good thing," said Nick about their lifelong love.

Now the couple is carrying out another forever commitment, this one to their community through the establishment of the Nicklos and Leandra Andersen Family Fund.

Like many Iowans, the couple has spent their life working in the agriculture industry, mostly across Eastern Iowa. Nick and Lea now call Clear Lake home, and when they sold part of their business, they created the donor advised fund with the Cerro Gordo County Community Foundation, an affiliate of CFNEIA. The couple also decided to extend their generosity through an estate gift as members of CFNEIA's Legacy Society.

As lifelong Iowans, Nick and Lea want to make sure they give back to the state that supported them. "We made our money in Iowa, and we want to make sure it comes back to Iowa," expressed Nick. "If we can give back to the community, not only during our lifetime but as a legacy, that gives us a lot of satisfaction."

### ABOUT THE CERRO GORDO COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Since 2005, CGCCF has been a catalyst for positive community change. We do this by supporting nonprofits doing the most good and by helping people who want to do good leave a legacy for their community and the causes they care about. The CGCCF is an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa which is Confirmed in Compliance with National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations.



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