what we do

The Winnebago 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.”

JONATHAN KLAASSEN
Winnebago County Community Foundation Committee Chair
2016 Discretionary Grants
Listed by grant program area including organization, grant project

Art and Culture
Brickstreet Theatre INC, BrickStreet Theatre Set Equipment

Community Betterment
City of Buffalo Center, Buffalo Center Public Library Study Room
City of Buffalo Center, Park Committee - sodbusts Sign for City Park
City of Buffalo Center, Baby Pool Update Project
City of Forest City, Park Department - Jerry Tweeten Pavilion at Merrick Park
City of Lake Mills, Parks and Recreation Department-Batting Cage
City of Lake Mills, Library - Front and Back Door Replacement
City of Thompson, Library - Programs for Children and Adults in our Community
Forest City Family YMCA, Forest City YMCA Community Room Kitchen Renovation
Kum-A-Long Club, Furnace Replacement
Lake Mills Family Center, Infant and 1-Year-Old Classroom Remodel
Winnebago County Fair Association, Grandstand Restroom/Concession Facility
Winnebago Historical Society, Update Restrooms 2016

Education
Hanson Family Life Center, Classroom Expansion and Collaboration

Winnebago County Community Foundation Funds

Hynes Spur Trail Endowment Fund
Hynes Spur Trail Fund (Quasi)
Winnebago County Community Impact Fund
Winnebago County Endowment Fund
Winnebago County Expendable Fund

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

$92,598 total grants distributed
$92,598 discretionary grants distributed
$133,164 in donations

total assets: $577,954
total endowed assets: $473,906

2016 BY THE NUMBERS

Grantmaking by program area

- Art and Culture 28%
- Community Betterment 54%
- Education 4%
- Health 1%
- Historic Preservation 11%
- Human Service 2%

endow iowa

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

For more information go to cfneia.org/endowiowa.

giving through the foundation

Thanks to the generosity and vision of our donors, the Winnebago County Community Foundation is able to build stronger, more vibrant communities across Winnebago County today, and into the future. We continue working for our donors and all the communities we serve with visionary leadership, effective grant making and endowment building services.