what we do

The Kossuth 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.”

CAROL HEESCH
Kossuth County Community Foundation Committee Chair
2016 Discretionary Grants
Listed by grant program area including organization, grant project

Art and Culture
Alguna Community Schools, Wilcox Performing Arts Center Celebration
Camp Algona POW Project, Translation of Interviews - German POWs at Camp Algona
Johanna Restoration Foundation, Carnegie Centre for the Arts
Kossuth County Agriculture & Motorsports Museum, Museum Exhibit Description Stand
Kossuth County Historical Society, KCHS Lighting Project

Community Betterment
American Legion Post 627 Ranney-Weisbrod, Fenton Legion New Flooring Project
Bancroft Community Foundation, Summit Center of Bancroft Phase 1 of 4 Renovation
City of Algona, Algona Public Library Community Garden & Seed Saving
City of Algona, Algona Recreation Department - Central Park and Veterans Park Baseball Portable Pitching Mounds
City of Algona, Parks Department Trail Project Waste Receptacles and Benches
City of Bancroft, Bancroft Little League Softball Field Scoreboard
City of Burt, Tables for the Burt Activity Complex
City of Burt, Burt Public Library Programming
City of Burt, Repairs for the Burt Swimming Pool
City of Ledyard, City of Ledyard Magnetic Locator
City of Swea City, Library Adult Area Seating
City of Swea City, Swea City Swimming Pool Paint Project
City of Titonka, Titonka Swimming Pool Paint Project
City of Titonka, Floor Tarp
City of Wesley, Library Media Storage
City of Whittemore, Community Center - New Lights
City of Whittemore, Whittemore Public Library Renovation
Kosuth Connections, Caddyshack Landscape Maintenance
Kossuth County Economic Development Corp, Audio Visual Equipment
Kossuth County Extension, Advanced Community Leadership Program
Lone Rock Community Club, PLAY in Lone Rock
Swea City Improvement League, Phase 1-Swea City Pool Plunge

Education
City of Titonka, Boosting STEM Activity within the Titonka Public Library
Iowa College Access Network, Future Ready Iowa - Kossuth County
Kossuth County Extension, Electronic Excursions

Grantmaking by program area
- Art and Culture
- Community Betterment
- Education
- Environment
- Historic Preservation
- Human Service

Environment
Water’s Edge Nature Center Foundation, Outdoor Recreation Package

Historic Preservation
City of Lakota, Library - Saving Our Historical Building
Kossuth County Historical Society, Digitization of Historical County Newspapers
Sullivan Building Foundation Fund, Restore Wood Surround on Windows on East side of Sullivan Building

Human Service
Alguna Family YMCA, Y-Pals Mentoring Program
Alguna Family YMCA, Nature Playground
City of Algona, Algona Police Reserve Unit Training Equipment
City of Algona, Algona Fire Department Update Turnout Gear
City of Burt, Burt Fire Department Turnout/Bunker Gear
City of Fenton, Sentral Area Ambulance Stair Chair
City of Fenton, Cribbing Replacement
City of Swea City, Fire Department - Purchase New Pagers
City of Swea City, Swea City Ambulance Equipment Purchase
City of Titonka, Fire Department - X Factor Thermal Imaging Camera
City of Whittemore, Whittemore EMS - Communications Update
City of Whittemore, Whittemore Fire Dept: Grain Bin Rescue Equipment & Training
Crisis Intervention Service, Girls Circle
Exceptional Opportunities, Technology for Community Inclusion
KEPT Healthcare Coalition, Mass Care - Shelter In-Place
Our Savior Lutheran Church, Daycare - Better and Brighter Lights to see the Children

Kossuth County Community Foundation Funds
Active Senior Citizens of Algona, Inc. Endowment Fund
Algona Community School Endowment Fund
Algona Family YMCA Foundation Endowment Fund
Algona Family YMCA Foundation Endowment Fund (Quasi)
Anonymous Kossuth County Fund (Quasi)
Bancroft Community Foundation Fund
Camp Algona POW Museum Endowment Fund
John Cowin and Sharon Hackenmiller Cowin Charitable Fund
First Lutheran Church Endowment Fund
Jack and Ginger Geelan Charitable Fund
Good Samaritan Society Algona Endowment Fund
Kirk and Julia Hayes Family Charitable Fund
Iowa State Bank of Algona Charitable Fund
Kiwanis Club of Algona Endowment Fund
Kossuth County Agriculture and Motorsports Museum Fund
Kossuth County C.A.R.E. Team Fund
Kossuth County Community Foundation Governing Committee Endowment
Kossuth County Community Foundation Operations Endowment Fund
Kossuth County Community Impact Fund
Kossuth County Endowment Fund
Kossuth County Expendable Fund
Kossuth Regional Health Center Endowment Fund
Charles and Helen Lickteig Family Fund
Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Company Charitable Fund
Protsmann Family Fund
Zach Purcell Foundation Scholarship Fund
Vincent and Beth Rolling Fund
Sullivan Building Foundation Fund
Donald Tietz Wildhaven Educational Fund
Don J. Whittemore Endowment Fund
Ed and Betty Wilcox Center for Performing Arts Fund

$159,551
total grants distributed
$123,332 discretionary grants distributed
$172,417 in donations

total assets: $3,192,289
total endowed assets: $3,076,511