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NDCF Board Selects Lipp to Lead Organization

Bismarck, ND— The North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF) Board of Directors has announced its selection of Steve Lipp as the next President & CEO of the organization. Lipp will replace Kevin Dvorak, who is retiring at the end of the year after 37 years at the foundation.

Originally from Minot, North Dakota, Lipp has over thirty years of experience in relationship building and staff management, and over seven years of experience in endowment-focused fundraising. He previously worked as the Executive Director of Foundation & Mission Advancement for the Bishop Ryan Catholic School Foundation and as the Director of Development for the Minot State University Foundation. He earned a Catholic Philanthropy Post-Graduate Certificate from the University of Mary in 2018. A graduate of Northwestern College of Chiropractic in Bloomington, Minnesota, Lipp is also a practicing Chiropractic Physician, most recently at Active Life Chiropractic in Bismarck.

“Steve’s passion for development work, as well as his management experience over the course of his career, made him stand out during our selection process,” said C.J. Hager, Chair of the NDCF Board of Directors and a member of the NDCF transition team. “We are confident in his abilities to lead this organization and continue its important work.”

NDCF was organized in 1976 as a public, non-profit tax-exempt corporation which receives and distributes charitable funds to support a wide range of programs which benefit North Dakotans and their communities. NDCF currently administers over \$160 million in over 950 individual charitable funds, including 69 community foundations and over 200 scholarships for North Dakota youth. The organization has 11 total employees, several hundred volunteers, and offices in Bismarck, Dickinson, Larimore, and Wahpeton, North Dakota.

“It is a privilege and an honor to be selected to serve as the next President & CEO of this great foundation,” said Lipp. “I am a lifelong resident of this great state and am excited to work for an organization committed to improving its communities and the quality of life of its citizens.”

Lipp will start work at NDCF on May 1 as the President of the organization, while Dvorak continues as the CEO until his retirement on December 31.

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