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# 2025 Annual Update

*A Status Update for Donors and Supporters of the Enderlin Area's Permanent Endowment Fund.*

*Dear Friends,*

We are so thankful to live in this area, where neighbors help neighbors without hesitation. We saw that immediately after the terrible storm event in June. The outpouring of support was incredible but let's hope we never see that kind of devastation again.

We are also thankful to those who have supported this permanent fund over the years. This is our gift to our region - the money in this fund will generate grant dollars forever. That means that long after we are gone, the Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund will continue to support projects and programs that improve the quality of life here. We can't think of a better way to "pay it forward" for future generations.

The EACEF is led by a local Advisory Committee. We work to grow the fund so it can give out more and larger grants every year. We also review grant applications and make recommendations for grant awards. If you ever have a question about the foundation, please feel free to contact one of us! - Nancy Farnham, Committee Chair

Committee members:

Deb Gillund	Kendra Iwen
Chris Armbrust	Heather Cavett
Martin Bergstedt	Judith Krueger
Daryn Christl	Dr. Maggie Peterson
Candy Lund	Andrea Johnson
Annell Alger	

Enderlin Area Community Endow. Fund

- Established in 2014
- Market Value of Fund (as of 6/30/2025): **\$299,415**
- Total Gifts to the Enderlin fund so far this year: **\$1,255**
- Total grants awarded in 2025: **7 grants totaling \$9,990**
- Total grants awarded since inception: **37 grants totaling \$53,567**

## \$9,990 Awarded in 2025

The Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund awarded seven grants totaling \$9,990 to the following organizations in April of this year:

- **City of Sheldon:** \$2,000 for the renovation of a basketball/tennis court at Sheldon City Park
- **Enderlin Area Schools:** \$2,000 for their Backpack program
- **Enderlin Municipal Library:** \$2,000 for new shelving
- **SMP Health—Maryhill:** \$2,000 for a resident room refresh project
- **Happy Trails Childcare:** \$1,000 for technology/outside equipment
- **Nome Schoolhouse:** \$495 for fencing for their Animal Education Center
- **Hospice of the Red River Valley:** \$495 for a Grief and Bereavement Program in Enderlin

Grants are awarded once a year. Any organization with a 501(c)(3) status or government agency may apply. Applications are available online at [www.NDCF.net/Enderlin](http://www.NDCF.net/Enderlin)



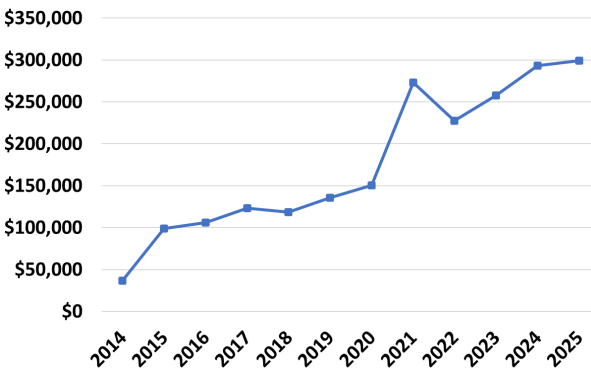
*The Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund awarded a \$3,571 grant to the Enderlin Lions Club last year to help with the costs associated with bringing a canine unit to the Ransom County Sheriff's Office. Max arrived in November of 2024 and has been out and about in the community ever since. Thanks to all our donors for making this and other grants possible!*

## Fund Growth Over the Years

The Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund has a market value of almost \$300,000! This is a permanent fund so that money will provide grant dollars for our area forever.

How did we get to this amount? First, a group of local residents had the forethought to create this fund at the North Dakota Community Foundation back in 2014. Then, many people have donated to this fund over the years, either through fundraisers or by sending in a check. Special thanks to Marshall and Susan Larsen for several substantial gifts to this fund and to BankNorth and other area businesses and families for contributing regularly over the years!

The chart below shows our asset value as of December 31 every year (2025 data is from June 30.)



In addition to the current value of this fund, we have awarded more than \$53,000 in grants from the endowment fund's earnings since it started! And we will continue to award grants every year going forward.

We continue to work to grow this fund because the larger this asset, the more grants we can provide to our area nonprofits. What could we do in Enderlin if we had \$20,000 to grant out every year? Or \$50,000?

### Questions or want more information?



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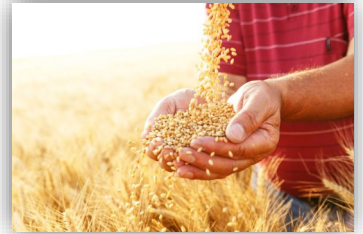
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## Donating Ag Commodities Makes Good Sense (& Cents)

Many North Dakotans do their charitable giving in a very tax-wise way - they gift a portion of their harvest.

*"Gifting agricultural commodities is a really smart way to give back,"* noted Scott Nicholson of the North Dakota Community



Foundation, who works with area producers on their gifts. *"Farmers can deduct the cost of production, but the portion of the harvest that is donated does not have to be claimed as income to the self-employed farmer. This can result in thousands of dollars in tax savings as opposed to a straight gift of cash."*

The Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund can accept many different types of agricultural commodities as gifts, including livestock.

If you are interested in learning more about this giving option, contact Scott Nicholson at



Scott@NDCF.net or 701-892-2007 for a free, confidential conversation. He can provide illustrations of your potential tax savings and discuss various ways to structure your gift to meet your charitable-giving desires as well as optimize your tax savings. Learn more at [www.NDCF.net/AgGifts](http://www.NDCF.net/AgGifts).

## Leave a Legacy in Enderlin

If you would like to leave some or all of your estate to the Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund, suggested language is below

*"I give and bequeath to the North Dakota Community Foundation (Tax ID 45-0336015), a qualified charitable organization under IRS 501 (c)(3), located in Bismarck, North Dakota, \_\_\_\_\_ (a percentage, specific dollar amount, or remainder) to the **Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund**, a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation."*

*\* Be sure to consult an attorney*



The Enderlin Area Community Endowment Fund (EACEF) is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF), supporting the communities of Enderlin, Sheldon, Alice, and Nome. Established in 1976, NDCF provides charitable giving and fiduciary services, including donor gift planning, bequest planning and an annual audit. For more information about NDCF or the EACEF, contact Scott Nicholson, NDCF Development Director at 701-892-2007.