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Cooperstown Community Foundation

2026 Annual Update

Dear Friends,

Our partner in philanthropy for over 20 years, the North Dakota Community Foundation, is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year! Congratulations to NDCF for achieving this milestone!

NDCF administers the Cooperstown Community Foundation's permanent endowment fund and its assets, sends receipts to CCF donors, files the proper paperwork with the IRS, provides fundraising and marketing support to our committee, and has relationships with other funding entities in the region, sometimes directing other grant dollars from outside our area to the CCF. **We couldn't do it without them!**

Our community and entire area has benefitted greatly from this organization that believes strongly in the power of place-based philanthropy and especially in endowed funds like ours.**Thanks to NDCF for all the support over the years and congrats on reaching this milestone!**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of our Advisory Committee members: Kent Dick, Tina Hilbert, Aaron McCardle, Neil Sandvik, Pam Ressler, or Katie Zimprich.

Amber de Wet, Chair

Cooperstown Community Foundation

- **Established in 2007**
- **Market Value as of 6/30/26: $460,226**
- **Total Gifts to the Cooperstown CF in 2025: $13,881**
- **Total Grants Awarded in 2026: 11 grants totaling $15,300**
- **Total Grants Awarded since inception: 158 grants totaling $186,785**

$15,300 Awarded in 2026

- **Cooperstown Golf & Country Club:** $3,000 for the purchase of security cameras for the clubhouse
- **Cooperstown Medical Center Foundation:** $2,000 for an outdoor respite area (phase 2)
- **Griggs County Fair Board:** $2,000 for the 2026 Griggs County Fair
- **BIO Girls:** $1,500 for their 2027 program in Cooperstown
- **Cooperstown Community Activities Authority:** $1,500 for the baby and toddler room expansion project (flooring)
- **Cooper Theatre, Inc:** $1,000 to buy needed supplies
- **Griggs County Public Library:** $1,000 for their Summer Reading Program
- **Zion Lutheran Church - Cooperstown:** $1,000 for Griggs County Vacation Bible School 2026
- **HIA Hospice:** $1,000 for the Cooperstown Community Grief Program
- **ND Newspaper Association Education Foundation:** $800 for the Kid Scoop News ND/NDNA Education Foundation
- **Pembina Gorge Foundation:** $500 for the Frost Fire Invasion



Six in ten adolescent girls battle low self-esteem. BIO Girls (Beautiful Inside and Out) is a 12-session program that is proven to build self-esteem using life-skills lessons, positive mentoring, and non-competitive physical activity. The program in Cooperstown has received several grants from the CCF.

QCD (Charitable Distribution) with RMD

Individuals that are over 70 and 1/2 may make gifts of up to $111,000 directly from their IRA to the North Dakota Community Foundation, benefiting the Cooperstown Community Foundation or another fund. This type of gift is referred to as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) and offers many benefits. You can:

- **Avoid taxes** on transfers of up to $111,000 from your IRA to the North Dakota Community Foundation. For married couples, each spouse can make QCDs up to the $111,000 limit for a potential total of $222,000.
- **Satisfy your required minimum distribution** (RMD) for the year (if you are over 72 and must take distributions)
- **Reduce your taxable income**, even if you do not itemize deductions
- **Support the Cooperstown Community Foundation** or your favorite North Dakota charity forever with a gift to their fund at NDCF.
- **Gifts may be eligible for the North Dakota 40% Income Tax Credit** (limits apply).
- **Eligible Accounts:** Traditional IRAs, rollover IRAs, inherited IRAs, and inactive SEP or SIMPLE IRAs qualify. Active SEP/SIMPLE plans and workplace plans like 401(k)s do not qualify.

NOTE: The transfer must go directly from your IRA custodian toNDCF, either by electronic transfer of funds or a check.

For more information, contact Amy at Amy@NDCF.net or 701-795-1531.



Questions or want more information?

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Don't Forget About the Tax Credit!

The North Dakota Charitable Income Tax Credit, passed by the ND State Legislature in 2011, allows individuals that donate $5,000 or more and businesses that donate *any amount* to qualified endowment funds to receive up to a 40% state tax credit.

Depending on your tax bracket, this means a $5,000 gift to the CCF may end up only costing about $2,000 after taking advantage of the tax credit and other deductions! (see chart below)

Gift Amount:	$5,000	$25,000	$50,000
Federal tax savings*	($960)	($4,800)	($9,600)
ND state income tax credit	($2,000)	($10,000)	($20,000)
Net cost of gift	$2,040	$10,200	$20,400

**Federal tax savings may change. Consult your tax advisor*

Find more information about the State Tax Credit, go to the NDCF website – **www.NDCF.net/40**

GIVE where you LIVE

Leave a Legacy in Cooperstown

If you would like to leave some or all of your estate to the Cooperstown Community Foundation, the bequest language is as follows:

"I give, devise 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 Cooperstown Community Foundation, a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation."

* Be sure to consult an attorney

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The Cooperstown Community Foundation is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF). Established in 1976, NDCF provides comprehensive charitable services including gift planning, bequest planning, and fiduciary services such as money management and an annual audit. For more information about NDCF or the Cooperstown Community Foundation, contact Amy Stromsodt, NDCF Development Director at Amy@NDCF.net or at 701-795-1531.