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2025 Annual Update

Friends -

The Clarence Johnson & Eunice Iwen Community Endowment Fund has been able to do some incredible things in our area, thanks to the generous gift they left us years ago.

We know, however, that these projects wouldn't be possible without our numerous partners who receive these grant dollars and put them to work—the nonprofit organizations, community volunteers, and service providers who are building a better life for our residents through their projects and programs. **Thank you for the great work you are doing every day in our area! We are proud to partner with you in improving the quality of life in this part of the state.**

You can see our most recent grants on the back. There are two grant rounds every year with applications due on April 1st and October 1st. Instructions and the online application can be found at www.NDCF.net/Arthur

Current committee members:

- Deb Gebeke, Chair, term ends in 2028
- Dale Lako, second term ends in 2027
- Sue Iwen, second term ends in 2029
- Scott Kroeger, first term ends in 2027*
- Nicole Hoesel, first term ends in 2029*

* eligible for a second, three-year term

Johnson/Iwen Community Foundation

- Established in 2005
- Market Value of Fund (as of 10/31/25): **\$7,522,786**
- Total grants awarded in 2025: **22 grants totaling \$272,450**
- Total grants awarded since inception: **326 grants totaling \$4,672,114**

Committee Unveils New Logo

The Clarence Johnson & Eunice Iwen Community Endowment Fund Advisory Committee unveiled a new logo in 2025.

The fund was established in 2005 with a gift of Clarence and Eunice's combined estates.

"We felt it was time to find a permanent identity and the logo helps us do that," explains advisory committee chairperson Deb Gebeke. *"The new logo can be seen on the wall and in the display case at the Arthur Mall."*

The North Dakota Community Foundation manages the Clarence Johnson & Eunice Iwen Community Endowment Fund and paid for the logo design. No donor money or assets in the fund were used.



"Do what you can with what you have where you are." - Theodore Roosevelt



The Arthur Market had another successful season in 2025, thanks in part to a grant from the Johnson/Iwen Community Fund.

\$272,450 Awarded in 2025

Spring 2025 Grant Round

- **Arthur Fire Department:**
 - \$75,000 for the new fire hall
 - \$5,000 for an Arthur Fire Scholarship
- **Job Development Authority of Arthur:** \$30,000 to help pay for the new gas pumps
- **Northern Cass Dollars for Scholars:** \$10,000 for 2025 scholarships
- **Community of Care:** \$10,000 for general operating support
- **The Arthur Market:** \$5,000 for 2025 events and new signage
- **St. John Lutheran Church:** \$5,000 for Community Vacation Bible School
- **City of Arthur:** \$1,200 for Arthur Beautification and Programming 2025

Fall 2025 Grant Round

- **Community of Care:** \$50,000 for Client Software Development
- **Northern Cass School District #97:** \$18,000 for student mental health services
- **Hunter Ambulance Service:** \$15,000 for an electric chair stair, a generator, and a portable 2-way
- **Job Development Authority of Arthur:**
 - \$14,767 to fix the gas station's leaky roof
 - \$8,215 to replace two 20+ year old coolers
 - \$7,568 for a hoist replacement at the gas station
- **Arthur Park Board:** \$5,000 for the softball field concession stand
- **City of Arthur:** \$5,000 for tables and chairs for the Community Hall
- **Northern Cass School Robotics Team:** \$2,500 to support their team
- **Rural Cass County Emergency Food Pantry:** \$2,500 for the Backpack program at Northern Cass School District
- **City of Arthur:** \$1,200 for the Veterans Day Program and Christmas Kickoff event
- **Arthur Cemetery:** \$1,000 for beautification projects
- **Arthur United Methodist Church:** \$1,000 to provide toys and clothing for area children in foster care and homeless shelters
- **Northern Lights Council of the Boy Scouts of America:** \$500 to support rural scouting

Leave Your Legacy in your Hometown!

You can impact future generations just like Clarence and Eunice by establishing a fund at the North Dakota Community Foundation with a gift in your will to benefit the community, nonprofit, and/or school of your choice.

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

*"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 **NAME OF FUND**, a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation."*

If you would like to have a conversation about your giving options, Amy Stromsodt of the North Dakota Community Foundation is available for a free, confidential, no-obligation consultation. You can contact her at Amy@NDCF.net or by calling 701-795-1531.



Questions or want more information?



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