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2026 Annual Update

Dear Friends,

Our partner in philanthropy, the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF), is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year!

NDCF administers the Grant County Community Foundation and its assets, sends receipts to 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, including the North Plains Connector project, which has provided significant grant dollars to our area. **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 our permanent fund. **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: Sara Meier, Kathy Hoff, or Jennifer Hauge.

- Ryan Roth, Committee Chair

Grant County Community Foundation*

- **Established in 2023**
- **Market Value of Endowment Fund as of 10/31/26: $18,558**
- **Total Grants Awarded in 2026: 13 grants totaling $127,137**
- **Total Grants Awarded since inception: 42 grants totaling $514,137**

**Includes data from the North Plains Connector - Grant County fund*

$127,137 Awarded in 2026

Spring Grant Round

- **Grant County Fair Association:** $20,000 for remodeling the kitchen and adding air conditioning to the Fair building
- **Elgin/New Leipzig School District:** $12,000 for the high school gymnasium lighting replacement
- **Roosevelt Public School:** $12,000 for tables and chairs
- **New Leipzig Meals on Wheels:** $9,000 to purchase and install an efficient wall air conditioner and replace applicances
- **Country Community Cupboard Inc:** $3,000 to purchase protein for needy families
- **Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center:** $2,500 for their Adolescent Resilience Initiative
- **Grant County Community Foundation Endowment:** $5,137 transferred to build a permanent endowment fund for Grant County

Fall Grant Round

- **Elgin Fire Protection District:** $22,500 for a Wildland Truck Update
- **Greater Carson Rural Fire Protection District:** $13,000 to replace the heating system in the fire hall/community center
- **Grant County Water Resource District:** $10,000 for an Accessible Fitness Playground at Sheep Creek Dam Recreation Area (phase 5 of accessible renovation)
- **New Leipzig Ambulance Service:** $7,500 for the Stop the Bleed campaign and continued support of the Cardiac Ready Community
- **Elgin Golf Course:** $5,000 to replace the sewer
- **Grant County Community Foundation Endowment:** $5,500 transferred to build a permanent endowment fund for Grant County

Funding for our 2026 grants came from the North Plains Connector - Grant County Fund. More information and grant applications are available online at **www.NDCF.net/GrantCounty**

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 Grant County 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 of an age where you must take distributions)
- **Reduce your taxable income**, even if you do not itemize deductions
- **Support the Grant County 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 to NDCF, either by electronic transfer of funds or a check.



For more information, contact John at John@NDCF.net or 701-590-4614.

Questions - Donate - Apply for Grants?

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Our Grants in Action

A 2025 grant from the Grant County Community Foundation contributed to the purchase of new tables and chairs as well as chair and table carts for the Fair Building.



"Investing in new tables and chairs has been a conversation after almost every event that takes place in the Fair Building," said Donna VandenBurg, Grant County Fair Association Secretary/Treasurer. *"There are now enough tables and chairs for any event held in the Fair Building, the chairs and tables are lighter and easier to handle, and the carts make setting up and tearing down so much easier and safer for everyone."*

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 Grant County Community Foundation Endowment 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**

**For illustration purposes only. Federal tax savings may vary. Consult your tax advisor*

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

NORTH DAKOTA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Grant County Community Foundation is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF). Established in 1976, NDCF provides comprehensive charitable services including donor gift planning, bequest planning, and fiduciary services such as accounting, audit, and money management. For more information about NDCF, contact John Heinen, NDCF Development Director at 701-590-4614.