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## **NDCF WELCOMES NICHOLSON AND WADSWORTH**

Bismarck, ND— Scott Nicholson and Nicole Wadsworth have joined the staff of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF).

Nicholson is the organization's new Development Director for Southeastern North Dakota and will be establishing an office in Wahpeton. A graduate of North Dakota State University with a degree in Business Administration, Nicholson was previously the Community Banker Team Lead at Bremer Bank in Breckenridge. He has served on the Richland-Wilkin Community Foundation's Advisory Committee for two years.

Nicholson will be replacing Jana Berndt as the Development Director for the Richland Wilkin Community Foundation (RWCF). Berndt has served in that role on a part-time basis since November of 2020.

"We are so thankful to Jana for the passion and commitment she has for growing philanthropy in our area," said Char Schuler, Chair of the RWCF Advisory Committee. "We wish her well in her retirement and are excited to have Scott take the reins for the next chapter."

The Richland Wilkin Community Foundation (RWCF) is the major philanthropic organization for the two counties. The organization raises funds and provides grant dollars to projects and programs primarily through three different funds: a permanent endowment fund that was established in 1985, an annual campaign fund (the former United Way of Richland Wilkin), and a Power of 100 fund that encourages social philanthropy.

The RWCF has awarded a total of over \$580,000 in grants to organizations and projects in Richland and Wilkin Counties since 1985.

In addition to the Richland Wilkin Community Foundation, Nicholson will also be supporting other communities and NDCF funds in this part of the state.

"Scott brings a wealth of knowledge and skills to this position," said NDCF President and CEO Kevin Dvorak. "We are confident he is going to do an excellent job serving the people of southeastern North Dakota."

### **Dickinson Staff**

Nicole Wadsworth is the new Executive Assistant for NDCF's office in Dickinson, North Dakota. She has an associate's degree from Dickinson State University and is currently working toward her bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Wadsworth has previously worked as an Office Manager for companies in North Dakota and California. She will assist with organization, reporting, and other administrative tasks of NDCF's Dickinson office, which supports communities, donors, and funds in western North Dakota.

The North Dakota Community Foundation 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 \$130 million in over 900 individual charitable funds, including 69 community foundations and over 200 scholarships for North Dakota youth. It has offices in Bismarck, Dickinson, and Larimore, North Dakota and will be establishing an office in Wahpeton in the near future.

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