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OTTO BREMER TRUST SELECTS THE NORTH DAKOTA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AS PHILANTHROPIC INTERMEDIARY PARTNER FOR NEW COMMUNITY RESPONSIVE FUND

North Dakota Community Foundation will administer and distribute \$1,500,000 in grants of up to \$75,000 to local nonprofits; applications now open.

February 23, 2024, Bismarck, ND — The North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF) has been selected by the Otto Bremer Trust (OBT) as a philanthropic intermediary partner to administer and distribute funds through its new Community Responsive Fund. Under the new partnership, NDCF will work closely with OBT to administer \$1.5 million in funds for grants up to \$75,000 to support local organizations that directly respond to immediate challenges and opportunities in the state.

NDCF will serve as a local expert to ensure that the Otto Bremer Trust is increasing the positive impact in the regions it serves by providing guidance on and administering grants from OBT directly to the organizations within North Dakota that are providing effective services and programs.

“The Otto Bremer Trust is proud to partner with the North Dakota Community Foundation to administer and distribute grant funds in North Dakota,” said Frank Miley, co-CEO and trustee, OBT. “The Trust’s mission has always been to provide funding to organizations and programs that effectively address challenges and opportunities in the local community. And what better way to have a deeper understanding of where those challenges are than to work with an organization like NDCF, which is fully integrated into the communities and regions we serve in the state. We look forward to working closely together to increase our impact.”

Local nonprofits, organizations, and groups may apply for funding from the OBT’s Community Responsive Fund through NDCF. Qualified applicants focus on community asset building, supporting basic needs, health and well-being, restorative and responsive services, and/or bringing stability to individuals and families facing disruptive forces in life.

“We are honored to have been chosen as a partner with the Otto Bremer Trust on its Community Responsive Fund,” said Kevin Dvorak, President & CEO of NDCF. “There are many nonprofit organizations in our state that are doing important work. Grants from this fund will help them address critical needs in their communities.”

Applications for the grants are now open for nonprofit organizations providing services in North Dakota. More information and a link to the online application can be found at www.NDCF.net/OBT. Applications are due by April 30, 2024.

The Otto Bremer Trust is a private charitable trust based in St. Paul, Minn. Created in 1944 by business and community leader Otto Bremer, it is committed to supporting an enhanced quality of life for residents of Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, and Wisconsin. Since its founding, Otto Bremer Trust has invested more than \$1 billion in its region's people, places, and opportunities.

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.

For more information about NDCF, visit www.NDCF.net.

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