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# 2023 Annual Update

Wow - Grid United's donation to our community foundation is nothing short of amazing (see article on back for more info.) This gift will allow us to fund larger and more projects in our area. We are excited to see what ideas are out there!

This is also a good time to reflect on the important partnership we have with the North Dakota Community Foundation, who administers our fund. Grid United personnel contacted NDCF first and after many conversations, a plan was crafted that accomplished Grid's charitablegiving desires and benefited local communities in southwest North Dakota.

We have been working alongside the staff at NDCF for many years. They provide incredible support to us (since we are all volunteers!) and this is one other example of how they steward gifts back to rural ND communities.

My thanks to our donors, our committee members, Grid United, and NDCF for supporting the communities in Golden Valley County!

- Dee Baertsch, Chair

#### **Golden Valley County Community Found.**

- Established in 2008
- Market Value of fund as of 12/31/22: \$108,468
- Gifts to the fund in 2022: **\$10,257**
- Grants awarded in 2023 (first round): 5 for \$25,000
- Total grants awarded since 2011: 26 grants, totaling \$55,968

#### **Committee Members:**

Dee Baertsch Michelle Hardy Kimberly Gaugler Don Hardy Dan Farstveet JoAnne Tescher Lisa Gerving

### 2023 Spring Grants Awarded

The Golden Valley County Community Foundation Advisory Committee recommended the following grant awards for their Summer 2023 grant round:

- City of Beach: \$8000 for the Pavilion Project "Making a Space a Community Place"
- Golden Valley County Fair Association: \$5,000 for a horse show/rodeo arena upgrade
- Golva Park Board: \$5,000 for W.P. Building and Park Renovations
- Golva Rural Fire Protection District: \$5,000 for a generator for the fire department
- Golden Valley County Historical Society: \$2,000 to replace a metal door in the museum

The Fall Grant Round has a deadline of September 30th. Applicants must be a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization, a government agency, or have a fiscal sponsor with one of those designations, and must provide services in Golden Valley County. Applications are available online at www.NDCF.net/ GoldenValleyCounty.



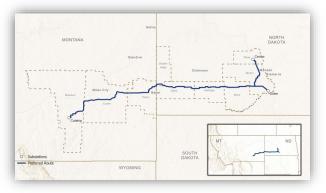
A 2021 grant from the GVCCF to the Golden Valley County Historical Society helped pay to paint the schoolhouse, install gutters, and fix the garage door.

### Grid United Provides Significant Grant Dollars to Area

Grid United, an independent transmission company that builds new long-distance, interregional transmission lines, is providing significant grant dollars to Golden Valley County for the 2023 granting season. The Grid United money, from their Community Investment Program (CIP) at the North Dakota Community Foundation, will be granted out alongside the Golden Valley County Community Foundation's endowment fund earnings of \$4,260.



The CIP will support the six North Dakota counties in which Grid United's North Plains Connector - a transmission line connecting the U.S. eastern and western electric grids in Montana and North Dakota - will be located (see map below).



The 2023 grant dollars for the Golden Valley County Community Foundation will be divided up into the two grant rounds as follows:

- **Summer Round** (already awarded see article on front): **\$25,000**
- Fall Round (applications due by September 30): \$25,000

Eligible projects must have a broad impact on the quality of life for a significant number of people in Golden Valley County. Ineligible projects include religious, partisan, or sectarian programs along with one-time events that are not part of longer-term economic and community development goals. Grants will not be awarded to individuals.

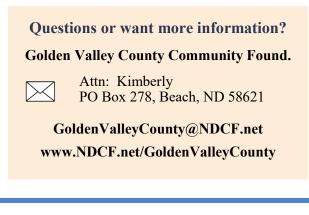
## **Growing for the Future**

While the Grid United donation is an incredible gift to our area, it is to be granted immediately and will not have any impact on our endowment fund and the amount of grantable money available in future years. In order to have more money available for projects in the future (or maintenance needs for existing projects), we must grow our endowment fund, which is invested and generates grantable dollars every year from its earnings.

There are numerous ways to make a gift to our foundation - which one can you do to help support our area?

- **Donate securely online** at www.NDCF.net/ GoldenValleyCounty. Make a one-time gift or set up a monthly donation.
- Mail a check to the address below.
- Make NDCF the beneficiary of your life insurance policy. Be sure to specify that the funds are for the Golden Valley County Community Foundation (GVCCF).
- Take advantage of the IRA Charitable Rollover - you can transfer money directly to NDCF (for GVCCF). The donated amount counts as your Required Minimum Distribution, but you don't need to claim it as federal income.
- Leave a gift in your will or estate. The gift should be left to the North Dakota Community Foundation (Tax ID #45-0336015) for the benefit of the Golden Valley County Community Foundation.

If you'd like to have a confidential conversation about these or other charitable-giving options, contact John Heinen with NDCF at John@NDCF.net or at 701-590-4614.





The Golden Valley County Community Foundation is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF). NDCF provides comprehensive charitable services for the local committee and its donors including marketing support, donor gift planning & bequest planning, and fiduciary services including accounting, audit, and money management. For more information about NDCF, contact John Heinen, NDCF Development Director at 701-590-4614.