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Strasburg Area Community Foundation's

“Nearly End-of-Year Report”

A Status Update for Donors and Community Supporters of Strasburg’s Permanent Endowment Fund.

It is exciting to see our fund grow as we approach our 10 year anniversary! This fund was established at the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF) in 2014 to be a permanent resource for Strasburg and the surrounding area and it has provided over \$17,000 in grants since then.



This is a good time to reflect on the important partnership we have with NDCF. We have been working alongside the staff at NDCF for many years. They provide incredible support to us (since we are all volunteers), carefully manage our assets for grants and growth, and provide other opportunities for funding projects in our Strasburg and the surrounding area (see article on back).

My thanks to our donors, our committee members, and NDCF for supporting our community!

- Al Dosch, Chair of SACF Advisory Committee

\$2,800 Awarded in 2023

The SACF Advisory Committee awarded a total of \$2,800 in six different grants to the following organizations and projects in September:

- **Strasburg Fire/Rescue:** \$900 for LED Emergency vehicle lighting upgrades
- **Strasburg Nursing Home:** \$500 for tools
- **Romanus F. Wagner Post No. 6264 Veterans of Foreign Wars:** \$500 to upgrade the local VFW Memorial Park, upgrade the Wall of Honor wall and trim park trees
- **Emmons County Ministerial Association:** \$400 for the Emmons County Food Pantry
- **Strasburg Public School:** \$400 for their CloseUp Trip
- **Missouri Slope Areawide United Way:** \$100 for Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library

“These emergency trucks really lack the super bright warning needed to be seen,” wrote Kevin Gabriel in the Strasburg Fire/Rescue grant application. “We will be adding LED light bars and replacing existing lights. Safety for first responders is so important - we must BE SEEN and safe to do our jobs! Nighttime operations are especially difficult when involving rescue - something we just were reminded of at a recent call. We realized then that to be at our top game we have to light it up!!”



Photo from 2023 Veterans

Grants are awarded Day parade once a year. Any organization with a 501(c)(3) status or government agency may apply. Applications are available online at www.NDCF.net/Strasburg.

Strasburg Area Community Foundation

- Established in 2014
- Total Assets (as of 11/30/2023): **\$66,813**
- Total Gifts in 2023 (as of 11/30/2023): **\$4,621**
- Total Grants Awarded in 2023: **6 grants, totaling \$2,800**
- Total Grants Awarded since 2016: **34 grants totaling \$17,975**

Committee members:

Al Dosch Judy Gabriel
Irene Herr

More About Our Partner: NDCF

The North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF) manages our community foundation’s endowment fund, along with hundreds of other charitable funds that benefit North Dakota communities and organizations.

In particular, NDCF administers a Statewide Greatest Needs Fund - another resource for community projects. Our area has benefitted from several different grants from this fund in recent years, including:

- **Strasburg Parent Teacher Organization** - \$5,000 for a new school playground (2018)



- **City of Strasburg** - \$5,000 towards the development of Welk Park (2021)
- **Linton Park Board** - \$2,300 for upgrades to Lincoln City Park (2023)
- **Linton Senior Center** - \$5,000 to repair outside walls of their building (2023)

Thanks to NDCF for these grants in our area and helping us grow our own resource for the future!

Did you know . . . NDCF hosts the North Dakota Picnic in Arizona every year in March, keeping retired North Dakotans connected with their hometowns and former neighbors and friends. Learn more at www.NDCF.net/Picnic and make plans now to be in Mesa on March 3!

2024 ND Picnic in AZ

Date: Sunday, March 3, 10 am -2:30 pm

Location: Red Mountain Park in Mesa, AZ

Questions or want more information?

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www.NDCF.net/Strasburg

Real North Dakotans Making a Difference In Their Community

Making a lasting difference in your community or for future generations may be easier than you realize. With very simple language in your will or trust, you can support the Strasburg Area Community Foundation (SACF) and continue to provide resources for projects and programs well into the future.

If you have children or other relatives, you can leave a portion of your estate to them and a percentage to SACF. Doing so provides for your heirs while honoring your charitable values.

Other North Dakotans have left a legacy in their community:

- Tom Larson was the City Manager, Assessor, and Auditor for Park River, ND and a tremendous community leader. When he passed away at the age of 54, he left almost \$120,000 to the Park River Community Endowment Fund.



- T.A. and Anna Solheim left 50% of their estate to their heirs and certain percentages of their estate to various nonprofit organizations, including 15% to the Minot community.

- Brothers Russell and Dale Brown left gifts to the communities of Lisbon and Milnor in their estate plans.



If you would like to have a profound impact on the city of Strasburg and future generations, you can contact NDCF for more info or just include the following text in your will:

“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 of the estate, specific dollar amount, or remainder of estate) to the **Strasburg Area Community Foundation**, a permanent component of the North Dakota Community Foundation.”

* Be sure to visit with your attorney



The Strasburg Area Community Foundation (SACF) 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 or the SACF, contact Kara Geiger, NDCF Development Director at 701-222-8349.