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## 2025 Annual Update

*Dear Community Friends,*

The Golden Valley County Community Foundation has been able to do some incredible things in our communities, thanks to our donors and the infusion of grant money from Grid United in recent years.

**But these projects wouldn't be possible without our numerous partners who receive these grant dollars and put them to work**—the nonprofit organizations, community volunteers, and service providers who are building a better life for our residents through their projects and programs. **Thank you for the great work you are doing every day in our area!**

You can see our most recent grants at the right and our overall impact in the pie chart on the back. **We invite everyone to join us in building this fund so it can support important initiatives in our area well into the future!**

Feel free to contact a committee member to discuss your charitable goals or to answer any other questions you may have.

*- Dee Baertsch, Committee Chair*

### Golden Valley County Community Found.

- **Established in 2008**
- **Market Value of fund as of 12/31/24: \$256,423**
- **Gifts to the fund in 2024: \$57,100**
- **Grants awarded in 2025 (first round): 3 for \$24,000**
- **Total grants awarded since 2011 (includes Spring of 2025): 44 grants, totaling \$163,910**

### Committee Members:

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

### **\$24,000 Awarded in Spring**

The Golden Valley County Community Foundation Advisory Committee recommended the following grant awards for their Spring 2025 grant round:

- **Sentinel Butte Recreation District:** \$8,000 for air conditioning in Sentinel Butte Hall
- **Center Stage Performing Arts:** \$8,000 for HVAC & Heating for Center Stage
- **The Lighthouse:** \$8,000 for new booths and tables for the kids at the youth center.

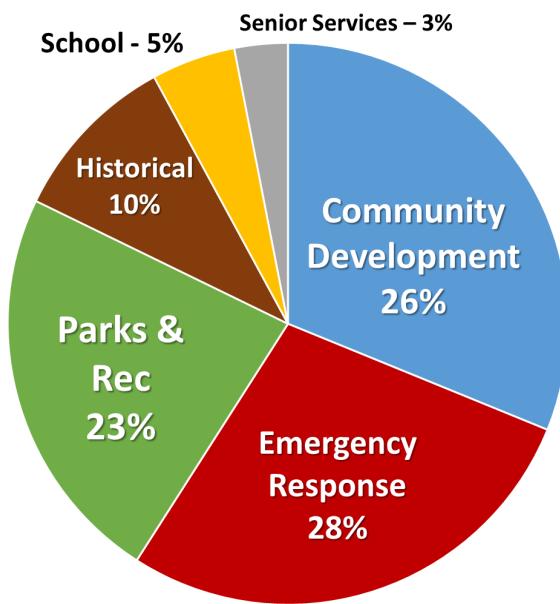
**Please visit our website for more information regarding upcoming grant rounds:** [www.NDCF.net/GoldenValleyCounty](http://www.NDCF.net/GoldenValleyCounty)



*A 2024 grant from the GVCCF helped purchase a commercial refrigeration unit in the agriculture classroom of Beach high school. The large cooler is used for classroom curriculum and FFA projects. The unit is also used to hold food items prior to distribution to families involved in the Pelican Project, the FFA Chapter's local weekend backpack food program.*

## Where Have Our Grants Gone?

The Golden Valley County Community Foundation has awarded over \$163,000 in 44 different grants since its inception to various organizations and entities in our area, thanks in large part to the gift from Grid United's North Plains Connector project. Here is a breakdown of where those grant dollars have gone:



<b>Community Development</b>	<b>\$50,900</b>
<b>Emergency Response</b>	<b>\$45,598</b>
<b>Parks and Rec</b>	<b>\$37,779</b>
<b>Historical/Heritage</b>	<b>\$16,132</b>
<b>Education &amp; Schools</b>	<b>\$7,926</b>
<b>Senior Services</b>	<b>\$5,025</b>
<b>All Others</b>	<b>\$550</b>
	<b>\$163,910</b>

*Thank you* to the many donors to our foundation in the past and to Grid United for investing in our communities! Your generosity made these grants possible!

### Questions or want more information?

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## Donating Ag Commodities Makes Good Sense (& Cents)

Many North Dakotans do their charitable giving in a very tax-wise way - they gift a portion of their harvest.

*"Gifting agricultural commodities is a really smart way to give back,"* noted John Heinen of the North Dakota Community Foundation, who works with area producers on their gifts. *"Farmers/ranchers can deduct the cost of production, but the portion of the harvest or livestock that is donated does not have to be claimed as income to the self-employed farmer/rancher. This can result in thousands of dollars in tax savings as opposed to a straight gift of cash."*

The Golden Valley County Community Foundation can accept many different types of agricultural commodities as gifts, including livestock.

If you are interested in learning more about this giving option, contact John Heinen at [John@NDCF.net](mailto:John@NDCF.net) or 701-590-4614 for a free, confidential conversation. He can provide illustrations of your potential tax savings and discuss various ways to structure your gift to meet your charitable-giving desires as well as optimize your tax savings. Learn more at [www.NDCF.net/AgGifts](http://www.NDCF.net/AgGifts).



### Leave Your Legacy in Golden Valley County

If you would like to leave some or all of your estate to the Golden Valley County Community Foundation, suggested bequest language is below:

*"I give, devise, 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, specific dollar amount, or remainder) to the Stanley Area Community Foundation, a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation."*

\* Be sure to consult an attorney

**THANK YOU to those who have already left a gift in your will to this foundation!**