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2025 Annual Update

Dear Friends,

The Cooperstown Community Foundation has been able to do some incredible things in our community over the years, thanks to our donors.

It's important to remember that 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. Like the members of the Town and Country Garden Club, who put in the hard work to beautify our community's welcome sign (see photos on back.) Thank you to all of our area nonprofits for the great work you are doing every day - we are proud to partner with you!

You can see our most recent grants at the right. We invite everyone to join us in building this fund so it can support important initiatives in our area well into the future!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of our Advisory Committee members: Kent Dick, Tina Hilbert, Amber de Wet, Aaron McCardle, Neil Sandvik, Pam Ressler, or Katie Ellingson-Zimprich.

- *Larry Grandalen*, Chair

Cooperstown Community Foundation

- Established in 2007
- Market Value of Fund as of 6/30/25: **\$408,931**
- Total Gifts to the CCF in 2024: **\$9,276**
- Total Grants Awarded in 2025: **10 grants totaling \$14,000**
- Total Grants Awarded since inception: **147 grants totaling \$171,485!**

\$14,000 Awarded in 2025

The CCF awarded a total of \$14,000 in 10 different grants in 2025 to the following organizations:

- **Cooperstown Medical Center Foundation:**
 - \$1,750 for an outdoor respite area at Dakota Regional Medical Center
 - \$1,750 for a NuStep Recumbent cross trainer bike at the Griggs County Care Center
- **BIO Girls:** \$1,750 for Cooperstown BIO Girls program
- **Cooperstown Community Activities Authority:** \$1,750 for electrical upgrades in the fitness center to support new treadmills
- **Cooperstown Golf & Country Club:** \$1,750 for golf shed roof repairs and materials
- **Griggs County Historical Society:** \$1,750 to build a replica of the Opheim Cabin
- **Hospice of the Red River Valley:** \$1,000 for the Cooperstown community grief and bereavement program
- **Zion Lutheran Church:** \$1,000 for Community Vacation Bible School
- **Cooper Theatre, Inc.:** \$1,000 for funds to help with operating
- **Griggs County Central:** \$500 for an Artist in Residence

Grant applications are accepted once a year and reviewed by the local advisory committee. All nonprofit organizations and governmental agencies that provide services to the Cooperstown area are welcome to apply.

More information and an online application is available at www.NDCF.net/Cooperstown

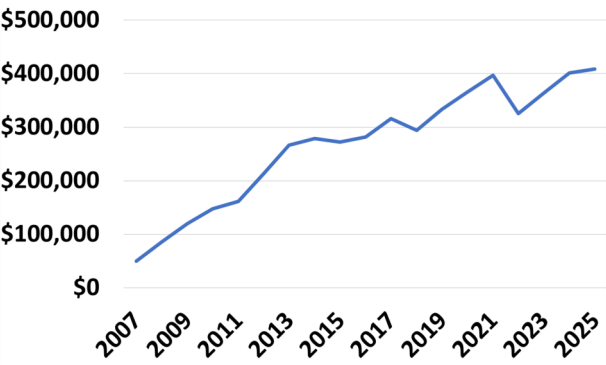
Fund Growth Over the Years

The Cooperstown Community Foundation has a market value of more than \$400,000! This is a permanent fund so that money will provide grant dollars for our area forever.

How did we get to this amount? First, a group of local residents had the forethought to create this fund at the North Dakota Community Foundation back in 2007. We received initial, substantial funding from the Griggs Steele Empowerment Zone, the Cooperstown Community Development Authority, and the North Dakota Community Foundation.

Since then, more than 140 different individuals, families, businesses, and organizations have donated to this fund - many of them multiple times - to grow it into the reliable charitable resource it is today.

The chart below shows **our fund's market value on December 31 of every year since its inception.** (The 2025 number is from June 30.) We have come a long way in the last 18 years!



Leave Your Legacy in Cooperstown!

If you would like to leave some or all of your estate to the Cooperstown Community Foundation, the bequest language is as follows:

*"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 **Cooperstown Community Foundation**, a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation."*

** Be sure to consult an attorney*



The Town and Country Garden Club received a \$2,000 grant from the Cooperstown Community Foundation last year to transform the Welcome sign on Highway 200. The project included bringing in a water line to efficiently and easily water the flowers that were planted. What an incredible transformation!



Questions or want more information?



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The Cooperstown Community Foundation (CCF) is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF). Established in 1976, NDCF provides charitable giving and financial services such as bequest planning, donor gift consultations, and an annual audit. For more information about NDCF or the CCF, contact Amy Stromsodt, NDCF Development Director at 701-795-1531.