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2024 Year-End Report

A Status Update for Donors and Supporters of New England's Permanent Endowment Fund.

Dear Friends -

The additional funding from Grid United has our committee working overtime and has opened our eyes to the needs in our area. Previously, we would have 2-3 grant applications a year, requesting less than \$10,000 total. **When the additional funding from Grid United was introduced we had 10 applications in 2023 requesting a total of \$112,000 for various projects and 18 applications in 2024 totaling \$153,000 in requests.** Clearly, there are needs in our community, but unfortunately the Grid funding will run out in 2025.

Our invitation to everyone reading this report is to consider donating something of value to our community fund so we can continue to provide critical funding for many of these projects, year after year. For donation options, please refer to the information on the back. Feel free to contact a committee member to discuss your charitable goals or to answer any other questions you may have.

New England Area Community Foundation Advisory Committee

Shannay Witte, Committee Chair
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New England Community Found.*

- **Established 2012**
- **Total Assets (as of 10/31/24): \$180,352**
- **Total Grants Awarded in 2024: 14 grants totaling \$60,000**
- **Total Number of Grants since inception: 37 grants totaling \$178,663**

**Includes data from the Ishmael & Rose Diede Charitable Fund for New England and the Grid United fund for New England*

\$60,000 Awarded in 2024

Spring Grant Round

- **New England Community Rural Fire Protection District:** \$15,000 for rescue and fire fighting equipment needs
- **New England Ambulance Service:** \$10,000 for a transport ventilator
- **Saint Mary's Little Saints Daycare:** \$8,000 for the completion of their expansion project, including paint, furnishings, and an air conditioning unit
- **New England Public School:** \$5,000 for a community weight room
- **Open Door Food Pantry:** \$2,500 to stock the food pantry
- **New England Riverside Rodeo Club:** \$2,000 for updating the arena

Fall Grant Round

- **New England Public Library:** \$4,870 for storage for the library
- **New England Park Board:** \$4,500 for rubber surface for the track
- **CHI - Health Connect at Home:** \$4,500 for fleet vehicles
- **Cannonball Sportsmen:** \$1,000 for the New England Road and Gun Club Trap Range
- **New England Golf Association:** \$1,000 for the creation of a 9-hole golf course in New England
- **New England Lions Club:**
 - \$1,000 for updating the ice cream building
 - \$400 for the Lions Park Playground security project
- **Furever Full Pet Food Pantry:** \$230 to purchase pet food and supplies

There will be two grant rounds in 2025. More information and an online grant application are available at www.NDCF.net/NewEngland.

Give Other Than or In Addition to Cash?

Why, yes you can! The New England Community Foundation can accept many different types of gifts. Depending on your situation, you may want to consider donating one of the following:

- **Gifts of farm commodities:** Avoid income recognition by having the elevator make a direct transfer to the New England Community Foundation Endowment.
- **Real estate,** which allows the donor to deduct the current appraised value of the real estate and avoid capital gains taxes.
- **Depreciated business property** (farm equipment, etc.) Avoids recapture tax.
- **Appreciated investment assets,** valued on the date of transfer, are tax deductible and you can avoid paying capital gains tax.
- **Over 70 1/2? A charitable IRA rollover counts as your required minimum distribution,** but you don't need to claim the donated portion as federal income. Must be sent to NDCF by direct transfer.
- **Gifts of mineral** acres outright, assignment of mineral royalty income, or make the New England Community Foundation an income or remainder beneficiary of your family mineral trust.

For gift planning or anonymous giving, please contact John Heinen at the North Dakota Community Foundation (701-590-4614 or John@NDCF.net). Consult your tax advisor about your specific situation.



"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."

- Theodore Roosevelt



Our Grants in Action!



New England hosted the first district archery match for the southwest corner of North Dakota in February of 2023, thanks in part to a grant from the New England Community Foundation to the Hettinger County 4-H Club. The grant was put towards the purchase of 30 targets, 4 curtains, and a box of arrows.

There were 115 participants from across the state that competed in New England, including youth from Adams and Bowman counties that participated in a district match for their first time.

"In recent years families were unable to travel to other district matches within the state and providing one closer to home made it easier for them to finally participate," wrote Heidi Marxen in their grant report. *"The facility is set up to have roughly 250 total participants. Hettinger County 4-H plans to host another district match in 2024 and increase the attendance."*



Questions or want more information?



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To donate to our fund, please write a check to "NDCF" with "New England CF" on the memo line and mail it to the address above. **Thank you!**



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