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2023 Year-End Report

*A Status Update for Donors and Supporters of
Hankinson's Permanent Endowment Fund.*

Dear Friends,

Each year we send this report out to share the good news of our community foundation and keep you up-to-date on its work.

Our foundation is here to help improve our community. We want to continue growing it, so that we can have a greater impact on the projects and programs that we value. As it grows, our fund will be able to award larger and more grants.

Please look at the article on the back which shows where our grants have gone so far. The fund is invested in North Dakota with North Dakota companies like Bremer, and the annual revenue is spun off to help fund important community projects.

Please consider your part in the foundation. Thank you in advance for your gift!

*Merry Christmas from our committee to all
of you and your families!*

HCEF Advisory Committee

Robert Wurl	DeeAnn Bilben
Jared Falk	Randy Wieser
Loren Hovel	Tom Mauer

Hankinson Comm. Endow. Fund

- Established in 2017
- Total Market Value of Fund (as of 11/30/2023): **\$74,339**
- Total Gifts since 12/1/2022: **\$24,436**
- Total Grants Awarded in 2023: **1 grant totaling \$1,910**
- Total Grants Awarded since Inception: **6 grants totaling \$5,910**

\$1,910 Awarded in 2023

The Hankinson Community Endowment Fund (HACF) awarded their entire grantable balance in 2023 to the **Hankinson Ambulance Association** for a portable defibrillator.

"We currently have an older sun-setting portable defibrillator housed in the lobby of Lincoln State Bank," wrote Gwen Loll in their application. "It is accessible for community members who are on the South side of the railroad tracks, in Hankinson. This is important, as the trains do have the crossings blocked a good amount of the time, and our ambulance is housed on the North side of those tracks. Having access to a portable unit on the South side, at all times, allows our ambulance members and residents to offer/ receive heart saving defibrillation sooner than waiting for the ambulance which could potentially be stuck on the other side of the railroad tracks at times."



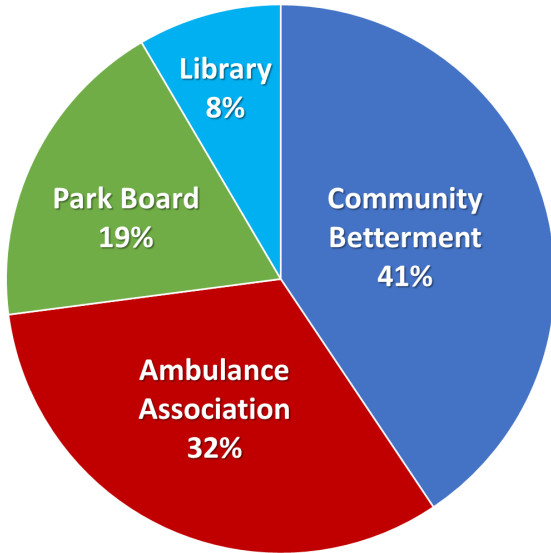
Above: Bob Wurl and DeeAnn Bilben (on right) present the 2023 grant check to Gwen Loll and Michelle Roeder of the Ambulance Association.



Left: A 2022 grant from the HACF helped purchase Christmas décor and picnic tables for the new Depot patio.

Where Have Our Grants Gone?

The Hankinson Community Endowment Fund has awarded over \$5,900 in 6 different grants since our inception to various organizations and entities in our area. Here is a breakdown of where those grant dollars have gone:



Community Betterment Club	\$2,400
Ambulance Association	\$1,910
Park Board	\$1,100
Library	\$500
	\$5,910

Thank you to the many different individuals, families, and businesses that have donated to our foundation in the past. **Your generosity made these and future grants possible!**

A special thank you to Calvary Lutheran Church for their donation of over \$10,000 in 2023!

The church council made several other gifts at the time of their closing to other organizations including Dollars for Scholars, Saint Gerard's Community of Care, various ELCA charities and the eastern ND synod.

We greatly appreciate this permanent gift to our community.

Estate Gift Benefits Area Forever

Tom Larson was the city manager, assessor and auditor for the City of Park River for a number of years and was active in his community, serving on numerous boards. Tom wished for his estate to continue to benefit his community after he was gone.



Tom left a gift of almost \$120,000 to the Park River Area Community Endowment Fund in his will. It is the largest one-time gift in the history of the fund.

"Tom was such a community leader," said Ann Berg, who served with Larson on the endowment fund's advisory committee. *"We miss his wisdom and insight, and we think about him when we give out grants every year."*

Estate gifts are a beautiful way to leave a legacy and support the causes that are important to you long after you are gone.

You can make a profound impact on future generations of Hankinson residents by leaving a portion of your estate to the Hankinson Community Endowment Fund (HCEF). If you have children or other relatives, you can leave a portion of your estate to them and a percentage to the HCEF. Doing so provides for your heirs while honoring your charitable values. 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 **Hankinson Community Endowment Fund**, a permanent component of the North Dakota Community Foundation."

* Be sure to visit with your attorney

Questions or want more information?



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