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2024 Annual Update

Dear Friends,

A recent article in The Chronicle of Philanthropy noted that rural areas in America receive much less charitable funding from national foundations than they should based on population. This doesn't come as a big surprise to many of us who live in "flyover country" - the Midwest and especially its rural areas are often overlooked.

While this statistic may be discouraging to some, it is actually *inspiring* to me and others on our committee. We don't wait for help or handouts from national organizations to build projects or support programs here in Adams County - while we appreciate any support we can get, we are busy building our own charitable resource in the Adams County Community Foundation.

This foundation will generate charitable dollars for grant awards in our area forever, regardless of what other funding may come our way. **Please consider how you can help our fund grow to be a significant resource for our area.** Gifts of all sizes are appreciated!

Thanks for keeping your charitable dollars local!

ACCF Advisory Committee

Cody Jorgenson, Chair
Cheryl Dix, Vice-Chair
Dorothy Becker

Alexis Hicks
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Adams County Community Foundation

- Established in 2015
- Total Assets (as of 10/31/24): **\$184,064**
- Total grants awarded in 2024: **2 grants awarded, totaling \$3,980**
- Total grants awarded since 2015: **11 grants, totaling \$11,261**

\$3,980 Awarded in 2024

The Adams County Community Foundation awarded two grants from its endowment fund earnings in October:

- **Hettinger Park District:** \$3,000 for Hettinger Golf Course updates
- **Adams County Food Pantry:** \$980 to purchase food items for the pantry

Grant applications are accepted once a year and reviewed by the local Advisory Committee.



A 2023 grant from the Adams County Community Foundation helped fund an Artist in Residence. Myra Klein from Mott visited once a month to teach students various art techniques. This class learned about color theory and created name scratch art paintings.

"What a man does for himself dies with him. What he does for his community lives long after he is gone."
- Theodore Roosevelt

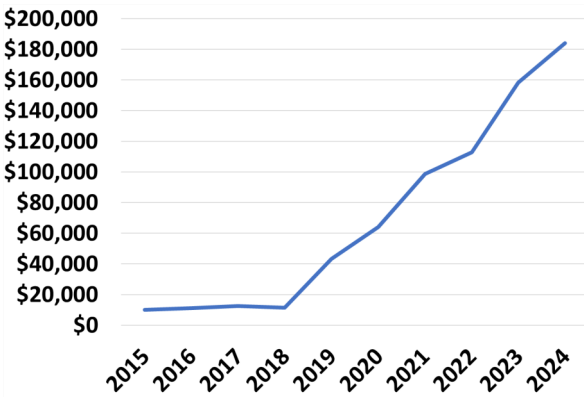
Fund Growth Over the Years

The Adams County Community Foundation has a market value of more than \$184,000!

How did we get to this amount? Our fund was established by the Adams County Development Corporation in 2015 and received its first gift a few months later - \$10,000 from Allete Clean Energy.

In 2019, our community began to embrace the idea of a permanent charitable resource and since then 26 different businesses and individuals have made gifts to this fund, many of them making multiple donations over the years.

The chart below shows the market value of our fund on December 31 of every year.



Thank you to all our donors for investing in this community!

There are many ways to grow our fund including setting up a recurring gift from your credit card, donating stock, making a memorial gift in honor of a loved one, leaving a gift in your will or trust, utilizing the IRA Charitable Rollover, or gifting agricultural commodities (see article at right). All gifts are appreciated and help this fund become a significant resource for our area.

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 can deduct the cost of production, but the portion of the harvest that is donated does not have to be claimed as income to the self-employed farmer. This can result in thousands of dollars in tax savings as opposed to a straight gift of cash."*

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

If you are interested in learning more about this or any other giving option, contact John Heinen at 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.



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

- Theodore Roosevelt



The Adams County Community Foundation is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF). Established in 1976, NDCF provides charitable giving and financial management services including donor gift planning, bequest planning, receipts, and an annual audit.