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2023 Annual Update

Dear Friends,

Our community foundation is celebrating 15 years of existence this year and what an impact it has had on our community! That seed our founders planted so long ago has grown and bears fruit - in the form of grant dollars that we award every year! In fact, we've awarded over \$45,000 in grants from this fund since our inception.

These grant dollars have supported projects at our school, park district, ambulance and senior citizens center, among others. This is the result of New Rockford residents believing in the future of our community and investing in our foundation so that future generations will have the resources they need to improve the quality of life in our hometown.

My thanks to all the donors that have contributed to this fund over the years to help nourish our "apple tree". Your continued support allows us to have a bigger impact.

If you ever have any questions about this foundation, please don't hesitate to contact any of the local Advisory Committee members: Josh Guler (Chair), Laura Hager, Kerri Allmaras, Amy Ellingson, Alyson Myhre, Becki Schumacher, Barbie Granger, or Melanie Quinton.

While we are enjoying the fruits of our harvest now, we are also eager to see how much we will grow in the next 15 years!

\$5,550 Awarded in 2023:

The New Rockford Community Foundation awarded three grants in May of 2023 to the following organizations:

- **New Rockford Park District:** \$3,988.40 for canoe & kayak rentals, plus paddles and to finish the concrete walkway for ADA purposes
- **Community Ambulance Service of New Rockford:** \$1,061.60 for special needs alerts
- **New Rockford Area Betterment Corporation:** \$500 for the Summer Street Market

Grant applications are accepted once a year and are due by April 30. Go to www.NDCF.net/NewRockford for more info.



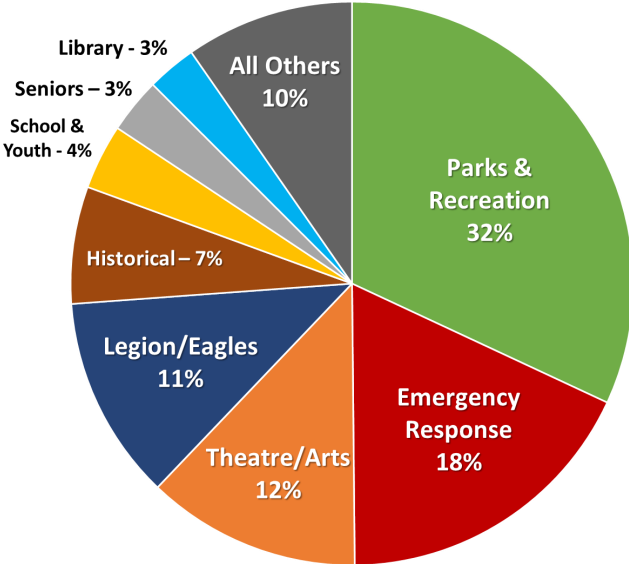
The first Summer Street Market in 2023 was held on June 29th and featured vendor booths, bouncy houses, live music, face-painting, and more! "Our goal is to have a safe, family friendly event while promoting our local businesses and makers' market, and ultimately attract visitors to our community," wrote Amanda Hegland in their grant application. Photo by KayElla Photography.

New Rockford Community Foundation

- **Established in 2008**
- **Total Market Value of Fund (as of 6/30/2023): \$159,686**
- **Total gifts so far in 2023: \$19,646**
- **Total grants awarded in 2023: 3 grants totaling \$5,550**
- **Total grants awarded since 2008: 68 grants totaling \$45,701**

Where Have Our Grants Gone?

The New Rockford Community Foundation has awarded over \$45,000 in 68 different grants since 2008 to various organizations and entities in our area. Here is a breakdown of where those grant dollars have gone:



Parks & Recreation	\$14,593
Emergency Response (fire, ambulance)	\$8,188
Theatre & Arts	\$5,618
American Legion/Eagles	\$5,350
Historical/Museum/Cemetery	\$3,070
School & Youth	\$1,710
Senior Services (Lutheran Home)	\$1,450
Eddy-New Rockford Library	\$1,300
All Others (hospice, recycling, etc.)	\$4,422
Total	\$45,701

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

Questions or want more information?

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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 its history.

"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 New Rockford residents by leaving a portion of your estate to the New Rockford Community Foundation. 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 **New Rockford Community Foundation**, a permanent component of the North Dakota Community Foundation."

* Be sure to visit with your attorney



The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now.

- Chinese proverb



The New Rockford Community Foundation is a component fund of the North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF). Established in 1976, NDCF provides charitable giving and fiduciary services including donor gift planning, bequest planning, and an annual audit. For more information about NDCF or the New Rockford fund, contact Kara Geiger, NDCF Development Director at 701-222-8349.