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April 2018

2017 Annual Report

Another Way We are Improving our Community.



Greetings!

The Bowman & Slope County Community Foundation had a great year in 2017.

We awarded our first round of grants to start helping county-wide needs! Unfortunately, we had six applications requesting \$9,250 on \$30,569 of projects in our two counties and only \$2,400 to grant. We do know that there were others that did not get in before the deadline. So the needs are definitely out there!

We are working to grow our community foundation so it can become an even greater asset to the many needs in our two counties. If we had a fund of \$750K we could have a much greater impact in our community. We invite individuals, service organizations, and business owners to reach out to us if they have ideas or want to discuss options about giving or granting confidentially.

Thanks to everyone who has supported this fund to date. All of our gifts together are going to create a lasting legacy for our area!

Community Foundation Advisory Committee

Jeanine Clendenen, Ila Kelner, Scott Hardy, Les Snavely, Carla Teske, Kasey Burke, Ron Palczewski, Zane Anderson, Amy Fischer, and Teran Doerr.

Bowman & Slope County CF

- **Total Market Value of Fund (as of 12/31/17): \$152,422**
- **Gifts Made to the fund in 2017: \$37,200**
- **Grants Given in 2017: 3 grants totaling \$2,400**

Coming June 8th!

The BSCF Advisory Committee is planning a fun event to help grow our area's endowment fund - a county-wide Jail & Bail!



You can have a friend, family member, or hunting buddy "arrested" for a small fee and put in "jail". Those arrested are arraigned before a local resident who plays the judge and they either have to pay their bail or be placed in "jail" on Main Street in Bowman. They can then make calls to raise bail money from family and friends.

Don't worry - all those "arrested" are pre-notified so it won't cause too much alarm or come as a surprise when the "sheriff" arrives! If you would like to get someone "arrested" you can do so online at www.NDCF.net/BowmanSlope - just click on the Jail & Bail button or contact the Bowman County Development Corporation at 701-523-5880 for more information.

The actual event itself (when people get "jailed" and pay their bail) will be on **Friday, June 8** so be sure to take a drive down Main Street in Bowman to see who you recognize! This will hopefully be a fun event that raises awareness and funds for our community foundation.

Look for additional information in the newspaper and on Facebook as the event draws closer! ♦

\$2,400 Awarded in 2017

The Bowman & Slope County Community Foundation Advisory Committee awarded its first round of grants in 2017! A total of \$2,400 was awarded to the following projects and programs:

- \$800 to the **Scranton Quick Response Unit** for training, equipment maintenance, and supplies.
- \$800 to **Hope & Healing Therapeutic Riding** to help provide insurance and/or supplies/tack to run their program, which provides equine assisted activities for individuals with mental/physical disabilities as well as at-risk youth.
- \$800 to the **Slope Farmer's Fair Association** for a new sound system for the Slope County Community Center, which is used for numerous events throughout the year.



Committee members and grantees at the awards presentation in December of 2017.

Grants are awarded from the fund's earnings, usually once a year. Any organization with a 501 (c)(3) status or government agency in Bowman or Slope Counties may apply. Applications are available online at www.NDCF.net/ **BowmanSlope** and are due by October 1. Watch for announcements in the newspaper to apply or call the Bowman County Development Office. ◇

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

- Theodore Roosevelt

Ways To Give: Options to Grow Our Fund

There are many easy ways to support our community's permanent endowment fund:

- **Support our fundraising events, like this year's Jail and Bail!**
- **Businesses:** Donate a percentage of your net profit at the end of the year. Having valuable services and programs in our communities improves our quality of life and is good for business!
- **Write a check every year on your birthday.** Together, these gifts from area residents would grow our fund into a huge resource for our schools, park districts, and other nonprofit organizations! 
- **Establish a Charitable Gift Annuity** through the North Dakota Community Foundation. You will receive an annual payment for the rest of your life, and the BSCF will get the remainder of your gift when you are gone.
- **Leave a portion of your estate to the fund.** You can leave a certain amount, a percentage of your estate, or the remainder of your estate (after designating gifts to your children or friends) to the BSCF. Contact an attorney to help you set up your will.
- **Donate agricultural produce.** This is an easy way to give without having to open your checkbook! Producers don't have to claim the income from the sale and they can still deduct the cost of production for whatever they donate. 
- **Make the fund a full or partial beneficiary of your life insurance policy.**
- **Make a gift in memory of a loved one.**

For more details on the 40% Income Tax Credit, contact any of our Advisory Committee members listed on the front. ◇



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