MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR & DIRECTOR

Dear Chippewa County Community Members,

Thank you. Because of your investment in our community, as of June 30, 2020 the Community Foundation of Chippewa County has over $20 million in total assets. Because of you, more than $2 million in contributions were granted this past year to help support and make important investments in our great community.

As we struggled with the impacts of COVID-19, we were able to provide funds to those that needed support quickly. We could not have done so without the generous giving and foresight of donors that have made permanent contributions to the foundation.

Gifts from you have a lasting impact in our Chippewa County Communities. Since 2001, the Foundation has helped donors turn their generosity into support and philanthropy. We would like to thank all of those who have played a role in the formation and growth of the Foundation...and most especially you!

Your gifts make our work possible.

With heartfelt thanks,

Lori Geissler, Board Chair      Jill Herriges, Executive Director

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OUR MISSION
To enable donors to achieve their philanthropic goals, to meet changing community needs, thereby benefiting the communities, people, and other nonprofit organizations of Chippewa County.

OUR VISION
The Community Foundation of Chippewa County will be recognized as a trusted leader by encouraging philanthropy, delivering the highest quality donor services, and being a collaborative partner and leader in addressing important issues that will strengthen Chippewa County now and well into the future.

We will accomplish this by listening and staying connected to donors, maintaining trust and credibility, and remaining flexible in our approach.

SERVING CHIPPEWA COUNTY

BLOOMER · BOYD · CADOTT · CHIPPEWA FALLS · CORNELL · HOLCOMBE
JIM FALLS · LAFAYETTE · LAKE HALLIE · NEW AUBURN · STANLEY · TILDEN

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190 individual grants made through a variety of funds and grant programs

$2,065,606 in grants awarded to enhance the quality of life in our community

155 total nonprofits/organizations impacted through grantmaking

$1,989,474 in gifts from generous donors to the Community Foundation of Chippewa County

10 new charitable funds opened for individuals, families, and organizations

8 Seedling funds endowed

$20,645,957 in Community Foundation of Chippewa County total assets invested to support our community
Deb Buckli’s parents met during World War II. Earl “Morry” Morrison served on a U.S. Navy minesweeper, and Hazel “Hess” Morrison enlisted in the Army Nursing Corps. Their wartime romance led to marriage, a family of two children and a successful business.

In 1956, the couple settled in Chippewa Falls, where Earl and his brother, Roy, owned and operated Morrison Implement, a John Deere dealership. “As busy as they were, they would spend endless hours volunteering,” Deb shared. “I just thought it was a blessing that they would do that.”

Earl passed away in February 1999 and Hazel in May 2019. Deb, who lives in Chippewa Falls, and her brother Donald Morrison, who is a professor of philosophy at Rice University in Houston, Texas, set up the Earl and Hazel “Hess” Morrison Fund. The unrestricted fund, which endowed last November, will support grants to Chippewa County nonprofit and charitable organizations.

Earl belonged to several organizations, including the Chippewa Falls Rotary Club, Tripoli Shriners, Elks Lodge #1326, Masonic Lodge #176 and UW-Stout Alumni. He and Hazel were active at First Presbyterian Church.

Deb remembers helping her father deliver roses for a Rotary Club fundraiser. “He was the top Rotary rose salesman. He was so proud of that,” she said.

Deb and her two sons helped her mother deliver food for Meals on Wheels. Hazel, a registered nurse, also volunteered with the Red Cross Bloodmobile, Open Door Clinic, Girl Scouts, Literacy Volunteers of America and a student mentoring program.

Deb, a teller at Northwestern Bank, helps at a Chippewa Falls food pantry and Agnes’ Table herself. “My parents showed me the importance of volunteering,” she said.

They had the community volunteer spirit, and we thought this was a way for them to continue to serve the community of Chippewa Falls where they spent so many years,” shared their son, Donald.

ENDOWED FUNDS - PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED

An Endowment Fund is managed, invested and kept in perpetuity to provide earnings for the benefit of a charitable cause on behalf of an individual, family, organization, or business.

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Unrestricted funds enable our foundation to address our region’s changing needs by increasing Community Needs grant awards and undertaking new community initiatives. These funds are vital for the support of many local nonprofit organizations that enhance our quality of life.

JEFF AND JULIE BOWE FAMILY FUND *

CUSTER FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

FISH FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

J. MURRAY AND CRYSTAL GORDON ENDOWMENT FUND

BOB AND DONNA HOGSETH SUNSHINE ENDOWMENT FUND

JOSEPH W. JOAS UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUND

GERALD AND ELAINE MANN ENDOWMENT FUND

MILDRED “PENNY” C. MARS MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

EARL AND HAZEL “HESS” MORRISON FUND *

CARMEN AND GENE MOWER FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

MARCUS MYRMAN AND MARCENE O’BRIEN-MYRMAN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

WILLIAM AND NANCY PICKERIGN FAMILY FUND

PUGH FAMILY COUNTRY TREASURES ENDOWMENT FUND

SHEILA AND BILL VOLKER UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUND

BETTY AND DEAN WHITE FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OPERATING FUND

Gifts to this fund support the operations of the Community Foundation, ensuring the continuation of our work throughout Chippewa County.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Unrestricted Fund; accepts gifts for endowment, including otherwise undesignated memorial and tribute gifts and bequests; supports our Community Needs Grants that are made at the discretion of the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD GRANT FUND

Unrestricted Fund; supports our Community Needs Grants; grants are made at the discretion of the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

RESPONSE-RECOVERY-REBUILD FUND *

Unrestricted Fund; to serve and support nonprofit organizations now by providing them flexible resources to address the impact of the COVID-19 public health crisis throughout Chippewa County and to be here for future crisis situations.
These funds support areas of interest that may include arts and culture, community development, education, environment and animal welfare, and health and human services. The Foundation Board awards Community Needs Grants to organizations and programs in the area the fund holder wishes.

BERGEN FAMILY FUND

Grants support students in special education programs.

LUKE BATHKE SPECIAL EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support students in special education programs.

ROBERT AND FRANCES BOWE AND FRED R. BOWE MEMORIAL FUND

Grants support sustainable and nature-related endeavors in Chippewa County.

CODY FAMILY FUND

Grants support positive mental health activities for youth from low income families.

DENNIS AND BONNIE FERSTENOU FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support nonprofit organizations that provide food security in Chippewa County.

HEYDE HEALTH SYSTEM FUND

Grants support nonprofit organizations providing programs of a spiritual nature for nursing home residents in Chippewa County.

ROLAND AND HELEN IRWIN ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support endeavors that help clean Chippewa County waterways.

GERALD H. AND ANN C. JACOBSON FUND

Grants support wildlife and its habitat, or parks in Chippewa County.

MARY AND JERRY JACOBSON FAMILY FUND

Grants support youth in Chippewa County.

RUSS AND GLORIA KAZDA ENDOWMENT FUND

Created in memory of Russ and Gloria’s son Chad Kazda, grants support nonprofit organizations that provide programs addressing issues associated with mental illness, particularly depression.

CAREY B. KELL ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support beautification in Chippewa Falls.

NORM AND MARY ELLEN KELLER FUND

Grants support cultural and recreational opportunities to Chippewa County residents with an emphasis to serve those who are financially or physically challenged.

PEGGY LINDOO ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support the area of arts and culture within Chippewa County.

CHET AND IRENE LINDSEY ENDOWMENT FUND

Established for their parents by Ann and Dave Gordon; grants support civic, humanitarian, recreational, cultural, aesthetic, environmental and education needs in the Chippewa Falls and Lake Wissota area.

EDWIN AND EVELYN NYHUIS CENTENNIAL FUND

Grants support agencies and institutions primarily serving the City of Chippewa Falls, with projects, programs and services related to public libraries, public parks and recreation, youth, senior citizen welfare, animal welfare, and community health.

PATRICIA QUIGLEY-ANDERSON ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support dental health care and dental education.

SANDRA AND ROGER ROBARGE ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support education and/or community development endeavors in the Holcombe and Cornell area.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SERVICE ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support youth community service activities and programs of Chippewa County nonprofit organizations.

CHARLES J. AND SALLY E. SMITH CORNELL COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support the betterment of the Cornell community.

DR. MAHMOUD TAMAN ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support mental health, urgent medical and social needs.

THE WANE FIRE SAFETY AND PREVENTION ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support fire prevention, safety, smoke detector, or fire victims assistance programs.

BERGEN FAMILY FUND

Max Bergen served as a B-17 tail gunner during World War II. While flying over Germany on his 22nd bombing mission, his plane was shot down. He and his crew were captured and held as prisoners of war until liberated by Patton’s Third Army in 1945.

His experiences – growing up in poverty without his murdered father, fighting in WWII, spending 14 months as a POW – could have made him bitter but didn’t, his sons said.

“It was important for him to give back as he felt blessed in so many ways,” Rick Bergen said.

In tribute to their father, Mark Bergen of Holcombe, Robb Bergen of Cameron and Rick of Chetek, established the Bergen Family Fund. The endowed fund supports health and human service projects.

“When we explained the fund, he thought it was the greatest thing since sliced bread,” Mark said.

“He treated everybody with respect, everybody, regardless of who they were,” Mark said.

“Max liked the idea of someone getting a helping hand,” Mark said.
NORM AND MARY ELLEN KELLER ENDOWMENT FUND

Norm and Mary Ellen Keller want to assure everybody in Chippewa County can enjoy the parks, music, and arts as they have. “We are interested in doing what we can for people who do not have access to places others take for granted,” Norm Keller said.

The Kellers, who live on Lake Wissota, opened a field of interest fund with the Community Foundation of Chippewa County last fall. The fund supports the following: programs that help financially challenged families to attend cultural and recreational events in the county; major improvements to Irvine, Riverfront and Erickson parks in Chippewa Falls; programs and major improvements at the Heyde Center for the Arts; and programs and improvements at county parks that help medically or physically challenged individuals enjoy the amenities.

“Our big emphasis is on places that are free to the public, and especially in terms of children and adults who can’t take advantage financially or physically of some of the places,” Mary Ellen said.

“We like to support what we can,” her husband said, which has included sponsoring a small-animal cage at Irvine Park and the Riverfront Park fountain.

They enjoy listening to music at Riverfront. “I have no music ability. That doesn’t mean I can’t enjoy music. Riverfront Park allows anybody that enjoys live music an opportunity to do so,” Norm said.

Erickson Park, near Glen Loch, features a handicapped-accessible fishing pier, boat launch and boardwalk. “We love to see people using it,” Mary Ellen said.

They have three sons and four grandchildren. Norm headed up the Eau Claire office of Blue Cross Blue Shield before retiring in 2003.

“I think we’re just trying to provide a real sense of community,” he said. “The Community Foundation provides an easy and efficient way to support our community now and in the future through legacy giving.”

The fund will provide cultural and recreational opportunities to county residents, with a focus on those who are financially or physically challenged.

DOLORES BARNIER EDUCATION FUND
Grants provide scholarships through the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District Foundation to graduating seniors of Chippewa Falls High School.

BEIJN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support Holy Ghost Parish in Chippewa Falls.

BLOOMER SCHOOL DISTRICT ENDEDOW SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS
Grants support scholarships for Bloomer School District students.
- RM Dewitt Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Alice M. Hanson Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Archie and Ardella Pech Family Scholarship Fund

SLOANE J. BREHMER ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

JOHN ANDREW CARLSON MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support the Student Emergency Fund at CVTC.

ROLF CHANCE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support the care and maintenance of housing for the monkeys at Irvine Park.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY ADULT AND FAMILY LITERACY ENDOWMENT FUND
- Grants support Literacy Volunteers - Chippewa Valley to provide services and programs supporting Chippewa County adult and family literacy.

CHIPPEWA MORAINE ICE AGE RESERVE ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support the Chippewa Moraine Ice Age Reserve.

PATI AND JEFF DARLEY FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

SUE DECKER THEATRE ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants provide scholarships for McDonell Central Catholic High School students who’ve participated in school musicals, Chippewa Falls Senior High School’s Thespian Drama Club, and the Heyde Center for the Arts in Chippewa Falls, designated for local theater productions.

BOB AND LEA DIRKS COAST TO COAST HARDWARE STORE ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support First Presbyterian Church, Chippewa Falls Main Street Flower Fund, Heyde Center for the Arts Flag Fund, and Irvine Park Zoo.

EARLY RISER KIWANIS ENDOWMENT FOR HUNGER FUND
Grants support Agnes’ Table in Chippewa Falls.

NORM AND MARY ELLEN KELLER ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants support organizations of donor’s choice. Grants support educational improvements for local theater productions. Grants support St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church and the Chippewa County Humane Association.

LES AND MARILYN HARRISON FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

DOLORES (SCHINDLER) HEBERT FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support the Chippewa County Genealogical Society and the Chippewa County Historical Society.

RAY AND LILENE HELGERSON EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants provide additional funding for educational programs, activities, musical instruments, materials, equipment, opportunities and/or experiences for students in K-12 in Chippewa County public schools, particularly for those in financial need.
JAMES AND AMELIA HOPKINS – MASONIC LODGE F. & A.M. NO. 176 EDUCATIONAL FUND
Grants provide scholarships for worthy children who are residents of Chippewa County.

IRON WILL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support Marshfield Clinic Health System Foundation for transportation assistance to families with medically fragile children facing urgent and time-critical situations.

IRVINE PARK ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support improvements to Irvine Park.

WILLIAM IRVINE ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support maintenance to Irvine Park.

JOSEPH W. JOAS DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

THOMAS J. JOAS AND JULIE A. JOAS ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

TOM AND PAM KELL FAMILY FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

JAMES & MARGARET KERN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support scholarships for McDonald Central Catholic High School graduates, selected by teachers, with an emphasis on first-generation university-bound seniors.

KIWANIS CLUB OF CHIPPEWA FALLS PEGGY RATHBUN MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants provide scholarships for students pursuing a technical education.

LOOPY AND LORI KLEICH ENDOWMENT FUND
The fund holder is working with the Community Foundation on the parameters of this fund.

LAKE WISOSOTA IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support efforts to preserve Lake Wisossa and protect its surroundings, enhance the water quality, fishery, boating safety, and the aesthetic value of Lake Wisosota as a public recreational facility.

ARLENE AND GENE A. LOPAS ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORICAL FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

HAROLD D. “MAC” MCDONALD ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support the Chippewa County Historical Society’s annual “The Past Passed Here” event. The remaining amount available to grant is left to the discretion of the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

MENTOR CHIPPEWA SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Grants support student scholarship awards for students who have been in the Mentor Chippewa Program.

DENNIS AND CAROLE MICKESH FUND *
Grants support the Bloomer Historical Society and the Chipewa County Historical Society.

GEORGE A. MILLER AND AMELIA MILLER LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND *
Grants support the Cadott Community Library through the Village of Cadott.

IRMA M. AND VINCENT E. MILLER ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support projects and programs related to the historical preservation of the Cadott community through the Cadott Area Historical Society. Grants also support the habitat, wildlife, environmental, and nature-related endeavors at Otter Lake through the Otter Lake Booster Club.

NEW AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT ENDEOUD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Grants support scholarships for graduates from the New Auburn School District.

BILL OLSON ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

HOWARD L. AND JOANNE M. OLSON FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support special events sponsored by Chippewa Partners.

JOHN R. AND ELLEN A. O’NEIL ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

OPERATION BACKPACK FOR ENDEOURED CHILDREN ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support Chippewa County authorities to purchase items to hand out to children who are taken from their homes during the emergency time of removal.

PAUL WALTER SCHAUS, M.D. ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support Agnes’ Table in Chippewa Falls.

SWANSO ENDOWMENT FUND FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT
Grants support professional training opportunities for Foundation staff members.

MARVIN AND RITA TANZER FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
Grants support organizations of donor’s choice.

BILL AND ALICE THORPE MEMORIAL ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Grants provide scholarships for Stanley-Boyd High School students.

TROOP #305 MEMORIAL FUND *
Grants provide scholarships through the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District for students who participated in Girl Scouts and wish to pursue post-secondary education.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS
Donor Advised funds allow fund holders to be actively involved in providing annual grant recommendations for consideration by the Foundation’s Board of Directors. Grants from the following Donor Advised Funds provide support to area nonprofit organizations and programs recommended by the fund holders.

AUTUMN COMMUNITY SUNSHINE FUND
DENNIS AND JEANNE BOISVERT FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
CALLAHAN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
CHIPEWYA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ADVANCEMENT FUND
GIENAPP FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
PAT AND GARY GRAY FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
GREENHALGH MEMORIAL MUSIC ENDOWMENT FUND
JOHN AND MARY HOFKES FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
DONNA & BOB HOGSETH FAMILY FALLSOUTH ENDOWMENT FUND
SHEILA AND BILL VOLKER IRVINE ENDOWMENT FUND
NORTH CHUPP ENDOWMENT FUND
HULS ENDOWMENT FUND
DAN AND LINDA HUNT FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
HAROLD AND MARIAN HUNT FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
DAVID AND PATRICIA JANKOSKI FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
KIEFER FAMILY FUND
KIWANIS CLUB OF CHIPPEWA FALLS ENDOWMENT FUND
KOEHN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
BILL AND MARY LOU LEINENKUGEL ENDOWMENT FUND
JACOB LEINENKUGEL BREWING CO. EMPLOYEE ENDOWMENT FUND
JAEG AND PEGGY LEINENKUGEL FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
LIVING LAND ENDOWMENT FUND
JOHN A. AND JANE E. MASON LUBS FAMILY FUND
JODIE MUELLER FAMILY FUND
RIDE ON RILEY FUND
FRANK SCHLICK MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND
SENN FAMILY FUND **
STANLEY COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND
SKIP AND JILL THALER FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
JAMES AND ARLENE WRIGHT FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND
JASON S. ZUNKER MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

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AGENCY FUNDS

Nonprofit agencies and organizations may establish Endowment Funds with the Foundation to serve the purposes of their organization into perpetuity. Grants are used to support their organization.

- ALS SUPPORT GROUP OF NW WISCONSIN FUND
- BEYOND BOOMERS CLASS REUNION ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND
- CARING FOR FOREST HILL CEMETERY FUND
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FUND
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY HUMANE ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA SENIOR CENTER MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT VOYAGER ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL CARDINAL ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS MUSEUM OF INDUSTRY & TECHNOLOGY COLLECTIONS FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS MUSEUM OF INDUSTRY & TECHNOLOGY ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA RIVER INDUSTRIES EMPOWERMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA VALLEY CULTURAL ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND
- CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION KIDS ON ICE ENDOWMENT FUND
- COOK RUTLEDGE MANSION ENDOWMENT FUND
- FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER ENDOWMENT FUND
- LAKE WISSOTA STATE PARK ENDOWMENT FUND
- MENTOR CHIPPEWA ENDOWMENT FUND
- NORTHERN WISCONSIN STATE FAIR ENDOWMENT FUND
- SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GILMAN ENGINES FUND
- STANLEY AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY ENDOWMENT FUND
- UNITED WAY OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY ENDOWMENT FUND
- JOHN WILSON MUSIC ENDOWMENT FUND

PEGGY LINDOO ENDOWMENT FUND

Peggy grew up in Chippewa Falls (1962 graduate of Chi Hi) and though she lived several other places during her life, she found her base and strength in the strong friendships she made in Chippewa. She loved art, music, architecture, and travel. She taught Spanish, was a realtor, and worked for architecture magazines. Peggy greatly enjoyed working with children, even that difficult in-between age in middle school.

Outside of work, Peggy’s most rewarding experiences were with local community groups dedicated to preserving local architecture. While living in Saint Paul, she volunteered with the Minnesota Historical Society researching nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. She was a member of the Summit Hill Association that worked to preserve the historic character of the neighborhood. She brought that expertise with her when she moved to Sacramento, California and helped pass ordinances to preserve Sacramento’s neighborhoods.

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“The fund spreads awareness of Girl Scouts,” Kelley said. Scholarship applicants write about how Scouting has influenced them. They need to be college-bound, whether to a technical or four-year school. “When the girls are writing the essay, it helps them reflect on what Girl Scouts gave them,” Kelley said. “Some you could tell had green blood.”

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“It gives them something to be part of,” added Gerrish, the mother of three Scouts.

Their troops have participated in service activities such as preparing meals at Agnes’ Table, making cards and ornaments for nursing home residents and earning money to buy Christmas gifts for children who wouldn’t get any otherwise.

“Girls in Troop #3055 have become a close-knit group. While girls often drop out as they grow older, these Scouts are staying involved as they move on to middle school,” Kelley said. “I think the girls are going to do a lot of great things. They’re motivated. They want to keep giving back.”

Kelley, who teaches Art at Halmstad Elementary School, has decided to leave Scouting, but she, Brian and their daughter Terra remain close with the troop’s families.

“The families are doing as well as can be expected. The support helps. You just find ways to move forward,” Kelley said. “I hope the fund reminds people to think about what could happen with the choices they make. Every time we remind people of the tragedy, we remind people to make better decisions.”

In the midst of tragedy, Chippewa Falls and surrounding communities poured out their support for the Scouts. Their donations built the Girl Scout Troop #3055 Memorial Fund.

“We are still getting donations. People are still thinking of us,” said Robin Kelley, leader of Troop #3055 and one of the fundholders. “That’s very humbling.”

The fund honors Jayna Kelley, Autumn Helgeson, Haylee Hickle, and Haylee’s mother, Sara Jo Schneider. Sadly, they were engaged in community service, picking up litter along a road, when they died in a vehicle crash.

Each year, the fund will award a scholarship to one Chippewa Falls Senior High School senior who was a Girl Scout at some point. Jillian Raschke, a 2020 Chi-Hi graduate, received the first scholarship, totaling about $1,900.

“It reminds the community who gave so much in 2018 that we can give back in a positive way,” Kelley said.

That means a lot to Kelley and her husband, Brian. “It is important to Brian and I that Jayna’s death was not in vain,” she said.

“We want the little girls and mother to be remembered. The fund gives back, and we won’t forget them,” said fundholder Paula Gerrick of Chippewa Falls. She is the leader of Troops #3345 and #3101; Madalyn Zwiefelhofer, who was severely injured in the accident, belonged to Troop #3345 last year.

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“It gives them a safe place to be a girl,” Kelley said, noting Haylee Hickle stayed with her troop even after moving to a different area.

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Their troops have participated in service activities such as preparing meals at Agnes’ Table, making cards and ornaments for nursing home residents and earning money to buy Christmas gifts for children who wouldn’t get any otherwise.

“Girls in Troop #3055 have become a close-knit group. While girls often drop out as they grow older, these Scouts are staying involved as they move on to middle school,” Kelley said. “I think the girls are going to do a lot of great things. They’re motivated. They want to keep giving back.”

Kelley, who teaches Art at Halmstad Elementary School, has decided to leave Scouting, but she, Brian and their daughter Terra remain close with the troop’s families.

“The families are doing as well as can be expected. The support helps. You just find ways to move forward,” Kelley said. “I hope the fund reminds people to think about what could happen with the choices they make. Every time we remind people of the tragedy, we remind people to make better decisions.”
Hunter Johnson was our son, a brother, a father, and a friend. He lost his life to addiction at the young age of 24. We – Tom (TJ) and Beth Johnson – have established Hunter’s Hope Seedling Fund in our son’s name to assist others who struggle with addiction and associated mental health issues in the Chippewa Valley.

Hunter was a happy child who loved trains, dinosaurs, and animals – especially dogs. As he grew older, he loved the outdoors, especially Lake Wissota, where he lived almost all his life. He loved wakeboarding, hunting, fishing, and canoeing in the Boundary Waters with his friend Devin. He enjoyed documentaries and The Discovery and History Channels. In school, he liked CAD class, where his teachers admired his engineering skills. He was intelligent, but school and structured learning were not his forte. Maybe because his drug use started in middle school and continued for over a decade.

Hunter’s addiction stripped away his mother and father’s firstborn son; it took the love and companionship of his only brother; most devastatingly, it left his six-year-old daughter without her father, whom she truly loved. “We had hopes of fishing and hunting trips. We see things everywhere, every day that remind us of Hunter and bring us to tears. For years, our relationship with Hunter was strained, but in his last days, we made amends.”

Addiction changes the brain’s chemistry – it’s a disease just like cancer. It robs its victims of control. The complexity of addiction is compounded by the overwhelming expenses incurred for treatment and the lack of affordable facilities. Created in memory of Hunter, this fund will be used to help others who face addiction issues in the Chippewa Valley.

SEEDLING FUNDS

A Seedling Fund is a vehicle that allows donors (or charitable and other tax-exempt organizations) to build a named fund now, then bring it to the endowed level over time with either lifetime or estate gifts. Creating a Seedling Fund is a great alternative for donors who want to build their charitable assets over time while meeting their philanthropic goals.

DIETMAR R. BRAUNE SEEDLING FUND
To be determined; the family is working with the Community Foundation to establish the parameters of this fund.

BRUNET ISLAND STATE PARK SEEDLING FUND
Designated Fund; established in memory of Melvin and Betty Gosse, grants will support the quality of the park’s programs and will provide the little extras to park visitors that make their experience unique and special.

CHIPEWHA FALLS MAIN STREET SEEDLING FUND
Agency Fund; distributions will support operations and programs of Chippewa Falls Main Street.

JACK AND DOROTHY CHRISTENSEN FAMILY EDUCATION SEEDLING FUND
Field of Interest Fund; grants will support a wide variety of educational efforts and programs.

JIM AND KRIS DIMOCK SEEDLING FUND
Field of interest; grants will support the area of education.

TOM AND MARGE GEISSLER FAMILY SEEDLING FUND
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ROBERT “RUSTY” GILLES YOUTH AGRICULTURAL SEEDLING FUND
Field of Interest Fund; grants will support scholarships or grant awards to allow young adults to attend and participate in agricultural-related conferences, seminars, or training opportunities.

GREAT NORTHERN CORPORATION SEEDLING FUND
Unrestricted; funds will be used for grant-making at the discretion of the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

THAD AND LINDA HEBERT SEEDLING FUND
Designated; the family is working with the Community Foundation to establish the parameters of this fund.

RICK AND HEATHER HUNT FAMILY SEEDLING FUND
Field of Interest Fund; grants will support programs for victims of domestic violence, especially children; extracurricular and academic activities/programs for grades 6 through 12; and legal assistance for the poor.

HUNTER’S HOPE SEEDLING FUND
Donor Advised Fund; grants will support organizations recommended by fund advisors.

BOB AND CATH SPOONER SEEDLING FUND
Designated Fund; grants will support organizations of donor’s choice.

MARY BETH AND DAVE SPOONER SEEDLING FUND
Donor Advised Fund; grants will support organizations of donor’s choice.

MATTHEW (MOGEY) AND JENNIFER MCDONOUGH FAMILY SEEDLING FUND
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MCDOWELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SEEDLING FUND
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As the COVID-19 health crisis continues to affect our local communities, the RRR Fund will continue to respond, recover, and rebuild in times of crisis. The goal of the RRR Fund is to support the needs of families in our region and address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Community Foundation of Chippewa County (CFCC) has been supporting nonprofit organizations and local businesses for over 20 years. Now, in the unprecedented time of the COVID-19 pandemic, these organizations need support more than ever. The Response-Recovery-Rebuild Fund (RRR Fund) was created to provide nonprofit organizations with the resources they need to continue serving our community.

“With the RRR Fund, we are able to support local organizations and businesses as they continue to provide essential services and supplies to our communities.”

The RRR Fund was opened in April of 2020 to support immediate, mid-term, and long-term response, recovery, and rebuilding efforts in times of crisis. During the current COVID-19 crisis, grant applications are being reviewed on an ongoing basis with funding decisions being made monthly to allow for appropriate funding to be distributed in the time of need.

The RRR Fund takes a collaborative and strategic approach to addressing community needs through times of crisis. Many local businesses were affected in the spring of 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic. An immediate community need identified was the local food pantries. Their food shelves started to become bare and the community was in dire need of food and supplies.

“We are able to purchase necessities such as diapers, laundry detergent, female supplies, cleaning supplies and hygiene products. Fulfilling these basic needs has literally brought tears to the faces of some of the people who have never frequented our pantry before,” says Jeanee Robert, Treasurer of the Chippewa Valley Food Pantry. “It is because of YOU that we are able to help these families maintain and survive.”

As the COVID-19 health crisis continues to affect our local communities, the RRR Fund will continue to work with nonprofits and charitable organizations that have been impacted by the pandemic. “We have taken this action because we know that many local nonprofit organizations are and will continue to face an increasing demand for services and supplies,” says Jill Herriges, Executive Director of the Community Foundation of Chippewa County. “As a permanent public charitable grant maker, CFCC is here for the long-term and will go the distance to support our communities.”

PASS-THROUGH FUNDS

Pass-through funds are non-endowed funds that are established, usually for a short term, to receive gifts to be used for a specific purpose.

BLOOMER ATHLETIC COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established for the construction, maintenance, continuation, and improvement of the complex.

CHIPPEWA AREA HISTORY CENTER PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established to build a newly located Chippewa Area History Center in Chippewa Falls, WI.

CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BASEBALL FIELD PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established to support improvements to the baseball field project.

CHIPPEWA FALLS YOUTH SOCCER COMPLEX PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established for constructing soccer fields at Hallie Park.

CHIPPEWA STRIKERS YOUTH SOCCER COMPLEX PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established for constructing youth football program.

CHIPPEWA FALLS MANSION - PLANTS AND FLOWERS BEAUTIFICATION FUND
Established to support the Irvine Park Capital Campaign.

ERICKSON PARK PROJECT ON GLEN LOCH PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established to build a special park to accommodate community members, of all abilities, who wish to fish from the shore.

F. & E. SIVERLING MEMORIAL TUTOR PROGRAM FUND
Established for the tutoring of students from the School District of Bloomer, outside of the school day, in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics.

LAKE HOLCOMBE AREA PRIDE COMMITTEE PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established for the needs of the Lake Holcombe School District community.

LAKE WISSOTA STEWARDSHIP PROJECT PASS-THROUGH FUND
Established to improve the water quality of Little Lake Wissota and Moon Bay of the Yellow River.

MINI-GRANT FUND
Established to provide mini grants to Chippewa County 3rd - 8th grade educators to fund innovative learning and motivational activities or service learning projects for their students.

Will Skora, Cook Rutledge Board President
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Grants support scholarships for students from the Bloomer School District.

BLOOMER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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Grants support scholarships for students from the Cadott School District.

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NEW AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PASS-THROUGH FUNDS
Grants support scholarships for students from the New Auburn School District.

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Grants support scholarships for students from the Stanley-Boyd Area School District.
HONORARIUMS

A wedding, retirement, anniversary, birthday, a special memory of an event, or a person who touched your life are times when people can be honored with a gift. The following honorariums were received during our fiscal year that ended June 30, 2020.

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Many have found that a fitting way to remember a special someone is through a gift in memory of that person. During times of great sorrow and times of great joy, we look to honor those who will be forever dear to us. A gift in memory of a loved one contributes to a bright future while remembering our past. The following people were remembered with a gift to the Foundation during our fiscal year that ended June 30, 2020.
SOCIETIES

Individuals, families, businesses, and organizations dedicated to the long-term viability of our area have made a substantial commitment to the Community Foundation and the causes they care about. Their generosity exemplifies a philanthropic spirit of giving that will help ensure a solid future for our local communities and the Foundation.

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2020 GRANTS

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July 1, 2019 thru June 30, 2020

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$13,207,238 Grants Since Inception

### Arts and Culture
- Grant: $25,834.62
- Description: Q-ball, a wireless foam covered microphone

### Community Development
- Grant: $20,515.27
- Description: Used to purchase Q-ball

### Education
- Grant: $68,744.65
- Description: Used to purchase Q-ball

### Environment & Animal Welfare
- Grant: $71,928.60
- Description: Used to purchase Q-ball

### Health and Human Services
- Grant: $135,237.86
- Description: Used to purchase Q-ball

### TOTAL GRANTS
- Amount: $322,261.00

Designated Fund Grant Awards

Designated Funds allow fund holders to permanently support the work of specific nonprofit organizations or charitable causes that are important to them. The following list of nonprofit organizations or charitable causes received grant funding from Designated Funds through the Community Foundation.

- AGNES’ TABLE
- CADOTT AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.
- CENTRAL LUTHERAN FOUNDATION
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.
- CHIPPEWA COUNTY HUMANE ASSOCIATION, INC.
- CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA SENIOR CENTER, INC.
- CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
- CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION
- CHIPPEWA FALLS FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
- CHIPPEWA FALLS KIWANIS CLUB
- CHIPPEWA FALLS MAIN STREET, INC.
- CHIPPEWA FALLS MASONIC LODGE NO. 176
- CHIPPEWA FALLS PARKS, RECREATION AND FORESTRY DEPARTMENT
- CHIPPEWA FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT
- CHIPPEWA FALLS YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL
- CHIPPEWA PARTNERS, INC.
- CHIPPEWA VALLEY CULTURAL ASSOCIATION, INC.
- CHIPPEWA VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE
- CHIPPEWA VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOUNDATION INC.
- CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
- CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION KIDS ON ICE FUND
- COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OPERATING FUND
- DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
- EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
- FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER
- FEED MY PEOPLE, INC.
- FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHIPPEWA FALLS
- FRIENDS OF LAKE WISSOTA STATE PARK, INC.
- GIRL SCOUTS OF THE NORTHWESTERN GREAT LAKES
- HOLY GHOST PARISH
- HSHS ST. JOSEPH’S FOUNDATION
- LAKE WISSOTA IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
- LANDMARK CHRISTIAN CHURCH
- MARSHFIELD CLINIC HEALTH SYSTEM FOUNDATION
- MCDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
- MCDONELL HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION
- NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH
- OTTER LAKE BOOSTER CLUB
- RESPONSE RECOVERY REBUILD FUND
- ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH
- THE OPEN DOOR CLINIC, INC.
- UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA - TWIN CITIES
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - EAU CLAIRE
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - EAU CLAIRE FOUNDATION, INC.
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - LA CROSSE
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - STEVENS POINT
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - STOUT
- VITERBO UNIVERSITY
- WILLIAM IRVINE ENDOWMENT FUND
- WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY

Barbara Eckwright,
Holy Ghost Third Grade Teacher

The grant was used to purchase Q-ball, which is a wireless foam covered microphone. It enabled children who are generally uncomfortable speaking in public to be more confident. It was also a great tool for classroom control, as the only person allowed to speak was the person with the ball.

Barbara Eckwright,
Holy Ghost Third Grade Teacher

NORTHWESTERN BANK
MINI GRANT
HOLY GHOST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - THIRD GRADE
GETTING HEARD

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BARNABAS MINISTRIES - INCREASED MEAL NEEDS FOR HOMEBOUND CLIENTS

BLOOMER/NEW AUBURN AREA FOOD PANTRY - STAINLESS STEEL TABLES FOR SAFE SANITARY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA UNITED SCHOOL DISTRICT - HOTSPOTS FOR STUDENTS WITHOUT INTERNET ACCESS

CHIPPEWA FALLS BOYS & GIRLS CLUB – HOME LEARNING SUPPLY NEEDS

CHIPPEWA FALLS COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY - HYGIENE PRODUCTS FOR ALL AGES DUE TO INCREASE IN PANTRY CLIENTS

CHIPPEWA VALLEY FREE CLINIC - MEDICATION ORDERS AND DISTRIBUTIONS AND TO SUPPORT STAFF EFFORTS

CHIPPEWA VALLEY VINCENTI FOOD PANTRY - HYGIENE PRODUCTS FOR ALL AGES DUE TO INCREASE IN PANTRY CLIENTS

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER - TO SUSTAIN COUNSELING AND SUPPORT RESOURCES AT FULL CAPACITY

FEED MY PEOPLE - TO REDUCE FOOD COSTS FOR CHIPPEWA COUNTY PARTNERS

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE NORTHWESTERN GREAT LAKES - SUPPORT COSTS OF VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING FOR CHIPPEWA COUNTY GIRL SCOUTS

HEYDE CENTER FOR THE ARTS - HYGIENE/PREVENTION SUPPLIES INCLUDING A ELECTROSTATIC DISINFECTANT SPRAYER & TOUCHLESS THERMOMETERS

HSHS ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL - SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO EFFECTIVELY RESPOND TO COVID-19

LEGACY FOOD PANTRY AT AGNES' TABLE - FOOD FOR PANTRY

MENTOR CHIPPEWA - SUPPORT TO COVER COSTS FOR SUMMER MENTOR/STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS

OPEN DOOR CLINIC - PURCHASE PPE AND HELP COVER COSTS OF PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

ST. FRANCESCA RESOURCE CENTER - COMMERCIAL SIZE FREEZER FOR THEIR FOOD PANTRY

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**DONOR ADVISED FUND GRANT AWARDS**

Donor Advised Funds allow fund holders to be actively involved in providing annual grant recommendations for consideration by the Foundation’s Board of Directors. The following nonprofit organizations or charitable causes received grant funding that was recommended by fund advisors to address issues and needs most important to them.

**BARNABAS MINISTRIES**

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY, INC. / CHIPPEWA CENTER

CHIPPEWA AREA HISTORY CENTER PASS-THROUGH FUND

CHIPPEWA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY HUMANE ASSOCIATION, INC.

CHIPPEWA FALLS AREA SENIOR CENTER, INC.

CHIPPEWA FALLS MUSEUM OF INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY

CHIPPEWA FALLS MUSIC ASSOCIATION LTD.

CHIPPEWA FALLS PARKS, RECREATION AND FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

CHIPPEWA FALLS SCHOOLS SAFETY PATROLS, INC.

CHIPPEWA STRIKERS YOUTH SOCCER COMPLEX PASS-THROUGH FUND

CHIPPEWA VALLEY CULTURAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

CHIPPEWA VALLEY FAMILY YMCA, INC.

CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

D.R. MOON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

DUNN COUNTY DAIRY PROJECT

**FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER**

GIRL SCOUTS TROOP #3055

HSHS ST. JOSEPH’S FOUNDATION

JASON’S PRESENTS

LAKE HOLCOMBE FOOD PANTRY

LAKE HOLCOMBE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

LOOPY AND LORI KLEICH ENDOWMENT FUND

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF WISCONSIN AND UPPER MICHIGAN

MCDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

PEACE CHURCH

RESPONSE RECOVERY REBUILD FUND

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MAPLE

SOAR CASE MANAGEMENT, INC.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. PAUL’S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

STANLEY AREA FOOD PANTRY, INC.

STANLEY-BOYD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

THE OPEN DOOR CLINIC, INC.

**RESPONSE-RECOVERY-REBUILD FUND GRANT AWARDS**

BLOOMER/NEW AUBURN AREA FOOD PANTRY - STAINLESS STEEL TABLES FOR SAFE SANITARY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

"These tables have made it great to stay clean, well-organized, and able to adequately serve more families.”

Roberta Poirier, Director

**Photo Credit: Bloomer Advance**
COMMUNITY NEEDS GRANT

COMMUNITY NEEDS GRANT AWARDS

Each year, Community Needs Grants are supported by a growing collection of Unrestricted and Field of Interest Funds in which donors have entrusted the Foundation with the decision-making in determining grant recipients based on the donors’ interests. Grant funding supports: arts and culture, community development, education, environment and animal welfare, and health and human services in Chippewa County.

ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION – VOLUNTEER PROJECT
BLOOMER HIGH SCHOOL - CLOTHES CLOSET AND FOOD PANTRY
CESA 11 HEAD START - SENSORY SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENT
CFAUSD - CARDINAL COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER–B-FREE PUPPETRY STUDENT SHOW
CHIPPEWA COUNTY DEPT. OF LAND, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY - LAKE WISSOTA STEWARDSHIP PROJECT
CHIPPEWA COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES - STOP AND THINK EVIDENCE BASED PROGRAMS
CHIPPEWA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH - ERADICATE METH
CHIPPEWA COUNTY LAND CONSERVANCY - LANDSCAPE SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION
CHIPPEWA FALLS BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB - BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WITH MENTAL HEALTH FOCUS
CHIPPEWA FALLS MISSION COALITION- LIGHTEN YOUR LOAD
CHIPPEWA FALLS VALLEY VINEYARD CHURCH - FOOD PANTRY
CHIPPEWA HUMANES ASSOCIATION- UNIMAC DRYERS
CHIPPEWA VALLEY CULTURAL ASSOCIATION, INC. - SENIOR FRIENDLY ARTS SERIES
CHIPPEWA VALLEY FREE CLINIC - FREE HEALTH PROGRAMS FOR CHIPPEWA COUNTY ADULTS 2020
CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION - OUTDOOR RINK DASHER BOARD SAFETY UPGRADE
CORNELL VISITORS CENTER - TECH UPGRADE

The Cornell Visitors Center serves their community in a variety of ways, catering to the needs of tourists and locals alike. Seeing a need to make current and historical information more accessible, the Center used their grant from the Community Foundation of Chippewa County to purchase audio and visual equipment, media storage, and a printer. These items met the immediate needs of tourists who are hiking, biking, and camping while also highlighting the historical artifacts for everyone to learn about the community.

Keeping visitors safe throughout their stay, the TV provides real-time weather updates, news, and information to anyone with limited cell service. Many times a day, people stop in for help with planning their activities and the TV allows them to make informed decisions based on weather conditions. The lack of cell service also poses a safety concern for campers in the neighboring state park and the TV provides immediate information in the event of severe weather.

In addition to the TV, the Center purchased a DVD player to show historical photos and local event videos. “Cornell and the surrounding area has a great historical past. Young visitors will be able to view these documents and pictures in an engaging format,” says Judy Talbot, curator at the Cornell Visitors Center. “Although many of the pictures are in books and pamphlets, this equipment makes it easier to view; giving more information in a smaller amount of time.” The grant also allowed for the purchase of archive materials to organize photos, newspaper articles, and pamphlets in binders so they are easily searchable. The addition of the printer gives the Center the ability to photocopy items for visitors to take with them such as trail maps, yearbook photos, and newspaper articles. The Center is also able to save money by printing their own informational brochures as they need them. “People come in and they don’t want to leave. There is so much to see and learn about the history of Cornell,” says Talbot.
LAKE HOLCOMBE FOOD PANTRY - LAKE HOLCOMBE WEEKEND KID MEALS
LEGACY COMMUNITY CENTER - AGNES’ TABLE
LITERACY CHIPPEWA VALLEY - CORRECTIONS EDUCATION RE-ENTRY PROGRAMMING
MCDONELL AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - TUITION ASSISTANCE
OPEN DOOR CLINIC - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
OTTER LAKE BOOSTER CLUB - PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT LANDSCAPE
PROFESSIONAL DENTAL HYGIENE EXPRESS - BRIGHT SMILES
ST. FRANCESCA RESOURCE CENTER - HEALTHY FAMILIES INITIATIVE 2020
ST. PETER’S GRADE SCHOOL - BRIDGING GENERATIONS
ST. PETER’S GRADE SCHOOL - TUITION ASSISTANCE
STANLEY AREA FOOD PANTRY - WEEKEND KID’S MEAL PROGRAM
VETERANS HOUSING: (LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES) - VETERANS HOUSING & RECOVERY PROGRAM

Northwestern Bank School Mini-Grant Fund Grant Awards
Because of Northwestern Bank’s generosity, Mini-Grants are available to Chippewa County 3rd - 8th grade educators to fund innovative learning and motivational activities or service learning projects for their students.

Cadott Elementary School - In”Stall”ing Inspiration
Cadott Elementary School - Sphero in the Classroom
Chippewa Falls Middle School - Spanish 1 Library
Chippewa Falls Middle School - Student Connections - Relax Groups
Christ Lutheran School - Music Enhancement Riser
Cornell Elementary School - Flexible Seating
Halmstad Elementary School - Halmstad Sensory Tools
Hillcrest Elementary School - The Memory Project
Holy Ghost Elementary School - Mental Health Support
Holy Ghost Elementary School - Third Grade Getting Heard
Parkview Elementary School - Babysitting Basics
Parkview Elementary School - Ukulele Project
Southview Elementary - Yoga in the Classrooms
St. Peter’s School - Engaging Our Brains
St. Peter’s School - Gift of a Book
St. Peter’s School - Teachers Pay Teachers
Stillson Elementary School - Bringing Mindfulness Into Our School
Stillson Elementary School - Kiln Replacement

Otter Lake is one of the finest fishing lakes in Wisconsin, boasting numerous fish species living among the islands and estuary. Along with giving the community a beautiful fishing location, a county campground and day park are located on the northern end of the lake. The park offers a swimming beach, volleyball area, horseshoe pits, and a playground which are enjoyed by campers and community members alike. With many children using the playground each day, the Otter Lake Booster Club noticed a need to update the equipment to comply with current safety regulations.

The original metal playground equipment included a climbing tower, merry-go-round, swings, and slide. All had been at the park for many years. In order to bring the playground up to current regulations, the slide and merry-go-round would need to be removed and safer equipment installed in its place. The Booster Club learned of a local playground that was upgrading base material and had decided to add new playground equipment as well. The Booster Club was offered the piece of playground equipment free of charge if they facilitated the removal and transport.

Once disassembled, it was apparent that the steps, a few safety rails, and two slides needed to be replaced in order for the equipment to meet safety regulations. Additionally, new wood chip base material and a containment border would need to be added to the playground area. Bids were requested but once the moving plans were in place and it was time to order the extra materials, the cost had increased and it was no longer within the Booster Club’s budget. Already in the removal stage, they had to continue the project with the choices of adjusting the existing budget from the lake aerators that keep the fish population healthy or seeking additional funding. “The grant money from the Community Foundation of Chippewa County really saved the project because we didn’t have to adjust funds and then wonder if we would have enough for the aerators later in the year,” says Dan Liske, President of the Otter Lake Booster Club.

After receiving the grant, the additional pieces of equipment were ordered and the structure was rebuilt at the park with the help of many community members. Finally, the new foundation of wood chips and containment border was added around all of the equipment, creating a larger and inviting space for anyone using the park.
COMMUNITY NEEDS GRANT

L.E. PHILLIPS CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER - BLESSINGS IN A BOX

The L.E. Phillips Career Development Center serves those in Chippewa County who are experiencing poverty and crisis. The grant money is used to stock the Blessing Box, a mini pantry outside the office available to anyone who needs it at any time.

“We have seen people who don’t want to come in, who are maybe ashamed that they need assistance, or maybe others who are unable to come in during our hours of operation so they are able to stop in the evening or at night to see what is in the box,” says Jennifer Barrett, Director of Homeless Services at the Center.

The majority of the Community Foundation of Chippewa County grant was used to purchase easy-to-make meals and meals for families such as pasta sauce and noodles, as well as water in the summer months to help folks in need stay hydrated. The grant has also provided items other than food, such as feminine hygiene products, denture care items, and hand sanitizer. These are commonly asked for by the individuals the Center serves but are not frequently donated.

Being able to stock the Blessing Box with the items people need has helped numerous individuals within the community. “Just in the month of June, we were able to help 99 unique households,” says Barrett. “In other cities, you see the homeless population gathering in various locations but it’s a population we don’t see in Chippewa Falls, yet it’s very real here too.”

WAYS TO GIVE

We invite you to make a lasting investment in our community.

The Community Foundation of Chippewa County provides a simple, effective, and highly personal approach to giving. We offer a variety of tools to help you achieve your charitable goals. You can make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, real estate, or other assets to the Foundation. Most charitable gifts qualify for maximum tax advantage under federal law.

We will work with you and, if appropriate, your professional advisor, to customize a charitable plan that is right for you. To discuss your charitable interests and the options available, contact our Foundation office to schedule an appointment.

OUTRIGHT GIFT

You can make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, real estate, or other assets to the Community Foundation of Chippewa County. Your charitable gift qualifies for tax advantage under federal law. Gifts can be made to any of our existing funds in memory or honor of loved ones.

CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST

You can place cash, securities or property into a trust that pays a fixed amount to the Community Foundation for the number of years you select. Once this period ends, the assets held by the trust are transferred to the beneficiaries you name. In some cases, you receive a substantial reduction in federal gift and estate taxes.

RETIREEMENT FUNDS, IRAS, & LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES

You can make the Community Foundation a full or partial beneficiary of your life insurance policy or retirement account. This is an easy way to make a legacy gift without modifying your will. Upon your death, your gift is placed into a charitable fund of your choosing.

DONATE ONLINE AT YOURLEGACYFOREVER.ORG

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JONATHAN P. IPPEL, CFP, CIMA
RELATIONSHIP MANAGER

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

WIPFLI, LLP
The public may view governing documents, conflict of interest policies, and the most recent copies of our audited financial statements, IRS Form 990. To view these during business hours, please call 715.723.8125.
On March 16, our fellow Board Member and friend, Dave Fish died. We are immensely grateful for his dedication and service as one of the Founders of our Foundation. His leadership and wisdom has made us stronger.

FINDING STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (JUNE 30, 2020 & 2019)

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CONDESD STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES* (YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020)

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** The activity of agency and pass-through funds held for other not-for-profit organizations are eliminated from the total statement of activities in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

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