With your support, we can address today’s greatest challenges and make a deeper impact on issues like the need to bring brain health services within reach for our residents.

Thanks to generous donors and dedicated community leaders, we made several grants in 2019 to better equip front-line brain health care professionals — as well as grants to many other nonprofits improving lives in Allamakee County. We continue to work hard to meet today’s needs while planning for the future.

Visit our interactive impact map online at dbqfoundation.org/ACCF

Our Funds

Endowed 90%
Non-Endowed 10%

$2,967,171 Total Assets
$232,401 Total Grants and Scholarships
$318,455 Total Gifts and Pledges
TOMORROW

Creating a thriving community

“Every person has their own passions and skills. What we have in common is that when we share our gifts, we change lives for the better,” said Waukon native Dr. Mollie Marti, a psychologist who has shared many of her own talents with her hometown. Dr. Marti founded and directs the National Resilience Institute (NRI), a nonprofit that grew from a project she started in Mount Vernon after the loss of young lives to suicide. Guided by an innate desire to help, Dr. Marti found her way back to Waukon — where suicide has also touched the community.

She joined the advisory board of the Matt Howe Tribute Fund, an endowment held by the Allamakee County Community Foundation, which supports programs that help youth cope with loss, abuse, or brain health issues. A natural next step was bringing NRI’s THRIVE Resilience Model to Waukon schools. The model includes six capacity-builders: Trusted adults, high expectations, resilience building, involvement, vision and enrichment.

The Community Foundation’s focus on brain health is congruent with the THRIVE Resilience Model, a framework Dr. Marti developed to communicate critical factors in helping individuals succeed. Assisted by the Community Foundation and other partners, the district secured funding to join NRI’s THRIVE School Program, which provides monthly education, resources, and support from a THRIVE coordinator. NRI and Dr. Marti chose to donate additional training and travel costs.

The district is creating a culture infused with reminders to students that they matter: Their safety is prioritized, they’re supported in pursuing their interests, and the community needs their unique contributions. “From both my research and years of field work, I have seen how this process not only strengthens lives,” said Dr. Marti. “It can save lives.”

The Community Foundation works to make Allamakee County a place for all to thrive. Brain health is our priority, especially as the pandemic has impacted residents of all ages. To share your gift and improve Allamakee County for future generations, contact Betty Steege.

Visit our website to read more on this story.

FOREVER

You want to leave the community a better place for your children and grandchildren. There’s no better time to start than today.

A legacy gift reflects your ongoing commitment to your community and will help address its needs for years to come. There are many ways to give, including gifts of stocks, bonds and grain, as well as IRA rollover contributions.

As a bonus, your gift of $50 or more to the Allamakee County Community Foundation or one of its endowed funds is eligible for the Endow Iowa 25% State Tax Credit.

Contact us to get started.
Call 563.586.2046 or email steebo@acegroup.cc

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Family of Funds

Alice Hermeier Foundation Endowment Fund
Allamakee County Disaster Assistance Fund
Allamakee County Community Foundation Endow Iowa Permanent Endowment Fund
Allamakee County Fund for After School Programs
Allamakee County Energy District Fund
Allamakee Scholarship Fund
Bresnahan & McCullough Family Endowment
Coach Gene and Pat Klinge Endowment for Waukon Youth
Dave and Sheri Herold Education Endowment
Dr. Richard Hermeier Fund for Waukon HS Athletics
Dr. Steven and Stefanie Perkins Education & Healthcare Endowment
Driftless Area Education and Visitors Center Endowment
Harpers Ferry Boosters Inc. Endowment
Herold and Kriener Family Legacy Fund
John H. Simmons Endowment
Keeland Endowment for Early Childhood Education
Kee High Scholarship Endowment Fund
Main Street Lansing Endowment
Mary Ament-TASC Endowment
Mark and Vicki Donhowe Scholarship Fund for NICC
Mental Health Today Matthew Howe Tribute Endowment
New Albin Fire Department Endowment
New Albin Library Endowment
Northeast Iowa Resource, Conservation and Development (RC&D) Endowment
Northeast Iowa Masonic Lodge Scholarship Fund-Agency
Northeast Iowa Food and Fitness Initiative Endowment Fund
Our Savior’s Lutheran Endowment (Lansing)
Postville Dollars for Scholars Endowment
Red Rixen & Dr. Jim Rixen Scholarship
Rev. Curtis Webster Memorial Endowment for Allamakee Scholarship Fund
Rosella Sando Endowment for Allamakee Scholarship Fund
Saint Patrick School Endowment Fund
Suzanne and David Hahn Endowment
The Dr. Ray Hermeier Endowed Fund for Waukon
Veterans Memorial Healthcare Foundation Endowment for Education, Recruitment and Retention
Waukon Parks and Recreation Endowment
Zimmerman Family Scholarship Endowment