To our partners,

Our community is full of passionate, generous people who want to contribute toward a strong future. Understanding how that generosity can have the deepest impact can be a challenge, and that’s where the Dyersville Area Community Foundation comes in. We connect the dots between community needs and people who can help address them. Partnering with local leaders, we identify challenges and solutions to community-wide issues like access to transportation, child care, housing and brain health services.

Then, we harness the power of endowment to make charitable giving easy for our generous local donors and ensure their gifts have a meaningful impact where the community needs it most. We use annual payouts from our own endowment in the same way, providing grants to ensure that nonprofits can help our community thrive, respond to emerging needs and sustain the good work they do.

Understanding our community’s challenges and connecting with leaders who want to develop solutions is our most important work. Contact us today to find out how you can help.

With sincere gratitude,

Sheila Tegeler, Chair
Lisa Maiers, Vice Chair
Jeanne Coppola
Nancy Dunkel
Mike English
Carrie Koelker
Dave Schroeder
Jeff Simon
Mary Ungs-Sogaard
Karla Thompson

Financials

8% 92%
Endowed Assets Non-Endowed Assets

$2,313,471 Total Assets
$82,908 2020 Grants and Scholarships
$130,975 2020 Gifts and Pledges

Faith, hope and love:

A legacy of supporting community well-being

With deep roots in the New Vienna area, the Willenborg family has developed a strong belief that small towns are vital to the fabric of the American heartland. That’s why they created the Willenborg Family Endowment for Community Enrichment to support organizations that serve and sustain rural quality of life in the New Vienna and Petersburg area.

Dennis and Carol Ann Willenborg taught their children to care for neighbors and elders, and to give of their time, talent and resources. “Lifelong giving has been important to my parents. It’s a way of living out their faith,” says their son Andy, who helped start the fund with his wife, Julie. "Having conversations as a family — with my parents, wife, son and siblings — about directing our fund to meet community needs is powerful and gratifying. It reinforces our family values.”

Faith, hope and love are central to the family’s mission for the fund, which strives to holistically provide for the community’s well-being by addressing social, emotional, physical, educational and economic needs. Annual payouts from the endowment will support places of social gathering, such as local churches and museums; recreational opportunities for children; and services for the protection and care of residents, such as fire departments and social safety net organizations.

And for Andy, leaving a legacy is personal. Andy is familiar with the power of endowment through his career in finance at Wartburg Theological Seminary and his role in launching the New Vienna Area Historical Society Endowment Fund, when he began developing a relationship with the Dyersville Area Community Foundation.

Leaving a Legacy

Legacy gifts reflect a commitment to your community and will help address needs for years to come. There are many ways to give, including gifts of stocks, bonds, grain and IRA rollover contributions, as well as through your estate plan.

“I trust the Foundation to carry out my legacy through an endowment to support education in our community forever,” says donor and board member Jeanne Coppola.

As a bonus, your gift of $50 or more to the Dyersville Area Community Foundation or one of its endowed funds is eligible for the Endow Iowa 25% State Tax Credit. To get started, contact us.

Contact Michelle Grover at 319-269-6432 or dacf@dbqfoundation.org.

Making Connections

Pictured above: Willenborg family members Julie, Andy, Carol Ann and Dennis
Beckman Catholic Schools Endowment Fund
Dave and Diane Schroeder Fund
Don and Becky Lansing “If You Build It” Endowment
Dula Scherrman Memorial Endowment for Dyersville Area Historical Society
Dyersville Area Community Foundation
Dyersville Area Community Foundation COVID-19 Relief Fund
Dyersville Area Parks and Recreation Endowment Fund
Dyersville Grade Level Reading Campaign
Dyersville Health Foundation
Dyersville Progress Inc. Non-Endowed Fund
Farley Garden Club Endowment
Ghost Players Endowment Fund for Baseball History
James Kennedy Public Library Endowment
Jeanne M. Coppola Endowment for Education
Lynn Westhoff Memorial Endowment
Mt. Hope Cemetery Endowment Fund
Nancy and Ken Dunkel Endowed Donor-Advised Fund
New Vienna Area Historical Society Endowment Fund
Patricia A. Gassmann Endowment Fund
Take’Em Down Foundation Fund
Tom, Diane, and Eric Thompson Endowment
Willenborg Family Endowment for Community Enrichment
William and Claudia Heiderscheit Endowment Fund

2020 Grants
Beckman Catholic Schools
Bi-County Ambulance
City of New Vienna
City of Worthington
Dyersville Area Chamber
Dyersville Area Historical Society
Dyersville Fire Department
Farley Area Historical Society
Farley Fire Department
Hills & Dales Child Development
MercyOne Dubuque Foundation
New Vienna Historical Society
Rural Community Food Pantry
Seton Catholic Schools
St. Elizabeth Pastorate
St. Francis Xavier School
Worthington Fire Department

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