

Supporting Quality of Life

The West Des Moines Community Foundation (WDMCF) was created in 2007 in order to make a positive impact in our community. To date, the Foundation has received and is managing over \$1 million from families, individuals, businesses, the City, and Polk and Dallas Counties for our various funds to support artistic, cultural, recreational, historic, social and natural resources.



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Donation Form or Grant
Application can be found at:

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Grant Submissions Reviewed Quarterly

The Foundation serves as a catalyst for specific community projects and a champion for promoting quality of life within our city.

To date, grants have been awarded by the WDMCF to support a variety of community initiatives, such as:

- WDM Community Schools, Booster Pak Program
- WDM Leadership Academy, provide free bicycle helmets to children
- Historical Society, Jordan Scholar program
- WDM Human Services, transitional housing and holiday meals to those in need
- Children & Families of Iowa, Family Safety, Risk and Permanency services for WDM families
- Tallgrass Theater, new lighting system
- WDM Public Arts Advisory Commission, Temporary “Art on the Campus” Exhibition
- WDM Amphitheater on the City Administrative campus
- WDM Raccoon River Park Archery Facility
- Furry Friends Refuge, capital campaign for new animal shelter

Non-profit organizations serving citizens in West Des Moines are eligible to submit a grant to the WDMCF. Grants are reviewed on a quarterly basis by the WDMCF Board of Directors, and awarded on a selective basis, according to established bylaws and policies.

Grant applications are due the first day of each quarter – January, April, July and October.

Donations (of any size) Always Welcome

Donations to the WDMCF are accepted through the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines, which also administers and manages the four funds. No donation is too small.

WDMCF funds:

- General Pass-through Fund
- Special Interest Fund: Arts and Culture
- Special Interest Fund: Recreation and Trails
- Endowment Fund – maximum of 5% of endowment funds are available on an annual basis

Donating to the WDMCF is a wonderful way to give back to the community and will help to preserve and improve the quality of life in West Des Moines for generations to come.