

Turning Passion into Purpose

The Greater Grand Island Community Foundation, incorporated in 1960, honors the legacy of community members through named funds and charitable grants.

Our donors are at the center of the Foundation's unique mission. These special individuals are to be commended for their continued generosity and support of our community. Donor gifts, no matter what size, are making an impact in our community.

The Greater Grand Island Community Foundation is a growing legacy, not of a single person, but of hundreds of individuals, families and businesses in our area. Like a single breath through a pinwheel, one person's love can spin into a legacy that leaves a better world for all.



"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."

-Aesop



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The mission of the Greater Grand Island Community Foundation is empowering people to turn their passion into purpose by creating legacies that strengthen the future of the communities we serve.

Empowering People



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Benefits of working with GICF

Giving through the Greater Grand Island Community Foundation is an effective way for donors to achieve their philanthropic goals.

Benefits include:

- Establishing one account to benefit multiple purposes
- Gifting assets that maximize tax benefits
- Distributing grants anywhere in the United States
- Guaranteed long-term adherence to donor wishes
- Family-based philanthropy services
- Earnings are added to accounts tax free
- Benefits of a private foundation without the added expenses and administrative burden
- Professional investment management of funds
- Record keeping convenience

The Greater Grand Island Community Foundation is here to help you accomplish your charitable goals.

Legacy Society Membership

Donors who include the Greater Grand Island Community Foundation in their will or estate plans, will be recognized as a distinguished member of our Legacy Society.

Commemorative Gifts

Commemorative gifts are a simple, special way to honor the memory of a loved one or pay tribute to friends and family members special occasions. These gifts impact the community by providing for a variety of needs ranging from civic enrichment to the arts.

How it Works

Donors who would like to make a commemorative gift have the following options:

- Establish a new fund
- Direct gifts to an existing fund
- Allow the recipient to choose the charity of his or her choice.

Charitable Gift Certificates

Give a gift to someone you care about by presenting them with a charitable “gift” certificate and let them choose their favorite charity to receive the gift. Tell us who you would like to honor, how much you would like to give, and where to send the gift certificate. We will work with the recipient to make a donation to his/her favorite charity.

If you would like more information about commemorative gifts or other giving options at the Greater Grand Island Community Foundation, please contact us at 308-381-7767 or email info@gicf.org.

Memorial and Honorary Gifts

Memorial Gifts

Memorial gifts are a special way to keep your loved one’s memory and legacy alive. When a loved one passes, we are faced with a painful loss and many decisions, including how to remember the impact this special person made in our lives. Contributions from multiple donors can carry on the legacy of your loved by establishing a permanent living memorial that supports their favorite charitable causes.

Memorial gifts totaling less than \$1,000 will be distributed to one field of interest chosen by the family. Once gifts total \$1,000 or more, a named memorial account will be opened. Memorial gifts totaling \$1,000 to \$4,999 will be used for discretionary grant-making with the family serving as advisors until the funds are fully expended. With memorial gifts totaling \$5,000 or more, a permanent endowment may be established in the name of the deceased.

Honorary Gifts

Honorary gifts celebrate loved ones while the honoree is still able to see the impact in the community. Donors make a donation to GGICF in honor of a loved one or friend as a birthday, wedding, graduation, anniversary or retirement gift. Funds can support the recipient’s favorite charity.

“The Grand Island Community Foundation is a great asset for our city. The Community Foundation enables us to invest in the future.”
- Gloria Wolbach