

Your Passion. Your Legacy. Your Community Foundation.

The 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, make a difference in our community.

The Grand Island Community Foundation is a growing legacy, not of a single person, but of hundreds of individuals, families and businesses. Under one organizational roof, we unite donors, large and small, who want to make our community a better place to live.



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The mission of the Grand Island Community Foundation is to preserve and enhance the quality of life in Central Nebraska and assist donors in realizing their charitable goals.

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

-Aesop



Commemorative Gifts

Connecting people who care
with causes that matter.

Benefits

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

- Establishing one fund 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 funds tax free
- Benefits of a private foundation without the added expenses and administrative burden
- Professional investment management of funds
- Record keeping convenience

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

Legacy Society Membership

Donors who include the Grand Island Community Foundation in their will or estate plans become a member of the GICF Legacy Society. Contact us to discuss the various ways you can create your own meaningful legacy.

Commemorative Gifts

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

How it Works

These special gifts are simple. You can establish a new fund, have gifts directed to an existing fund or 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 card or gift certificate. We will take care of the rest.

If you would like more information about commemorative gifts or other giving options at the 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. Continue the legacy of your loved one by giving to their favorite charitable causes in his or her memory.

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 grantmaking 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. Birthdays, weddings, graduations, anniversaries, and retirements are part of a long list of special events and reasons for honoring someone with a gift that lasts a lifetime and beyond. Funds can support their 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

