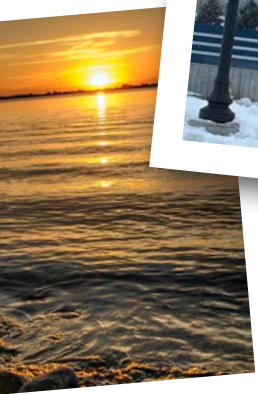




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Watertown

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2022

ANNUAL REPORT

DEAR COMMUNITY:

Though 2022 wasn't without its challenges including storms and an uneasy stock market, the Watertown Area Community Foundation saw positive growth in many areas and definite hope for the Foundation's and our area's future.

March 1, the Foundation brought onboard a new staff member, Cammie Mengwasser. She entered a development director role and shares an unbridled passion for the Foundation and its mission to invest in the vitality of the Watertown area.

That mission in 2022, meant the Foundation Board could award more than \$870,000 in grants, scholarships and distributions. The impact was felt by area schools and numerous nonprofits – but especially by those they serve. Many dollars were invested to support our youth, those in need and to assist with mental health issues of all ages.

A May 12 storm caused devastating havoc to the Castlewood community and others in our area. By 8 a.m. the next day, the Area Relief Fund at the Foundation was established by our Board and was already awarding grants to assist those affected.

We thank you, our amazing community of donors, for enabling us to rapidly respond to the ever-changing needs of the greater Watertown region.

The Foundation, its Board, and staff look toward 2023 and beyond as they always have: with purpose and gratitude.

With appreciation and best regards,

Dr. Jeff Danielsen
2022 WACF Board Chair

Jan DeBerg
WACF Executive Director

OUR MISSION

The Watertown Area Community Foundation invests in the vitality of the Watertown area.

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WACF BOARD – Front, from left: Julie Ranum, Liam Culhane, Kristen Henderson, vice chair. Back, from left: Charlie Ewalt, Dr. Jeff Danielsen, chair; Tom Beadnell and Joel Vockrodt.



FOUNDATION ACHIEVES NATIONAL STANDARDS ACCREDITATION



The Watertown Area Community Foundation has once again achieved National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations® accreditation. The Foundation met the nation's highest philanthropic standards for operational quality, integrity, and accountability as determined by the Community Foundations National Standards Board, a national accreditation organization based in Arlington, VA.

To receive accreditation, the Foundation had to demonstrate how its operational practices met the 26 National Standards established by the Community Foundations National Standards Board. Those foundations receiving the Accreditation Seal are recognized for a commitment to the success and well-being of every organization they support, and are willing and able to stand by every grant they have made. The Accreditation Seal signals to donors and to their professional advisers that a community foundation is a sound place to give and make a difference.

In addition to affirming the organization's philanthropic services, the confirmation validates the Watertown Area Community Foundation's grantmaking practices for the nonprofit community.

"The accreditation process is rigorous and hugely important," said Dr. Jeff Danielsen, WACF Board Chairperson. "Undertaking it demonstrates our commitment and accountability to our donors and our community. When you see the National Standards Seal, you can be assured that we're committed to meeting the highest standards."

The first community foundations were accredited by the Council on Foundations in the early 2000's, including the Watertown Area Community Foundation. Two decades later, the Watertown Area Community Foundation continues to help people support the causes they care about, now and for generations to come.

The Community Foundations National Standards Board is a supporting organization of the Council on Foundations that administers and advances National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations by ensuring the integrity of the accreditation process and building the value of compliance.



WACF STAFF - From left, Jan DeBerg, executive director; Julianne Endres, marketing/donor services; Kay Brandsrud, administrative assistant; Cammie Mengwasser, development director.

WATERTOWN Artwalk

Watertown Artwalk continues to be enjoyed and appreciated by all ages and in all seasons.

Artwalk 2022 resulted in 14 new sculptures being placed.

The When Wealth Was Pelts sculpture remains at Turbak Law Office, P.C. which purchased it. There are 16 sculptures in all with the 14th, 15th and 16th at Jenkins Living Center, Lake Area Technical College and the Redlin Art Center, respectively.

Artwalk sponsors are: Jesse & Mindy Craig; Dempsey's Brewery, Pub & Restaurant; First Premier Bank; Gather; Glacial Lakes Rubber & Plastics; First Interstate Bank; Haugan Nelson Realty; Lake Area Technical College; Phillip Matthews State Farm; Prairie Lakes Healthcare System; Redlin Art Center; Reliabank; Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce; Watertown Development Company and the Watertown Area Community Foundation.

Special thanks to Gray Construction for its assistance with de-installing and installing the sculptures. Other in-kind support and volunteer efforts came from #1 Welding, Cashway Lumber, Concrete Dakota, MNW Construction & Grosz Excavation, LATC Law Enforcement, Todd Randall, Drew Bakken, Gary Brandsrud, Travis Bramer, Jeremy Espland, Jason Mengwasser and LeAllen Endres.



Support from the City of Watertown, SD Arts Council, Sioux Falls Sculpturewalk, Giving Back 365 donors and Friends of Artwalk is also greatly appreciated. Friends of Artwalk members include: American Bank & Trust, Crawford-Osthus Funeral Home, Jan DeBerg, Dugan Sales & Service, Fischer Rounds & Associates/Kinsman Agency, Ken & Wendy Fransen, Rev. Jerry Holtzman, Joy Nelson, Plains Commerce Bank, Don & Kelly Roby, Watertown Area Community Foundation and Watertown Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Artwalk Committee members are: Joy Nelson, Jan DeBerg, Sean Dempsey, Amanda Culhane, and LuAnn Strait.

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Thank you for your generous gifts. This list of donors also includes those who have given memorials, honorariums and in-kind donations. Care has been taken to list all names completely and accurately. We regret any errors or omissions.

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Each year thousands of dollars in scholarships are awarded to deserving students from scholarship funds administered by the Watertown Area Community Foundation. Those scholarship funds are listed below.

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Youth Empowerment Through Involvement
in Snowmobiling (YETIS) in Memory of
Jon LaFramboise



"Ken and I set up a Donor Advised Fund through the Watertown Area Community Foundation primarily for tax purposes; however, the benefits offered by the Foundation are a plus. Foundation staff make certain the charities to whom we are designating grants for are all qualified 501c3 charities. We appreciate the ability to advise grants as needed. Throughout my donation history, I have wanted to have control over what I fund and the flexibility to respond to requests. That's why a Donor Advised Fund suits our needs. We look forward to working with the Foundation through the Ken & Wendy Fransen Family Fund."

- Wendy Fransen

AGENCY FUNDS

Organizations in the Watertown area have funds at the Foundation to support and enhance their organization as well as ensure their sustainability.

Arrow Education Foundation Fund

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BEYOND TRAGEDY: A LEGACY CONTINUES

For Johnny and Audrey Rider and their two children, snowmobiling is more than just a fun family hobby, it's an opportunity to develop future leaders.

In 2016, while attending the International Snowmobile Congress, the Riders, long-time members of the South Dakota Snowmobile Association (SDSA), met a youth snowmobiling club from Michigan. Known as the KAOS Kids, these young snowmobilers inspired Johnny and Audrey.

"They were impressive young leaders," said Audrey. "They presented to the entire Congress on safety and mentorship and how being a member of the KAOS Kids positively impacted their life. This was an opportunity we wanted for South Dakota's young snowmobilers as well."

The couple worked with Jon LaFramboise, President of the SDSA to launch the YETIS program – Youth Empowerment through Involvement in Snowmobiling as part of the SDSA. The program combines passion for snowmobiling with practical leadership training, including presentation skills, parliamentary procedure, and safety training. Mentorship of younger riders is also a cornerstone of the program. YETIS participants even network with members of the legislature during the annual Governor's Ride.

"With Jon's support and leadership, the program expanded across the state and grew to include an ex-officio YETIS member on the SDSA board," said Audrey. "It was our YETIS board member who inspired our shift to virtual safety training. They bring a new perspective and understand how best to sustain the organization for the next generation."

Tragically, Jon LaFramboise lost his life in an avalanche on March 12, 2022, while snowmobiling in the Sierra Madre mountains. "It was such a loss to our South Dakota snowmobiling family," said Audrey. "Jon had done so much, particularly for our YETIS participants, we had to continue his legacy."

In consultation with Jon's wife Sheridan, the Riders created the Youth Empowerment through Involvement in Snowmobiling Scholarship Fund in Memory of Jon LaFramboise at the Watertown Area Community Foundation. The fund will award an annual scholarship to a graduating student involved in the YETIS program. The fund has received numerous gifts in honor of Jon and continues to grow as word spreads through regular SDSA member publications.

"We are grateful that Jon's passion and commitment to youth snowmobilers continues with the YETIS Scholarship Fund," said Audrey. "He loved snowmobiling and I know he would be proud that children who also share this passion for the sport will have additional opportunities because of this scholarship fund."

The YETIS – The YETIS program combines passion for snowmobiling with practical leadership training. YETIS participants are eligible to apply for the YETIS Scholarship in honor of Jon LaFramboise.



WAYS TO GIVE

Nearly any asset can be donated for charitable purposes, often with tax savings benefits. Contact the Foundation to learn more about these and other opportunities to make a lasting impact.

Cash Gifts

Cash gifts are the most popular and simplest way to make a charitable contribution. Gifts can be made via cash, check, or credit card.

IRA Charitable Rollover / Qualified Charitable Distribution ("QCD")

Even though required minimum distributions from a traditional IRA do not start until age 72, you can begin making charitable distributions directly to charity up to \$100,000 annually at 70½.

Stocks & Securities

Gifts of appreciated securities are a very effective asset to gift and often provide significant tax benefits. Donors are encouraged to consult with their tax advisor regarding their specific tax situation.



WATERTOWN AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PLAZA IN PROGRESS: OPENING SPRING 2023

Real Estate

Land and properties offer a variety of gifting opportunities. Due to the complex nature of such gifts, these transactions require prior approval by the Board.

Life Insurance

Donate a fully-funded policy during lifetime and/or name the Foundation as a beneficiary.

Retirement Plan Assets

Naming the Foundation as a beneficiary of a 401(k), 403(b), traditional IRA, SEP or any other type of qualified retirement plan can be a tax-efficient asset to gift at death.

YOUTH COUNCIL AWARDS OVER \$12,000 IN GRANTS

The Watertown Area Community Foundation Youth Council awarded \$12,260 in grants to the following youth-serving programs and organizations in the area:

- 4 the Kids SD
- Boys & Girls Club of Watertown
- Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.
- East-Central CASA
- Glacial Lakes Multicultural Center
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace
- Watertown Area PACH

The Foundation started the Youth Council in 2001 with the belief that young people care about others and their community and they would like to have a voice in the issues, challenges and opportunities they face both now and in the future. Youth Council members learn about non-profit organizations in our community, learn leadership skills, become involved in philanthropy and award grants each spring.

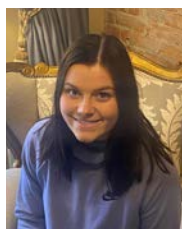
Current Youth Council members are: Emma Brist, Samantha Keup, and Grace Martenson, seniors; Hannah Herzog, Carter Schmidt, and Lucy Walker, juniors.



Emma Brist



Samantha Keup



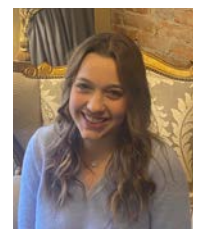
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Hannah Herzog



Carter Schmidt



Lucy Walker



Women & Giving

Our 2022 Women & Giving fund-raising campaign resulted in more than \$95,000 in gifts, some of which were designated for the Women & Giving Endowment Fund and others for immediate grantmaking.

The Women & Giving Advisory Committee awarded nearly \$45,000 in grants to the following organizations:

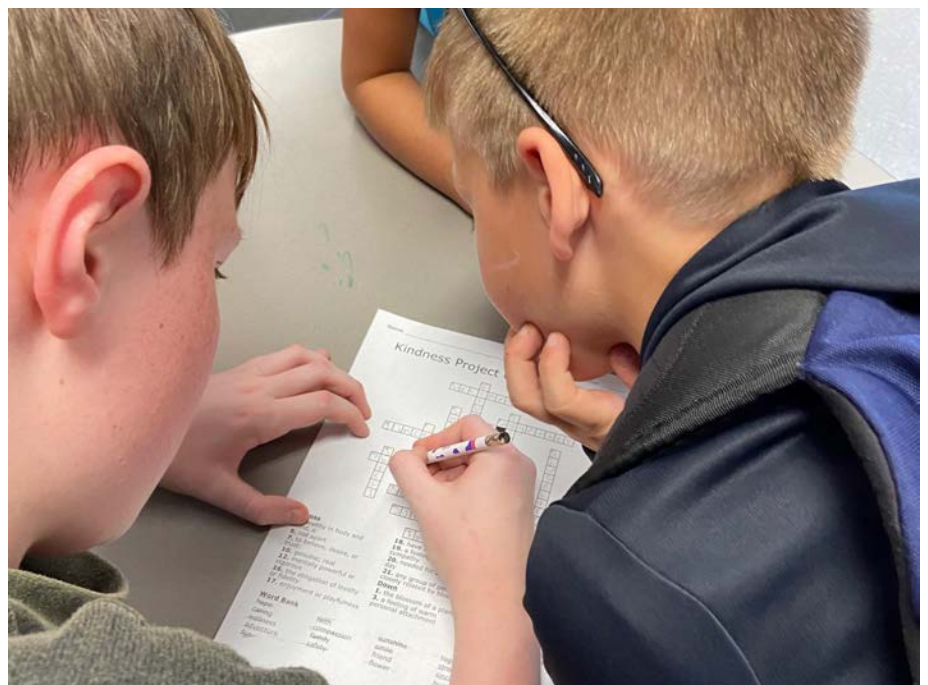
- Boys & Girls Club of Watertown
- Brothers & Sisters Behind Bars
- Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.
- Divine Providence of South Dakota
- East-Central CASA
- Friends of the Goss Opera House, Inc.
- Inter-Lakes Community Action Partnership
- Joy Ranch of SD
- Lake Area Zoological Society
- Toastmasters District 78 Club #7487445
- Watertown Area PACH
- Watertown Area Snow Queen
- Watertown Area United Way
- Watertown Middle School
- Watertown Regional Library
- Watertown School District

Women & Giving's mission is to help area women and children overcome barriers, increase their opportunities and achieve their goals.



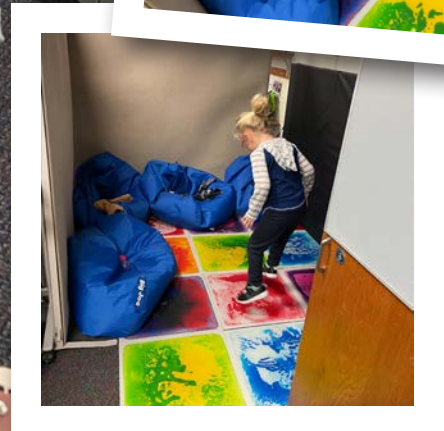
The Women & Giving Advisory Committee also awarded a total of \$19,500 in scholarships to non-traditional female students. Recipients are: LeJean Beck, Anita Buamah, April Geffre, Misty Maakestad, Dalaina Miller, Charlianne Robertson, Tonya Schmit, Amanda Shay and Jessica Yada, all attending Lake Area Technical College; and Hailey Crowe, Kerry Kulkarni, April Owen and Alyssa Wohlleber, all attending Mount Marty University in Watertown.

Special thanks to the Women & Giving Advisory Committee members: Sandy Albertsen, Jan Brooks, Prudy Calvin, Chris Carter, chair; Katherine Danforth, Susan Geyerman, Kathy Holmes, Nancy Linneman, Julie Ranum, and Becky Weber.



Through our **Area School Partnership Program**, the Foundation awards grants for public education projects which are beyond the scope of the regular school budget. School districts within approximately 30 miles of Watertown are eligible to apply for grants up to \$2,500 on an annual basis.

A total of \$7,875 was awarded to area schools in 2022. Schools receiving grants were: Estelline, Florence, Hamlin, and Henry.



Giving Back 365 donors made a big difference in 2022 awarding nearly \$34,000 in grants to local non-profit organizations.

Over \$175,000 has been awarded in grants since the program began proving what a difference \$1 per day of giving can make.

Grants awarded include:

- 4 the Kids SD
- Boys & Girls Club of Watertown
- Brothers & Sisters Behind Bars
- Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.
- Friends of the Goss Opera House, Inc.
- Habitat for Humanity Greater Watertown Region
- Joy Ranch of SD
- Lake Area Zoological Society
- Lincoln Elementary PTO
- Watertown Area PACH
- Watertown Area Snow Queen
- Watertown Area United Way
- Watertown Artwalk
- Watertown Christian School
- Watertown Fire Rescue
- Watertown Hockey Association
- Watertown Regional Library

"Due to its growth, the Giving Back 365 program has been making a bigger impact every year," said Jan DeBerg, WACF executive director. "It's hard to believe, but a simple \$1 a day can accomplish so much. These dollars mean a lot to the organizations that receive the grants and the individuals they serve."

Giving Back 365 members' dollars are split with half of their gift designated for the Giving Back 365 Endowment Fund and the other half pooled with other donors' gifts for immediate grantmaking.

DEFIBRILLATOR PROGRAM - Giving Back 365 donors supported the Public Access Defibrillator Program at Watertown Fire Rescue. Pictured is Carli Ordal, PAD Coordinator Watertown Fire Rescue.

Looking forward and . . .

GIVING 365 BACK



PASSPORT TO THE Arts



Thanks to GIVING BACK 365 donors, children in our community will have the opportunity to explore the arts through the "Passport to the Arts" program at the Goss Opera House.

Participants of this new program will "travel" on art explorations hosted by regional artists in dance, theater, music, and more at the Goss. Offered at no cost, art explorers will have the opportunity to try various art forms, potentially identifying a passion or interest in a particular area, without the expense barrier of a full-length class. With each stamp on their Passport, explorers learn about the world of creative possibility and gain confidence and a new perspective on their skillset for future artistic travels.

2022 GRANTS

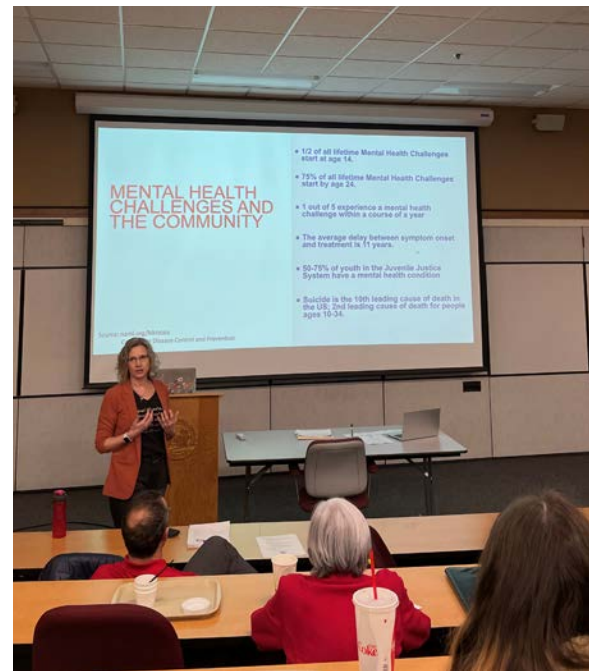
The Watertown Area Community Foundation has awarded \$9.1 million in grants over the years! The following organizations received grants from the Foundation in 2022. These grants totaled \$873,687 and include those from the Area School Partnership Program, Giving Back 365, Women & Giving, Youth Council and from Donor Advised Funds. Scholarships are also included in our grant total.

Thank you donors for making a difference!

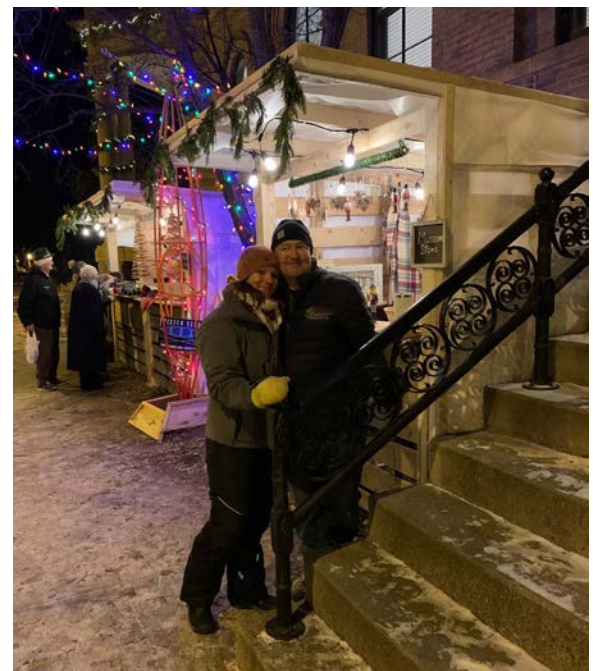
WACF Grants	\$386,493
WACF Scholarships.....	\$139,939
Watertown Area Relief	\$26,595
Area School Partnership	\$7,875
Christmas Tree Fundraiser	\$21,363
Donor Advised.....	\$181,287
Giving Back 365	\$33,445
Women & Giving	\$44,930
Women & Giving Scholarships.....	\$19,500
Youth Council.....	\$12,260

**A total of \$873,687 in grants,
distributions and scholarships was
awarded in 2022.**

*Thank you for your continued
support!*



MENTAL HEALTH – The Foundation awarded a \$14,000 grant to Glacial Lakes SAFE to support a local public health campaign.



CHRISTMAS MARKET – Inaugural Carnegie Christmas Market supported by a grant to the Codington County Historical Society.



DISTRICT 5 SCHOOL KRANZBURG, SD - Grant awarded to support a new roof for the oldest schoolhouse (built in 1879) in Codington County.



« Cammie Mengwasser, WACF development director (right), presents a check to sisters Carol Rinehart and Mary Ann Stahlke who led the refurbishing efforts.

GRANTS & DISTRIBUTIONS

4 the Kids SD
Access Ministry
Arizona Opera
Arrow Education Foundation
Beacon Center
Boys & Girls Club of Watertown
Brothers & Sisters Behind Bars
Camp Chance
Castlewood Community Foundation
Codington County Heritage Museum
Codington County Historical Society
Codington County Welfare Office
Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.
Dani's Balcony - Indigenous Outreach
Deuel County Crisis Fund
Divine Providence of SD
East-Central CASA
Estelline School District
Feeding South Dakota
Florence School District
Freedom Flannels
Friends of the Goss Opera House, Inc.
Glacial Lakes Humane Society
Glacial Lakes Multicultural Center
Glacial Lakes SAFE
Habitat For Humanity Greater Watertown Region
Hamlin School District
Henry School District

Holy Name of Jesus Church
Hosanna Lutheran Church
Human Service Agency
Human Service Agency Foundation
IAFF Local 1724 Honor Guard
Inter-Lakes Community Action Partnership
JAS Quintet
Jenkins Living Center, Inc.
Joy Ranch of SD
Kidson Cares
Kiwanis Coats for Kids
Lake Area Child Protection, Inc.
Lake Area Technical College
Lake Area Technical College Foundation
Lake Area Zoological Society
Lincoln Elementary PTO
Lutheran Social Services
Make A Wish
Mellette House
Midwest Bible Camp
Mother of God Monastery
My Happy Place
Needy School Fund (Watertown School District)
Northern Prairie Arts/NE Artist Network
Prairie Lakes Healthcare Center Hospice
Prairie Lakes Healthcare Foundation
Salvation Army
SD News Watch

SD Parks & Wildlife Foundation
Sea of Goodwill
Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Sounds of the Season Community Christmas Concert
St. Jude Children's Hospital
Toastmasters District 78 Club #7487445
Town Players
Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus
University of Sioux Falls
Watertown Area Community Foundation Plaza
Watertown Area Breast Cancer Support Group
Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce
Watertown Area PACH
Watertown Area Snow Queen
Watertown Area Special Olympics
Watertown Area United Way
Watertown Artwalk
Watertown Christian School
Watertown Community Concert Association
Watertown Development Company
Watertown Fire Rescue
Watertown Hockey Association
Watertown Middle School
Watertown Parks Recreation & Forestry
Watertown Regional Library
Watertown School District
Watertown Volunteer Center

AREA RELIEF FUND PROVIDES URGENT SUPPORT

The evening of May 12, 2022, drastically changed landscapes, buildings and lives in our area. That night included seven tornadoes and destructive winds from a derecho bombarding the Midwest.

Castlewood, SD, roughly sixteen miles from Watertown, was devastated by a tornado that tore houses apart, roofs off buildings, as well as destroying part of the school less than two weeks before graduation and summer vacation was to begin.

The Watertown Area Community Foundation Board established the Area Relief Fund to help those affected by the storm. The Fund supported lunches for volunteers and Castlewood residents for the first week of the community clean-up effort.

Representatives of the Foundation visited Castlewood in mid-June to view progress and present \$15,000 to the Castlewood Community Foundation which awarded local grants for rebuilding.

"Prior to the check presentation, we drove around the community and were awe-struck - not just by the amount of devastation, but more about the look and feel of Castlewood - still," said Jan DeBerg, executive director. "This community has a pride and strength that not all communities do. Though a house may have its windows boarded up and part of its roof missing; beautiful, blooming flowerpots graced its front door or garage and its immaculate lawn."

This wasn't the case with one house, but all of them.

The storm obviously followed a path for the most part and confirmed the strength of Mother Nature.

Miraculously, no one in Castlewood was severely injured and Castlewood Community Foundation (CCF) and Castlewood Historical Society (CHS) Board Members shared heart-felt stories about residents weathering the storm and people coming together during the aftermath.

"We all want something to look forward to," explained Lois Wiarda, CCF and CHS Board Member. She added there are also plans for a new, small park on Main Street sometime after the major renovations are completed.

Until then, residents will still be beautifying their community, playing ball and celebrating the fact that there are some things Mother Nature can't control.



CREATE A LEGACY

The Watertown Area Community Foundation has a variety of fund options to assist donors in meeting the needs of our community while creating a lasting legacy.

Donor Advised Funds

This fund allows donors to annually recommend to the Foundation non-profit organizations for their fund to support. Since the Foundation administers the fund, donors are assured of its permanence well beyond their own ability to advise.

Donor Designated Funds

With a Donor Designated Fund, a non-profit organization of your choosing receives fund earnings annually. Should the organization cease to exist, the Foundation is able to adjust disbursements to ensure the fund carries out its original purpose and intent.

Unrestricted Donor Funds

Donors who create an Unrestricted Fund provide the greatest flexibility for the Watertown Area Community Foundation to meet the most pressing and ever-changing needs in our community.

HONORARIUMS

The following honorariums were given in 2022. Whether you wish to honor someone for a birthday, anniversary, Christmas or other holiday, a gift to the Watertown Area Community Foundation is a special way to recognize him/her while giving back to your community. Honorees are listed below:

Beacon Center
Corey Borgman
Kay Brandsrud
Delores Broksieck
Dorothy Brugman
Brothers & Sisters Behind Bars
Prudy Calvin
Michael Cartney
Liam Culhane
Claire DeBerg
Jan DeBerg
Kate DeBoer
Julianne Endres
Lindsey Esche

Todd Fulmer
Alex Henderson
Ellie Henderson
Kelsey Hoff
Rev. Jerome Holtzman
Allie Jaderborg
Reagan Jaderborg
Dean Johnson
Chris Keup
Heidi Keup-Peters
David J. Law
Marisa Meidinger
Cammie Mengwasser
Susan Mullaney

Paityn Olson
Aaron Peters
Harper Peters
Shirley Petersen
Kelsey Raml
JoAnn Roti
Scherbenske Auto Repair
Lorna Stonebarger
Karla Stutzman
Jen VanLaecken
Kristin VanLaecken
Jo Vitek
Connie Ward
Jackie Ward

#CASTLEWOODSTRONG – WACF representatives visited Castlewood in mid-June to view progress and present a \$15,000 grant to the Castlewood Community Foundation to help with repairs since the May 12th storm. From left are Cammie Mengwasser, WACF development director; Castlewood board members Carrie Henrichsen, Richard Wiarda, Lois Wiarda, Roxanne Bass, Vic Carter, and Jan DeBerg, WACF executive director.



Field of Interest Funds

Field of Interest Funds provide donors the opportunity to support areas of interest that reach many organizations. Earnings are distributed by the Foundation to appropriate programs within the area of interest (e.g. arts, culture, education, health & human services, etc.)

Scholarship Funds

Clubs, civic organizations, and individuals who award scholarships frequently choose to endow them for permanence. The Watertown Area Community Foundation offers efficient services to endow, manage, and award scholarships.

Let us help you create your legacy.

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MEMORIALS

Gifts that honor those who have touched our lives mark that person's significance to us while enabling others to be served. We remember the following:

Lavonne Ammerman
Deb Arnold
Harlan Bach
Dennis Beckler
Bob Boehnke
Karen Brandriet
Bob Brandsrud
Gladys Brandsrud
Pam Brandsrud
Sarah Brandsrud
Judy Bruchhof
Dawn Marie Burns
Maryann Cummings
David DeBerg
Dora DeBerg
Diesel
Allegra Domonoske
Shadow Domonoske
Myrtle Edwards
Kayla Jean Felstet Even
Mark Ewalt
Linda Fulmer
Bea Goembel
Agnes Hall
David Hanten
Arvold L. Hardie
Terry Harmel
Don Harrington
Bonnie Hayes
DeLoris Heidenreich
Carol Hinderaker
Jamie Isaacson

Shirley Jacobson
Glenice C. Johnson
Allen Kasperson
Francis Kearney
Kellie Kellogg
Wayne Arnold Keup
Jennifer Kittelson
Doug Kluck
Toie Kluck
Jake Krull
Blake Kruger
Jon LaFramboise
James Lantgen
Charlotte Larson
George Lindberg
Audrey Luken
Edith (Ede) Magedanz
Ethel McDonald Shaw
Betty Messelt
Ted Moe
Mary Moses
Mother of God Monastery
Deceased Sisters
John Namken
Donna Neale
Nellie Newcomb
Elgie Noteboom Jr.
Paul Oelrich
Eunice Olivier
David Oyan
Curtis Page
Nancy Petersen

Barb Peterson
Virgil Plunkett
Phil Popham
Steve Poyner
Christopher Rieb
Jerry Rowland
Nancy Sabinash
Braden Schaefer
Jaden Schaefer
Jan Schull
Robert Schurrer
Lee Sigelman
Darlene Solberg
Rolla E. Stoltenburg
John Stransky
Dorothy Strichertz
Carol Tesch
Melvin Turbak
Virginia Uthe
Jan Valberg
Tammy Vedvei
Chelsea Ann Vilhauer
Tony Vitek
Dorothy Wensing
Jim Wensing
Jan Winkelman
Phyllis Wise
Vicky Witham
Judy Lynn Wright
Patty Yetter
Duane York
Carol Zillgitt

WITH GRATITUDE

GRATEFUL – We look back at our time with the Watertown Area Community Foundation with gratitude. We are grateful for Foundation friends' support of the Foundation, its mission and of us in our respective roles. We are grateful for the Foundation's founders, its board and staff, and the nonprofits and partners that make our community the best that it can be. We are also grateful for everything the Foundation and the Watertown area have to look forward to.

- Jan DeBerg (left) and Julianne Endres (right)
Retired February 28, 2023



FINANCIALS

Unaudited Financial Statements – Summary

	Unaudited 2022	Audited 2021
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,982,287	\$ 2,776,021
Contributions Receivable	2,790	-
Accrued Interest	30,564	18,192
Employee Retention Credit Receivable	-	6,129
Total Current Assets	\$ 3,015,641	\$ 2,800,342
Other Assets		
Investments	26,814,686	30,755,104
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	16,453	13,906
Artwork	12,785	12,785
Total Other Assets	\$ 26,843,924	\$ 30,781,795
Property and Equipment		
Less Accumulated Depreciation 2022 \$137,616; 2021 \$127,767	361,807	361,807
Total Assets	\$ 30,083,756	\$ 33,816,177
LIABILITIES AND NEW ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Payroll Taxes	\$ 4,709	\$ 3,551
Beneficiary Payments Payable	460,892	574,794
Agency Endowment Funds	10,499,946	10,859,814
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 10,965,547	\$ 11,438,159
Long-Term Beneficiary Payments Payable		
net of current portion	430,000	625,000
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions	1,969,800	2,295,792
With Donor Restrictions	16,718,409	19,457,226
	\$ 18,688,209	\$ 21,753,018
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 30,083,756	\$ 33,816,177

*2022 audit in progress at time of publication. Most recent audit/990 available on our website at: watertowncommunityfoundation.org

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