

Allamakee County

Community Foundation

An affiliate of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

Annual Report 2022

Looking back, planning ahead

A Message from Foundation Leaders

Twenty years is a significant span. In that time, a new generation can come of age, technology can progress beyond our wildest dreams, and communities can be transformed through new residents, ideas and projects.

Twenty also happens to be the age our host foundation, the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, turns this year. With this report, we are excited to join the celebration by highlighting the impact we have made in Allamakee County through affiliation with our host, as well as the generosity and vision of partners like Ray and Edna Whalen.

It's the many community leaders like Ray and Edna — and you — who give our work meaning, empowering nonprofits to focus on their missions and improving quality of life across Allamakee County. When this commitment to Allamakee County is combined with the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque's stewardship of our funds and position as a national leader in community philanthropy, the local impact is positive and powerful.

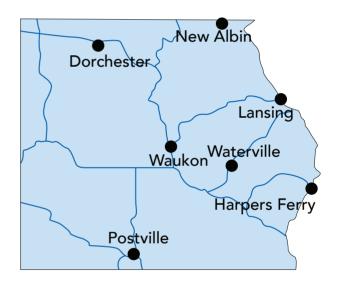
Together, we've built a solid foundation for generations to come. Whether you made a gift years ago or recently, it will make a difference for Allamakee County tomorrow and beyond. Each gift, no matter the size, supports nonprofit endowments, donor-advised funds, scholarships and our own endowment, which awards annual grants to support local organizations.

Strong relationships are at the heart of our work. We strive to understand complex community issues and connect people, resources and organizations to help address them. These relationships are moving Allamakee County forward, toward an even brighter tomorrow for our children and grandchildren.

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Our Community



Leaving a Legacy

Legacy gifts reflect a commitment to your community and help address needs for years to come. Foundation partners like you are invited to participate in complimentary charitable estate planning with expert Johni Hayes of Thompson & Associates. There are many ways to give, including gifts of stocks, bonds and grain, as well as IRA rollover contributions. Contact us today to learn more.

My mom and her sisters, Valeria and Anastasia, not only believed in contributing to their communities, but they also enjoyed it. Establishing their legacy fund was a way they could continue to support community organizations that were important to them well into the future.

- Anne Blocker



Building on a strong foundation

For nearly 20 years, the Allamakee County Community Foundation has been making a difference for nonprofits, schools and community projects in Allamakee County. Ray and Edna Whalen have been part of these efforts since the beginning.

With an early gift to the young Community Foundation in 2005, the Whalens began a tradition of annual giving that continues today. Many of the couple's gifts have supported the Foundation's own endowment, which provides grant support to nonprofits tackling critical needs today, tomorrow and forever.

Ray and Edna also give to endowments set up by individuals and organizations that are hosted by the Foundation. These funds support specific causes like academic achievement, health care, emergency response and community services.

"I'm happy to donate every year, because there are different options to impact community causes," says Ray. "When you make a gift to a fund at the Foundation, you know it will stay local and be put to good use."

The Whalens see the impact the Foundation makes in their New Albin community. Grants to the fire department, the New Albin Improvement League, and other organizations have totaled over \$126,000 since 2007.

"New Albin is a close community. We get along and help each other out," says Ray. "Edna and I have always been happy to be able to give back."

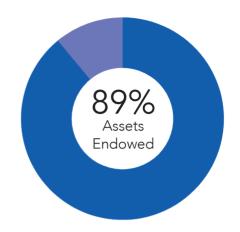
with their daughter, Gayle, center. The Whalens make regular gifts through the Foundation to support their community.

Cover: Ray and Edna with their grandaughter, Monica.

Resources

Our Financials: From gifts to grants, your support makes an impact.

\$3,302,089 Total Assets \$274,984 2022 Grants and Scholarships \$433,126 Gifts Made in 2022



2022 Grantees

Allamakee Community School District
City of Lansing
City of Waukon - Wellness Center
Allamakee County Conservation Board
Allamakee New Beginnings, Inc
Helping Services for Youth & Families
Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation
Northeast Iowa Community College Foundation
Veterans Memorial Hospital
Waterville Park and Rec
Worldmaker International



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