Generation to Generation

Clayton County
Foundation for the Future, Inc.
An affiliate of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

Annual Report 2022
Looking back, planning ahead

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 Clayton County through affiliation with our host, as well as the generosity and vision of partners like Jim Moritz.

It’s community leaders like Jim — and you who give our work meaning, empowering nonprofits to focus on their missions and improving quality of life across Clayton County. When this commitment to Clayton 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 Clayton 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 Clayton County forward, toward an even brighter tomorrow for our children and grandchildren.

Thank you for your longstanding support and your commitment to the future.

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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.

I have established a charitable endowment through the Foundation as part of my estate plan to ensure that organizations important to me are provided with the necessary funding to continue their mission.

— Jim Moritz
Jim Moritz remembers the days when he and other community leaders met to forge a path toward a strong future for Clayton County. Nearly 20 years later, the Clayton County Foundation for the Future continues to inspire leaders and generous people to make a positive difference.

Jim got involved in launching the Foundation through his career as a banker with a goal of promoting local philanthropy. “Partnering with the Foundation has many benefits and provides opportunities to improve quality of life in Northeast Iowa by keeping dollars working locally,” he reflects.

Jim served on the board for 10 years. Today, he continues to partner with the Foundation as the president of MFL MarMac Dollars for Scholars, helping donors set up funds to honor loved ones or special groups. “Establishing an endowment with the Foundation has proven to be a perfect fit for many,” he says.

Groups like the MFL Classes of 1971 and 1976 have started endowments for perpetual scholarships to benefit future MFL MarMac graduates. “This has encouraged other classes to consider a fund, which has led to friendly competition for a great cause,” says Jim. “I’m happy to help anyone with this charitable vision.”

As rural communities face growing challenges, it becomes increasingly critical to ensure a portion of the wealth earned by residents stays here to build community for future generations. “Providing an opportunity for local leaders to leave a legacy and support nonprofits forever is key to enhancing quality of life in rural Iowa,” says Jim. “The Foundation makes this vision achievable.”
Resources

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

$7,658,089  Total Assets
$435,231  2022 Grants and Scholarships
$861,873  2022 Gifts

2022 Grantees

Backbone Lake Promotion Association, Inc.
Brown's Hometown Victory Foundation
City of Guttenberg
City of Monona - Butterfly Gardens and Trail Committee
City of Volga
Clayton County Development Group
Clayton County Energy District
Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association
Elkader Depot Project
Ewalu Bible Camp and Retreat Center
Family's Helping Hand

Friends of the Marquette Driftless Area
Garnavillo Community Day Care
Garnavillo Historical Society
Iowa College Access Network
McGregor-Marquette Center for the Arts
Monona Chamber & Economic Development, Inc.
Motor Mill Foundation
Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging
Riverview Center
Strawberry Point Parks and Rec Board
Umbrella Arts
VCTC, Inc.

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