

Foundation for the Future of

# Delaware County

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 Delaware County through affiliation with our host, as well as the generosity and vision of partners like Jackie Johnson.

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

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

#### **Board of Directors**

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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.

Going through the estate planning process with Johni Hayes helped us develop our legacy plan, which includes funding for Edgewood.



# Building on a strong foundation

Jackie Johnson remembers the days when she and other community leaders met to forge a path toward a strong future for Delaware County. Nearly 20 years later, the story of how the Foundation for the Future of Delaware County began continues to inspire leaders and generous people to make a positive difference.

New legislation had introduced the state's County Endowment Fund Program, which distributes a percentage of gaming tax revenue to community foundations in the 84 counties that do not hold a state-issued gaming license. Foundations award 75% of those funds to charitable projects in their counties. "It was exciting," she says. "We could make a great impact on all the communities in Delaware County."

Jackie still serves on the board today. In the years since the Foundation's launch, she's been proud to see community members give back by starting endowments that benefit nonprofits and meet local needs. She's also proud of what the Foundation has accomplished through grantmaking, especially around youth and recreation. "When I look around our county, I know we've touched a lot of lives," she says. "We've supported many small organizations."

The Foundation will continue to enhance quality of life in Delaware County for generations to come, and Jackie's family is part of that legacy. She and her husband, Art, raised their children in Edgewood, and now their grandchildren are growing up there. They both worked in the community for more than 40 years and have been involved in community-building, helping found both the local golf course and history museum.

"We wanted to ensure we have good education, recreation and businesses to attract people to Edgewood," says Jackie. She and Art have left gifts through the Foundation in their estate plan. "We know how important it is to give back."

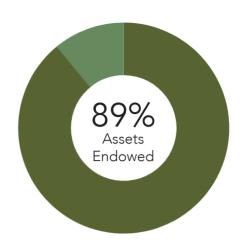
Above: Jackie Johnson with the Foundation board from Foundation archives. Front row, from left: Natalie Ross, Marilyn Schnittjer, Cindy Vorwald and Jill Buschmann; back row, from left: Larry Gritton, Jim Fisher, Jackie, Jerry Burke and Glenn Puffett.

Cover: Jackie and Art with their children and grandchildren.

### Resources

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

\$4,635,275 Total Assets \$407,673 2022 Grants and Scholarships \$710,450 2022 Gifts



### 2022 Grantees

Boy Scouts of America - Northeast Iowa Council

City of Colesburg

City of Dundee

City of Earlville - Fire and Ambulance Department

City of Hopkinton

Community Childcare of Manchester

Delaware County Cattlemen

Delaware County Parents as Teachers

Delaware County Pay It Forward

Delaware County Sheriff's Office

Delhi Little League

Delhi United Methodist Church

Delhi Volunteer Fire Department and First Responders

Dundee Community Club

Dundee Kids League Inc

Edgewood-Colesburg Community Schools

Families Helping Families of Iowa

Hartwick Lake Ski Club

Helping Services for Youth & Families

Hopkinton Ambulance Service Organization

Hopkinton Public Library

Lutheran Services in Iowa

Manchester Public Library

Maquoketa Valley Alliance

Maquoketa Valley Community School District

Maquoketa Valley High School-Spanish Club

Operation Santa Claus

Regional Medical Center

Riverview Center

Seedorff Masonry, Inc. - West Delaware Skilled Craft

Masonry Program

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

West Delaware Community School District - West Delaware

High School - Metals Department

West Delaware High School

WD Back to School Fair



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