

Jones County

Community Foundation

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 Jones County through affiliation with our host, as well as the generosity and vision of partners like Cali Beals.

It's community leaders like Cali — and you — who give our work meaning, empowering nonprofits to focus on their missions and improving quality of life across Jones County. When this commitment to Jones 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 Jones 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.

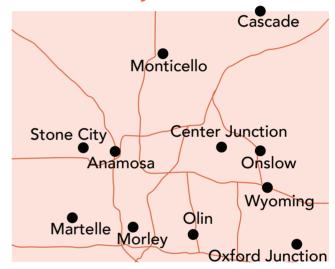
Strong relationships are at the heart of our work. We strive to understand complex community issues and connect people, resources and organizations to help address them. These relationships are moving Jones County forward, toward an even brighter tomorrow for our children and grandchildren.

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.

"You don't need to wait until a loved one passes away. You can make a donation today and trust that the Foundation will take care of many tomorrows."



Building on a strong foundation

Cali Beals remembers the days in 2004 when she and other residents decided to lead the way toward a strong future for Jones County. Nearly 20 years later, the story of how the Jones County Community Foundation 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. Beals witnessed the impact of this new program firsthand as a community development specialist for the lowa Department of Economic Development. "Since I lived in Jones County, I volunteered to help start a foundation here," she says. "It was exciting and challenging."

Joe Yedlik at Iowa State University Extension and Outreach assisted with the startup, helping assemble volunteers from across the county to lead the organization and establish an application process for nonprofits to access the new funds.

Beals served on the board until 2015. "I enjoyed making new friends and learned so much over the years," she reflects.

The Foundation has grown to hold \$2.8 million in assets for the benefit of the county. Last year, it awarded \$117,067 in grants to local organizations that are addressing issues like education, food insecurity and more. "It was a personal goal of mine to get the permanent endowment to \$1 million. I'm so proud that they've far surpassed that," Beals says. "It's comforting to know that this legacy will live on. I was blessed to be part of it."

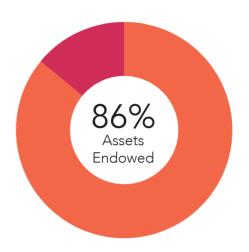
Above: Cali Beals with the Foundation board from Foundation archives. From left: Amy Manternach, the late Dr. David Gilchrist, Patty Manuel, Dean Zimmerman, Tanya Rogers, Vic Hamre, Cali Beals, Rosalie Ahrendsen and Doug Edel

Cover: Cali with her children and grandchildren; from left: Caitlyn, Chloee, Heidi, Josh, Kent, Cali, Chad, Kim, Gavin and Bronson Beals

Resources

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

\$2,820,902 Total Assets \$202,576 2022 Grants and Scholarships \$550,245 2022 Gifts



2022 Grantees

Anamosa Area Ambulance Anamosa Community School District City of Monticello - Public Library City of Cascade - Cascade Library Friends of Jones County Conservation and Nature Center Friends of Olin Emergency Services Jones County Food Pantry NAMI Dubuque - Jones County Services Olin Hose Company The Stone City Foundation Inc. Wyoming Fair Association



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