Our Endowment

The Foundation for the Future of Delaware County is uniquely positioned to improve quality of life through grantmaking, collaborating with local leaders, and building endowment funds. We invite you to help ensure our county’s strong future by making a gift to the Foundation for the Future of Delaware County endowment fund. If we preserve just 5% of the estimated wealth transfer for our county, in 30 years, the fund could generate an estimated $6.3 million annually for community projects and priorities, forever.

Make an impact in your community

TODAY.

Many of our community partners are building the Foundation for the Future of Delaware County endowment fund by making gifts now. Because the Foundation is a public charity, these donors will receive maximum tax benefits.

TOMORROW.

You can leave a lasting legacy for your family and community with a planned gift from your estate or by designating the Community Foundation as a beneficiary of your insurance policies or retirement assets. These are easy ways to make a meaningful charitable gift while reserving choice assets for heirs. We work with you or your professional advisor to discuss the giving options that will make tax time more rewarding — for you and your community.

FOREVER.

Our community’s long-term well-being is at the heart of our work. Our endowment funds are invested permanently, and the earnings provide annual funding for organizations to make a positive impact. We depend on these funds to make grants that address pressing needs and important opportunities in our community — even as they change over time.

We offer many ways for individuals and organizations to create and build endowments that address an array of issues. Ask us how!

Learn More

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The research in this document estimates our local anticipated wealth transfer. Retaining a slice of that wealth for philanthropy as it transfers generations is a historic opportunity for strengthening Delaware County. By working with our expert team to plan your charitable giving to the Foundation, you can help ensure a strong future for our county — forever.

*Iowa State University Extension and Outreach study

**Using a 4.25% grant payout