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Our Resources for the Future

From gifts to grants, your support makes an impact.

\$1,444,628 Total Assets

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Energize Clinton leaders, left to right: Tara VanDerLeest, Dennis Lauver, Cheryl Frey, Jon Thoms, Alethea Cahoy, David Sivright. Not pictured: Dave Pillers, Kayla Tegeler, Julie Dunn.

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A Message from Foundation Leaders Planning for Today, Tomorrow and Forever

To our partners:

Psst! In this report, we're going to let you in on the secret to our success: The partnership and commitment of people like you. That's right! Collaboration builds stronger communities, and our relationships help us deepen our impact locally and regionally.

We are an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, which provides many benefits – including good company. Across the seven-county Greater Dubuque region, there are seven more foundations just like us that have the same affiliation, and we work closely with their leaders to exchange ideas and become inspired by exciting new solutions to our shared challenges.

The Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque's Small-town Dreams Initiative is one result of this partnership – and it is empowering rural communities to harness the generosity of their neighbors to make a lasting, positive difference – forever. We are excited to tell you more about this incredible opportunity in the featured story.

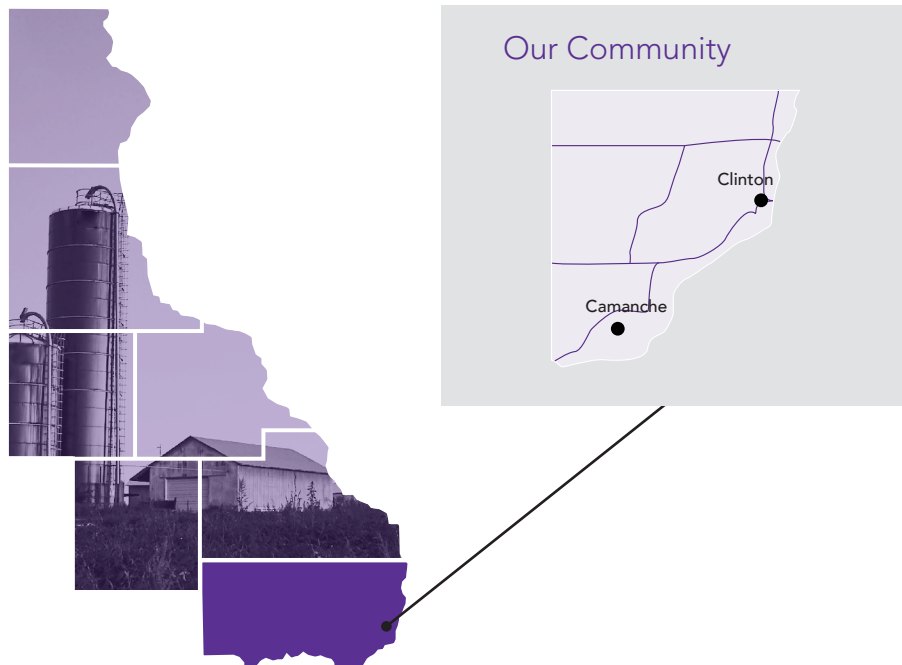
Now, we challenge you to answer the question: What is your "Forever"? Consider what matters most in your life and your community, and imagine ways to ensure they remain vital long into the future. That's what Small-town Dreams is all about.

We hope the story of these local leaders inspires you to think about your "Forever" and the role you can play in making it a reality.

In partnership,
[Board of Directors](#)

Tara VanDerLeest, *President*; Dennis Lauver, *Vice President*
Julie Dunn, Cheryl Frey, David Pillers, Jon Thoms

Our Region



*Energize Clinton Leaders: Back row, left to right: Dave Sivright, Joy Evans, Matt Parbs, Dennis Lauver, Steve Cahoy, Andy Green.
Front row, left to right: Stuart Lind, Cheryl Frey, Tara VanDerLeest, Alethea Cahoy, Julie Dunn.*

Forever in Clinton A place to call home

Alethea Cahoy didn't grow up in Clinton, but for 23 years, she has called the city home. And she wouldn't have it any other way.

"When I came to Clinton I fell in love with this community," says Cahoy, who settled in the city after graduating from college with a teaching degree. "People are very sincere and friendly. They welcomed me into the community."

Her love for Clinton inspired her to join the River Bluff Community Foundation as its executive director and lead the new Energize Clinton community development and fundraising campaign.

Energize Clinton is a two-phase initiative that empowers the community to achieve two goals: Identify what matters most to residents and build an endowment fund that will help enhance those positive qualities for generations to come. It's a hybrid of Community Heart & Soul and the Small-town Dreams Initiative, two programs led by the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque.

Using the Heart & Soul process, Cahoy and the Energize Clinton team connected with 1,200 residents through surveys and meetings to understand what they care about. People began to connect over their shared passion for Clinton while identifying concrete areas for investment, including downtown and neighborhood revitalization and brain health resources.

The six "values statements" that emerged from the Heart & Soul process will become the guiding principles for the Small-town Dreams phase, an initiative that empowers people to build strong futures for their communities. The goal is to leverage a \$100,000 challenge grant and raise matching funds to build a \$450,000 endowment, which will lead to about \$25,000 in grants annually to support local organizations responding to future needs and opportunities.

Equipped with homegrown ideas for strengthening the community and the funds to do so, leaders in Clinton will be prepared to ensure their city can remain a vital place to live, work and play for generations. This is in perfect alignment with the Community Foundation's mission to strengthen communities and inspire giving.

"The campaign has really invigorated residents; they feel part of the process," Cahoy says. "And the endowment fund will grow and pay out annually, forever."

“The Community Foundation board supports this work because they understand the power of endowment – and they weren't going to leave a \$100,000 match for Clinton on the table.

— Alethea Cahoy