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A modifier that, when preceding a verb, means 'again'; represents the process of continuously fine-tuning a particular approach or thinking about new ways to make an impact for the future

Jones County  
*Community Foundation*

An affiliate of the Community Foundation  
of Greater Dubuque

annual report \2021\



# \reflect\

## A message from Foundation leaders

We invite you to join in our vision for a thriving Jones County where everyone can live their best lives. That means supporting sustainable nonprofits and access to resources like housing, jobs, health care, child care and cultural amenities. Together, we can make this vision a reality by working to improve and enhance Jones County for all.

The theme of this report, “Re-,” stands for new beginnings, fresh perspectives and transformation. It means the way we approach our communities’ challenges today might not be the right approach tomorrow. It symbolizes evolution.

Relationships with partners like you are at the core of our work: understanding community needs and making connections to resources that can help address them. Through strong partnerships with leaders and nonprofits, we research and identify challenges and respond with solutions to community-wide issues.

Join us on this journey as we *reflect* on our county today and *re-imagine* the possibilities for the future.

## Board of Directors

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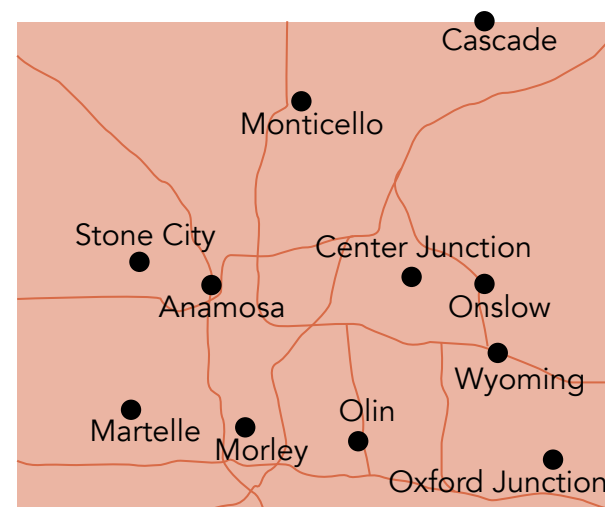
# \leaving a legacy\

Legacy gifts reflect a commitment to your community and will help address needs for years to come. There are many ways to give, including gifts of stocks, bonds and grain, as well as IRA rollover contributions.

**“We’ve made our home in Jones County, working and raising our children here. By leaving a legacy gift with the Foundation, we’re investing in the community for future generations.”**

– Mark and Sherri Hunt

Your gift of \$50 or more to the Jones County Community Foundation or one of its endowed funds is eligible for the Endow Iowa 25% State Tax Credit. To get started, contact us.



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## Lifting up youth and families

The pandemic has had a significant impact on local youth, and communities are still working to understand the long-term effects. That’s why the Jones County Community Foundation is partnering with local organizations to address the most urgent needs of families and children.

**“Before the pandemic, 33% of students in our county were not reading proficiently by third grade, and that number has risen,” says Heather Weers, coordinator of Every Child Reads Jones County, a Foundation initiative.**

Every Child Reads distributed books to Jones County libraries to help meet children’s social-emotional needs. Weers connected with leaders to ensure students who needed summer lunches were also getting books to combat summer learning loss.

“Supporting and encouraging youth programming is a top priority of the Community Foundation,” says Janet Martin, Foundation board chair. “We focus our grantmaking on programs and initiatives that address academic achievement, social-emotional wellness and access to food and child care.”

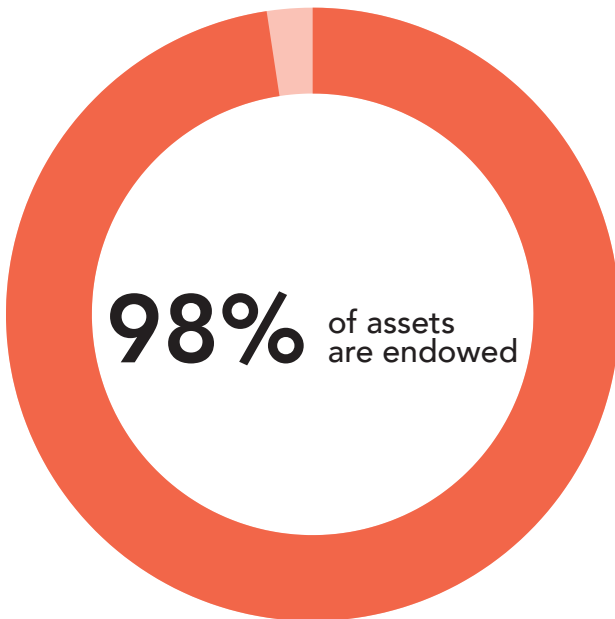
A grant to Anamosa Lunches for Youth helped support weekend food bags for up to 70 kids of all ages in that community, where about 40% of students are eligible for free and reduced-price lunch.

Child care is another area that continues to challenge families. The Foundation has made awards to providers to improve safety and security, support operations and staffing, and enhance learning experiences for youth.

A gift to the Foundation can help make an impact for families and children in your community. Contact us to learn more.

## \resources\

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



**\$2,854,817** Total Assets

**\$140,824** 2021 Grants and Scholarships

**\$262,843** 2021 Gifts

*\*As of 12/31/2021*

## \2021 grantees\

Anamosa Lunches for Youth  
Area Substance Abuse Council — Jones  
Camp Courageous of Iowa  
Cedar / Jones Early Childhood Iowa  
Eastern Iowa Horse & Pony Camp Inc.  
Every Child Reads Jones County  
Jones County Freedom Rock  
Jones County Historical Society  
Jones Regional Medical Center Foundation  
Little Lion Learning Center — Olin Day Care  
Martelle Volunteer Fire Department  
Midland PATS  
Monticello Ministerial Association  
Olin Food Pantry  
St. John's Daycare  
Twin Rivers Pheasants Forever  
Wregie Memorial Library

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