

Iowa's Transfer of Wealth

Passing Down Prosperity



Our Endowments

The Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque 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 region's strong future by making a gift to any of the 280 endowment funds we host, such as the Greater Dubuque Forever Fund. If just 5% of the estimated wealth transfer for our county is preserved in an endowed fund, in 30 years, an estimated \$27 million could be available annually for community projects and priorities, forever.

Learn More

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Make an impact in your community

TODAY.

Many of our community partners are building the Forever Fund and other endowments 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.

The Dubuque region'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!

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IN DUBUQUE COUNTY...



\$12.7 billion

Is expected to transfer, through 2049, from one generation to the next via probate estates*



\$632 million

Could be secured forever if just 5% of the expected transfer is invested in an endowment



\$27 million

Could be available annually for community projects and priorities**

*Iowa State University
Extension and Outreach study

**Using a 4.25% grant payout

THE POWER OF GIVING TOGETHER

Since World War II, Americans have created, invested and multiplied unprecedented private wealth. Much of this wealth is currently invested in family homes and farms, retirement accounts, and other appreciated assets. Over the next 30 years, this capital — estimated at \$53 trillion — will change hands. Most will go to heirs (and taxes), but you can preserve a portion as your legacy for the community's future.

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 the Dubuque region. By working with our expert team to plan your charitable giving to the Foundation, you can help ensure a strong future for our communities — forever.


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