

## WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF LYON COUNTY?

The Community Foundation of Lyon County (CFLC) is a charitable foundation created by and for the people of Lyon County to receive gifts from individuals, families, corporations, private foundations, and governmental agencies. These gifts are carefully invested and the income from the endowment is used to make grants to public charities that best meet the needs in the county.

## WHAT IS THE FOUNDATION'S PURPOSE?

The purpose of the CFLC is to connect donors who care with causes that matter and to enhance the quality of life in our county.

## WHO MANAGES THE FOUNDATION?

An Advisory Board representing the varied interests of Lyon County is responsible for governance.

The Community Foundation of Lyon County is an affiliate of the Siouxland Community Foundation which provides administrative and technical assistance.

## WHO DECIDES ON THE GRANTS?

The CFLC Advisory Board is charged with carefully reviewing grant proposals and recommending grants to be awarded.

Grants support present and emerging needs in the areas of arts and culture, community betterment, education, environment, health, and human services.

The CFLC Advisory Board will make grant recommendations based on identified county needs and the proposing organization's capacity to effectively enhance the quality of life in Lyon County.

## WHY GIVE THROUGH THE FOUNDATION?

The Foundation serves as a vehicle to carry out the charitable objectives of donors and offers distinct advantages.

- ♦ **Simplicity** - One contribution can address a wide range of donor interests to benefit one or a number of community needs.
- ♦ **Permanence** - A gift to an endowment fund will continue to provide benefits in perpetuity.
- ♦ **Flexibility** - Donors can realize nearly any charitable intent by choosing from among the variety of fund options offered (see next column) and the variety of assets that can be used to make a gift.
- ♦ **Tax Benefits** - All contributions are deductible to the greatest extent allowed by law.
- ♦ **Shared Interests** - We work with you, the donor, to guarantee that charitable support is distributed according to your intent.

## HOW CAN I GIVE TO THE FOUNDATION?

You may make a gift of cash, securities, real estate, life insurance, personal property . . . or by a bequest, trust arrangement, or retirement plan assets. Memorial gifts are also accepted.

## WHAT FUND OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO DONORS?

You may contribute to the unrestricted County Endowment or establish a separate component fund bearing your name or a name of your choosing. All grants will be made in the name of the fund you establish.

- ♦ An **Unrestricted Fund** provides the greatest flexibility to respond to the ever-changing needs in Lyon County.
- ♦ A **Designated Fund** allows you to name one or more charitable organizations to perpetually receive grants of income from the special fund you established.
- ♦ A **Field of Interest Fund** allows you to specify a field of personal interest – arts, education, health, youth, or recreation, for example, toward which grants will be directed.
- ♦ A **Donor-Advised Fund** provides you with the opportunity to recommend the charitable organizations to receive grants from your fund.
- ♦ A **Scholarship Fund** may be established to help students pursue post-secondary education or training.
- ♦ An **Agency Endowment Fund** can be established by the organization itself to build a permanent source of support.
- ♦ A **Special Purpose (non-endowed) Fund** can be established to benefit a specific cause or fundraising campaign.

*The Community Foundation of Lyon County provides a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving.*

**We invite you to create a lasting legacy.**

## AN INVITATION

We invite you to find out more about the Community Foundation of Lyon County and how you may use it to accomplish your philanthropic goals.

You don't have to be wealthy to make a difference. You can have a lasting impact on the quality of life in Lyon County, right here, right now, and for years to come.

## HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Contact:

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(712) 753-2396

Other Advisory Board members include:

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Rod Borer	Rachel Schreurs
Pam Hawf	Randy Waagmeester

Or contact:


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