The Grant Endowment Fund Capital Campaign

A Trusted Partner in Philanthropy since 2004...

Since its Inception in 2004, the Keokuk Area Community Foundation has provided a base of charitable support to benefit people in the Tri-State Area. Our annual grants have provided many important non-profits with critical funding that augments their own fund-raising.

The Grant Endowment Fund Capital Campaign will provide a permanent source of funds to maintain and increase our annual grant program over the long term. Our capital campaign goal is to raise at least $750,000 within 5 years.

Please help us accomplish this goal by donating to The Keokuk Area Community Foundation Grant Endowment Fund.

Your generosity will help ensure our grant program for the future. A donation/pledge form is enclosed for your convenience.

Thank You.

Roger R. Ricketts
Executive Director

David L. Morgan
Chair, Grant Capital Campaign
In 2005, the Keokuk Area Community Foundation began awarding annual grants to local charities to establish new programs, to acquire new equipment, and to improve their facilities. Since then, we have made over $700,000 in grants to area non-profits benefiting people in the Tri-State Area including southeast Iowa, west-central Illinois, and northeast Missouri. These grants have been in the areas of Education, Health, Human Services, Community Betterment and Arts & Culture.

Continuing a Commitment to Giving
Areas of Giving from the Keokuk Area Community Foundation Annual Grants since 2005

The Keokuk Area Community Foundation Board of Directors are deeply involved in the Tri-State Area, providing a valuable understanding of key needs of people in the area. Combining this understanding with our grant program, the Keokuk Area Community Foundation is uniquely positioned to respond to community needs.
The Capital Campaign Goal

Until now, the money for grants awarded by the Keokuk Area Community Foundation has been provided largely by the Agnes Benstein Trust, with the goal of enabling the community foundation to operate for a period of time without needing to concentrate on fund-raising.

After supporting a decade of successful operation and growth of the community foundation, the Benstein Trust distributed its remaining funds to the Keokuk Area Community Foundation in 2015. Half of these funds were used to create The Grant Endowment Fund. The other half has been used to continue grants at the current level of approximately $50,000/year for the next few years.

The Keokuk Area Community Foundation is starting its first capital campaign to raise new funds for The Grant Endowment Fund that will ensure we can continue to provide critical funding for organizations that make our community such a great place in which to live. The Capital Campaign Goal is to raise at least $750,000, which when added to the existing $200,000 funded by the Benstein Trust is a large part of the $1,200,000 endowment predicted to sustain the current level of the annual grant program. The remaining funds will come from estate gifts and future donations to The Grant Endowment Fund.
With your help, we can ensure and grow the annual grants for the Tri-State community. People in the Tri-State Area are counting on you!

The campaign will continue for 5 years to accommodate making gifts over multiple years.

Gifts by donors with Iowa income may be eligible for the Endow Iowa 25% Tax Credit.

Make a Gift to

The Grant Endowment Capital Campaign

Gifts to the Keokuk Area Community Foundation between now and December 31, 2022 will be added to The Grant Endowment Fund unless the donor specifies another purpose.

Through prudent fiscal management and generous contributions by donors like you, The Grant Endowment Fund will leave a legacy for the future.

A donation/pledge form and return envelope are enclosed for your convenience.

Thank you for your support!
The cornerstone of our philanthropy is the ability to respond to ever-changing community needs and opportunities.
Keokuk Area Community Foundation grants have been a critical source of funding for area non-profits serving important needs of thousands of Tri-State Area people.
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Contribution to The Grant Endowment Fund

Donor (s): ____________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________

City, State & Zip Code: __________________________ Telephone #: _____________

Email: _________________________________________________________________

Please Check All That Apply

☐ I am (we are) contributing $____________________________by check payable to "KACF" today.

☐ I (we) will make a contribution in the amount of $____________________________to The Grant Endowment Fund by check payable to "KACF" or transfer of marketable securities by December 31, _____________ (fill in year, no later than 2022).

☐ I am (we are) interested in learning more about using a gift to create a named fund within The Grant Endowment Fund.

Gifts made to The Grant Endowment Fund by Iowa residents/taxpayers are eligible for the 25% Endow Iowa Tax Credit.

☐ I am (we are) interested in learning more about the 25% Endow Iowa Tax Credit.

☐ I am (we are) interested in learning about making a gift to The Grant Endowment Fund upon my (our) death and would like to be contacted to discuss this possibility.

Please mail all contributions to: The Keokuk Area Community Foundation, P.O. Box 367, Keokuk, Iowa 52632.

Signature (s): ________________________________________________________ Date: ________________

All names, payments and other sensitive information will be kept confidential in accordance with the Keokuk Area Community Foundation Privacy Policy.

Gift Acknowledgement

The Keokuk Area Community Foundation would like to include names of donors in the press and other written materials, and may group the names with other donors making gifts of similar size. If you want your gift to be anonymous, please initial here ________.

If you do NOT want your gift grouped by size, please initial here ________.

Contact The Keokuk Area Community Foundation

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The Grant Endowment Fund Capital Campaign seeks to continue funding important local needs.
The Keokuk Community Foundation has been confirmed in compliance with National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations for services and operations that have been established by the Council on Foundations to guide sound policies, accountable practices, and ethical and operational integrity that strengthen the effectiveness of community philanthropy.