

North Dakota Community Foundation Grants \$12.9 Million in 2024

The North Dakota Community Foundation (NDCF) has announced that it awarded more than \$12.9 million in grants and charitable program expenses in 2024. The organization was founded in 1976 to improve the quality of life of North Dakotans through charitable giving and promoting philanthropy.

NDCF currently manages more than 1,000 charitable funds, including 69 local community foundations in the state and over 200 scholarship funds for North Dakota students. It also administers organizational endowment funds, donor-advised funds, school foundations, and special interest funds for individuals and nonprofit organizations across North Dakota.

DCF ended 2024 with \$160 million in total assets. Most of NDCF's assets are in endowment funds, providing permanent grant dollars to North Dakota communities, schools, and nonprofit organizations. The organization has awarded more than \$121 million in grants and charitable program expenses since its inception. NDCF has offices in Bismarck, Larimore, Dickinson, and Wahpeton, North Dakota.

Local community foundations at NDCF in this part of the state include: The Richardton Area Community Foundation; The Hebron Area Community Foundation; The Glen Ullin Community Foundation; The New Salem Area Community Foundation; The BisMan Community Foundation; The Garrison Area Community Foundation; The Mercer County Community Endowment Fund.

The Richardton Area Community Foundation was established in 1981 and had assets at the end of 2024 of \$552,007. The fund has awarded 294 grants totaling more than \$342,000 since its inception. Grantees have included the Richardton Health Center, the Richardton-Taylor Public School District, the Raider Booster Club, the Richardton Rural Fire Protection District, Camp ReCreation, and Assumption Abbey.

The Hebron Community Foundation was established in 2012 and had assets at the end of 2024 of \$163,330, which includes assets in the Ishmael & Rose Diede Fund for Hebron. The fund has awarded 49 grants totaling more than \$69,000 since its inception. Grantees have included the Hebron Ambulance, the Hebron Library, Hebron Park District, the Brick City Activity Center and Hebron Public Schools.

The Glen Ullin Community Foundation was established in 2012 and had assets at the end of 2024 of

\$196,111, which includes assets from the Ishmael & Rose Diede Fund for Glen Ullin. The fund has awarded 65 grants totaling more than \$72,000 since its inception. Grantees have included the Glen Ullin Park Board, Crossroads Golf Course, Marian Manor, Glen Ullin Public School, and the Glen Ullin Fire District.

The New Salem Area Community Foundation, established in 2013 through a generous gift from the former New Salem Area Credit Union, had assets at the end of 2024 of over \$2 million. The fund has awarded 67 grants to date, totaling more than \$1 million, which includes \$200,000 of grant dollars provided by Grid United's North Plains Connector project. Grantees have included the New Salem Ambulance Service, Morton County Parks, the New Salem-Almont Public School, the New Salem Community Fitness Center, the Almont Rural Fire Department, the New Salem Park District, and the Morton County Fair Association.

The BisMan Community Foundation, which was established in 2011, had assets at the end of 2024 of more than \$2.3 million, which includes assets from the Glenn & Helen Sorlie Memorial Fund. The fund has awarded a total of 77 grants, totaling more than \$655,000. Grant recipients include Heartview Foundation, Ministry on the Margins, Heaven's Helpers Soup Cafe, Aid, Inc., Pride Manchester House, Arts for All, Hope Manor, Wing Theatre, Bis-Man Transit Board, and Crisis Care Chaplaincy.

The Garrison Area Community Foundation, which was established in 2011 by Better Living for Garrison, Inc., had assets at the end of 2024 of \$181,542. The fund has awarded 63 grants totaling more than \$66,000 since its inception. Grantees have included McLean Family Resource Center, Garrison Parks & Recreation, the Benedictine Living Center, the Little Lunches Backpack Program, and Skyfest Over Fort Stevenson. NDCF also administers the James R. Stephens & Sylvia J. Stephens Foundation that provides grants in the Garrison area. The Stephens Foundation awarded an additional \$14,500 in grants in 2024 to various organizations including the Sakakawea Area Council for the Arts and the Garrison Fire Department.

The Mercer County Community Endowment Fund was established in 2019 and ended 2024 with \$30,753 in assets. The local committee is focusing on growing the fund and will start granting sometime in the future.

All of NDCF's community endowment funds are guided by advisory committees made up of local volunteers who are responsible for fundraising to help grow their endowment fund and who recommend grant awards every year. All gifts to community endowment funds are tax deductible. In addition, individuals who donate at least \$5,000 and businesses that donate any amount to a community endowment fund at NDCF may be eligible for the 40% ND state tax credit.

More detailed information about NDCF's activities in 2024 can be found in its Annual Report, which is available on the organization's website at www.NDCF.net/news.

For more information about the North Dakota Community Foundation or to start a charitable fund, call 701-222-8349 or go online to www.NDCF.net.

Storm hits area

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as well as coordinate with the appropriate federal agencies to help local and tribal officials restore services and infrastructure.

The National Weather Service (NWS) confirmed at least two tornadoes touched down near Enderlin and Spiritwood, and the agency was investigating an unknown number of tornadoes spawned by the two super cells. It may be several days before there is a clear picture as the NWS sorts through data and sends out teams to assess.

Approximately 25,000 people remained without power Saturday morning, down from nearly 37,000 overnight. Utility providers were working to restore power to affected areas.

North Dakota Highway Patrol troopers were ensuring roads stayed safe and assisting with early damage inspections, including an overturned semi. The tornado near Enderlin derailed a dozen empty train tanker cars, and a large derailment of grain cars was reported in Traill County.

The North Dakota Department of Emergency Services will work with impacted communities and infrastructure providers on damage assessments. Citizens are encouraged to be mindful of crews working to restore power and remove debris.

North Dakota Insurance Commissioner Jon Godfreed urged residents to inspect their property for damage and begin the insurance claims process as soon as possible.

FirstLink Offers Support to Those Affected by Recent Storms

FirstLink extends our heartfelt thoughts to all individuals, families, and communities impacted by the recent severe storms across North Dakota. As neighbors begin to clean up and recover, we want everyone to know: you are not alone.

Disasters don't just affect homes and roads, they affect hearts and minds, too. If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed, anxious, or unsure of where to turn, FirstLink is here to help.

Our team is available 24/7 to provide emotional support, crisis counseling, and connections to local resources:

◆ Call or text 988 if you're experiencing emotional distress or need to talk.

◆ Dial 2-1-1 to find help with shelter, food, cleanup assistance, and other essential services.

"Moments like this remind us how important connection and compassion are," said Jennifer Illich, Executive Director of FirstLink. "Please reach out if you need support—our trained staff are here to listen and help, day or night."

Together, we can weather the storm.

Yard of the Week



Picture to the right and above is this weeks Yard of the Week. Jon and Cindy Bechtold are this weeks Yard of the Week. The front and back yards have plants and floral arrangements throughout. The Bechtold's keep their yard in very nice condition deserving them of Yard of the Week, which is sponsored by the GUPPIE organization. Each week through the end of August a yard will be picked.



Pictured to the right is a trampoline that was lifted over their fence and dropped in the driveway of Chasity Wood. Tree branches were also broken off with the strong winds.



The city of Glen Ullin opened the landfill on Monday for those that wanted to get rid of tree branches and debris after the storm.

Mission Impossible - The Final Reckoning showing at Mayer Theatre

This weekend showing at Mayer Theatre in Hebron is Mission Impossible-The Final Reckoning rated PG13.

Show time is 7:30pm CT., each night.

In what had been described as the last outing, the IMF team is back together and on the trail of a key that will stop a deadly AI entity from initiating a global nuclear war. Starring Tom Cruise.

Notice LOCATION CHANGE this week!

BURGERS IN THE PARK



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25
5:30-7:00pm CT



At the baseball field (north of the tracks)

Serving delicious fresh barbecued hamburger, cheeseburger or hot dog, adding in a bag of chips and a non-alcoholic beverage (soda/water).

Catsup, mustard, napkins, pickles, onions supplied.

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the months of
July (July 9, 23), and August 13.

Sponsored by Glen Ullin Close-up group.

PROPERTY FOR SALE

Notice is hereby given, that the City of Glen Ullin is accepting bids at the Office of the City Auditor, 119 Main St S, PO Box 70, Glen Ullin, ND 58631 for the following property:

Lot 1-3 Block 43, (Oak Ave)
Stipulation: trees must remain, and drainage maintained.

Bids must be submitted to the City Auditor before the July board meeting at 6:30pm, Monday, July 14, 2025. The bids will be opened at the meeting and all bidders will be allowed to raise their bid orally.

The Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in bidding, or to accept such as may be determined in the best interests of the City.

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