The 2020 annual meeting ignites the celebration of 20 years of investing in the people of Nebraska City, making lives better grant after grant.

Since its inception in 2000, the Nebraska City Community Foundation Fund has distributed $5,630,000 million to local residents and organizations through 35 separate project accounts.

A well-constructed blueprint of giving has been designed by the Foundation that will enable it to continue to invest in Nebraska City residents in the coming decades, improving lives and living standards.

To fulfill its primary mission of ‘Investing in People,’ NCCFF annually distributes thousands of dollars to improve the lives of hundreds of Nebraska City residents through a myriad of programs. Programs such as: OneBook OneSchool, Youth Leadership, Leadership Nebraska City, D.A.R.E., Non-Traditional Scholarships and Strategic Planning for NC Public Schools. The list just keeps growing.

Here’s some even better news! Thanks to the generosity of the donors to the Nebraska City Community Foundation Fund’s general account, endowment accounts and project accounts, there is no end in sight. Years from now, thousands more Nebraska City residents will benefit from the generosity of our donors.

In 2019, payout capacity of $42,000 was available from NCCFF’s unrestricted endowment, currently valued at over $1 million.

Over the last 20 years, NCCFF has reinvested over $5.6 million in our community.

Let’s keep up our momentum!
WHAT DOES “INVESTING IN PEOPLE” LOOK LIKE?

During the past year, Nebraska City Community Foundation Fund has invested in people through many programs. These include:

- Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) for elementary students
- OneBookOneSchool, which recently expanded into OneBookOneCommunity
- A pollinator garden developed by NC Middle School students
- Non-Traditional Scholarships for adult workers seeking to further their education.
- Workforce development scholarships offered through Southeast Community College
- Sports complex development study
- $500 given annually to a well-deserving Philanthropist of the Year Award winner, who in turn donates that money to the Nebraska City charity of his or her choice.

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Citians will benefit from the donations made to this locally originated and locally managed non-profit organization.

Yes, local people are responsible for this organization and local people decide how the money will be spent. This is definitely your hometown non-profit organization.

Annual donations from our supporters are what make this organization tick. NCCFF has been named in 32 estate plans through planned gifts. With the help of an advisor, you can include language in your will or trust specifying a gift be made to the Nebraska Community Foundation. Please feel free to join us as the Foundation celebrates its 20th anniversary. With a good wind beneath our sails, we can carry on for yet another 20 years of investing in the people of Nebraska City.

AT LEFT: Nebraska City Police Officer Jason Holman, who conducts the D.A.R.E. classes, is presented with NCCFF grant. Pictured from left to right are: Brian Bock, FAC member; Scott Davis, Hayward Elementary Principal; Deb Chesterman, Grant Development Committee member; and Shariah Husermann, FAC member. This donation enabled the Nebraska City Police Department to offer the D.A.R.E. program to all fifth-graders as well as seventh-graders.

ABOVE: Leadership Nebraska City Class #15 gathered for a group shot after a tour of Kimmel Orchards. The goal of LNC is to develop engaged community leaders who effectively work together toward positive growth, strengthening and improving the quality of life in the community. NCCFF is a major supporter of this program, which has touched 100 people in its 15-year history.

In March, acclaimed NY Times columnist & author David Brooks stopped by Nebraska City to visit with NCCFF FAC members. Brooks was in town promoting the Aspen Institute & its new national project “Weave – The Social Fabric Initiative” – a project focused on understanding, describing and celebrating community building. The NCCFF and its FAC members were identified as successful ‘weavers’ in their community and Brooks wanted to collect ideas on how investing in the people of Nebraska City has led to building a stronger more vibrant community.

2019 Philanthropists of the Year

The winners of the 2019 Nebraska City Community Foundation Fund’s “Philanthropists of the Year” award are Gloria Glover and the late Ted Beilman.

After moving back to Nebraska City in 2013, Ted and Gloria jumped headlong into community activism. They attended every Nebraska City Council and Otoe County Commissioner meeting, which kept them abreast of local civic activities. When Ted learned the city was not going to fix the downtown Memorial Building after a tree grew through the roof, he and Gloria were inspired to use their combined talents to save this downtown landmark.

Besides this venture, Ted and Gloria started “Honor and Remember our Heroes” group as well as the “Friends of Nebraska City Riverview Nature Park”. Gloria has been the Nebraska City Finance Commissioner since 2015.

On March 13, Ted unexpectedly passed away leaving a huge hole in this community. The couple’s unfinished projects inspired others to step up and guide the visions toward completion. Today, Gloria remains a solid foundation for the advancement of our culturally rich community and a trusted partner for the betterment of the people of Nebraska City.

With all of this in mind, the Nebraska City Community Foundation Fund now presents its “Philanthropists of the Year Award” to Gloria Glover and the late Ted Beilman.

David Brooks Visit Kicks Off 2019

The late Ted Beilman and Gloria Glover