Perkins County Community Foundation Fund
Unrestricted Endowment Campaign

ABOUT THE PERKINS COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND

The Perkins County Community Foundation Fund, an affiliated fund of Nebraska Community Foundation, is a charitable organization working to improve the quality of life and create opportunities for prosperity in our community. The Perkins County Community Foundation Fund was formed in 2003 as an avenue for individuals, groups, and businesses to “give back” to Perkins County and receive charitable giving tax deductions.

Perkins County is a place where a friendly wave is part of everyday life. A place where people help a neighbor in need. A place where children play safely outside. Where hard work is expected and leadership is forged. Perkins County is a place where people help people.

OUR OPPORTUNITY

Perkins County Community Foundation Fund is fortunate to have an anonymous donor issue a challenge grant opportunity. The challenge is to raise $100,000 in unrestricted endowment funds for our Fund. Once this goal is achieved, the donor will grant our Fund an additional $50,000. The campaign will build our community’s unrestricted permanent endowment, helping to ensure quality of life in our community for generations to come. It is exciting to imagine what a $150,000 boost in endowment means for the Perkins County community!

IMPACTING THE COMMUNITY

PCCFF has the flexibility to react to community needs, to allow projects to move forward quickly.

Some of PCCFF’s most notable community contributions have been:

- Madrid Day
- Elsie Christmas Lights
- Perkins County Area Arts Council
- People’s Garden (USDA/FSA)
- Eagle Scout Projects
- Hastings Memorial Library
- Venango Fire Department
- Perkins County School 3-D Printer
- Hastings Memorial Library after school program
- Trail Riders 4-H
- Backpack Program
- Methodist Church Food Bank
- Perkins County Historical Society (Museum)
Bringing Community Values to Reality

Scoular, Venango

FCCLA Nationals

Food Box Distribution

The People’s Garden
THE POWER OF UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS

Like a ‘community savings account,’ an unrestricted endowment can be used to support community projects, programs and people. The endowment is a permanent fund that will be held and invested in perpetuity, creating an asset for the community that will remain for generations to come.

Your contribution to an endowment is a “forever” gift that increases over time. While Perkins County Community Foundation Fund grants out a portion of the income earned by the unrestricted endowment each year, the principal – and your gift – is left intact to continue to build the fund. Long-term, the endowment will assure financial support for community needs we cannot even envision today. This provides unlimited possibilities to future generations.

The below chart shows the growth of, and cumulative amount, that can be granted from a $300,000 endowment over 20 years.

Nebraska Community Foundation serves communities throughout Nebraska with a range of services, including financial management, strategic development, education, training and peer learning. NCF works with community leaders and donors to help them achieve the impacts that charitable giving can have on community economic development outcomes. By building permanent community assets, NCF reaches out to help everyone deepen or rekindle their belief in the future of their hometown.

PCCFF is grateful for the generosity of our anonymous donor and appreciate the challenge opportunity. This donor’s belief in Perkins County and their desire to impact the community for future generations creates enthusiasm for all who live here. Perkins County Community Foundation Fund encourages every resident to accept this challenge and provide the greatest recognition that this donor wants, your participation.

This is an example using the following assumptions: 7.5% return (net of fees), 4.5% annual endowment payout, asset allocation: 75% equities, 25% fixed income.
WAYS TO GIVE

Your generous gift will not only help today; it will continue to grow and keep giving tomorrow. Below are a number of ways you can support the PCCFF:

Cash – A gift of cash may be eligible for income tax deductions as prescribed by current law. Your cash gift may be by check, credit card or electronic funds transfer, which authorizes the automatic transfer of funds each month from your checking or savings account. Pledging a gift over several years may allow you to increase its size and effect, while adjusting the timing and amount of each payment to optimize your tax position.

 Marketable securities – A gift of publicly-traded stock, bonds or mutual fund shares is eligible to be matched and may provide you with additional tax benefits, as you will not pay capital gains tax on the appreciation in the value of the securities.

Gifts of IRA – Individuals who have reached age 70 ½ may contribute up to $100,000 directly from their Individual Retirement Account (IRA), without having to recognize the IRA distribution in taxable income. If married, each spouse can transfer up to $100,000 from his or her IRA each year.

Agricultural commodities – Gifts of grain or livestock may provide significant income tax savings to a producer. Because the property is gifted, no revenue is recognized, and the cost of production may still be deducted as a business expense.