

# PROGRESS IN BROWN COUNTY

## BROWN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FUND GRANTMAKING

### HAS BENEFITTED

- ✓ Grand Theater
- ✓ Ainsworth Child Development Center
- ✓ New restrooms and camper hookups at the Johnstown fairgrounds
- ✓ Ainsworth Senior Center
- ✓ Sandhills Care Center
- ✓ Heritage House Museum in Long Pine
- ✓ Ainsworth Community Schools
- ✓ Community fishing pond
- ✓ Rural workforce housing grant
- ✓ 274 scholarships totaling \$189,376
- ✓ Long Pine City and Long Pine Rural Fire Department
- ✓ Brown County Hospital and BCH Auxiliary Thrift Shop

## OUR ABUNDANCE



The intergenerational **transfer of wealth** refers to the money that will pass from one generation to the next as parents pass away and leave their estate to their children.

Over the next 10 years in Brown County, \$272 million will transfer. In 50 years, that number exceeds \$2.5 billion. The wealth may be held in real estate, securities, retirement accounts, and other assets. Some will go to taxes. Most will go to heirs. If the heirs no longer live where they grew up, that wealth may leave as well. Brown County is already in the midst of its peak transfer years. In other words, there is real urgency to act now. The opportunity will never be greater. Flip to learn how we can harness this potential.

## OUR MISSION

- ✓ **FACILITATE** partnerships with other entities and enhance the quality of life in Brown County
- ✓ **INSPIRE** our citizens through education, example, and with an invitation to give back to the county we call home
- ✓ **IMPACT** our community through collaboration and by awarding grants

## OUR IMPACT

**\$1.9 Million**  
BCCFF TOTAL ASSETS

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**\$982,904**

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REINVESTED 2005–2023  
*As of 9/30/2023*



# MAKE AN IMPACT LEAVE A LEGACY

Philanthropic giving is one of the most effective and impactful ways to ensure some of the transfer of wealth remains in Brown County and continues to give back for future generations. Brown County Community Foundation Fund aims to increase both current giving and the number of planned gifts to benefit our communities in the future.

## CURRENT GIFTS

Your generous gift will not only help build the unrestricted endowment today, it will continue to grow and keep giving tomorrow.



**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.



**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.



**MARKETABLE SECURITIES** – A gift of publicly traded stock, bonds or mutual fund shares is eligible to be matched at the full fair market value. Such a gift 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 70½ 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.

Checks may be made payable to “Brown County Community Foundation Fund” and mailed to:

Brown County Community Foundation Fund  
PO Box 323 | Ainsworth, NE 69210



**Or donate online:**

Please select “Unrestricted Endowment” when you make your contribution to ensure your donation is matched.

## PLANNED GIFTS

A planned gift is a gift for the future, often extending beyond a donor’s lifetime. The easiest ways to make a planned gift are in a will or trust (simply designate a percentage or dollar amount of your estate to a charity like Nebraska Community Foundation for the benefit of Brown County Community Foundation Fund) or through a beneficiary designation (for instance on a financial account, CD, or insurance policy). Not only does charitable planned giving impact the charitable causes and communities you care about most, it often comes with tax benefits to you or your heirs.

*Brown County Community Foundation Fund is an affiliated fund of Nebraska Community Foundation*



Nebraska Community Foundation suggests leaving five percent of your estate to the charitable causes or communities you care about most. This collective act would result in \$14 million to be used to improve life in Brown County over the next decade. We currently know of five confirmed planned gifts estimated at \$177,000 to benefit the future of Brown County.

## FIVE WAYS TO HELP BROWN COUNTY THRIVE

1. Visit [www.fivetothrivene.org](http://www.fivetothrivene.org) and learn more about the transfer of wealth in your county.
2. Explore NCF’s planned giving resources at [nebcommfound.giftlegacy.com](http://nebcommfound.giftlegacy.com).
3. Talk to your professional advisor about including your community in your estate plans.
4. Give to BCCFF’s endowment or another favorite charity.
5. Spread the word! When we all leave five, our hometowns thrive!

*As with all financial considerations, we encourage you to discuss potential tax advantages and other aspects of charitable giving with your attorney, tax adviser or financial consultant.*