

THE CATALOG FOR GIVING

Big
GIVE
Week for Poweshiek County

October 13th – October 17th



A ONE WEEK OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

During October 13th – October 17th, everyone in our county gets the chance to be a philanthropist. The Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation is hosting our annual **BIG GIVE WEEK**, a one week giving opportunity to raise as much money as possible for the foundation and the local non profits we serve.

This is a collective effort to strengthen our non profits and to transform philanthropy in our county. Use this catalog

to learn more about the giving opportunities available through the foundation and give a gift that lasts a lifetime.

A Gift Can Be Made:

- In any dollar amount
- To any of the many funds listed in this catalog
- In memory or in honor of a special person.*

This catalog contains giving ideas to suit any person or occasion and can be used to make gifts beyond our **BIG GIVE WEEK**. Anniversaries, birthdays, and other holidays are great opportunities to make charitable gifts year round.

**Honored recipient will receive a special card announcing from whom the gift was made and the fund to which it will go. The amount of the gift will not be disclosed.*

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

1. Browse the catalog.
2. Find a fund (or funds) to support
3. Complete and return donation form by mail or go to www.greaterpcf.org to donate online during October 13th- October 17th.
4. We will send you a tax receipt and any honored recipient will get a special card on your behalf.
5. Tell a friend about giving a gift that lasts a lifetime.

WHY YOU SHOULD GIVE

- To help meet community needs
- To keep children from going hungry over the weekend
- To help high school seniors be the first in their family to attend college.
- To support families while their newborn infant is in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- To help teachers get needed supplies for their classroom
- To make sure patients with mental illness have a place to seek treatment
- To help children become skilled readers
- To supply children with warm coats for the winter
- To give elderly citizens access to quality nursing home care.
- To ensure today's foundation is here tomorrow & forever.

CATEGORIES

Arts, Culture & Humanities

Brooklyn Historical Society Endowment Fund*: Supports the historical society, which works to foster awareness and appreciation of Brooklyn area history, preserve local artifacts, and assist with community historical activities.

Drake Community Library Endowment Fund*: Supports programming activities and community outreach initiatives of the Drake Community Library and was started in honor of longtime library director, Lorna Caulkins.

Grinnell Area Arts Council Endowment Fund*: Supports education, community theatre, the Grinnell Art Gallery, scholarships and mini-grants, and general operations of the Grinnell Area Arts Council.

Grinnell Historical Museum Endowment Fund*: Provides a link to the city's history through research, preservation and educational programs. Income from the fund helps provide the museum with revenue for operating expenses and special projects.

Iowa Transportation Museum Endowment Fund*: A nonprofit corporation established to explore the evolution of transportation in Iowa, and enhance understanding of how transportation systems and workers contribute to the culture and quality of life. Earnings from this Fund support the museum's ventures and operations.

Children

Big Hearts For Tiny Hands: Provides local support to families who have a hospitalized infant in the NICU and assists families with related expenses..

Communities for Literate Iowa Kids (CLIK): Implements family, school and community based activities focused on early literacy so young children develop their full potential as independent, skilled readers.

Dr. Kevin W. Sterk Elementary Student Needs Endowment Fund*: Was created by Glenn and Ginger Sterk in memory of their son and is used to provide nutritional and physical needs support to students in lower elementary schools in Grinnell.

Kids Against Hunger (KAH): KAH's mission is to reduce hunger around the world through local volunteers working together to package food. The Grinnell Board coordinates four community-wide packaging events where teams package highly nutritious food that is sent domestically and internationally

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Tiger Packs: Provides a take home bag of kid-friendly, nutritious food to local K-8 students on the weekends when they do not have access to the free and reduced meal program. Participants receive a bag anonymously every Friday afternoon.

Community Foundation

GPCF Administrative Fund: Gifts to this fund are used to pay for the Foundation's ongoing expenses, including overhead, staffing, and support services (bookkeeping and auditing).

Together for TOMorrow: Tom and Connie Marshall Administrative Endowment Fund*: Seeks to expand the administrative fund to \$1 million. Earnings from this fund will provide support for the operating expenses of the GPCF. If the community is able to raise \$800,000 in the next two years, the Claude W. & Dolly Ahrens Foundation has made a commitment to contribute \$100,000!

Community Needs

Brooklyn Community Foundation Endowment Fund*: Supports the community foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing and supporting the quality of life in Brooklyn.

Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Department Endowment Fund*: Supports the operations of the Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Dept.

Drake Community Library Converging Landscape Fund: Is a one-year campaign to raise \$90,000 to allow completion of structural improvements and the addition of new plantings to the library site.

East Poweshiek County Ambulance Service Endowment Fund*: Supports the operations of the East Poweshiek County Ambulance Fund.

GPCF Community Fund for Poweshiek County Endowment Fund*: Creates a permanent endowment to provide for the needs of the community in the future. Individuals may give as little as \$100/year for 10 years, with the goal of increasing the fund to over \$1million. The income earned by this permanent endowment will be granted each year to serve the needs of the community and its people.

Michael J. Manatt Community Center Endowment Fund*: Supports the charitable purposes of the Michael J. Manatt Community Center.

Station Clubhouse Campaign: Seeks to raise \$25,000 for maintenance and to purchase a van to transport Clubhouse members. Since 1990, the Clubhouse has been helping folks with schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder, and major depression cope with their everyday lives.

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Poweshiek County Alliance Endowment Fund*: Provides annual grants to nonprofit organizations and innovative community projects in Poweshiek County. Past grants have targeted community development, education, health, historic preservation and human services.

Education & Scholarships

Citizen Scholarship Foundation of BGM Endowment Fund*: Provides support for the Citizen Scholarship Foundation of BGM.

Grinnell-Newburg Dollars for Scholars Endowment Fund*: Has been giving scholarships to Grinnell High School graduates for over 10 years. By supporting this fund, you have the opportunity to make a strong collective statement about the importance of education beyond high school.

Grinnell-Newburg Educational Excellence (GNEE) Endowment Fund*: Recognizes that community support and engagement along with sufficient resources are key to the success of public education. Income from this fund will ensure continuation of successful programs and allot funds for new research-based initiatives, assisting the school district's efforts to provide high-quality public education to ALL students.

Grinnell-Newburg Educational Excellence (GNEE) Mini Grant: Awards two rounds of mini-grants to local teachers to fund innovative projects in their classrooms. Since 2007, GNEE has awarded more than \$280,000 to Grinnell-Newburg teachers.

Grinnell Newburg High School Alumni Association: Provides activities, communications and other services for those who attended schools in the Grinnell-Newburg Community School District. The alumni association also fosters and supports educational activities and efforts for the district.

Other Named Scholarship Fund: Scholarships are generally of two types: endowed and non-endowed. An endowed fund is a permanent fund that is invested for growth and income. Only a percentage of the fund is spent each year for scholarships. The criteria used to determine the percentage will include preservation of principal and protection from the long-term effects of inflation. A non-endowed fund is expended immediately or over several years.

Environment, Parks & Recreation

Grinnell Park Improvement Fund: Supports planned renovation projects throughout public parks in the Grinnell area. Projects include the construction of additional restrooms, shelter improvements, drinking fountains, and playground equipment.

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Imagine Grinnell Endowment Fund*: Allows sustainability to Imagine Grinnell to make Grinnell a better community than it is today. Since 1985, we have infused hundreds of thousands of dollars into our community for the health, well-being and enjoyment of our residents and visitors.

Imagine Grinnell Operating Fund: We are keeping Grinnell green, playing and growing! Imagine Grinnell focuses on improving options for environmentally responsible living (energy/water conservation and local foods), increasing biking/walking opportunities (Grinnell Area Recreational Trail development/expansion and Bike to Work Week), and a wide range of additional projects

Girls/Women

S.H.E. COUNTS: The mission of S.H.E. COUNTS is to support, help, and empower women and girls in Poweshiek County. Your donation will help to support under-funded programs and efforts that can move women and girls toward self-reliance.

Health & Wellness

Grinnell Regional Medical Center Endowment Fund*: Assures long-term success and prosperity of the medical center, providing support for capital improvements, construction projects, large equipment purchases, special programs, and other needs. GRMC is a private, nonprofit, non-tax supported hospital.

Grinnell Regional Mental Health Endowment Fund*: Provides quality mental health services to area residents and to help cover the costs of unreimbursed mental healthcare.

Human Services

Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) Endowment Fund*: Provides services aimed at strengthening struggling youth and families, preventing abuse and neglect, supporting independence for people with disabilities and nurturing the well-being of older adults. Income from the fund supports LSI's mission.

Mayflower Human Needs Endowment Fund*: The Mayflower Community in Grinnell is an affordable senior living and healthcare organization that strives to provide home and support to its residents. Earnings from the Human Needs Endowment Fund are used to help residents who are unable to pay the full cost of their healthcare.

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