

2023 Annual Update

*A Status Update for Donors and Supporters of
Bismarck-Mandan's Permanent Endowment Fund.*

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- **Total Market Value as of 12/31/22: \$1.806 million**
- **Total Gifts Received in 2022: \$13,091**
- **Total Grants Awarded in 2022: 7 grants totaling \$79,000**
- **Total Grants Since Inception: 64 grants, totaling \$491,261**

* Includes data from the Glenn & Helen Sorlie Memorial Fund

Committee Members

- Gina Hruby** - The Title Team (Chair)
- David Mason** - First International Bank & Trust
- Ken Hedge** - Crowley Fleck Attorneys
- Vicki Kunz** - Retired (MDU Resources Group)
- Dot Frank** - BHGRE Alliance Group
- Dawn Kopseng** - Trademark Realty
- Jack Paris** - Cody Exploration, LLC
- Jessica Gilbertson** - National Council of Urban Indian Health
- Paula Redmann** - Retired

2023 Grant Round Now Open!

The BisMan Community Foundation 2023 Grant Round is now open. Organizations interested in applying for one of the MiniGrants (up to \$5,000) should apply online by July 1.

Organizations interested in applying for the SuperGrant should have their Letters of Intent in by July 1. Select applicants will be asked to come in for a presentation and interview in the fall.

More information and applications are at: bismancommunityfoundation.org

Ministry Offers Low Barrier Shelter

The BisMan Community Foundation awarded its 2022 \$50,000 SuperGrant to Ministry on the Margins. The grant was used to transition the nighttime Coffee House from a pilot project to a permanent program.

Ministry on the Margins opened a pilot project on February 1, 2022, to assess the need and viability of a coffee house as a model to meet the need for a low-barrier shelter which would accept people who may be under the influence of alcohol or drugs or may be excluded from other shelters. They hired and trained employees to serve as hospitality coordinators, ensuring that there are always two people working, and established operating hours of 10:00 pm to 6:00 am.

During the pilot project (February to May 2022), 231 men and women were served, with a total 2,805 nights of shelter offered. During the April 11-15, 2022, blizzard Ministry on the Margins remained open for 92 consecutive hours offering safety and food to 129 individuals caught in the shutdown of other agencies. The pilot project also highlighted the crucial need for

collaboration with law enforcement, behavioral health agencies, local emergency rooms, and addiction support agencies.

The SuperGrant helped pay for renovations and updates to the Coffee House space and chapel; security and safety technology and training; staff laptop for logging intake, events, and incidents; and a stationary projector and laptop for displaying movies.

"Obviously, with the terrible winter we just had, this project provided crucial shelter to the most vulnerable in our community," said BisMan CF committee member Paula Redmann.

In addition to the SuperGrant, six MiniGrants of \$5,000 each were awarded to:

- BIO Girls - BisMan 2022 program
- Dakota Children's Advocacy Center
- Pride Manchester House
- Arts for All
- Guardian and Protective Services
- 31:8 Project (\$4,000)



Above: BisMan Community Foundation committee members and staff at Ministry on the Margins at the grant award ceremony on September 28, 2022.

2022 Grant Requests Indicate Great Need

Grant requests for the 2022 BisMan SuperGrant and the 2022 BisMan MiniGrants totaled \$774,448 - almost 10 times the amount of money available to award last year.

"Our large and small communities in Burleigh and Morton counties have many nonprofits providing services to those in need," noted BisMan Community Foundation advisory committee chair, Gina Hruby. *"There are so many worthwhile programs and the committee certainly had a challenge granting funds to a fraction of those applying."*

Grant requests came from 40 different nonprofit organizations including Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Heartview Foundation, Missouri Slope Area-wide United Way, Central Dakota Humane Society, and the Burleigh County Council on Aging.

In order to have more money available to grant in order to address these needs, the BisMan Community Foundation committee is hoping to grow the endowment fund in the coming years.

"Reading through applications, the committee soon realized that the amount of funds available to grant was a drop in the bucket in comparison to the needs of our communities. Growing our endowment became a top priority," said committee member Jack Paris. *"Fargo, Grand Forks, and Minot all have foundations that are easily 4 times our size or larger."*

There are numerous ways to make a gift to the BisMan endowment fund, including

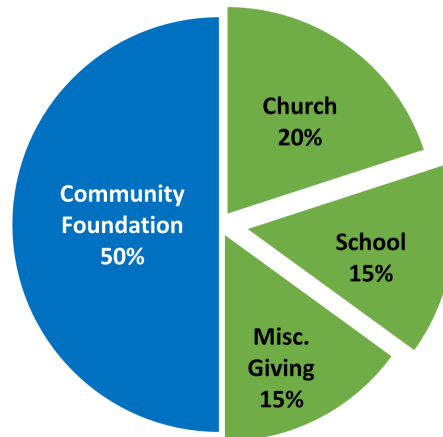
- Sending a check in response to their annual fundraising letter
- Setting up a Charitable Gift Annuity
- Making the North Dakota Community Foundation the beneficiary of your life insurance policy (for the BisMan Community Foundation)
- Establishing a gift through your will or trust
- Setting up a recurring, monthly gift online that meets your budget.

A Balanced Approach to Giving

Charitable giving is a personal decision for an individual, couple, family, or business to make. But have you considered that your charitable giving plan could include both immediate needs as well as long-term needs?

Your personal finances probably include immediate needs such as rent or mortgage payments, food, and entertainment costs. But you also likely set aside some of your income for future needs whether it's in a savings account, retirement portfolio, or perhaps a college savings plan for your kids. Because you know that someday you will need that money.

Similarly, the portion of your income that you give to charity should also be divided into current (green areas of the pie chart) and future needs (blue segment).



There will be nonprofit organizations that you want to support now, through their annual giving campaign, fundraising event, or capital campaign. But a portion of your charitable giving dollars every year could also be put into permanent endowment funds, supporting your community or a specific organization in the future. Putting some of your annual giving dollars into permanent funds means you recognize there will be needs in the future as well, and you want to provide more long-term support. The grants that the BisMan Community Foundation gave out last year were all due to the donations that we received years earlier from donors who believed in a long-term approach to their charitable giving.

The percentage of dollars that you decide to put into endowment funds is a personal decision, just like the total amount of charitable giving you budget for every year is a personal decision. But ensuring that some portion of your annual giving goes into a permanent endowment fund is sometimes the best gift you can give those in need in our community!



More information about these and other charitable giving tools are available on their website at bismancommunityfoundation.org.

Anyone interested in a confidential conversation with personalized illustrations for your particular situation is welcome to call Kara Geiger with the North Dakota Community Foundation at 701-222-8349 or via email at Kara@NDCF.net

"Do what you can with what you have where you are."

- Theodore Roosevelt



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