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Ethel S. Abbott Charitable Foundation

P.O. Box 81407
Lincoln, NE 68501-1407
Phone: 402-435-4369
Fax: 402-435-4371
Website: www.abbottfoundation.org

Purpose and Fields of interest: The Ethel S. Abbott Charitable Foundation is a private philanthropic foundation established by the founder, Ethel S. Abbott. This private foundation strives to give a helping hand to those 501(c)(3) organizations that are trying to make a difference in people's lives in the Lincoln, Omaha, and Western Nebraska areas. The Ethel S. Abbott Charitable Foundation looks at each grant request uniquely for its potential to influence people's lives and to ultimately make a difference in the community.

Fields of Interest: Education, Art, Environment, Human Services, Sports, Wellness Programs, Disadvantaged Children

Application Information: The preferred method for applying for a grant is to go to the Foundation's website www.abbottfoundation.org and fill in and print out the grant application form and mail it to the Foundation's offices with all of the required attachments. If applicants do not have computer access to the Internet, they can write or call the Foundation's office in order to obtain a grant application form.

The Abel Foundation

P.O. Box 80268
1815 Y Street
Lincoln, NE 68501
Phone: 402-434-1212
Website: www.abelfoundation.org

Purpose and Activities: Emphasis on health and human service, higher education, and community development programs. Giving is limited to Nebraska, particularly Lincoln.

Fields of Interest: Health and Human Services, Higher Education, Environment, and Community Development Programs

Application Information: Lincoln/Lancaster County Grant Maker Common Application Form. Foundation meets in May, August and December each year to review funding requests. Applications qualifying for review will be considered within 1 to 3 months of receipt. Grant application deadlines are: March 31, July 15 and October 31

Acklie Charitable Foundation

P.O. Box 81228
Lincoln, NE 68501-1228
Phone: 402-475-9521
Contact Person: Phyllis Acklie
Fields of Interest: Education, Mental Health, Research, Religion, Hunger Relief, etc.

Geographic Limitations: Giving is limited to Nebraska, with few exceptions.

Application Information: Send initial letter of interest to address.

**American Charitable Foundation**

12829 W. Dodge Road, Suite 100  
Omaha, NE 68154-2188  
Phone: 402-697-5444  
**Contact Person:** Ron Carson Sr., President

Fields of Interest: Hunger Relief, Children and Youth, Elderly, Sports, Education, etc.

Geographic Limitations: Giving is limited to Nebraska.

**American Express Philanthropic Program**

American Express Company  
3 World Financial Center  
200 Vesey Street,  
New York, NY 10285-4804  
**Website:** [http://about.americanexpress.com/csr/default.aspx](http://about.americanexpress.com/csr/default.aspx)

**Purpose and Activities:** The Foundation’s philanthropic activities focus on community service and engagement; historic preservation and conservation; and leadership programs. No support for religious, political or fraternal organizations; sporting events or athletic programs; legislative or lobbying efforts; umbrella organizations with active grant-making programs; or professional, trade, or marketing associations. No grants to individuals, or for endowments; capital campaigns, advertising in journals or yearbooks; publication of books, magazines or articles in professional journals; or medical research.

**Fields of Interest:**

1. **Community Service and Engagement:** Programs that encourage community service and civic participation, and deliver measurable outcomes that have a lasting impact on communities. Programs should build the capacity of nonprofits by assisting them in developing, engaging and retaining community members as volunteers, audience members and donors; encouraging citizens to play an active role in civic processes (e.g., voting); and engaging community members and American Express employees in ongoing service. This may involve a variety of activities from promoting individual philanthropy, volunteerism or participation in local civic organizations.

2. **Historic Preservation and Conservation:** Fund is given to save and sustain historic places – to preserve them for future use and protect them for all to enjoy. Support is given to organizations and projects that preserve or rediscover major historic sites and monuments in order to provide ongoing sustainable access and enjoyment for current and future audiences. The program supports historic landmarks and public spaces. Emphasis is given to preserving sites that represent diverse cultures.

3. **Leadership:** Funding should address the leadership deficit in the nonprofit sector, whether by enabling new executive directors, or supporting the training and development of emerging leaders. Diversifying the current landscape of nonprofit leaders is important as well. Transforming organizations through best-in-class management and leadership practices, whether through board leadership, implementing management principles, or expanding an organization’s capacity to attract, develop and retain leadership talent.
American First Foundation

One Burlington Place
1004 Farnam St.
Omaha, NE 68102
Website: http://www.am1stfoundation.org

Purpose and Activities: Committed to supporting endeavors that improve the overall quality of life in the community. AFF primarily supports the arts, education, senior care, and projects that support family values. Visit the website to see what projects are not supported.

Limitations: Focus is given to projects in Nebraska and Iowa. Consideration will be given to national organizations when they have a positive impact in the area.

Application Information: Visit the website to fill out and submit an application. After submission a confirmatory email will be sent. Grant reviews take place at quarterly meetings on the third Thursday of March, June, September and December. Submit proposal at least one week before quarterly meeting.

Ameritas Charitable Foundation

5900 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68510-2234
Phone: 402-467-7404
Contact Person: Sue Wilkinson

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily for the education programs.

Fields of Interest: Primary interest is in educational programs but will consider civic, cultural, health and welfare requests. (Types of support include capital campaigns, program development, and professorships.)

Limitations: The Ameritas Charitable Foundation limits its funding of any project, program or organization to 10% of the project, program or organizational budget. Funding will be limited to 5% of the total amount for capital campaigns. Giving is primarily in Nebraska. No grants for individuals.

Rufus T. Amis, Jr. and Carolyn Amis Charitable Foundation Inc.,

P.O. Box 540577
Omaha, NE 68514
Phone: 402-305-3932
Contact Person: L. Fredrick Amis, President and Treasurer

Geographic Limitations: Giving primarily to the Omaha area.

Hugo A. and Thelma Aspegren Charitable Trust

c/o First Nebraska Trust Company
P.O. Box 81667
Lincoln, NE 68501-1667
Phone: 402-477-2200
Contact Person: Jaime Hemerling

Purpose and Activities: The trust serves educational, charitable, scientific and religious purposes; specifically given to qualifying charities under section 501 (c) (3).
Alan and Marcia Baer Foundation

1001 Fort Crook Road, Ste. 140
Bellevue, NE 68005-4298
Phone: 402-552-1000
Contact Person: Ted Baer, Vice President; Kathy Baer, Administrator and Secretary

Purpose and Activities: Giving for health education services, youth, arts, culture, and religion.

Fields of Interest: Educational Health Services, Youth, Cultural Programs, and Religious Support

Application Information: Initial approach by letter. Deadline is at least 30 days before grant is required.

The Theodore G. Baldwin Foundation

2033 Central Ave.
P.O. Box 922
Kearney, NE 68847-5301
Phone: 308-234-9889
Contact Person: Michael W. Baldwin, Treasurer

Purpose and Activities: Support for local arts organizations, education, and many 501(c)(3) organizations.

Fields of Interest: Arts, Education, Brick and Mortar, Operating, Youth


Hollis and Helen Baright Foundation

9290 W. Dodge Road, Suite 202
Omaha, NE 68114
Contact Person: Thomas Van Robays

Purpose and Activities: The Hollis and Helen Baright Foundation will donate to worthwhile civic, medical, educational, or recreational projects primarily in the Greater Omaha metropolitan area, and secondarily in the State of Nebraska, which afford the opportunity to perpetuate the generosity of Hollis and Helen Baright.

Fields of Interest: Civic, Medical, Education, Recreation, etc..

Application Information: Donations will not usually be made for current operating expenses of charitable entities.

Oliver and Ferrol Barklage Foundation Trust

2540 North 55 Street
Omaha, NE 68104
Phone: 402-551-5375
Contact Person: Richard H Sieling

Fields of Interest: Environment, Education, Religion, Children and Youth, Animal, Hospitals, Homelessness, Women’s Center, Sports and Wellness, Arts, etc…
Clifton B. & Anne S. Batchelder Foundation

409 S. 17th Street, Suite 500
Omaha, NE 68102-2603
Phone: 402-393-1850
Contact Person: John K Boyer

Fields of Interest: Education, Hospital, Children and Youth, Hunger Relief, Animals, Arts, Women's Center, Emergency Relief, Elderly, Religion, etc..

Bekins Foundation, Inc.

312 N. 96th Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68114
Phone: 402-399-0999

Fields of Interest: Arts, Children and Youth, etc…

Application Information: Letter or Verbal Request.

Bemis Company Foundation

One Neenah Center, 4th Floor
P.O. Box 669
Neenah, WI 54957-066
Phone: (920) 727-4100
Contact Person: Kim Wetzel
Email: kwetzel@bemis.com
Website: http://www.bemis.com/citizenship/

Purpose and Activities: The Bemis Company Foundation was established to guide the charitable contributions of Bemis Company, Inc. The aim of the foundation is to match the available funds with those public needs where the interests of the company and our employees are inseparable. Priorities in grants will be given to those organizations and/or programs that will contribute most to advancing the quality of life for all people in the communities in which we operate. Emphasis will be on those programs that encourage the development of our human resources, education programs, and a lesser degree, civic and art institutions that encourage participation by the general public. Grants are made to tax-exempt organizations only. The foundation will not make grants to individuals or organizations for religious or political purposes, either by lobbying efforts or by campaigns.

Fields of Interest: 50% Social Welfare and Health, 40% Educational, and 10% Cultural and Civic

Geographic Limitations: Those areas where Bemis Company, Inc., plants and subsidiaries are located.

Bennington Community Foundation

P.O. Box 201
Bennington, NE 68007
Email: benningtonfoundation@gmail.com
Website: http://www.benningtonfoundation.com/index.html

Purpose and Activities: The Bennington Community Foundation is a nonprofit charitable organization that represents the combined interests of both the community and the donor, serving to enhance the quality of life for area families.
Fields of Interest: Library/Pool/Community Center, Pedestrian Bridge, Downtown Improvement, Bennington Pathways, etc...

Application Information: Deadline for request must be submitted by the last day of the month prior to the Foundation’s normal monthly meeting.

Bettenhausen Family Foundation

6041 Village Drive, Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68516-4787
Phone: 402-421-1223
Contact Person: Robert N. Bettenhausen, Director

Fields of Interest: Community & Economic Development, Human Services, Religion

Blair Area Community Foundation

1646 Washington Street
Blair, NE 68008
Phone: 402-426-2810
Contact Person: Mary Jean Rahlfs
Email: mrahlfs@abbnearbraska.com

Purpose and Activities: The Blair Area Community Foundation’s mission is to support activities that enrich the community and support the values of the families that live in Washington County, Nebraska. The Foundation manages permanently endowed scholarship funds and donor-advised funds such as the Blair Trails Development Fund and the Veterans Tribute Plaza Fund.

Fields of Interest: Education, Fine Arts, Community Betterment, Parks and Recreation, Public Facility Development and Improvement, Health and Welfare, etc.

Application Information: All applications must be received by October 1. Notification of results will be given to applicants by December 1.

Blue Stem Prairie Foundation

9222 Burt Street, Suite 309
Omaha, NE 68114-2431
Phone: 402-505-9552
Contact Person: S. Kyker Krauss

Fields of Interest: Arts, Education, Human Services,

Geographic Limitations: Preference is given to organizations in the Omaha community.

Thomas D. Buckley Trust

P.O. Box 647
Chappell, NE 69129-0647
Contact: Connie Loos
Phone: 402-874-2929

Purpose and Activities: Giving is primarily earmarked for social services, health care, and community development, particularly for golf course projects, and to Lutheran, Roman Catholic and United Methodist churches; also funds scholar programs.
Fields of Interest: Athletics, Golf, Child Services, Education, Elementary/Secondary Education, Health Care, Hospitals (general), Human Services, Protestant Agencies and Churches, Roman Catholic Agencies and Churches

Geographic Limitations: Giving is primarily focused in Nebraska with an emphasis on Chappell and surrounding counties.

**Campbell Soup Foundation**

1 Campbell Place  
Camden, NJ 08103-1799  
Phone: 856-342-4800 ext. 6423  
Fax: 856-541-8185  
Email: community_relations@campbellsoup.com  
Website: [http://www.campbellsoupcompany.com/Foundation.aspx](http://www.campbellsoupcompany.com/Foundation.aspx)

Purpose and Activities: Support for areas where the company has a plant. Research and educational programs that increase the understanding of the link between diet and health. Programs that provide real change for residents in those communities where Campbell Soup Company has facilities.

Fields of Interest: Hunger Relief, Wellness, Education, Community Revitalization

**Carnegie Corporation of New York**

437 Madison Ave.  
New York, NY 10022  
Phone: 212-371-3200  
Fax: (212) 754-4073  
Website: [http://carnegie.org/](http://carnegie.org/)

Purpose and Activities: Although its purposes are broadly stated, the Corporation has a policy of selecting a few areas at a time in which to concentrate its grants. Currently, the Corporation is focusing on four programs. A fifth area, Special Projects, consists of grants that do not fit easily into the four program areas.


**Coca-Cola Foundation**

P.O. Box 1734  
Atlanta, GA 30301  
Phone: 1-800-438-2653  
Website: [http://www.thecoca-colacompany.com/citizenship/foundation_coke.html](http://www.thecoca-colacompany.com/citizenship/foundation_coke.html)

Purpose and Activities: The mission of The Coca-Cola Foundation is to improve the quality of life in the community.

Fields of Interest: Water Stewardship, Healthy Active Lifestyles, Community Recycling, and Education
The ConAgra Foods Foundation

One ConAgra Drive
Omaha, NE 68102-5001
1-877-266-2472
Website: http://www.conagrafoodsfoundation.org/help-conagra-foods-foundation/conagra-foods-foundation-grants.jsp

Purpose and Activities: The ConAgra Foods Foundation initiates grants for national and local partnerships and coordinates an employee nominated grant process called Nourish our Communities. On an annual basis, the ConAgra Foods Foundation invites qualified charitable organizations to apply for its Community Impact Grants program.

Potential grantees should carefully review their program overview, funding guidelines and criteria to determine if your project or program matches the Foundation's funding priorities for charitable investments. The Foundation's grant program is competitive, and organizations that best align with our goals and objectives in our core focus areas have the greatest opportunity to be awarded a grant.

The ConAgra Foods Foundation does not accept unsolicited proposals and will only consider requests submitted through the Community Impact Grants program at the designated time annually.

Application Information: The Community Impact Grants program awards grants to impactful, grassroots organizations that leverage innovation and creativity to address child hunger and nutrition needs in communities where ConAgra Foods' employees live and work or states where rates of food insecurity among children are significant. Updated Community Impact Grants guidelines are released each year and include a list of eligible states for the current cycle.

The Community Impact Grants program is a two-step, competitive process that first requires the submission of an online Letter of Interest and the subsequent completion of a full application if invited to apply for a grant.

Please Note: No grants will be awarded from June 2014-May 2015. Please check back in December 2014 for updated information on the Community Impact Grants Programs.

Cooper Foundation

870 Wells Fargo Center
1248 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68508
Phone: 402-476-7571
Contact Person: Victoria Kovar, Program Officer
Email: info@cooperfoundation.org
Website: http://www.cooperfoundation.org/

Purpose: To support strong, sustainable organizations, innovative ideas and ventures of significant promise.

Priorities:
- Education
- Human Services
- Arts
- Humanities
- Environment
**Geographic Limitations:** Highest priority is for organizations based in and serving Lincoln and Lancaster County. Requests from outside this area must serve a regional or state-wide area and meet the Foundation’s highest funding priorities.

**Cornhusker Motor Club Foundation**

910 N. 96th Street  
Omaha, NE 68114  
Phone: 402-938-3806  
Contact Person: Rose White  
**Website:** [www.cornhuskerfoundation.org](http://www.cornhuskerfoundation.org)

**Purpose and Activities:** The Cornhusker Motor Club Foundation is a non-profit organization funded by contributes from AAA, its members, and generous supporters who believe in its mission. The Foundation supports: traffic safety programs, tourism efforts, education grants, and crime prevention programs.

**Fields of Interest:** Health Care, Human Services

**Creigh Family Foundation**

P.O. Box 81667  
Lincoln, NE 68501-1667

**Fields of Interest:** Arts, Education

**Application Information:** Application should be made by letter to the Board and include the following:

1. The purpose for which the funds will be used
2. A list of current officers, directors, and trustees
3. A copy of the letter from the Internal Revenue Service, authorizing IRC Section 501 (c) (3) status.

**R. Joe Dennis Foundation**

1021 Galvin Road S.  
Bellevue, NE 68005  
Phone: (402) 291-2222  
**Contact Person:** Susan Dennis

**Purpose:** Gives primarily to libraries, as well as to higher education institutions, medical and health organizations, and human services organizations.

**Fields of Interest:** Boys & Girls Clubs; Foundations (private grant-making); Health Organizations; Higher Education; Human Services; Libraries (public); Museums; Protestant Agencies & Churches

**Limitations:** Giving primarily in Nebraska, with some emphasis on Omaha.

**Application Information:** Applicants should submit the following:

1. Copy of current year's organizational budget and/or project budget
2. Detailed description of project and amount of funding requested
3. Brief history of organization and description of its mission

No Deadlines.
Dillon Foundation

P.O. Box 6368
Lincoln, NE 68506-0368
Contact Person: Joseph Kerrigan, President
Email: dillonfdn@aol.com
Fields of Interest: Catholic Agencies & Churches, Education, Human Services

Application Information: Blank applications can be requested by writing to the foundation at the address or email provided above.

John A. and Gretchen Dinsdale Charitable Foundation

P.O. Box 275
Central City, NE 68826
Contact Person: Tom Dinsdale or Lynn Dinsdale-Marchese TTEE

Dogwood Foundation

1257 Sanguinetti Road, Ste. 194
Sonora, CA 95370
Phone: 209-743-7045
Email: contact@dogwoodfoundation.org
Website: http://www.dogwoodfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Dogwood Charitable Foundation, is a nonprofit organization bringing communities together, across America, to lend a helping hand to our neighbors in need of assistance and providing emergency relief and support to victims of disaster.

Application Information: Please contact the Dogwood Foundation for further information on funding applications.

Rupert Dunklau Foundation, Inc.

P.O. Box 22990
Lincoln, NE 68542-2990
Phone: 402-328-0370
Contact Person: Lloyd Probasco, Executive Director
Email: dunklaufoundation@windstream.net

Purpose and Activities: In this constantly changing world, the foundation exists to glorify God and serve His gracious will by providing financial resources to the varied ministries related to the Lutheran tradition, especially the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and to consider the appropriate projects that promote the welfare of mankind.

Fields of Interest: Family Services, Foundations (private grantmaking), Higher Education, Protestant Agencies and Churches

The Winifred, Ruth, Frances & Dorothy Edwards Foundation Inc.,

6443 Blenwood Road
Omaha, NE 68132-1844
Phone: 402-556-4769
Contact Person: Gerald L. Adcock, V.P and Director
Purpose and Activities: Scholarship awards to undergraduate students from the Midwest.

Fields of Interest: Education

M. Eighmy Foundation

5640 S 84th Street
Lincoln, NE 68516
Phone: 402-483-7711
Contact Person: Barry Hemmerling

Fields of Interest: Agriculture & Food, Community & Economic Development, Religion

Application Information: Applications should include:
1. Name of qualified organization making the application
2. Detailed statement outlining purpose and desired use of funds
3. Name, address & phone number of contact person

Application deadline is September 1.

Virgil Eihusen Foundation

4100 W. Husker Highway
Grand Island, NE 68803
Contact: Jill Fargo
Phone: 308-389-3300

Fields of Interest: Higher Education Scholarships

Jeffrey Wallace Ellis Trust

P.O. Box 1317
Hastings, NE 68902-1317
Phone: 216-498-3914
Contact Person: Lloyd H Ellis, President and Director

Purpose and Activities: Scholarship awards to Nebraska residents who are enrolled in a graduate program.

Robbins Family Charitable Foundation

18025 Oak Street, Suite B
Omaha, NE 68130
Phone: 402-333-7058
Contact Person: Leslie J Robbins, Jr

Fields of Interest: Education, Children and Youth, Religion,

Application Information: Applicants must request and complete a grant application for, providing grantee information, grant amount requested, grant purpose, and other information.
Frank M. and Alice M. Farr Trust

1101 12th Street, P.O. Box 329
Aurora, NE 68818-2005
Contact Person: James E. Koepe, Treasurer


Geographic Limitations: Governmental subdivision of charity only in Hamilton County, Nebraska.

May L. Flanagan Foundation, Inc.

233 S. 13th Street, Suite 1400
Lincoln, NE 68508-2003
Phone: 402-476-9200
Contact Person: Thomas M. Haase

Purpose and Activities: Giving is for the Catholic Church, its related educational and charitable organizations, and for community activities.

Fields of Interest: Community & Economic Development, Education, Religion

Application Information: Deadline is October 1 of each year.

Ford Foundation

320 East 43rd Street
New York, N.Y. 10017
Phone: 212 573 5000
Fax: 212 351 3677
Website http://www.fordfoundation.org/


The Ford Foundation offers granting opportunities to individuals and business.

Fremont Area Community Foundation

605 N. Broad St.
P.O. Box 182
Fremont, NE 68026-0182
Phone: 402-721-4252
Fax: 402-721-9359
Email: info@facfoundation.org
Website: http://www.facfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The purpose of the Fremont Area Community Foundation is to build community philanthropy by connecting donor interest with community needs.

Fields of Interest: Civic, Education, Health, Human Services, Cultural Benefits

Geographic Limitations: Fremont, Nebraska and surrounding area.
Ike & Roz Friedman Foundation

c/o Donald Yale
22804 Hansen Ave.
Elkhorn, NE 68022
Phone: 402-697-1111
Contact Person: Rosalie Friedman, President

Fields of Interest: Museums, Arts/Cultural Programs, Higher Education, Human Services, Jewish
Federated Giving Programs, Jewish Agencies and Temples

Application Information: Application form not required. Initial approach should be done by submitting a proposal.

Gallagher Foundation

1620 Dodge Street
Omaha, NE 68197
Phone: 402-602-8734
Contact Person: Janet Melchior-Kopp

Purpose and Activities: This foundation contributes to capital fund drives or improvements, not ordinary operating expenses. Grant requests should be in the range of $500-$2,000. No awards will be given to the same organization in consecutive years.

Fields of Interest: Education, Health Care, Human Services

Application Information: Submit no more than 5 sheets of paper which should include a brief outline (no more than 2 pages) describing your proposed project, a copy of your IRS letter of determination of tax-exempt status, a copy of your most recent financial operating statement and a list of your Board of Directors/Trustees and Officers.

Gardner Foundation

307 Main St.
P.O. Box 629
Wakefield, NE 68784
Phone: 402-287-2538

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily for education and the arts.

Fields of Interest: Aging Centers, Community Development, Education, Health Care, Higher Education, Performing Arts-Orchestra (Symphony), Performing Arts-Theater (types of support: Building/Renovation, Capital Campaigns, Endowments, Equipment, Seed Money)

Application Information: Application form required. Please contact the foundation for further information.

Genesis Foundation, Inc.

3223 North 45th Street
Omaha, NE 68104-3711
Phone: 402-451-7545
Contact Person: Robert K. Gjere
Purpose and Activities: The Genesis Foundation is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to presenting the Gospel to youth and children residing in urban Omaha in order to provide for their salvation, spiritual growth, discipleship and education to the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ, in accordance with the words of Jesus recorded in Mark 10:14. “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

Fields of Interest: Religion, Children and Youth, Education

Gifford Foundation, Inc.

1910 S. 72nd Street, Suite 200
Omaha, NE 68124
Phone: 402-341-9441

Fields of Interest: Agriculture, Arts, Environment, Animals

Paul and Oscar Giger Foundation

6860 S. 118th Street, Suite 100
Omaha, NE 68137
Phone: 402-861-1800
Email: gigerfoundation1357@gmail.com

Fields of Interest: Environment, Senior Citizens, Education, Christian Education, and Music Education

Application Information: Recipient must be a 501 (c) (3) organization. Grant application provided by the trustee.

Grand Island Community Foundation

1811 W. 2nd Street, Suite 480
Grand Island, NE 68803-5473
Phone: 308-381-7767
Fax: 308-384-4069
Website: http://www.gicf.org/grants

Purpose and Activities: This program is designed to help local non-profits address unmet needs and unique program opportunities. Consideration will be given to requests of greater than $5,000 when circumstances warrant, however in most cases, grant awards of up to $5,000 will be made to help address critical and emerging issues in the community.

Fields of Interest: Arts and Culture, Children and Youth, Civic Enrichment, Community Health, Education

Geographic Limitations: Hall County

Application Information: Applications are due March 1 and September 1. Community Impact Grants and Great Idea Grants are available. Please see the website, or contact the foundation for further application information.
Nebraska Hamilton Community Foundation, Inc.

1216 L St.
Aurora, NE 68818
Phone: (402) 694-6160
Email: swidga@hamilton.net
Contact Person: Sidney L. Widga, Manager

Purpose and Activities: The foundation seeks to meet local community needs for all manner of civic, charitable, educational, cultural, health, recreational, and humanitarian purposes.


Limitations: Giving limited to Hamilton County, Nebraska. No grants for operating expenses, deficit financing, or fund demonstration.

Application Information: Initial approach through a letter.

Albert G. and Bernice F. Hansen Charitable Foundation

12165 W. Center Road, Suite 56
Omaha, NE 6814-3974
Contact Person: Robert Roh, Treasurer

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily for education and for health care; scholarships are awarded to individuals who are graduating from high schools located in the counties of Chase, Dundy, Frontier, Hayes, Hitchcock, and Red Willow, NE.

Fields of Interest: Community and Economic Development, Education, Library, etc..

Application Information: No forms required; letter from applicants stating needs and qualifications are acceptable.

The Harper Family Foundation

6625 State Street
Omaha, NE 68152-1633
Phone: 402-571-6612
Contact Person: Doug Larson

Fields of Interest: Cancer Research, Elementary/Secondary Education, Federated Giving Programs, Higher Education, Recreation, Youth Development

Application Information: Application form not required. Applicants should submit the following in an initial proposal: 1) statement of problem project will address 2) copy of IRS Determination Letter 3) copy of most recent annual report/audited financial statement/990, and 4) listing of board of directors, trustees, officers and other key people and their affiliations.
Hastings Community Foundation, Inc.

800 West 3rd Street, Suite # 232
Hastings, NE 68901
Phone: 402-462-5152
Contact: Susan Poppe, Office Manager
Email: susanhcf@inebraska.com
Website: http://www.hastingscommunityfoundation.org/

Fields of Interest: Arts, Education, Health Care, Senior Citizens

Geographic Limitations: Mostly local funding.

Application Information: Please contact the foundation for further information.

Hawkins Charitable Trust

2516 Deer Park Blvd.
Omaha, NE 68105-3771
Phone: 402-342-1607
Contact Person: Kenneth Hawkins, Karen Hawkins

Fields of Interest: Education, health care, agriculture, youth services, and federated giving programs. Types of support include annual campaigns, building and renovation, and scholarship funds. No grants to individuals.

Application Information: Application form not required. Initial approach by proposal

The Hearst Foundations

90 New Montgomery St., Ste. 1212
San Francisco, CA 94105
Phone: 415-908-4500
Fax: 415-348-0887
Email: hearst.sf@hearstfdn.org
Website: http://www.hearstfdn.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Hearst Foundations support well-established nonprofit organizations that address important issues within our major areas of interests – education, health, culture, and social service – and that primarily serve large demographic and/or geographic constituencies. Within these areas, the Foundations generally provide endowment, program, and capital grant support. Private nonprofits with significant support from the philanthropic community are favored over those financed through government sources.

Fields of Interest: Education, Health, Culture, and Social Services

Elmer E. Hester – Dundy County Public Schools Foundation

P.O. Box 33
Benkelman, NE 69021-0033
Phone: 308-423-2214
Contact Person: Elmer Case, President

Purpose and Activities: Giving for youth development in Dundy County, Nebraska.
Fields of Interest: Education, Recreation, Youth Development

**Heuermann Family Charitable Trust**

1228 L Street, P.O. Box 228  
Aurora, NE 68818  
Phone: 402-694-3161  
**Contact Person:** Timothy J. Otto, Trustee

Fields of Interest: Agriculture, Recreation, Religion

Application Information: Request application form.

**B. Keith K. & Norma F. Heuermann Foundation**

2720 S. 117th Street  
P.O. Box 542080  
Omaha, NE 68154-8080  
Phone: 402-827-6990

Fields of Interest: Education, agriculture, children’s services, and centers and services for mentally and physically disabled, and aging citizens. Types of support include general/operating support, endowment funds, fellowships, research, and matching funds.

Limitations: Emphasis on organizations engaged in activities in rural areas of Nebraska. No loans or non-monetary contributions, and no grants to individuals. Proposals should be in the range of $1,000 to $25,000. Proposals can be made at any time during the year.

**William and Flora Hewlett Foundation**

2121 Sand Hill Road  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
Phone: 650-234-4500  
Fax: 650-234-4501  
**Website:** [http://www.hewlett.org/](http://www.hewlett.org/)

Purpose and Activities: The Hewlett Foundation makes grants to solve social and environmental problems at home and around the world. Grantees are working to reduce poverty in the developing world, curb carbon emissions that lead to climate change, and improve education for students in California and elsewhere, among many other valuable goals.

Fields of Interest: Education, Environment, Global Development, Performing Arts, and Philanthropy

Application Information: Letters of inquiry must first be submitted before receiving an application. Please visit the website at [http://www.hewlett.org/grants/grantseekers](http://www.hewlett.org/grants/grantseekers) for further information.

**The Hirschfeld Family Foundation, Inc.**

3606 4th Ave.  
P.O. Box 1060  
Kearney, NE 68845-2828  
Phone: 308-234-3927  
**Contact Person:** Jeffrey L. Orr, Attorney
Fields of Interest: Include children’s museums, secondary and higher education, hospitals, youth development, scouting agencies, human services, special populations, aging centers and services, and Protestant agencies and churches.

Application Information: An application form is required. Initial approach should be by letter requesting an application form. There are no deadlines.

The Hitachi Foundation

1215 17th St., NW
Washington, DC 20036
Phone: 202-457-0588
Fax: 202-296-1098
Website: http://www.hitachifoundation.org/index.php

Purpose and Activities: Discovering and expanding business practices that create tangible and enduring economic opportunities for low-wealth Americans, their families, and communities.

Gilbert M. and Martha H. Hitchcock Foundation

209 South 19th Street, Suite 151
Omaha, NE 68132
Phone: 402-305-0043

Purpose and Activities: Support for private education. Support for the arts and social service agencies. Sponsors scholarship program for Omaha World-Herald newspaper carriers.

Fields of Interest: Performing arts centers, arts and cultural programs, higher education, and human services. Types of support include general operating support, capital campaigns, building renovation, endowment funds, scholarship funds, and matching funds. No grants to individuals.

The Holland Foundation

1501 S. 80th Street
Omaha, NE 68124-1423
Contact Person: Richard D. Holland, President

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily for the arts, education and human services.

Fields of Interest: Arts, Education, Human Services, Performing Arts, Orchestras

Application Information: Written description of the organization and project along with financial information on the organization and the project. Also include a statement of benefits derived from the grant. No deadlines.

Berneice M. Hopper Private Foundation

1120 South 101st Street
Omaha, NE 68124
Phone: 402-221-0122

Fields of Interest: Education, Human Services, Religion, etc...

Application Information: Complete the Berneice M. Hopper Private Foundation Grant Application. Funded projects or agencies must be located in the Greater Weeping Water, Nebraska area. Grants will only be
given to 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organizations, or to government entities or their agencies. Grants will not ordinarily be given to any organization for more than two consecutive years.

**The Dale & Patsy Hosman Family Foundation, Inc.**

306 S. 89th Street  
Omaha, NE 68114  
Phone: 402-397-9216  
Contact Person: Patsy L. Hosman, Chair  
**Email:** k2hhk2hh@gmail.com

**Fields of Interest:** Animals, Education, Religion, Arts, etc…

**Imperial Community Foundation**

P.O. Box 1281  
Imperial, NE 69033  
Phone: 308-882-4453  
Contact: Lori Pankonin  
**Email:** ljpank@chase3000.com  
**Website:** [http://www.imperialfoundation.org/](http://www.imperialfoundation.org/)

**Purpose and Activities:** “To accumulate, invest and distribute funds to provide for the enhancement of the community of Imperial and the surrounding area.”

**Fields of Interest:**  
*Investment in People*  
Leadership development, educational opportunities, young people attraction and community involvement, business succession, senior citizens  
*Maintaining and Protecting the Quality of Life*  
Recreation, parks, fine arts, education, health care, and a safe, clean, positive environment

**Application Information:** Grant applications for community projects are available January with a March 1 deadline. Grant awards are announced at the annual celebration that is generally held in March. To download an application form, visit Imperial Foundation’s website at: [http://www.imperialfoundation.org/index.cfm](http://www.imperialfoundation.org/index.cfm).

**Iowa West Foundation**

25 S Main Place, Ste. 550  
Council Bluffs, IA 51503  
Phone: 712-309-3000  
**Website:** [http://www.iowawestfoundation.org/](http://www.iowawestfoundation.org/)

**Purpose and Activities:** The Mission of the Iowa West Foundation is to improve lives and strengthen communities for future generations. They do this by providing leadership, creating partnerships, leveraging resources and serving as a catalyst in identifying and supporting community needs.

**Fields of Interest:** Community Development, Economic Development, Education, Human and Social Needs

**Application Information:** Applicants may apply online at [www.iowawestfoundation.org](http://www.iowawestfoundation.org), or a printed copy may be obtained by contacting the foundation via email. A letter of intent must be submitted and received by January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1 by 5p.m.
Lawrence R. Jeannette & James Foundation

9974 Bloomfield Dr.
Omaha, NE 68114-2120
Phone: 402-496-9600
Contact Person: 402-496-9600

Fields of Interest: Human Services, Education, Animals, Hunger Relief, Museums, Religion, Environment, Arts, etc..

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

P.O. Box 2316
Route 1 and College Road East
Princeton, NJ 08543-2316
Phone: 877-843-7953
Website: http://www.rwjf.org/

Purpose and Activities: To assure access to health care for all Americans.

Fields of Interest: Health Care

Application Information: Calls for proposal are issued throughout the year. Please visit the Foundation’s website at www.rwjf.org for further information.

Joyce Foundation

321 North Clark St, Suite 1500
Chicago, IL 60654
Phone: 312-782-2464
Fax: 312-595-1350
Website: http://www.joycefdn.org/

Purpose: The Joyce Foundation supports efforts to protect the natural environment of the Great Lakes; to reduce poverty and violence in the region; and to ensure that its people have access to good schools, decent jobs, and a diverse and thriving culture. It is especially interested in improving public policies, because public systems, such as education and welfare directly affect the lives of so many people, and public policies help shape private sector decisions about jobs, the environment, and the health of our communities. To ensure that public policies truly reflect public rather than private interests, the Joyce Foundation works to reform the system of financing election campaigns.

Fields of Interest: Education, Employment, Environment, Gun Violence, Money and Politics, Culture

Application Information: The Joyce Foundation accepts grant inquiries throughout the year. Applicants should anticipate the application process to take approximately four to six months from the initial letter of inquiry submission to the receipt of funding. Deadlines vary throughout the year. Additional information can be found online at: http://www.joycefdn.org/apply/.

Richard Kalvelage Gift Trust

1008 S Street
P.O. Box 164
Neligh, NE 68756-0164
Phone: 402-887-5022
Contact Person: James J. McNally
Fields of Interest: Children and Youth, Religion, Community and Economic Development, Education,

**Greater Kansas City Community Foundation**

Downtown Kansas City Office  
1055 Broadway, Suite 130  
Kansas City, MO 64105  
Phone: 816-842-0944  
Fax: 816-842-8079  
Email: info@gkccf.org  
Website: [http://www.gkccf.org/](http://www.gkccf.org/)

**Purpose and Activities:** The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation is a public charity. Its mission is to improve the quality of life in Greater Kansas City by increasing charitable giving, connecting donors to community needs they care about, and taking the lead on critical community issues.

**Fields of Interest:** Varied

**Application Information:** Visit the foundation’s website and visit the staff listing found at: [http://www.gkccf.org/about/staff-listing](http://www.gkccf.org/about/staff-listing).

**Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation**

4801 Rockhill Road  
Kansas City, MO 64110-2046  
Phone: (816) 932-1000  
Website: [http://www.kauffman.org/](http://www.kauffman.org/)

**Purpose and Activities:** To help individuals attain economic independence by advancing educational achievement and entrepreneurial success, consistent with the aspirations of Founder Ewing Marion Kauffman. Ewing Kauffman advised his associates to invest in people and take risks as they looked for opportunities to promote positive education and accelerate entrepreneurship in America. The foundation considers grants to be investments, and looks to earn returns on those grant investments.

**Fields of Interest:** In general, Kauffman Foundation grants are limited to programs and/or initiatives that have significant potential to demonstrate innovative service delivery in support of education and entrepreneurship.

**Funding Guidelines:** The foundation partners with organizations that share its vision and passion for education and entrepreneurship. They look for ways to advance promising national programs and leverage additional funding and resources in these two areas of interest. They work with partners by providing funding, consultation and technical assistance. Occasionally the foundation operates its own programs.

**Application Information:** The Kauffman Foundation does not use a grant application form or formal application process. It does not have proposal deadlines or established funding limits. There are no established maximum or minimum dollar amounts. Grant sizes range from a few thousand to several million dollars, depending on the size of the organization and the scope of the project. The foundation looks at the amount needed for each specific project based on scope of work. After reviewing the funding priorities, if you feel there is a strong match with your request, a letter of inquiry may be submitted, preferably less than three pages long. Please visit the foundation website at [www.kauffman.org](http://www.kauffman.org) for further information.
Kearney Area Community Foundation

412 W. 48th Street, Suite 12
Kearney, NE 68845
Phone: 308-237-3114
Fax: 308-237-9845
Website: http://www.kearneyfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The foundation exists to enhance the quality of life in the Kearney area by directing charitable funds to achieve the maximum benefit for the people of area communities. Primary grant making areas include arts and culture, human services, health, and recreation.


Limitations: Giving limited to the community of Kearney and all of Buffalo County, as well as communities throughout central NE. No support for religious activities (unless non-denominational and serving a broad segment of the population) or private or parochial schools (unless serving a broad segment of the population), as well as other private organizations. No grants to individuals (except for scholarships), or for annual fund drives, galas, or other special event fundraising activities, capital campaigns/renovation projects, debt reduction, dissertations or student/faculty research projects, endowment funds, indirect/administrative costs, fellowships, travel, tours or trips; no loans.

Application Information: Visit foundation Website for application form and guidelines. Faxed or Emailed applications are not accepted. Application form required. Deadlines: February 1 and August 1.

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

1 Michigan Avenue East
Battle Creek, Michigan 49017-4012
Phone: 269-968-1611
Fax: 269-968-0413
Website: http://www.wkkf.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Foundation will consider requests that reflect programmatic efforts in each of its established or developing program areas, as well as in the integrative themes of leadership; information systems; capitalizing on diversity; and social and economic community development. Does not provide grants for: operational phases of established programs; capital facilities, equipment, conferences, publications, films, or television and radio programs, unless they are an integral phase of a project being funded; endowments or development campaigns; religious purposes; or individuals, except for fellowships in specific areas of Foundation programming.

Fields of Interest:

1. Health: To increase access to integrated, comprehensive health care systems organized around public health, prevention, and primary care. Work to improve services, prepare the health workforce of tomorrow, and create systemic change in which a community has a voice.

2. Philanthropy and Volunteerism: To support change agents, in communities and systems that will improve human life by increasing philanthropy and volunteerism.

3. Food Systems and Rural Development: To help meet the needs for safe, nutritious diets while ensuring that food production systems are environmentally sensitive, economically viable, sustainable over the long term, and socially responsible. To fund collaborative, comprehensive approaches to
rural development that emphasizes community problem-solving, leadership development, delivery of human services, and training of local government officials.

4. Youth and Education/Higher Education: To improve the well-being of youth through comprehensive, collaborative, community-based initiatives. To strengthen higher education and mobilize its resources to help address societal needs.


Walter W. and Frances M. Key Charitable Foundation

c/o U.S. Bank, N.A.
525 N. 132nd St.
Omaha, NE 68154-4041
Phone: 402-399-3876

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily for theater, education, and social services.

Fields of Interest: American Red Cross; Boys & Girls Clubs; Higher Education; Human Services; Performing Arts, Theater; Secondary School/Education

Application Information: Contributes only to pre-selected organizations.

Peter Kiewit Foundation

1125 South 103rd Street, Suite 500
Omaha, Nebraska 68124
Phone: 402-344-7890
Fax: 402-344-8099
Website: http://www.peterkiewitfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: General charitable purposes and scholarships.

Fields of Interest: Cultural, Civic, Youth Programs, Community and Economic Development, Higher Education, Social Services, Wellness (general grants, small grants, scholarships, teacher awards, and other initiatives)

Application Information: Interested groups should contact the Foundation at the above number to request application forms. Deadlines are January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15. All grants are made on a matching fund or challenge basis.

Larue Coffee Charitable Foundation

3835 S. 179 Terrace
Omaha, NE 68130
Phone: 402-896-0124
Contact Person: Verlyn L'Heureux, V.P.

Fields of Interest: Health, Religion, Community Development, Education, Disabled, Sports, etc..
Richard P. and Laurine Kimmel Charitable Foundation, Inc.

1248 O St., Suite 792
Lincoln, NE 68508-1475
Phone: 402-475-1797
Fax: 402-475-3236
Email: info@kimmelfoundation.org
Website: http://www.kimmelfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Kimmel Foundation supports innovative ideas that promise substantial improvements in the quality of community and rural life in Nebraska and Iowa.

Fields of Interest: Education, Arts, Human Services, Agriculture, and Humanities

Application Information: Please visit the website for information regarding grant guidelines for application submission. One copy of proposal needed. Applications are generally reviewed within one to three months of receipt.

Linder Family Foundation

527 N. Elmwood Road
Omaha, NE 68132
Phone: 402-391-1065
Contact Person: Dr. James Linder

Fields of Interest: Hunger Relief, Museum, Environment, Education, Media, Community Development, Library, Research, Art, Zoo

Application Information: Letter describing grant request with 501(c)(3) IRS letter attached.

The Kind World Foundation

1125 South 103rd Street, Suite 425
Omaha, NE 68124
Phone: (402)-697-8000
Contact Person: Patti Kilgore

Fields of Interest: Arts, Children/Youth Services, Education, Environment, Natural Resources, Family Services, International Relief, Performing Arts Centers.

Application Information: Interested applicants must submit a letter. There is no deadline.

Land O’ Lakes Foundation

Community Grants Program
P.O. Box 64101
St. Paul, MN 55164-0150
Phone: 1-800-328-9680
Website: http://www.landolakesinc.com/company/corporateresponsibility/foundation/default.aspx

Purpose and Activities: Land O’Lakes Foundation Community Grants Program provides support through cash grants to nonprofit organizations that are working to improve communities where Land O’Lakes has a significant concentration of members or employees. These include organizations
- Such as United Way that provide funding to community human services.
- That work to alleviate hunger.
• Designed to build knowledge and leadership skills of rural youth.
• Active in addressing and solving community problems.
• Promoting artistic endeavors — especially in under-served rural areas, touring or outreach programs.

Program Guidelines: Land O’Lakes Foundation Community Grants range from $500 to $10,000. Some larger donations are made.

Requests for more than $5,000:
• Will be screened by Foundation staff.
• Selected will be reviewed by Land O’Lakes Foundation Board, who meet in February, June, August and December.
• Deadline for applications is the first of the month prior to the Board meeting month. For example, May 1 is the deadline for requests that will be reviewed at the June meeting.

Requests for less than $5,000:
• Will be reviewed by Land O’Lakes Foundation staff.
• No deadline for the receipt of requests under $5,000.
• May take up to three months to fully consider. Applicants will be notified of a decision as soon as possible.

Arts and culture donations are considered once each year in the spring, with a May 1 postmarked deadline. Applications for the following year will only be accepted on or after January 1. The program budget is less than ten percent of our overall giving.

Application Information: Complete the Community Grants Program application online or request a form to be completed by hand, and return it with the following information:
1. A copy of your organization’s most recent annual report with financial information included or a brief history and current activities of your organization.
2. A current operating budget and proposed budget if your project will occur during the following fiscal year.
3. A copy of your organization’s tax-exempt ruling under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a description of your organization’s ownership and/or management.

Legal Services Corporation

3333 K St, NW, 3rd Floor
Washington, DC 20007-3522
Phone: 202-295-1500
Fax: 202-337-6797
Email: competition@lsc.gov
Website: http://www.lsc.gov/

Fields of Interest: Provision of civil legal services to low income people

Application Information: In order to submit a Grant Application, an applicant must first submit a Notice of Intent to Compete (NIC) to LSC. The deadline for filing the NIC is mid-May of each year. LSC requires applicants to submit the NIC using the following website: grants.lsc.gov. All applicants must complete and submit the Grant Application using this website. The deadline for a grant application is then the beginning of June.
Lexington Community Foundation

607 Washington St
P.O. Box 422
Lexington, NE 68850-0422
Phone: 308-324-6704
Fax: 308-324-6345
Contact Person: Jacqueline Berke, Executive Director
Email: lexfoundation@windstream.net
Website: http://www.lexfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Lexington Community Foundation provides financial assistance for programs and/or projects, which will enhance the quality of life for all residents of the Lexington community.

Fields of Interest: Education, Health, Art/Culture, Recreational, Human Services, and Community/Civic

Application Information: Please contact the foundation to obtain further application information and procedures.

Lied Foundation Trust

3907 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89102
Phone: 702-878-1559
Contact Person: Christina M. Hixson, Trustee

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily to youth organizations and higher education.

Fields of Interest: Youth Organizations and Higher Education

Lincoln Community Foundation

215 Centennial Mall S., Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68508
Phone: 402-474-2345
Fax: 402-476-8523
Email: lcf@lcf.org
Website: http://www.lcf.org/

Purpose and Activities: To enrich the quality of life in Lincoln and the surrounding area by:
1. Receiving and managing funds to build permanent, unrestricted endowments for needs of Lincoln and the surrounding area. Resources are used wisely and efficiently to respond to emerging and changing needs, and to sustain existing organizations and institutions, through grants for education, arts and culture, health, social services, economic development, and civic affairs.
2. Providing a flexible vehicle for donors with varied philanthropic desires. By doing so, the Foundation serves as a steward for individuals, families, foundations and organizations which entrust assets to its care.
3. Acting as a leader of the local philanthropic community, identifying and exploring important needs and concerns, addressing serious problems, and shaping effective responses.

Fields of Interest: Program and capital grants to respond to emerging and changing needs and to sustain existing organizations and institutions in support of basic needs, children and youth, older adults, environmental enhancement, family issues, human diversity, and cultural arts.

Geographic Limitations: Giving Primarily in Lincoln and Lancaster County, Nebraska
Milton S. and Corinne N. Livingston Foundation, Inc.

333 S. 132 Street
Omaha, NE 68154
Phone: 402-334-6466
Contact Person: Howard Epstein

The Lozier Foundation

6336 Pershing Dr.
Omaha, NE 68110-1100
Phone: 402-457-8160
Contact Person: Robert Braun, Jr.
Email: bob.braun@lozier.biz

Purpose and Activities: Giving primarily for higher education, domestic violence prevention, human and youth services, women centers, homeless, African-Americans, and economically disadvantaged.

Fields of Interest: African Americans/Blacks; Crime/violence prevention, domestic violence; Economically disadvantaged; Higher education; Homeless; Homeless, human services; Human services; Women; Women, centers/services; Youth, services (annual campaigns, building/renovation, capital campaigns, continuing support, employee matching gifts, general/operating support, matching/challenge support)

Limitations: Applications not accepted. Giving primarily in Omaha, NE. No grants to individuals.

Application Information: Contributes only to pre-selected organizations.

Lute Family Foundation

P.O. Box 187
Ogallala, NE 68153
Phone: 308-284-4165
Contact Person: Richard M. Bourque, Director and Manager
Email: lutefound@charter.net
Website: www.megavision.com/ff

Purpose and Activities: The motto of the Lute Foundation, Inc. “Pioneer Spirit for the Future of Nebraska”, speaks reflectively of the men who inspired its creation. The Late Robert F. Lute Sr. and The Late Robert F. Lute Jr., were men who tried to shape the future not only by lessons learned from experience, but also by visions of what could be achieved through enterprise.

After the death of Robert Lute Sr. in November of 1994, Kathleen Lute, widow of Robert F. Lute Jr., established the Lute Foundation, Inc. on June 20, 1995. Endowing Robert F. Lute Sr’s. entire estate to the Foundation and renouncing any and all control, Ms. Lute’s only request was that all contributions be given to causes and organizations in Nebraska that are important to the community “in the spirit of the Lute family”.

The Executive Director, Rick Bourque, controls the day to day functions of the Lute Foundation, Inc., and Blake Edwards and Kathleen Lute serve as directors. The Board of Directors of the Lute Foundation, Inc., are volunteers and not compensated monetarily for their time or labor.
The Lute Foundation, Inc., will continue to serve in the spirit on which it was created. It is our fervent hope that we will continue to further the tradition of the “Pioneer Spirit” that shaped the community the Lute Family continues to treasure.

**Fields of Interest:** Emergency Response, Community Development, Hunger Relief, Education, Hospital, Environment, etc..

**Application Information:** Visit the website for a copy of the application.

**John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation**

Office of Grants Management  
140 S. Dearborn Street  
Chicago, IL 60603-5285  
Phone: 312-726-8000  
Fax: 312-920-6285  
E-mail: 4answers@macfound.org  
Website: [www.macfound.org](http://www.macfound.org)

**Purpose and Activities:** To help develop successful individuals and strong communities, the Program on Human and Community Development focuses on the relationships among people, place, and systems. Through grants and loans, the program explores two primary themes: the important role of place — home, community, city, region, and state — in people’s lives; and the shared interests between individuals, particularly those in trouble or in need, and society at large.

**Fields of Interest:** Community and Economic Development, Stable and Affordable Housing, Juvenile Justice Reform, Digital Media & Learning, Mental Health, Policy Research, and Program-Related Investments

**Application Information:** Visit the website at [www.macfound.org](http://www.macfound.org) for further information.

**Irene & Joseph Malek Charitable Trust**

10036 Fieldcrest Dr.  
Omaha, NE 68114  
Phone: 402-390-0300  
**Contact Person:** Daniel Duffy

**Fields of Interest:** Education, Elderly, Religion

**Mammel Family Foundation**

8805 Indian Hills Dr., Suite 375  
Omaha, NE 68114-6020  
Phone: 402-384-8600  
Contact: Carl Mammel

**The Mariucci Foundation**

2114 S 109 Street  
Omaha, NE 68144  
Phone: 402-393-7148  
**Contact Person:** Roland A. Mariucci, Mgr.
**Fields of Interest:** Boys & Girls clubs; Health Organizations; Human Services; Protestant Agencies & Churches.

**Application Information:** The Foundation should be approached initially through a letter. There are no deadlines for submission.

**Merrick Foundation**

1530 17th Avenue  
Central City, NE 68826-1766  
Phone: 308-946-3707  
Fax: 308-946-3049  
Email: merrickfoundation@gmail.com  
Website: [http://www.merrick-foundation.org/grants.htm](http://www.merrick-foundation.org/grants.htm)

**Purpose and Activities:** The goal of the Merrick Foundation, Inc. is to improve the quality of life in the Merrick County area by supporting needs that are not being met in the areas of civic, cultural, health, education and social service.

**Fields of Interest:** Civic, Culture, Health, Education, Social Service

**Geographic Limitations:** Merrick County service area

**Application Information:** Deadline for submitting a grant application is the 10th of each Month or the following Monday if the 10th falls on a weekend. Grants are approved every month except December.

**Metropolitan Life Foundation**

1095 Avenue of the Americas  
40th Floor  
New York, NY 10036  
Email: metlifefoundation@metlife.com  
Website: [https://www.metlife.com/metlife-foundation/index.html](https://www.metlife.com/metlife-foundation/index.html)

**Purpose and Activities:** The Metropolitan Life Foundation was established by MetLife to support various educational, health and welfare, and civic and cultural organizations. The primary objective of the Foundation is to assist tax-exempt organizations through a program of financial support, particularly in the communities in which MetLife has a major presence. The goals are to strengthen communities, promote good health and improve education. The Foundation continues a tradition of corporate contributions and community involvement begun by MetLife at the turn of the century.

**Fields of Interest:** Health, Education, Civil Affairs, Culture

**Andrea Wait Carlton Family Foundation**  
(formerly Messengers of Healing Winds Foundation)

PO Box 58389  
Nashville, TN 37205-8389  
Phone: (615) 873-4142  
Fax: (505) 954-4762  
Contact Person: Steve Rasmussen, Executive Director  
Email: srasmussen@mhw-foundation.org

**Purpose and Activities:** The Messengers of Healing Winds Foundation strives to encourage and support programs and activities that will promote an appreciation and understanding for the need to protect our
natural resources. It is the Foundation's goal to educate and advance solutions that will foster care for the environment and improve the quality of life for all earth's creatures and its people.

Fields of Interest: Environment, Animal Welfare, Renovation, Performance Arts, Culture, Humanities, Selected Social Concerns, Education, Environmental Concerns (with emphasis on programs that strive to preserve the land and educate our children on the importance of protecting and caring for our natural heritage); Animal Welfare (with emphasis on the protection and humane treatment of both wild and domestic animals); Social Concerns (with emphasis on helping Native Americans help themselves); Fine Arts (with emphasis on renovation and the visual arts)

The foundation may also fund other charitable organizations or programs as deemed appropriate by the board of directors.

Geographic Limitations: Limited to Lake region of northwest Iowa; Outside Iowa: Santa Fe NM, Florida, South Dakota, and North Dakota

**MidAmerican Energy Foundation**

P.O. Box 657  
Des Moines, IA 50306-0657  
Phone: (515) 281-2575  
Fax: (515) 242-4080  
Contact Person: Tim Grabinski  
Email: tdgrabinsky@midamerican.com  
Website: [http://www.midamericanenergy.com/](http://www.midamericanenergy.com/)

Purpose and Activities: The foundation supports various charitable organizations as well as public and private colleges and universities. The foundation supports fairs and civic centers and organizations involved with areas of interest.

Fields of Interest: Economic Development, Arts and Culture, Higher Education, Cancer, and Human Services

Geographic Limitations: limited to MidAmerica Energy Company utility service areas

Application Information: Contact by letter first. Applications accepted year round.

**Midlands Community Foundation**

217 North Jefferson Street  
Papillion, NE 68046  
Phone: 402-991-8027  
Fax: 402-991-8047  
Email: info@midlandscommunity.org  
Website: [www.midlandscommunity.org](http://www.midlandscommunity.org)

Purpose and Activities: Provides opportunities for non-profit charities to secure funding for programs that will improve the quality of life of residents of Sarpy and Cass counties. The Foundation has placed an emphasis on prevention and education. The Foundation has a strong commitment to assist programs benefiting health, art, culture, community, education, economic development and human services.

Limitations: Grant awards will only be considered for non-profit organizations serving the Sarpy and Cass county areas. Visit website for activities that will not be funded.

Application Procedure: Application can be found at website or by calling the office. Applications must be mailed or hand delivered; no applications will be accepted by fax or email.
Timeline: Grant applications are due by February 1 or August 1 of each year. Grants are awarded twice per year: April for the February 1 deadline and October for the August 1 deadline.

**Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation, Inc.**

120 N. Dewey  
P.O. Box 1321  
North Platte, NE 69103-1321  
Phone: 308-534-3315  
Fax: 308-534-6117  
Contact Person: Eric Seacrest, Executive Director; or Judy Rossetter, Administrator  
Email: mncf@hamilton.net  
Website: [http://www.midnebraskafoundation.org/](http://www.midnebraskafoundation.org/)

Purpose and Activities: Serve to charitable people and worth causes in the North Platte, Nebraska region, including administration of charitable funds for scholarships as well as grants to qualified non-profit organizations in the region.

Fields of Interest: Community Development, Culture, Education (including a special grant program for projects helping teachers), Environment, Health, and Human Services.

Limitations: Grant applications are invited only for projects that benefit people and qualified non-profit organizations in the Nebraska counties of Custer, Dawson, Frontier, Hayes, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, and Perkins.

Application Information: Grant applications must be made using Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation’s application form. Application form and policy for Non-Profit Project Grants are available from Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation. An initial approach by letter, email, or telephone is recommended. One copy of proposal needed. Deadlines for non-profit project grant applications are January 15, April 15, September 15, and December 15. Board of Directors meets at least quarterly.

**Charles Stewart Mott Foundation**

Mott Foundation Building  
503 S. Saginaw Street, Suite 1200  
Flint, Michigan 48502-1851  
Phone: 810-238-5651  
Fax: 810-766-1753  
Email: info@mott.org  
Website: [http://www.mott.org/](http://www.mott.org/)

Purpose and Activities: The Charles Stewart Mott Foundation affirms its founder’s vision of a world in which each of us is in partnership with the rest of the human race – where each individual’s quality of life is connected to the well-being of the community, both locally and globally. It pursues this vision through creative grant making, thoughtful communication and other activities that enhance community in its many forms.

Fields of Interest: Civil Society, Environment, Flint Area, Poverty

Mutual of Omaha Foundation

Mutual of Omaha Plaza
Omaha, NE 68175
Telephone: 866-663-5665
Email: mutualofomaha.foundation@mutualofomaha.com
Website: http://www.mutualofomahafoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: We are committed to empowering families to overcome obstacles and work toward positive change in Omaha and the surrounding community.


Geographic Limitations: Council Bluffs, IA and Omaha, NE.

The Myrl S. and Bessie Evans Mather Foundation

233 S. 13th Street, Suite 1011
Lincoln, NE 68508
Phone: 402-434-1584
Contact Person: Jake Strasheim

Fields of Interest: Children and Youth, Recreation, Education, Sports, etc..

Nebraska Community Foundation

3833 S. 14th St.
P.O. Box 83107
Lincoln, NE 68501
Phone: 402-323-7330
Email: info@nebcommfound.org
Website: http://www.nebcommfound.org/

Purpose and Activities: Established in 1993, the mission of the Nebraska Community Foundation (NCF) is to help mobilize charitable giving in support of community betterment through development. NCF serves as an umbrella foundation for Nebraska’s communities, various regional and statewide programs, and donor advised funds. A community, organization, or donor can establish a fund through the Foundation as an alternative to starting their own 501(c)(3) foundations. Other services include providing fundraising support through technical information, training opportunities, and outreach support.

Nebraska State Recycling Association

10330 “I” Street, Suite 120
Omaha, NE 68127
Phone: 402-933-3059
Email: recyclenebraska@yahoo.com
Website: http://recyclenebraska.org/home

Purpose and Activities: Since 1980 the Nebraska State Recycling Association has recognized that conservation and recycling are the future of our planet. NSRA raises awareness of recycling among the general public, while providing technical assistance and grant assistance for countless recycling programs state wide.
Grant programs: Grants are available for the purchase of recycling equipment such as trucks, dumpsters, skid loaders, balers, can crushers, etc. Applications are open to Nebraska organizations: municipalities and other governmental entities, non-profits and recycling businesses. Equipment already purchased is not eligible.

Karl H. & Wealtha H. Nelson Family Foundation

9290 W. Dodge Rd., Suite 303
Omaha, NE 68114-4077
Phone: 402-390-0390
Contact: George Blazek, Secretary

Fields of Interest: Education, Children and Youth, Community Development, Family Services, Environment, etc...

Donald E. Nielsen Foundation, Inc.

307 N Oakland Ave
Oakland, NE 68045
Phone: 402-372-5166
Contact Person: Clarence Mock

Fields of Interest: Community Development, Education, Library, Arts, Elderly, Recreation, etc...

Omaha Community Foundation

302 S. 36th St. Ste. 100
Omaha, NE 68131
Phone: 402-342-3458
Fax: 402-342-3582
Email: info@omahafoundation.org
Website: http://omahafoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Omaha Community Foundation is a public foundation with a not-for-profit status. Its purpose is to facilitate charitable giving and serve as a vehicle for community improvement. The Foundation’s primary granting programs are Fund for Omaha and the Endowment Funds of Southwest Iowa. Grants are limited to organizations serving the Greater Omaha area. No grants to individuals.

The African American Unity Fund was established in 2008 to support organizations that address emerging needs within the Omaha-area African American community. Ongoing funds are contributed by the Sherwood Foundation and the William and Ruth Scott Family Foundation. A 10-member grant committee, made up of local leaders who have robust knowledge of the African American community, evaluates the proposals and makes the award decisions.

The goal of the Fund for Omaha (FFO) is to improve the quality of life in Greater Omaha by supporting needs not being met in the areas of civic, cultural, health, education and social service. Organizations applying for FFO Grants must be tax exempt as defined by IRS 501(c)(3) status. The Foundation, except under unusual circumstances, does not make grants for endowments, capital campaigns, deficit financing, annual fund drives or fund-raising activities. The Foundation gives less consideration to applications from tax supported institutions, individual churches or similar religious groups, veterans, labor groups, social clubs, or fraternal organizations. Will not consider applications from art agencies or organizations except those linked with youth. The grant request must have the approval of the governing board of the requesting organization.
The Endowment Funds of Southwest Iowa are nine counties that have chosen to affiliate with the Omaha Community Foundation in order to take advantage of its expertise and services. Annually, five percent of each county endowment fund’s balance may be granted to charities within its County. Local charities can apply to the fund to receive grants that are determined by the local county Advisory Board.

Grant Programs: African American Unity Fund, Fund for Omaha (FFO), Futuro Latino Fund, Neighborhood Innovation Awards, Youth in Philanthropy, and Endowment Funds of Southwest Iowa

The Omaha World-Herald Foundation

1919 Douglas St
Omaha, NE 68102
Phone: 402-444-1000

Fields of Interest: Journalism and publishing, historic preservation and historical societies, arts and cultural programs, education, natural resource conservation and protection, and youth services. Types of support include building and renovation, equipment, program development, seed money, internships, scholarship funds, and matching funds.

Application Information: Application form not required. Initial approach should be by letter, one copy needed. There are no deadlines, final notification in two months from submittal.

O’Neill Community Foundation

P.O. Box 453
O’Neill, NE 68763
Phone: 402-340-0190
Website: http://www.oneillcommunityfoundation.org/index.html
Email: info@oneillcommunityfoundation.org

Purpose and Activities: The O’Neill Community Foundation exists to enhance the quality of life for those living in O’Neill. Grants are awarded to community organizations and projects.

Limitations: Only for purposes of benefiting residents of O’Neill.

Application: Download the application from the website and return either by email or mail to the above address.

Oregon Trail Community Foundation

115 W Railway Street
Scottsbluff, NE 69361
Phone: 308-635-3393
Fax: 308-635-3393
Contact Person: Bev Overman, Executive Secretary
Email: info@otcf.org
Website: http://www.otcf.org

Purpose and Activities: To assist charitable institutions (including educational institutions not operated for profit) whether supported by private donation or public taxation.

Fields of Interest: Aging, Arts, Community Development, Neighborhood Development, Economic Development, Health Care, Higher Education, Recreation, Substance Abuse Services, Youth Development
Pegler Family Foundation

P.O. Box 81667
Lincoln, NE 68501-1667

Fields of Interest: Family Services, Children and Youth, Education, Environment, Health

Application Information: Application should be made by letter to the Board and include the following:
1. The purpose for which the funds will be used
2. A list of current officers, directors and trustees
3. A copy of the letter from the IRS, authorizing IRC Section 501(c)(3) status.

Kitty M. Perkins Foundation

c/o J. Richard Shoemaker
304 Nelson St.
P.O. Box 3592
Cambridge, NE 69022-3592
Phone: 308-697-4721
Fax: 308-697-4101
Contact: Dick Shoemaker
Email: dick.shoemaker@pnpt.com
Website: http://www.kmpfoundation.com/

Purpose and Activities: The objective of the Kitty M. Perkins Foundation is to provide charitable gifts to worthy tax-exempt organizations involving religious, charitable, scientific, library, or educational purposes exclusively. Grants may also be made to an eligible state or political subdivision thereof if the grant is made exclusively for public purposes.

Fields of Interest: Higher education, libraries, hospitals, and medical research. Types of support include general operating support, continuing support, annual campaigns, building and renovation, equipment, program development, professorships, and research.

Phelps County Community Foundation

504 Fourth Avenue
Holdrege, NE 68949-2255
Phone: 308-995-6847
Fax: 308-995-2146
Contact Person: Vickie Klein, Executive Director
Email: vlpcff@phelpsfoundation.org
Website: http://www.phelpsfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Phelps County Community Foundation's grants program provides a means by which not-for-profit charitable organizations may secure financial assistance for projects and programs which will enhance the quality of life for residents of Phelps County, Nebraska.

Fields of Interest: Education, Cultural, Human Services, Health and Recreation, Community Development
Physicians Mutual Insurance Company Foundation

2600 Dodge Street
PO Box 3313
Omaha, NE 68131
Phone: 402-633-1000
Fax: 402-633-1096
Contact Person: Debra Walton
Website: https://www.physiciansmutual.com/

Fields of Interest: Health and Human Service Programs, Cancer Research, Local Charities

Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

Pioneer Hi-Bred Foundation
7100 NW 62nd Ave
P.O. Box 1000
Johnston, IA 50131-1000
Phone: 515-270-3200
Email: web.editor@pioneer.com
Website: http://www.pioneer.com/home/site/about/business/pioneer-giving/community-investment/

Purpose and Activities: Interested in supporting projects that demonstrate cooperation with other community-based programs, broad-based funding, community need, and positive results. Look favorably on programs that involve customers, growers, employees and sales representatives. Projects that receive priority consideration are:

1. Within the company focus areas (Education, Farm Safety and Rural Health, Local Community Initiatives).
2. Located in Pioneer Hi-Bred facility communities, or rural agricultural regions.
3. Involve organizations with active Pioneer Hi-Bred management/employee participation and company-related expertise and interest.

As a general policy, Pioneer Hi-Bred does not make grants to: non-tax exempt organizations, individuals, religious or political organizations that promote a particular doctrine, elected officials, company marketing or advertising, and organizations where there is a conflict of interest with Pioneer Hi-Bred values.

Fields of Interest: Education, Farm Safety and Rural Health, Local Community Initiatives.

Public Welfare Foundation

1200 U Street
Washington, DC 20009-4443
Phone: 202-965-1800
Email: info@publicwelfare.org
Website: http://www.publicwelfare.org/Home.aspx

Purpose and Activities: The Public Welfare Foundation is dedicated to supporting organizations that provide services to disadvantaged populations, and to those working for lasting improvements in the delivery of services that meet basic human needs.

Quivey-Bay State Foundation

1515 E. 20th St.
Scottsbluff, NE 69361
Phone: 308-632-7004
Contact Person: Ted Cannon, Secretary/Treasurer

Purpose and Activities: Emphasis on higher education, church support, and youth and child welfare agencies; support also for historic preservation.


Application Information: Initial approach by letter. One copy of proposal needed. Deadlines: Submit proposal in September; deadline October 15. Board meets in October and November.

Qwest Foundation

1801 California, 50th Floor
Denver, CO 80202-2658
Phone: 303-896-1266
Fax: 303-896-4982
Email: qwest.foundation@qwest.com
Website: http://www.centurylink.com/Pages/AboutUs/Community/

Purpose and Activities: The Qwest Foundation understands the long-term benefits of investing in education. The Foundation makes grants to non-profit organizations, primarily focused on promoting pre-K through grade 12 education.

The Foundation awards grants to non-profit organizations that generate high impact and measurable results through community-based programs, and supports programs and initiatives that build lasting value for Qwest customers and the communities we serve.
We focus on enriching the lives of children by supporting solid preK-12 educational programs, and believe that educating children is the cornerstone for building strong and enlightened communities.

Fields of Interest: Qwest for Education focuses on enriching the lives of children by supporting solid preK-12 educational programs. Educating children is the cornerstone for building strong and enlightened communities.
The Foundation will consider programs that:
• Effectively use technology to improve preK-12 public school instruction
• Promote innovative models to strengthen preK-12 public school education
• Improve the skills and leadership of educators and parents
• Promote innovative early childhood education programs
• Promote diversity awareness and cultural competency

Qwest provides direct support for United Ways that provide services where we do business.
The Board of the Qwest Foundation will consider, from time to time, making additional grants to meet urgent local, regional or national community needs, while maintaining a core focus on preK-12 education.

Edgar and Frances Reynolds Foundation, Inc.

P.O. Box 1492
Grand Island, NE 68802
Phone: 308-380-0957
Contact Person: Fred M. Glade, Jr., Chair
Fields of Interest: Include higher education, human services, and community development. Types of support include building, renovation, and scholarship funds.

Application Information: An application form is required. Initial approach should be made by letter. There are no deadlines.

Rogers Foundation

1311 M Street, Suite A
Lincoln, NE 68508
Phone: 402-477-3725
Contact Person: Rex A. Marquart

Fields of Interest: Children and Youth, Hospitals, Animals, Community Development, Disadvantaged Peoples, Education, Health, Hunger Relief, Arts, etc..

Application Information: A proposal including a plan of the project or program, all activities, all objectives, benefits to whom, how, where, when and why should be included. The total cost of the project along with the amount requested should be included along with a listing of other sources approached to fund the project and those sources' responses. In addition, the latest annual statement, budget for the current year, present sources of income, a copy of the IRS Exempt Status Letter and a listing of the members of the Board of Directors should be included.

Rural School and Community Trust

The Rural School and Community Trust
4301 Connecticut Ave, NW
Suite 100
Washington, DC 20008
Phone: 202-822-3919
Fax: 202-872-4050
Email: info@ruraledu.org
Website: http://www.ruraledu.org/index.php

Purpose and Activities: The Rural Trust provides a variety of services—training, networking, technical assistance, coaching, mentoring, research—and materials to increase the capacity of rural schools, teachers, young people, and communities to develop and implement high quality place-based education. We encourage rural people through education, research, organizing and advocacy to become knowledgeable, persistent, and effective citizens who are actively engaged in policy issues that directly affect the quality of education in their communities. We also serve as a resource for educators and policymakers at the state and national levels—identifying and analyzing policies and practices that strengthen rural education, and changing policies that are detrimental to rural schools.

The Ryan Foundation

P.O Box 45625
Omaha, NE 68145
Contact Person: Dr. Wayne Ryan

Fields of Interest: Education, Religion, Children and Youth, Health, Community Development, Women Services, Jewish Programs, Research,

Application Information: The application should include general background information on the applicant, the amount requested, and the proposed budget of the organization.
**Shoemaker Family Foundation**

304 Nelson Street, P.O. 268  
Cambridge, NE 69022-3592  
Phone: 308-697-3395  
**Contact Person:** Kristina Witte, President

**Fields of Interest:** Religion, Education, Arts.

**Application Information:** Narrative which details the purpose of the expenditure for the amount requested. Grants will be made only to 501(c)(3) charitable entities or to governmental entities.

**Harley and Beth Schrager Foundation**

4405 S 96th Street  
Omaha, NE 68127-1210  
**Phone:** 402-505-6300

**Purpose and Activities:** Giving primarily for education, health, human services, and Jewish organizations.

**Fields of Interest:** Children & Youth, Education, Federated Giving Programs, Health. Higher Education, Hospitals (general), Human Services, Jewish Programs, Museums, Recreation, Women Services

**Geographic Limitations:** Applications not accepted. Giving primarily in Omaha, NE. No grants to individuals.

**Application Information:** Contributes only to pre-selected organizations.

**The Walter Scott, Jr. Foundation**

500 Energy Plaza  
409 S. 17th St.  
Omaha, NE 68102

**Fields of Interest:** Museums, Arts and Cultural Programs, Higher Education, Zoos and Zoological Societies, Foundations (private grant making), and Christian Agencies and Churches

**The Scoular Foundation**

2027 Dodge St.  
Omaha, NE 68102-1229  
Phone: 402-342-3500  
**Website:** [http://www.scoular.com/about/community-involvement/](http://www.scoular.com/about/community-involvement/)

**Purpose and Activities:** Based on employee requests, funds are distributed directly to 501(c)(3) organizations that serve Scoular communities.

**Fields of Interest:** Children & Youth, Education, Social Service, Public Health, Arts & Culture

**Geographic Limitations:** Communities or cities where Scoular maintains an office or facility including: Big Springs, Brandon, Elsie, Fremont, Grainton, Hershey, Holdrege, Lamar, Madrid, North Grant, Omaha, Paxton, Sidney, South Grant, Sutherland, Venango, and Wallace.
The Sherwood Foundation (formerly Susan A. Buffett Foundation)

3555 Farnam Street  
Omaha, NE 68131  
Phone: 402-341-1717  
Contact Person: Jeannine Vlassakis, Grant Management Associate  
Email: info@sherwoodfoundation.org  
Website: http://www.sherwoodfoundation.org/

Purpose and activities: The Sherwood Foundation is committed to improving child and family welfare through community investments. Formerly the Susan A. Buffett Foundation, The Sherwood Foundation limits grants to not-for-profit organizations serving Omaha, Nebraska. Occasionally grants are made outside the Greater Omaha Region to organizations that have a working relationship with the foundation. In addition, The Sherwood Foundation supports early childhood education on a regional and national basis through The Buffett Early Childhood Fund.

Fields of Interest: Public Education, Human Services, Social Justice

Limitations: Applications not accepted. Giving primarily in Omaha, NE.

Shickley Community Foundation

P.O. Box 193  
Shickley, NE 68436  
Phone: 402-627-2055  
Email: information@shickleycommunityfoundation.org

Purpose and Activities: The Shickley Community Foundation Board of Directors encourages groups and individuals to apply for grants available from the foundation. Grants are awarded semi-annually in April and October. Applications must be submitted by March 31 or September 30 of each year. The application can be downloaded from the website and sent to P.O. Box 91, Shickley, NE 68436.

Manota E. Simon Foundation

Wells Fargo Bank  
1 W 4th St, 4th Floor  
Winston Salem, NC  
27101-3818

Purpose and Activities: Contributes to trust-specified organizations and those that help the homeless, youth, disease, inflicted, or handicapped, or are devoted to education or community development.

Fields of Interest: Human services, Community Development, Religion

Slosburg Family Charitable Trust

10040 Regency Circle, Suite 200  
Omaha, NE 68114-3734  
Phone: 402-391-7900  
Contact Person: D. David Slosburg, Treasurer

Fields of Interest: Education, Arts, Museums, Children and Youth, Performing Arts, Jewish Programs, Family Services, Health, Environment, Hospitals, Health, Religion

Application Information: Verbal or written requests.
Virginia Smith Charitable Trust

P.O. Box 525
Chappell, NE 69129
Phone: 308-874-2929
Contact Person: Connie Loos

Fields of Interest: Education, Religion, Community Development, Economic Development, Museums,

Application Information: Request paper application. Only open to tax exempt organizations within the communities of Big Springs, Chappell, and Lodgepole, Nebraska.

Sokolof Grandchildren Charitable Foundation

9740 Brentwood Road
Omaha, NE 68114
Phone: 402-393-3893
Contact Person: Mark Javitch

Fields of Interest: Health, Jewish Programs, Arts, Library, Children and Youth, Religion, Media, Family Services, Education, Community & Economic Development,

Sowers Club of Nebraska Foundation

1701 S. 17th St., Ste. 1H
Lincoln, NE 68502
Phone: 402-438-2244
Fax: 402-438-2426
Contact Person: Wendy Rieck
Email: info@thesowersclub.com
Website: http://www.thesowersclub.com/default.htm

Purpose and Activities: The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including for such purpose, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Fields of Interest: Children, Underprivileged, Disabled, Community Service Organizations, Medial Support, Elderly, Education, Community Safety

Application Information: The Sowers Club of Nebraska Foundation will accept grant requests two times annually. Grant applications must be delivered to the Sowers Club of Lincoln by February 15 and June 15 of each year and must be fully completed before requests will be considered. To be eligible, an agency must have been in existence for a minimum of 5 years, and have 501(c)(3) status from the IRS.

Since grant requests usually exceed funds available, the Disbursements Committee has elected to sponsor those charitable activities in their opinion having the most beneficial economic, social and cultural impact on the city of Lincoln and surrounding communities. An application form may be found online.

Your request must include the following:

1. Copy of your "Letter of Determination" from the I.R.S. regarding your 501(c)(3) status.
2. Copy of your annual report or current Balance Sheet outlining your administrative costs. "All information will be treated with strict confidentiality."
3. All Blanks on the Grant Request form must be completed - "FAILURE TO DO SO MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR REQUEST."
4. Do not answer a question on the Request form by reference to another question, document or party.
5. Don't forget there must be Ten (10) copies.

Steinhart Foundation Inc.

601 Central Avenue, Suite 105
Nebraska City, NE 68410-2468
Phone: 402-873-3285

Fields of Interest: Civic and Social Organization

Application Information: Organizations desiring to request funds should submit the following information in the form of a written proposal which should be sent directly to the Foundation. Proposals should not be unduly lengthy. The Foundation is more concerned with the content of the application than its format. 1. A copy of the exemption letter from the Internal Revenue Service or other satisfactory evidence that the organization is tax exempt under Sec. 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Sterns Charitable Foundation, Inc.

P.O Box 81407
Lincoln, NE 68501-1407
Phone: 402-435-4369
Contact Person: Del Lienemann Sr., President

Fields of Interest: Education, Community Development

Application Information: A written grant request should be submitted explaining the need for the grant and how the use of the grant funds will meet the need expressed in the grant request, with IRS exemption letter, audit report, articles and bylaws attached. Written grant requests must be submitted within 90 days after contacting foundation MGR regarding submission of grant request to board of trustees.

Robert Herman Storz Foundation

10050 Regency Cir
Omaha, NE 68114-3721
Phone: (402) 393-8254
Contact: Herbert A. Engdahl, Tr.

Fields of Interest: Arts, Education, Health

Harold W. & Lois D. Struve Foundation

307 Alice Street
Deshler, NE 68340-9611
Phone: 402-365-7575
Contact Person: Lois D. Struve, Treasurer

Fields of Interest: Health, Elderly, Community Development, Religion, Children and Youth, Education, Environment, Media, Arts, Disadvantaged Peoples, etc…

Geographic Limitations: South and Southeast Nebraska and North-Central Kansas, but not restricted to those locations.
Application Information: Include in your application the name of organization, address, purpose or organization, and a copy of tax-exempt certification.

The James Stuart Jr. and Susan Stuart Foundation

2001 Pine Lake Road, Suite 400
Lincoln, NE 68512
Phone: 402-434-7150

Fields of Interest: Religion, Health, Animals, Elderly, Arts, Children and Youth, Environment, Education, etc…

Application Information: The organization request a grant should furnish an opinion to the effect that:

The organization has been certified by the IRS and is in fact acting as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to which contributions are deductible under Section 170(c)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, and furnish the organization’s tax identification number: and
(2) that the organization is either: (a) one which comes within the definition contained in paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) of section 509(a) of the internal revenue code: or (b) that if the organization is a "private foundation" as described in section 509(a) that it is also an "operating foundation" as defined in section 4942(j)(3) of the internal revenue code.

Target Stores Giving Program

33 S. 6th St.
P.O. Box 1392
Minneapolis, MN 55440
Contact Person: Local Store Manager
Email: community.relations@target.com
Website: www.target.com/grants

Purpose and Activities: The Target Stores, Inc. Corporate Giving Program awards funds in three primary areas: Arts; Social Sciences; and Education. The Corporate Giving Program offers support in communities where Target does business. Target also gives away scholarships to students, teachers, and schools. Scholarship applications are available in stores May through October. Product donations can also be requested through your local Target store.

Fields of Interest: Arts, Social Sciences, and Education

Application Information: Applications are accepted only using the online format

Leroy, Jean Thom and T-L Foundation

P.O Box 1047
Hastings, NE 68902-1047
Phone: 402-462-4128
Contact Person: James L. Thom, V.P, Finance

Activities and Purpose: Generally limited to NE religious and educational organizations and activities.

Margaret & Martha Thomas Foundation

2205 North 6th Street, Suite 10A
P.O. Box 218
Beatrice, NE 68310-0218
Activities and Purpose: To support organizations and projects which benefit the citizens of the cities of Wymore and Blue Springs, Nebraska and the surrounding area, including Gage County, Nebraska. Highest priority is given to the Wymore and Blue Springs area.

Fields of Interest: Human Services, Education, Economic Development

Application Information: We fund or provide funds only to organizations operating in Wymore, Blue Springs, and Gage County, Nebraska, or to organizations outside that area if significant benefits to the citizens of that area can be demonstrated, which have either been determined to be both exempt from tax under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) and classified as a public charity under I.R.C. 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or classified as a government entity as described in IRC 170(c)(1). We do not fund or provide funds for: any other types of organizations; individuals; private foundations (whether operating or non-operating); carrying out of propaganda, attempting to influence legislation of any nature; attempting to influence the outcome of any specific public election; carrying on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drives; travel; testing for public safety; or the promotion of any religion. Further, the Foundation does not make loans.

Union Pacific Foundation

1400 Douglas St., Stop 1560
Omaha, NE 68179-1001
Phone: 402-544-5600
Website: http://www.up.com/found/index.shtml

Purpose and Activities: The Union Pacific Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Union Pacific Corporation and Union Pacific Railroad. Union Pacific believes that the quality of life in the communities in which its employees live and work is an integral part of its own success. To better support this mission, the Foundation administers two programs

- The Principals' Partnership, and our
- Community-Based Grant Program

Fields of Interest:
1. Health and Human Services: to assist organizations dedicated to improving the level of health care and providing human services in the community.

2. Community and Civic: to assist community-based organizations and related activities that improve and enrich the general quality of life.

3. Fine Arts: To create a wider opportunity for the enjoyment of, and participation in, the visual and performing arts.
   - Art museums and art councils
   - Performing arts, such as, but not limited to: dance, opera, symphony, and theater

Application Information: Requires the use of an online grant application. Applications accepted May 1 to August 14 for following year fundraising.
The UPS Foundation

55 Glenlake Parkway, NE
Atlanta, GA 30328
Phone: 404-828-6374
Contact Person: Contributions Manager
Email: sustainability@ups.com
Website: http://www.community.ups.com/

Fields of Interest: Economic and Global Literacy, Environmental Sustainability, Nonprofit Effectiveness, Strength from Diversity, and Community Safety

The Valmont Foundation

1 Valmont Plaza, 5th Floor
Omaha, NE 68154-5215
Phone: 402-963-1000

Fields of Interest: Family, Youth, Education, Community Funds, and Cultural Programs

Application Information: Letter requesting guidelines.

Wake Charitable Foundation

203 S. 6th Street
Seward, NE 68434
Phone: 402-643-3602

Fields of Interest: Education, Community Development, Animals, Health, etc..

Weitz Family Foundation

1125 S 103rd St, Ste 200
Omaha, NE 68124
Contact Person: Kathryn White
Email: kwhite@weitzfamilyfoundation.org
Website: http://www.weitzfamilyfoundation.org/

Purpose and Activities: The Weitz Family Foundation seeks to break the cycle of poverty through the enrichment of body, mind, and spirit by empowering individuals, agencies, and organizations that work to improve the quality of life and to promote an equitable and peaceful society.

Application Information: Please visit the website.

Milton & Miriam Waldbaum Family Foundation

714 North 158th Street
Lincoln, NE 68114
Phone: 402-345-5866
Contact Person: John Waldaum

Fields of Interest: Religion, Education, Jewish Programs, Health, Environment, Family Services, Hunger Relief, Children and Youth, Media, Women Services, etc…
Application Information: The application should include general background information of the applicant, the amount requested, the proposed use of the requested amount, and the proposed budget of the organization. Applications are accepted at any time. There are no restrictions due to the geographical location, kind of institution, etc… Award amounts are limited only by the Foundation’s capacity to pay amounts relative to the total.

**Ann Thorne Weaver Family Foundation Inc.**

1301 S. 75th Street, Suite 200  
Omaha, NE 68124  
Phone: 402-391-1511  
**Contact Person:** Anne Thorne Weaver, President

**Fields of Interest:** Environment, Museum, Religion, Disadvantaged Peoples, Arts, Women Services, etc…

Application Information: Written application explaining how contributions will be used.

**Webster Family Foundation**

First National Bank of Omaha Trust  
1620 Dodge Street; SC 1061  
Omaha, NE 68197  
Phone: 402-602-8736  
**Contact Person:** Dave Amen

**Fields of Interest:** Education, Environment, Religion, Museums, etc…

Application Information: No deadline.

**Weller Foundation, Inc**

PO Box 636  
Atkinson, NE 68713-0636  
**Phone:** 402-925-2803

**Purpose and Activities:** Scholarships for students attending one of the technical community colleges in Nebraska or pursuing other vocational education, such as nursing. No grants for scholarships towards a Bachelor’s degree.

**Fields of Interest:** Higher Education

**Geographic Limitations:** Giving limited to Nebraska, with primary consideration for residents of Holt, Boyd, Brown, Rock, Keya Paha and Garfield counties.

Application Information: Application form required. Use one form for the fall semester and one for the spring semester. Final notification given within 30 days of the deadlines.

**West Point Community Foundation**

P.O. Box 65  
West Point, NE 68788  
Contact: Michael Wortman, President  
Email: westpointcommunityfoundation@yahoo.com  
**Website:** [http://www.wpcommunityfoundation.com/home](http://www.wpcommunityfoundation.com/home)
Purpose and Activities: Funds are awarded to fill the needs of the community in the broad areas of health, education, civic involvement, recreation, and social welfare.

Limitations: Grants are awarded only to organizations whose beneficiaries are residents of West Point, Nebraska and those communities considered in the West Point area. Grants are not awarded to individuals. Visit the website for a list of activities that are not funded. Proposals that are turned down may not be considered again for one year.

Application: Application may be found on the website and mailed to the above address.

Wilson Foundation

P.O. Box 540
Cozad, NE 69130-0540
Phone: 308-784-2212

Fields of Interest: Medical Expenses, Education, Sports, Children and Youth, Community Development, Hunger Relief

Application Information: For personal medical requests: a written application including assets owned, debts, employment assistance received, references and reasons for applying.

Wirth Foundation

P.O. Box 9
Nebraska City, NE 68410
Phone: 402-263-4085

Fields of Interest: Education, Hunger Relief, Mental Health, Museums, Family Services, Children and Youth, etc…

Geographic Limitations: Awards are confined to Nebraska City & Otoe County, Nebraska.

Application Information: Written requests detailing purpose for which funds will be used and verification of charitable status.

Woods Charitable Fund, Inc.

1248 O St, Suite 1130
Lincoln, NE 68501
Phone: 402-436-5971
Fax: 402-742-0123
Contact Person: Pam Baker, Executive Director; Tom Woods, Program Officer
Email: info@woodscharitable.org
Website: http://www.woodscharitable.org/

Purpose and Activities: Seek to strengthen the community by improving opportunities and life outcomes for all people in Lincoln, Nebraska. Woods supports members of the nonprofit sector who are exploring creative alternatives and promoting more just, effective approaches to meet community needs. Supports a broad range of activities, which include but are not limited to the special interests of children, youth and families, education, community development and housing, and arts and humanities. The following areas are not eligible for grant review: individual needs, funding for endowments, scholarships, fellowships, fundraising benefits or program advertising, programs for individual schools, religious programs, residential care and medical clinics, recreation programs, health care programs, medical and scientific research, environmental programs, and computer hardware.
Fields of Interest:
1. Human Services: Broad category and may include either direct service or policy programs focused on
care, single parenthood, the elderly, family planning, shelter, troubled families, as well as others.
The Fund will give special consideration to programs and initiatives designed to prevent youth and
family violence.
2. Education: The fund looks forward to opportunities to review proposals from existing educational
institutions, and from creative new programs that meet the challenges of today’s educational needs.
3. Civic and Community: The Fund supports projects that empower less advantaged Lincoln residents to
participate in the economic system and that foster community participation and responsibility thus
brining people together to solve problems and improve opportunities for themselves and others.
Advocacy groups, and neighborhood, citizen, and community organizations are avenues to promote
citizen involvement and strengthen neighborhoods.
4. Arts and Culture: Supports programs in the arts and humanities (visual art, literature, dance, theater,
and music) that will enhance or develop the common aesthetic spirit through education, creation, or
performance.

Application Information: Visit the website for additional information.

World-Herald Goodfellows Charities, Inc.

1314 Douglas Street, Suite 125
Omaha, NE 68102
Phone: 402-444-1388
Contact: Elizabeth C. Tierney, Program Coordinator
Email: goodfellows@owh.com
Website: [http://www.goodfellowsomaha.org/](http://www.goodfellowsomaha.org/)

Purpose and Activities: Goodfellows’ emergency fund is designed to assist people with one-time, urgent
needs that cannot be met through other sources.

Application Information: To apply for assistance, please call:
- Catholic Charities (South Omaha residents), 731-5413
- Heartland Family Service (Sarpy County), 291-6065
- Heartland Family Service (Douglas County), 457-7792
- ENCAP (Eastern Nebraska Community Action Partnership - Douglas County):
  453-5656 x200 ENCAP (South Omaha) 595-1122 ENCAP (Sarpy Co.) 292-2961
- United Way, 2-1-1 or 444-6666

York Community Foundation

603 North Lincoln Avenue
York, NE 68467
Phone: 402-362-5531
Contact: Donna Bitner, Executive Director
Email: ycf@yorkchamber.net
Website: [http://www.yorkcommunityfoundation.org/index.html](http://www.yorkcommunityfoundation.org/index.html)

Eligibility Requirements: The Foundation provides grants to both private and public services. Grants are
made to agencies classified only as: 501© (3) by the Internal Revenue Service or government agencies
using the grant for capital expenditure and/or capital improvement. Applicants must have a plan for future
funding and support from other sources if funding is for an on-going program. Visit website for list of
activities not eligible for funding.

Charitable Areas of Interest:
- Community/civic
• Arts/culture
• Education
• Recreation
• Health
• Human Services
• Religious (non-denominational)

**Funding Limits:** The Foundation does not normally fund entire projects or programs. Preference is given to organizations that have raised a portion of the required funds, and/or enlisted the financial support of other organizations. Grants are awarded for a definite purpose, and for a specific period of time – normally 12 months or less.
Information Available Through Nebraska Libraries Directly or Through the Interlibrary Loan Program

Annual Register of Grant Support
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2nd Edition, 1991 The Foundation Center

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Alliance of Nonprofits
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http://volunteer.truist.com/uwkc/org/10249116218.html

The Council on Foundations
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http://www.cof.org/

The Foundation Center
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Idealists
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Independent Sector
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The Chronicle of Philanthropy
1255 23rd St., NW
Washington, DC 20037
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  http://foundationcenter.org/
  This online orientation will explore the funding research process systematically. Affiliating oneself with an organization or obtaining a fiscal sponsor can increase the likelihood of receiving funding. There is a large amount of information regarding best practices for grant writing and research available through the Foundation Center.

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  http://www.fundsnetservices.com/
  Great resource for financial resources and well as information regarding how to write a grant.

• Grants.gov
  http://www.grants.gov/
  Opportunity to search for grants as well as receive a newsletter or email updating you of the most recent grants available.

• Grantsmanship Center
  http://www.tgci.com/
  First offered in 1972 and continuously updated, TGCI’s Grantsmanship Training Program covers all aspects of researching grants, writing grant proposals and negotiating with funding sources. More than 90,000 nonprofit and government personnel have attended this demanding, five-day workshop, which now includes a full year of valuable membership services.
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  This site contains information regarding sources of funding for regional organizations serving small metropolitan and rural America.

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