Our Mission
The Cook County Community Fund will enhance the quality of life in Cook County by empowering local non-profits through philanthropy, education and collaboration.

About
The Cook County Community Fund was created in 2003 to enhance the quality of life for people in Cook County by attracting charitable gifts, making philanthropic grants, and providing responsible financial stewardship and community leadership. Since that time, the fund has granted out more than $139,000 for programs in the Cook County area.

How Can I Give?
The Cook County Community Fund accepts and encourages all types of giving—both in time, through volunteering, and in money. Some of the most common ways to give include:

UNRESTRICTED GIFT: A gift to our unrestricted endowment fund is a permanent investment that will help the Community Foundation address the community’s ever-changing needs.

OPERATING FUND: A gift to our CCCF Operating Fund provides the resources necessary to grow permanently endowed funds through the judicious use of spendable monies.

DESIGNATED FUND: Choose to support a particular organization or create a scholarship fund to help local students.

DONOR ADVISED FUND: Allows donors to take an active role in philanthropy by providing opportunities for the donor to make grant recommendations to charitable organizations.

What Can I Give?
The Community Foundation accepts a wide array of assets including:

- Cash, Check, and Credit Card
- Real Estate
- Stocks and Bonds
- Bequests
- Charitable Trusts
- Life Insurance

If you, your professional advisor, or lawyer would like additional information about any of these options, please contact the Community Foundation office or any Advisory Board member.

Donations can be given at:
218-726-0232
www.CookCountyCommunityFund.com
PO Box 763, Grand Marais, MN 55604

Benefits of Giving
The Community Foundation brings the people of Cook County who require assistance together with people who are in a position to give. By partnering with us, you can experience giving that is:

PERMANENT: Gifts to the Cook County Community Fund benefit the community forever. Earnings on permanently endowed funds create charitable capital to improve the region’s quality of life.

FLEXIBLE: We work with you one-on-one to fund what matters to you. Whether it is a particular field of interest, specific organization, scholarship or supporting the mission of the CCCF with an unrestricted gift—we’ll work with you to meet your giving goals.

SIMPLE: One gift with us can address multiple needs in our region—saving you time and money in investigating requests, monitoring programs, and keeping records.

As a Donor You’ll Also Enjoy

PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT: The Cook County Community Fund pools multiple gifts for investment purposes, providing sound investment management of your gift at minimal cost, while providing the greatest impact in your community both now and in the future.

PEACE OF MIND: Each year, we report to the community through our annual report.

TAX BENEFITS: As a public charity, donors enjoy the maximum tax advantages for income, capital gains, gift, and estate tax purposes.

ANONYMITY: While allowing us to acknowledge our donors’ generosity often inspires others to give, you can choose to give anonymously.
Thank you 2019 Donors!

The following individuals and groups contributed to the Cook County Community Fund and other unrestricted funds in 2019.

Alyssa and Jonathan Hedstrom
Angry Trout Café
Anne and Peter Heegard
Anonymous
Anonymous Gift
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Barbara and Bill Gabler
Beverly Denyes
Bill Lutron
Bludefn Bay/Surfside/ Templemora Landing
Bruce and Robin Walters
Burns Family Foundation
Cascade Vacation Rentals
Cathy and Greg Lindsey
Chris O’Brien and Jane Alexander
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Cook County Whole Foods Co-op
David A. and Virginia V. Hahn
David and Nancy Seaton
Dean Berglund
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Don and Gerry Grant
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Jan and Kathy Horak
Jan Swetson
Jane Fluker
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Jeff and Anna Latz
Jenny Delfs
John and Jonalie Barton
Johnson’s Foods — Mark and Robin Johnson
Jon L. Weber and Mrs. Jean Laring-Weber
Karen Halbersleben and Jack Miller
Karen Kritta
Kimber Waalslag
Lutsen Mountains Corporation
Ms. Philis B. Anderson
Myron Bunshire
North Shore Federal Credit Union
Northstar Canners
Paul and Judy Nelson
Paul and Laura Holmes
Peg and Pete Bishe
Peter and Carol Harris
Robert Pravins and Veronica Weadock
Roger and Jacqueline MacDonald
Sally Berg
Sally Dunn
Sally Suck
Scott Harrison and Nancy Burns
Sue Riley
Susan and Kevin Thompson
Teresa Schutt and Keith Wendt
Tacy Benson
Tuscarora Lodge Inc.
Voyager Brewing Company

2019 COMMUNITY GRANT RECIPIENTS

Care Partners of Cook County
Grand Marais Arts Inc
Great Expectations School
Gunflint Trail Historical Society
North House Folk School
North Shore Health Care Foundation
YMCA of Cook County

COMMUNITY FUNDS

FIELD OF INTEREST
Cook County Community Fund actively promotes private giving for the public good of the Cook County area. 2003
The following funds, under the umbrella of the CCCF, address the changing needs of the county and its residents.
Mike and Nancy Carlson Family Fund
Surbaugh Family Fund
DONOR ADVISED
Scott Hawkins Fund allows the donor to participate actively in the grant making process. 2006
DESIGNATED
Cook County Community Operating Fund will support the activities of the Cook County Community Fund. 2004
Cook County Food Shelf Endowment Fund ensures food resources for in-need residents of Cook County. 2013
Frank G. DiMaio Fund mission is to encourage and enable organizations serving women who are experiencing violence in their lives in the Cook County area. 2007
Harris Family Fund provides support to nine nonprofit organizations designated by the donors. 2005
Beverly R. Uhrhammer Memorial Library Fund provides funds to the Grand Marais Public Library for purchasing high quality children’s printed books to add to circulation. 2005

ORGANIZATIONAL ENDOWMENT
W.E. Connect Fund (formerly Birch Grove Foundation Fund) supports programs and services to the West End of the Cook County community in the areas of training, education, recreation, health, and wellness for all ages. 2005
Cook County Higher Education Fund supports the programs of Cook County Higher Education. 2006
Grand Marais Public Library Fund supports the continued operations of the Grand Marais Public Library. 2006
North House Folk School Endowment Fund ensures the school’s permanent financial viability and makes the campus an ever more dynamic place to learn. 2006
Tofte Historical Society Fund supports the continued operations of the Tofte Historical Society. 2006
Violence Prevention Center Fund supports the Center’s mission of eliminating domestic and sexual violence against women, men, children and their families in Cook County. 2004
WTIP Community Radio Fund supports an independent public community radio station with a mission to foster and build community connections, educate and inform the public, and provide entertainment through its broadcasts. 2004

SCHOLARSHIP
Daniel Patrick Riley Memorial Scholarship awarded to Linnea Henrikson (CCCHS).
The Charlotte Ulland Scholarship awarded to Sarah Toftey and Sara Carman (CCCHS).
The Scott Scholarships were awarded to Linnea Henrikson and Maya McHugh (CCCHS).

GRANTS, FEES & OPERATING EXPENSES

Grants and scholarships 305,527 45,475
Miscellaneous - -
Functional expenses
Program services 1,103 146
Fund raising 6,362 4,059
Public education 12,381 15,839
Management & general 102 27
Total functional expenses 19,948 20,071

Total grants, fees & operating expenses 325,475 65,546
Change in net assets 125,753 (157,002)
Net assets, beginning of year 1,504,903 1,661,904
Net assets, end of year 1,630,656 1,504,903

COOK COUNTY COMMUNITY FUND

Financial Status

Total Assets 1,632,489 1,509,809

PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Contributions 142,373 23,783
Donated services 4,143 -
Interest and dividends 43,021 44,217
Net realized & unrealized gain (loss) less investment management fees 261,692 (159,456)
Refunds of grants - -
Miscellaneous - -
Total public support & revenue 451,228 (91,456)

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