

Children & Youth

1 Seventy-eight scholarships (over \$55,000) were awarded to 68 graduating seniors from seven area schools. Tyler Dormanen of Boyceville, an aspiring teacher, became the first recipient of the Lee and Joan (Weber) Kammerlohr Family Scholarship.

2 The Menomonie Public Library was able to expand their Wonderbook collection of print books, with ready-to-play audiobooks inside, to support the efforts of struggling and reluctant readers.

3 With our funding, Junior Achievement expanded their proven lessons in financial literacy, entrepreneurship, career readiness, and to more classrooms in Menomonie, Boyceville and Elk Mound.

We helped replace worn canoes for Bulldog Adventures, an outdoor summer group for Boyceville middle schoolers. This program teaches teambuilding and leadership skills through outdoor pursuits, culminating with an overnight trip down the Red Cedar and Chippewa Rivers.



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5 The Women's Giving Circle and the Scot Miller Memorial Fund celebrated the Boys & Girls Club expansion to Menomonie Middle School by funding Career Launch, which encourages members to assess their skills and interests, explore careers, and make sound educational decisions about their futures.

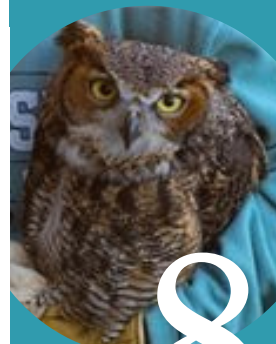
Animal Welfare

Dogs, cats and staff are now safely transported by the Dunn County Humane Society thanks to the Orvil and Dorothy Wilsey Fund. Watch for the van around town!



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7 Our donor advised fund holders pooled their money to ensure the continuation of the Humane Society's Safe Harbor Program, which provides free veterinary services for the pets of domestic violence survivors staying at the Bridge to Hope.



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Construction of a new 50-foot flight enclosure for avian rehabilitation was required for Colfax Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release to continue their important work saving raptors like hawks and owls. Our grant made this possible.

Forming Futures

9 A grant to the Historical Society will help them create a new "Deep Roots Outdoor Classroom". These "deep roots" encourage reflection on our county's Native American history, as well as its pre-agrarian roots.

Performing arts encourage children to explore their emotions, expand their imagination and develop their own unique voice. The Mabel Tainter received several grants that support youth programs, including inviting school children to experience a performance.

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11 Dr. James and Gail Haemmerle established a scholarship fund at the Community Foundation motivated by their strong belief that education is the key that unlocks the door to success in life. Three non-traditional students experiencing hardship received full tuition to complete their programs.

Philanthropy **12**

In September, we awarded Steve Redmann our Distinguished Service Award, recognizing the significant commitment he has made to the field of philanthropy.



Health & Wellness

13 The Byron & Catherine Olson Fund seeded the Menomonie Area Free Clinic's Behavioral Health Outpatient Services Program, allowing 14 patients to receive therapy sooner, and at no cost.

14 Bridge to Hope staff believe that resolution of internal conflicts and healing can take place through art therapy. We paid for art supplies because we believe creating art can be transformative for survivors of abuse.

15 Our Garding Against Cancer and Diabetic Care funds continue to provide pharmacy vouchers for low income citizens in need of medication.

Pickleball fanatics rejoice! The Rock Creek Park Commission, responsible for many great improvements, has added Pickleball courts! We loved helping them continue to create a vibrant, healthy and FUN future for their community.



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Healthy homes promote good physical and mental health. Chippewa Valley Habitat For Humanity received support for a new build in Boyceville for a single mom and her four children.

18 Eating the right foods can increase kids' brain function and improve their long term health. The Boys & Girls Club received a grant to engage members and their families around nutrition and healthy living, using meal times and family nights to increase food security and access to fresh produce.

Women in Philanthropy

19 The Women's Giving Circle is building a community of female philanthropists and creating a permanent fund to address the needs of women and families in Dunn County. A generous legacy from the Joan Polasky estate has helped their endowment grow to \$160,000.

20 The Women's Giving Circle is also celebrating a decade of women empowering women through philanthropy! They reached another impressive milestone in 2022 - their grantmaking has exceeded \$100,000.

20 Ways Dunn County Is Better Because of You



2022

Inside are 20 of our favorite grants and projects to show you how we fulfill our mission to connect people who care with causes that matter.

