

2023

Annual REPORT



Siouxland
Community
Foundation



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A portrait of Katie E. Roberts, a woman with long brown hair, smiling. She is wearing a black blazer over a grey patterned top. Her hands are clasped in front of her. The background is a wall with a large, stylized mural of hands holding each other. The bottom of the page has a solid orange bar.

A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

Over the past year, our foundation has remained committed to our mission of striving to enhance the quality of life in the greater Siouxland tri-state area. Together, we have distributed grants that have made a profound impact on the lives of our neighbors, addressing critical needs, supporting local arts and culture, and promoting education and innovation. Through your generous contributions, we've been able to make a meaningful difference in the lives of individuals and families throughout Siouxland.

I want to extend my deepest gratitude to our donors, partners, and the entire Siouxland community. Your commitment and passion inspire us to continue our vital work, and we look forward to another year of positive change and transformation. Together, we are shaping a better Siouxland for generations to come.

Katie E. Roberts

KATIE E. ROBERTS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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WHAT IS A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION?

Community foundations are charitable organizations committed to enhancing the well-being of residents within a defined region, such as our Siouxland tri-state area. By managing funds created by donors and supported through the generosity of local individuals, families, and businesses, these organizations distribute grants and scholarships to bolster nonprofits active in fields such as education, healthcare, and the arts. Additionally, community foundations assume leadership positions in recognizing and planning for the community's challenges, often bringing together various stakeholders to create collaborative solutions.

OUR MISSION

The Siouxland Community Foundation strives to enhance the quality of life in the greater Siouxland tri-state area by seeking charitable gifts to build permanent endowments as charitable capital for the community, providing a flexible vehicle to receive and distribute gifts of any size, making grants in response to community needs, and providing services that will help shape the well-being of Siouxland.



Financial Overview

In 2023, the Siouxland Community Foundation continued to serve our community's needs with deliberate and strategic financial management. Our approach this year was to refine our focus, ensuring that our resources were directed where they could achieve the most significant impact. This meant a careful balance between maintaining robust support and adapting to changing priorities. Our efforts reflect a commitment to effective stewardship and a deep understanding of our community's ongoing and emerging needs.

<i>As of December 31st</i>	2023	2022
Funds held	229	223
Assets under management	\$45,402,833	\$42,209,727
# of grants	552	590
Grants amount	\$3,812,736	\$3,306,949
# of scholarships	336	295
Scholarships amount	\$587,208	\$535,594
Total Amount Distributed	\$4,399,944	\$3,842,543

Fund for Siouxland

The Fund For Siouxland, an unrestricted, endowment fund, provides the Siouxland Community Foundation with the greatest flexibility to respond to the ever-changing needs in Siouxland communities. Contributors (individuals, families, corporations and other foundations) have made an investment in the future of Siouxland by helping to build our community's charitable endowment. **In 2023, the Fund for Siouxland distributed \$56,400!**

Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve
North Sioux City, SD - \$5,000
Monarch Butterfly Nursery House Project

Briar Cliff University
Sioux City, IA - \$2,000
Cliff Conservation Project

Golden Hills Resource Conservation and Development Area
Oakland, IA - \$1,500
Siouxland Bird Guide

Heartland Counseling Services, Inc.
South Sioux City, NE - \$3,000
New Dedicated Therapy Room

Hinton Community School District
Hinton, IA - \$4,400
School Instrument Replacement

Hinton Growth Organization
Hinton, IA - \$3,500
Summerfest

Hull Bright Start, Inc
Hull, IA - \$4,200
Daycare and Preschool Project

Iowa State University Extension, Woodbury County
Sioux City, IA - \$2,000
Centering on Centers Early Childhood STEM Kits

Jones Street Neighborhood's Midtown Family Community Center
Sioux City, IA - \$3,200
Educating the Power of Fresh on a Budget

Lewis and Clerk Interpretive Center
Sioux City, IA - \$2,500
Kids' Adventure Saturdays Series

Morningside University
Sioux City, IA - \$2,500
CPR Training Manikins

Northeast Nebraska Senior Citizens, Inc
South Sioux City, NE - \$3,600
Musical Equipment Update

Rosecrance Jackson Centers
Sioux City, IA - \$5,000
Women and Children's Program

Senior Companion Program of Greater Siouxland
Rock Valley, IA - \$4,000
Volunteer Transportation Reimbursement Support

Siouxland Historical Railroad Association
Sioux City, IA - \$1,000
Railway Archaeological Investigations: Searching for Evidence of the 1916-18 Construction Camps

Sunrise Retirement Community Foundation
Sioux City, IA - \$1,500
CPR Training Equipment

Trivium Life Services
Council Bluffs, IA - \$2,500
Accessibility Improvements for Individuals with Disabilities

Urban Native Center
Sioux City, IA - \$3,000
2023 Cultural Teepee Camps

Western Iowa Tech Community College Foundation
Sioux City, IA - \$3,000
Safe and Sound Mental Health Support

Woodbury County Library
Menville, IA - \$4,000
AWE Learning All-in-One Workstation

Excellence in Education Fund

The Excellence in Education Fund supports innovative classroom projects that foster educational excellence, particularly those that may not receive support through standard school budgets. Open to TK-5 teachers, these mini-grants prioritize proposals that promote reading, introduce creative approaches, enhance student motivation, and tackle current educational challenges. **In 2023, the Excellence in Education Fund distributed \$15,526!**



"A World of Tales"

\$650

Bishop Heelan - Dual Language Academy

Calm-Down Corner Multi-Sensory Room

\$994

Bishop Heelan - Sacred Heart

I Can't Right Now, I'm Fully Booked!

\$824

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Classroom Novel Sets

\$375

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Critical Thinking, Reading and Writing Centers

\$500

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Decodable Readers

\$960

Sioux City CSD - Riverside Elementary

Dig Into Reading with Daffodil Hill Decodables

\$970

Sioux City CSD - Riverside Elementary

Finish the Series

\$1,000

Bishop Heelan - Holy Cross

Flexible/Movement Seating

\$500

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Hands on Math

\$360

South Sioux City CSD - Lewis and Clark Elementary

Life in the 1800's

\$500

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Marvelous Mystery Machine

\$500

Sioux City CSD - Perry Creek

Motivation for Achievement & Behavioral Outcomes

\$867

South Sioux City - Cardinal Elementary

Music Literacy and Inclusion Project

\$452

Bishop Heelan - Holy Cross

One School, One Book '23-'24

\$500

Dakota Valley CSD

Phonics Intervention

\$500

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Reading in the Wild

\$500

Bishop Heelan - Sacred Heart

Reading Intervention

\$993

Bishop Heelan - Mater Dei

Reading Rewards

\$996

Sioux City CSD - Leeds

Sensory Panels

\$966

Bishop Heelan - Holy Cross

Shifting to Skills Based Decodable Readers

\$957

Bishop Heelan - Sacred Heart

STEM

\$662

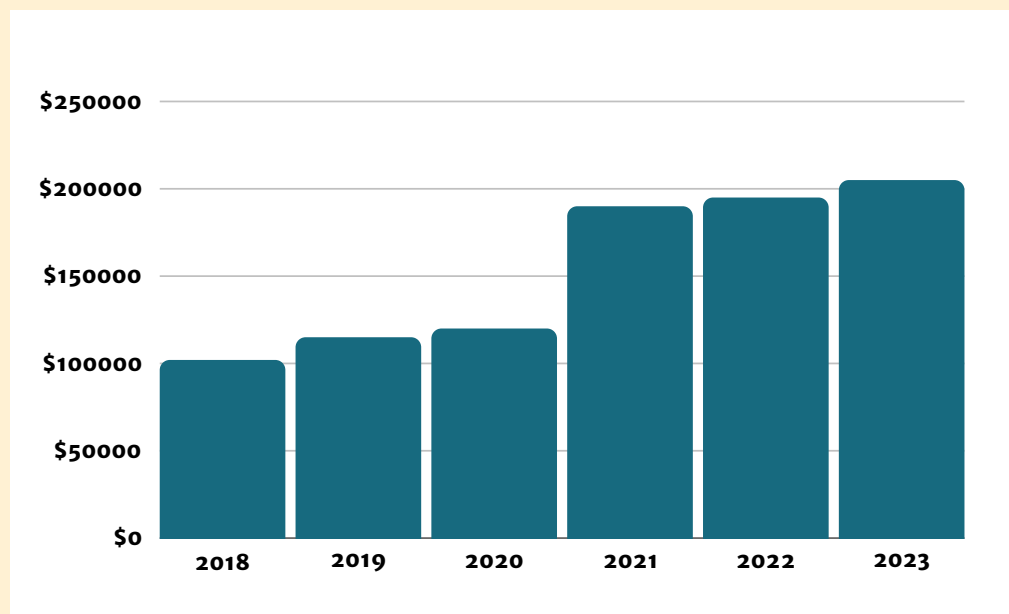
Sioux City CSD - Clark Elementary

Siouxland Big Give



The Siouxland Big Give has rapidly evolved from a fledgling initiative into a powerful, 24-hour online event that unites the entire community in a spirit of generosity. Showcasing nearly 100 local nonprofit organizations, the Big Give has become a celebrated annual tradition that not only highlights the essential work of these groups but also facilitates a remarkable connection between them and the community's donors. This year, the spirit of giving was stronger than ever, with record-breaking contributions that shattered previous records, setting a new precedent for community involvement.

How
does
this
year
stack
up?



\$930,000+

Total amount raised through the
Siouxland Big Give

9,100+

Individual donors that have
contributed to the Siouxland Big Give



FOR GOOD. FOR EVER.

As we close the pages on another year, the Siouxland Community Foundation extends heartfelt gratitude to our donors, partners, and community members who have been a part of our journey. Your unwavering support and belief in our mission have allowed us to make a tangible difference in the lives of many.

Looking ahead, we invite you to continue this journey with us. Together, we can create a legacy of positive change that will resonate for generations to come. Join us, as we step into another year of possibilities, challenges, and triumphs, with the shared vision of a community where every individual has the opportunity to succeed.

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