

Boulder Junction
Community Foundation
annual report



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MISSION

TO PRESERVE AND ENHANCE BOULDER JUNCTION FOR PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.

VISION

TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY, DEVELOP RESOURCES, AND ENRICH QUALITY OF LIFE.

GOALS

Target Endowment Fund goal to raise \$1,000,000 to allow giving \$50,000 back to the community each and every year....Forever.

Increase public awareness and build relationships.

Foster community endeavors through grant distributions.

Provide professional stewardship of financial and leadership resources.

BJCF is a 501(c)(3) federal tax exempt public organization

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In addition to the Board of Directors, the following volunteers serve on committees:

John Ader, Sue Fehlandt, Michelle Mauzer, Dave Osborn, Theresa Smith

Board Consultants: **Tom Basting, Sr., Mark Hilgendorf**

Administrative Assistant: **Bonnie Spear**

From the Board President

Dear Friends,

Because of your commitment and generosity, in 2021, the Boulder Junction Community Foundation was able to continue to help our community navigate the effects of the ongoing pandemic. We've learned a lot about resilience and passion of our community, and the tremendous good work imparted on residents and visitors of Boulder Junction. We celebrate our donors and community members, as we finally begin to put the pandemic behind us.

This report is information about the activity of the Foundation from January 1 through December 31, 2021. The Boulder Junction Community Foundation is committed to the work of bringing together donors and community projects to strengthen our community for present and future generations.

RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUND

As of December 31, 2021, the Restricted Endowment Fund reached \$611,880. The Fund is held and managed by the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin. Grants are available bi-annually through this fund. As of December 31, 2021, the Foundation is over halfway to the lofty goal of \$1,000,000!



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUNDS

We offer a variety of Community Enhancement Funds for the specific interests of our donors:

- Arts & Culture Fund
- Bike Trail Fund
- Greatest Needs Fund

Contracted Fiduciary Funds with the Town of Boulder Junction:

- Broadband Fund
- North Creek Loop Trail Fund
- Playground Project Fund

GRANTS

The Board of Directors decides which of the above funds is most appropriate after approval of Grant applications. Since its inception in 2010, the Foundation has awarded \$568,256 in grants.

Thank you once more for all you do! We're grateful for your support, past, present and future. Please contact me at 715-892-4898 or info@boulderjunctioncf.org with any questions.

Sincerely, John Altschwager, President

FOUNDERS CIRCLE

Our Founders Circle honors the individuals, organizations, and foundations that have supported the Boulder Junction Community Foundation with cumulative gifts of \$10,000 or more, starting with donations received since our inception on October 10, 2010. When a donor reaches (or pledges) a sum of \$10,000, they will be listed in perpetuity in our publications.

Benefactor \$50,000+

Anonymous

Robert & Diane Jenkins Friends of the Boulder Junction Library Dairymen's Inc.

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Jonathan Dobbs & Jacqueline Pruitt

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Lela Christine Calder

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James & Bonnie Schwartzburg

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Quentin & Dorothy Willems

LEGACY CIRCLE

The Legacy Circle celebrates donors who thoughtfully designate the Boulder Junction Community Foundation Restricted Endowment Fund as a beneficiary in their estate planning for the betterment of the Boulder Junction community. We recommend that you contact your financial advisor to discuss the benefits of including the Boulder Junction Community Foundation in your estate plans.

Legacy Circle Members

Tom Basting Sr.
Mary Van Grinsven

We all have dreams or visions of the future for Boulder Junction. It is wonderful to watch many of those dreams happen. As one improvement happens, seeds are planted for future improvements. Joanne and Lenjoy the Mural on Main Street, participate in the Music on Main Street, enjoy the Flower baskets on Main Street and watch events at the Earl Sturm baseball park. These are just some of the projects that the Community Foundation has aided. We commend the Community Foundations efforts to continually review and improve the Foundation.

Our Founders Circle and Legacy Circle donors are individuals, organizations, and foundations who

believe in our mission, share its ideals, and ensure our community work now and in the future.



John and Joanne Ader



Excitement is building over the eagerly anticipated Phase I of the North Creek Loop Trail. Generous donation from you, our donors, has led to the town putting Phase I out for bid with an anticipated start date of June 2022. The trail will be completed from Hwys. H&K half way up to North Creek Road (the entrance of Camp Holiday). Once Phase I is underway, the town is eager to start working on Phase II. THANK YOU for making this a reality and helping enhance the Boulder Junction Trails!

We gratefully acknowledge the donors who generously gave back to Boulder Junction through the Boulder Junction Community Foundation in 2021:

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The Dowell Family
Steve & Sandy Kahl
Grandchildren
Beth Rondello
Merlin Rossing
Bill & Bonnie Spear
Mary Van Grinsven



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Lela Christine Calder

Karen & Brian Cannestra

Thomas & Leslie Cervenka

Jon & Pam Cherney

Jack Calmeyn

Camp Holiday

Campo Fiesta

Kristin Carnes

Steve Carter

2021 GRANTS AWARDED:

The Boulder Junction Volunteer Fire Department was awarded a grant in the amount of \$4500 for the purchase of a Thermal Imaging Camera. Thermal imaging cameras (TICs) are a type of thermographic camera used in firefighting and rescue applications, allowing firefighters to "see" through darkness and smoke on the fireground. By rendering infrared radiation as visible light, TICs allow firefighters to see areas of heat through smoke, darkness or heat-permeable barriers – spotting fires within walls, detecting overheated electrical wiring, locating hot-spots in fire debris, locating materials involved in spontaneous low-level combustions, etc. Thermal imagina cameras, which can detect the heat signature of visuallyobscured victims, are helpful in aiding search-and-rescue operations in hostile environments, including those involving structure fires, helping expedite life-saving rescue operations. TICs are also useful in some outdoor rescue applications as well.

The **Boulder Junction Volunteer Fire Department** was awarded \$3488 for the purchase of cold water rescue suits and equipment. The suits protect the firefighters using current technology during cold water rescue circumstances.

The **Boulder Junction Chamber of Commerce** was awarded a grant in the amount of \$3775, helping to reel in the new mascot for the Musky Capital of the World. It was named in a contest sponsored by the Chamber, Marty the Musky. Community volunteers helped to create and install the display of the 18' fiberglass musky outside the Chamber.

Boulder Junction UpShift/Town of Boulder Junction, was awarded \$750 for Safety & Directional Signage for (3) bike routes on town roads.

The North Creek Loop Trail Committee/Town of Boulder Junction was awarded a grant in the amount of \$5000. The North Creek Loop Trail Project is an expansion of the Heart of Vilas County Paved Bike Trail System, recently designated a National Recreation Trail. The project, managed by the Town of Boulder Junction, will add approximately 3.3-miles of paved trail, complete the 14-mile North Creek Loop Trail, and connect to the Heart of Vilas County Paved Bike Trail System. The new trail will run from Highway H and K along the east side of Highway H going south to North Creek Road. It will connect two state forest campgrounds and one private campground, providing a safe way for campers, visitors and residents to come into town by bicycle.

Camp Jorn YMCA was awarded a \$4000 grant toward the construction of a new Health Lodge and a Day Camp Pavilion & Village. The Health Lodge will be for everyone, but the Pavilion & Village will provide Day Camp participants, ages 5-14, with a bit of space for each group to call their own. The Summer Day Camp at Camp Jorn in Manitowish Waters serves area children, including those from Boulder Junction.







Financials

The Boulder Junction Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity. The Finance Committee and Board of Directors monitor and review the investment management services provided by the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin in managing the Boulder Junction Community Foundation Endowment Fund. In 2021, as approved by the Board of Directors, \$72,095 was contributed to the Restricted Endowment Fund, bringing our Fund total at the end of the year to \$611,880,. Community Enhancement Funds (Arts & Culture Fund, Bike Trail Fund, Broadband Fund, North Creek Loop Trail Fund, Community Relief Fund** and Greatest Needs Fund) as well as the Reserve Fund are managed directly by the Board of Directors and held at Associated Bank in Boulder Junction. With a \$4,000 deposit in 2021, at years end the Reserve fund had a balance of \$17,000. Grants totaling \$21,513 were awarded. Our auditors were Peterson Metz, Ltd. *(The Community Relief Fund was a temporary fund created in 2020 in anticipation of increased grant requests in 2021.)**

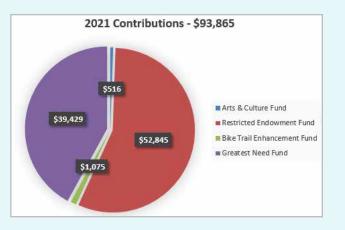


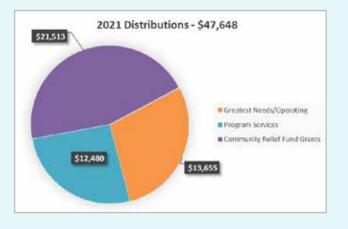
History of the 2021 Fiduciary Funds

- Broadband Fund established in 2020 to supplement the Town of Boulder Junction funds to bring Boradband to all of Boulder Junction
- North Creek Loop Trail Fund established in 2020 to raise funds to supplement grants and Town of Boulder Junction funds to complete Phases I & II of the new bike trail
- Playground Project Fund established in 2021 to raise funds to supplement grants and Town of Boulder Junction funds for a new Playground

Total grants awarded since inception in 2021: \$568,256









TYPES OF FUNDS

Restricted Endowment Fund is managed, invested, and kept in perpetuity to provide earnings for the benefit of charitable causes in Boulder Junction. The fund is held and managed by the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin which manages over \$50M of Foundation Funds in North Central Wisconsin. Grants are available annually through this fund to enhance Boulder Junction for present and future generations. Our goal is to raise \$1,000,000 in this fund which will enable the Foundation to give \$50,000 back to the community each year...forever.

Community Enhancement Funds are managed and kept at our local bank to provide grants on an as needed basis for the benefit of charitable causes in Boulder Junction. These funds include: Arts & Culture Fund, Bike Trail Fund, Playground Fund, Broadband Fund, North Creek Loop Fund and Greatest Needs Fund.

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GRANT GUIDELINES

What We Support

- The Foundation is dedicated to supporting innovative ideas for:
- Projects that enhance the quality of life for Boulder Junction's citizens and visitors.
- Projects that support human services, education, health and recreation, arts and culture, the environment and community development.
- Projects involving nonprofits that strengthen and enhance the Boulder Junction community.
- Projects that protect those characteristics of our community that are so loved.

Who may apply?

The Foundation welcomes grant requests from organized groups throughout the Boulder Junction area, including:

- Charitable organizations classified as 501(c)(3) under the Internal Revenue Code
- Local units of state or national organizations, and independent nonprofit organizations
- Schools, governmental units and religious institutions providing programs benefiting the public at large

Grant Guidelines

Project Eligibility:

- 1. The project addresses unmet needs within the Town of Boulder Junction that are consistent with the charitable purposes of the BJCF. The project clearly falls within BJCF's mission.
- 2. The project is consistent with the mission and purposes of the organization applying for the grant.
- 3. The applicant organization has provided evidence satisfactory to the Board of Directors that it has the financial capacity and the ability to complete the project and, if applicable, provide for its long-term management and maintenance.
- 4. The project can be completed within two years of the grant approval date.
- 5. If a project is a phase or component of a larger project, the component is usable or functional in and of itself.
- 6. The project does not meet any of the criteria of Ineligible projects and project costs under Bylaw X of the BJCF Bylaws. Bylaws available at boulderjunction.org.

The Boulder Junction Community Foundation seeks to promote respect for all people. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, ancestry, age, medical condition, disability, veteran status, marital status, sexual orientation or any other characteristic protected by law; we expect grant applicants to hold similar standards.

CHOOSE THE WAY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Boulder Junction Community Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) public charity created by and for residents and visitors of Boulder Junction. Founded in 2010, our mission is to preserve and enhance Boulder Junction for present and future generations. We accomplish this by responsibly seeking, managing, and distributing endowment funds created by charitable gifts. The Foundation offers a variety of giving and fund options to accommodate your favorite project or program. Whichever you choose, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that your gift, large or small, will benefit your community today, tomorrow, and always. We recommend that you contact your financial advisor to discuss the benefits of including the Boulder Junction Community Foundation in your tax and estate plans, as your legacy.

GIVING OPTIONS

Outright Gifts of cash, stocks, bonds, or other assets are the easiest and most convenient way to donate. Your charitable gift qualifies for the maximum tax advantage allowed by law.

Gift of Life Insurance or Retirement Plan Beneficiary enables you to name the Boulder Junction Community Foundation as beneficiary with tax benefits that you can enjoy during your lifetime and become a Legacy Circle Member.

Bequest by Will by naming the Boulder Junction Community Foundation as a beneficiary in your will. You can make a gift of beneficiary, with possible tax benefits that you can enjoy during your lifetime and become a Legacy Circle Member.