



Green Lake County / Ripon Community Foundation

A permanent endowment to support the communities of
Berlin, Green Lake, Markesan, Princeton and Ripon



Be The Change

Imagine your community in 25 years. 50 years. 100 years.

There is a way to give where you live and help strengthen your community for the years ahead. And we can help.

Whether it's the arts, youth, education, faith, environment, health, scholarships, or the community, the Foundation can help you make a lasting gift to benefit your favorite causes.

The Green Lake County / Ripon Community Foundation has awarded more than 500 grants and scholarships for a total \$1.5 million in support for our communities.





MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Founded in 2000, the Green Lake County / Ripon Community Foundation specializes in helping people make a difference. The Foundation is a collection of charitable funds started by individuals, families, businesses and organizations. We provide professional investment, management and administration of these funds, allowing donors to enjoy the benefits of giving without the burden of paperwork and reporting. You will receive an immediate tax deduction for your gift to the Foundation.



WE GIVE YOU CHOICES

We help you decide what type of giving will work best for you. We offer different kinds of funds with different purposes, giving you plenty of options to suit your needs.

PERMANENT

The Foundation is here to encourage philanthropy and strengthen our communities. Your gift can become a permanent fund, providing dependable, perpetual income to your cause or preferred nonprofit while it carries on your legacy.

LOCAL

The Foundation is led by a board of community advocates from Green Lake County and Ripon who share their diverse talents and experiences.

PERSONAL AND FLEXIBLE

The Foundation accepts a wide variety of gifts, including cash, stocks, life insurance, property and more, and can help you create a charitable legacy based on what's most meaningful to you.



INVOLVEMENT

We have special opportunities if you'd like to get involved, enjoy recognition for your gift and experience the fulfillment of giving back.



Support for Green Lake Regional Angler
Young Angler Fishing Tournament



Support for Ripon High School team
at Junior Achievement Oshkosh
Business Challenge



Our professionals are ready to work with you and your financial advisors to tailor a program that works specifically for you and your family. We stand ready to be your champions as you further your investment in the future of the communities of Green Lake County and Ripon.

The Foundation gives donors the opportunity to support causes, organizations, and programs that are important today, and to ensure that your support will leave an enduring legacy.

We are an affiliate of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, a 501(c)3 public nonprofit corporation created by and for the people of Green Lake County, including Berlin, Green Lake, Markesan, Princeton and Ripon (Fond du Lac County).



Support for Kiwanis Autism Project
for students in Berlin, Green Lake,
Markesan, Princeton and Ripon

GIVE NOW

Donors accomplish two important tax objectives: a charitable income tax deduction in the year of the gift and a reduction in gross estate for future tax purposes.

GIVE LATER

A bequest is often the simplest way for many donors to make a significant, lasting gift to their community. By naming the Foundation in your will or estate plan, you can create a named fund that will forever support the causes or organizations important to you. A bequest of 1 percent to 10 percent of your estate can dramatically reduce federal estate and inheritance taxes, with little or no impact on your heirs.



Ripon Public Library Fund
Established 2012



Support for Ripon Area Community Garden Project
Advocac, Inc.

SAMPLE LANGUAGE FOR A BEQUEST

"I give to the Green Lake County / Ripon Community Foundation, a Wisconsin nonprofit public charity, (insert the percentage of your estate, trust or sum of money) OR (all my right, title and interest in the following described property _____). This gift shall be used to establish the _____ Fund, and shall be invested and distributed at the sole discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors." (If you wish to name additional beneficiaries, please state them here).

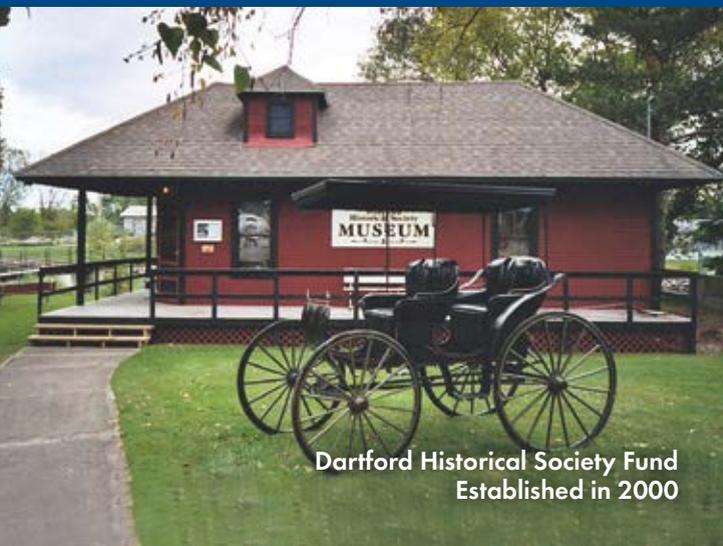
WAYS TO GIVE

It's easy to start a fund to reflect your own charitable interests with a gift of cash, stock, real estate or almost any asset. Or donate to an existing fund that supports something you're passionate about. We accept:

- Cash and Stock Gifts
- Real Estate
- Life Insurance
- Life Estates
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Charitable Remainder Trusts
- Charitable Lead Trusts



Green Lake Rotary Red Geranium
Veterans Fund • Established 2007



Dartford Historical Society Fund
Established in 2000



Support for Missoula Children's Theater workshops
Thrasher Opera House, Green Lake



Support for Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area shower and laundry facilities in Berlin

TYPES OF FUNDS

Individuals, families and organizations establish charitable funds with us to give back to the community in ways that help others today and for future generations.

Unrestricted – Meet the community’s emerging needs.

Donor Advised Fund – Support the nonprofit organizations you care deeply about.

Field of Interest Fund – Support a broad charitable cause, rather than a specific organization.

Designated Fund – Support a specific organization you care deeply about.

Scholarship Fund – Support the future education for a deserving student.

Acorn Fund – Build a permanent endowment over time.

Giving Circles – Donors combine their resources to benefit a common interest in a social cause.



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For more information on charitable giving through the Green Lake County / Ripon Community Foundation, please contact us at 920-426-3993 or online at www.GreenLakeCountyRiponCF.org.

Serving Green Lake County, including the communities within the public school district boundaries of Berlin, Green Lake, Markesan, Princeton and Ripon (*Fond du Lac County*).



Support for Ingalls Field renovation
Ripon Area School District