

Snapshot

Year in Review

2005/2006

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006

Community Foundation of South Wood County builds charitable endowments, provides grants, and serves as a catalyst to strengthen our community – for **good**, for **ever**.

For Fiscal Year 2005/2006:

Grants

- \$3.1 million total grants distributed
- \$2.3 million in grants to benefit S.Wood County area
- 703 total grants
- 251 organization recipients
- 182 student scholarships



Gifts Received

- \$3.0 million contributions
- 1,753 total gifts
- 605 new donors
- Average gift: \$1,264
- Smallest gift: \$1

New Charitable Funds Established

- 46 new funds include 14 Build-a-Funds and 2 Charitable Gift Annuities
- CFSWC now has a total of 348 individual funds

Total Assets

- \$19.4 million total assets under management
- 6.2% return on investment – endowed funds
- Our Investment Managers: M&I Trust Company, U. S. Bancorp, WoodTrust Asset Management

Since Inception in 1994

- \$20 million in grants
- \$39 million in gifts
- 9,900 individual donors
- Significant community impact!

Grant-making

Highlights:

Education – the important work of building knowledge within the community and sharing that knowledge to strengthen connections and impact:

- educational workshops
- grants for educators
- scholarships for students
- community asset survey to measure progress in 90 indicator areas
- new Teen Leadership Program

Early Childhood Education

- improving childcare accessibility & affordability through Childcare Resource & Referral
- onsite nutrition program at Building Blocks Learning Ctr.
- start-up funds for Toddler Programs at the YMCA and Montessori Center

Building Better Boards

- launched in July 2006
- special two-year educational initiative open to all nonprofit and publicly elected boards of directors
- designed to strengthen governance, leadership, and build local capacity to sustain ongoing programming

Community Development

- to strengthen and advance the broader community for growth, development and enjoyment by all
- new online Ideas Incubator to develop business and community opportunities www.ideasincubator.com
- tourism-related improvements to refurbish the Point Basse boat landing in Nekoosa
- renovation of Red Sands Beach for the Aqua Skiers State Show Tournament
- a joint project between the CVB and Tourism Cluster to construct information kiosks in seven local communities

Community Progress Initiative

In partnership with Heart of Wisconsin Business & Economic Alliance and thousands of concerned and involved citizens, we're in the third year of this community and economic development effort designed with a vision to create an innovative and business-friendly culture in a strong and positive community. www.progressinitiative.com.

- **Seven Local Community Progress Funds** Each fund is governed by a committee of



local residents working diligently to build a pool of endowed local resources. They each have a \$20,000 matching opportunity that is available to them through Dec. 31, 2006. We are committed to helping them realize this goal and hope that you will, too. Visit cfswc.org or progressinitiative.com.

- **Ford Foundation** \$240,000 grant to support Initiative activities such as Industry Clusters and Study Tours.
- **Advanced Leadership Institute** 38 participants from throughout community. The Institute is designed to foster partnerships and understanding; support effective conflict resolution; improve communication; and strengthen shared leadership throughout our area.
- **2006 Innovative Community Development Award** presented to the Progress Initiative from the International Community Development Society. The entire area should be very proud of this recognition; Initiative will be used an example internationally!
- **Making It Happen** newsletter printed bimonthly
- **Gilbert & Jaylee Mead and Hartley & Ruth Barker** – the catalysts that supported the early efforts of the Progress Initiative, believing in the ability of the citizens of this community to shape their own future.

Building Renovation

- Gilbert Mead new owner of the building; Ruth & Hartley Barker funding the CFSWC renovations; project to be complete in October 2006.
- Corporate support from Solarus and Stora Enso

THANK YOU TO ALL FRIENDS AND DONORS!



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