

## **Grant County Community Foundation Topics**

Words like foundation, philanthropy and endowment can be intimidating to some folks, and frankly they were to me too not so long ago. All too often, people may delay making a gift because they are unsure how to do it or worry their gift is too small or that they might need the money in the future. I'd like to use this forum to answer questions and maybe make the discussion about the Grant County Community Foundation a little easier. One of the questions we hear frequently is:

### **Q. How much money does it take to make a donation?**

- The short answer is any amount.
- How you direct your donation depends on what you'd like to accomplish with it. Let's just look at a few examples that may illustrate some of the options.
  - Let's say you have \$25 - \$100 that you would like to donate. With this gift, you could make a donation to any of the GCCF funds already established, and we would be thrilled to receive your gift. When your donation is added to others, it builds over time to make a significant difference.
  - Memorial gifts are another way to donate and these can be made in any amount. The Grant County Community Foundation is a local alternative for your charitable dollars that appeals to many of us. Your memorial gift will be recognized by the foundation and the family of the one you've remembered will be notified of your gift.
  - If you have larger amounts to donate, there are many options to consider. One of the truly wonderful features of the community foundation is the flexibility it provides to structure gifts to meet the needs and wishes of each donor. The Grant County Community Foundation has a truly amazing format to create funds and tailor gifts to meet a donor's philanthropy goals

I hope you will contact me with questions you'd like answered. My contact information is:

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I encourage you to contact me or any board member and begin a conversation about your role in the community foundation whether your interests may be as a volunteer, a donor or a grant recipient.