

2017 Lincoln Community Foundation Annual Report

L I N C O L N F O R E V E R

LINCOLN COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

2017 OVERVIEW

“There seemed to be nothing to see; no fences, no creeks or trees, no hills or fields. If there was a road, I could not make it out in the faint starlight.
There was nothing but land: not a country at all, but the material out of which countries are made.” Willa Cather, My Antonia, 1918



Barbara Bartle
President



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The sesquicentennial for Nebraska was not to be eclipsed by the remarkable experience on August 21 featured on the cover of our 2017 annual report. The year was a memorable one for the state of Nebraska and the Lincoln Community Foundation:

- Assets rose to an all-time high of \$135 million
- 117 new funds were opened
- Donations to LCF exceeded \$20 million
- \$12 million were granted to 877 nonprofits

The Lincoln Community Foundation found ways to support the inspiring opportunities in our community:

- In honor of the state’s sesquicentennial, a gift was made for the creation of the Gold Star Families Memorial. Visit the beautiful black granite monument at Antelope Park.
- Supported the release of the latest Lincoln Vital Signs report at a summit encouraging citizens to “step up” to the Prosper Lincoln community agenda. See the latest at www.LincolnVitalSigns.org or www.ProspersLincoln.org.
- Hosted the largest ever Give to Lincoln Day, raising nearly \$3.7 million for local nonprofits. Save the date for 2018’s event on May 31.
- Offered a match on gifts from donors to endowed funds designated to their favorite house or worship or nonprofit, in an effort to help organizations gain long-term sustainability.

We have inherited the grit and wisdom of our ancestors who launched this state over 150 years ago, built a land grant university referenced by others as the Harvard on the Prairie, constructed a state of the art Capitol during the depression that now houses the only Unicameral in the country. Lincoln is the envy of cities across the USA with our one public school district. We could go on and on. We have tackled great challenges and embraced marvelous opportunities.

Prosper Lincoln is helping us shape our community’s destiny. This is the time to be bold, to be brave and to be benevolent. We challenge all who love Lincoln and desire it to be a city like no other, a city where young people want to come work, play and build their lives, to put that love into action. What mark will you leave?

Learn more at www.LincolnForever.org.

TO HELP BUILD A GREAT CITY; TO NURTURE, HARNESS AND DIRECT THAT ENERGY, IS THE ASPIRATION OF THE LINCOLN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.

PURPOSE

The Lincoln Community Foundation was established in 1955 to help donors serve and improve the community through philanthropic gifts to nonprofit organizations. We are a connecting point for people who are interested in moving Lincoln forward. We are a facilitator, a partner and a collaborator. We have a relentless desire and energy to make Lincoln a better place. Our name says it the best. We are Lincoln’s community foundation.

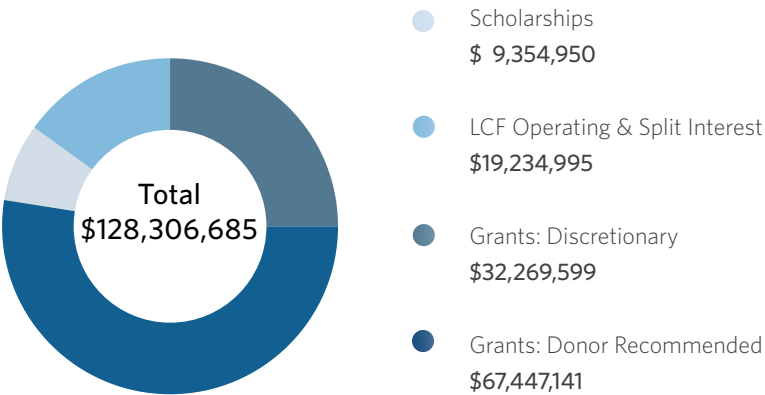


2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ASSETS: \$135 Million

FUNDS: \$128 Million

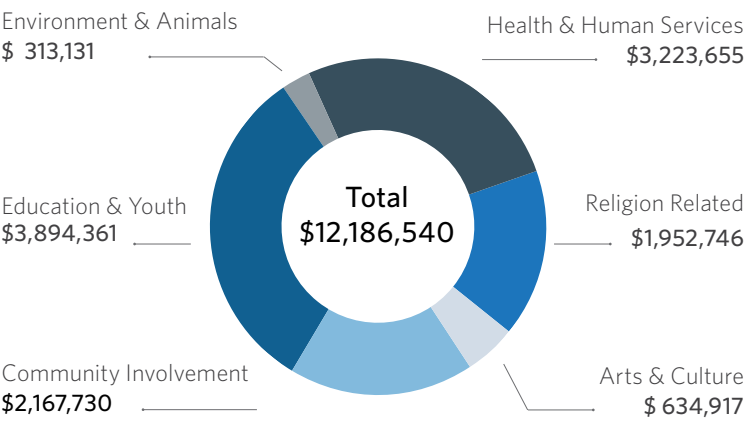
117 New Funds Opened



CONTRIBUTIONS: \$20 Million

Total Gifts to the Foundation

GRANTS: \$12 Million



For complete financial information, visit our website at www.lcf.org.

2017 PROFILE

	2016	2017
ASSETS		
Investments	\$ 102,405,856	\$ 120,907,187
Cash	3,914,996	4,004,268
Receivables from estates and other	6,687,698	6,740,527
Property and equipment	3,234,008	3,089,802
Future interests	246,282	271,984
Total Assets	116,488,840	135,013,768
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Annuities and trusts payable	581,518	979,588
Grant and other payables	801,025	526,898
Funds held for agencies	4,636,710	5,200,597
Fund balances	110,469,587	128,306,685
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	116,488,840	135,013,768
REVENUES		
Contributions	11,228,880	20,079,351
Investment income	12,321,014	12,586,873
Changes to future interests	81,628	206,011
Total Revenues	23,631,522	32,872,235
GRANTS AND EXPENSES		
Grants and scholarships	10,856,808	12,186,540
Mission initiatives	388,202	502,045
Supporting services	2,246,651	2,346,552
Total Grants and Expenses	13,491,661	15,035,137
Change in net assets	10,139,861	17,837,098
Net assets beginning of year	100,329,726	110,469,587
NET ASSETS END OF YEAR	\$ 110,469,587	\$ 128,306,685



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NextGen ENGAGES YOUNG PHILANTHROPISTS

NextGen Lincoln, LCF’s group of young professionals who donate their time and money to local nonprofits, kicked off the year with their annual Abe Lincoln party in February 2017. In the fall, the group granted more than \$16,000 to three local charities chosen by its members. Recipients included The Bay, Civic Nebraska and Nebraska No Kill Canine Shelter.

Since NextGen’s formation in 2014, members have granted over \$50,000 to local nonprofits. Membership is open to any young adult (typically between the ages of 21 and 40) interested in supporting philanthropy in Lincoln.

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Field of Interest Funds focus on areas of interest that are important to the donor, such as arts and culture, children and family, human services, the environment or other causes. The Board of Directors reviews applications from local nonprofits and makes grants to nonprofits working in these areas of interest.

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Tears from heaven rained down upon the beautiful dedication ceremony of Nebraska's first Gold Star Families Memorial Monument held September 24, 2017. Lincoln Community Foundation, along with the Hershel "Woody" Williams Medal of Honor Foundation and many other supporters presented this gift to Nebraska in honor of the state's 150th birthday.

The monument, located in Lincoln's Antelope Park Veterans Garden, is a moving tribute to the sacrifices that Gold Star Families in Nebraska and their lost loved ones have made.



GRANTS

Thanks to generous donors, Lincoln Community Foundation distributed a total of \$12.2 million in grants in 2017.

Donors who contribute to Lincoln Forever Funds provide the important dollars needed to make community grants. Lincoln Community Foundation distributed \$952,000 in grants to 32 local nonprofits.

In support of the Prosper Lincoln community agenda, LCF provided \$400,000 in leadership funding and made a mission investment in the

form of a \$300,000 second mortgage loan to the Dimensions Educational Research Foundation to help the organization acquire a new building.

Lincoln Community Foundation made grants in November of more than \$943,000 for 150 different organizations. These grants came from designated funds that were created by donors to support the programs and operations of their favorite nonprofits and houses of worship. These endowed funds provide annual financial support to the organizations

specified by the donors, helping the community and the nonprofits grow and thrive forever.

A new match of \$200,000 was approved for endowed designated funds. The Lincoln Community Foundation is providing a 10% match for new gifts to endowed funds that support Lincoln nonprofit organizations and houses of worship. This match opportunity will run through December 2018.

Additional grants were made from designated and donor advised funds.

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