



2018
**annual
report**
GRAND FORKS PARKS &
RECREATION FOUNDATION

we put
big smiles
on
little faces



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Thank you to
ROB VOLLRATH
for his years of
dedication serving
on our Foundation
Board of Directors.

We are forever
grateful for his
leadership, vision,
and unyielding
support.

Through the assistance of the Foundation, the Grand Forks Park District is committed to the development, enhancement, and sustainability of parks, playgrounds, facilities, programs, and activities for our community.

Established in 2007, the Foundation provides financial assistance to low-income families within recreation programs and allows the Grand Forks Park District to build and sustain life-enriching facilities. Through community donor support, we are sincerely optimistic that needs will be met, allowing parks and recreation in Grand Forks to continue through the decades.

OUR VISION: A HEALTHIER GRAND FORKS

We are committed to the development and utilization of funds to progress the betterment of our community.

- Provide financial support for youth programs
- Maintain and upgrade existing facilities
- Enhance programs for children & adults
- Develop new parks and facilities
- Promote healthy decisions and opportunities

LEADERSHIP & SUPPORT

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Dear Foundation Donors and Supporters,

The Grand Forks Parks and Recreation Foundation was honored to be able to enhance health and happiness within our community this past year.

We were thrilled to have celebrated our 5-Year Anniversary of Choice Health & Fitness opening. Choice Health & Fitness and the Grand Forks Park District celebrated the 5th Anniversary Event on Monday, September 25, 2017, with themed-fitness classes, giveaways, a free throw contest, and a lobby full of fun. With the support of our strong partnerships and the unyielding commitment of our generous IMAGINE Campaign donors, Choice Health & Fitness is honored to serve our loyal members, visitors, and the Grand Forks region.

After years of envisioning a relocation to Kannowski Park, the New Skatepark Project was launched forward in 2017 with a large contribution in funds raised through the 12th Annual Rydell Car & Bike Show, a total amount of \$100,538! Along with the Rydell Car & Bike Show's donation, a Myra Foundation Grant and a few other significant grants awarded to the Grand Forks Park District, the project was pushed into Phase One.

In 2017, we finished two additional fields, allowing our youth players to use four additional fields for practice and games last summer. With the concession stand, much-needed restrooms, and the batting cages completed in Fall of 2017 by the staff of ICON Architectural Group, we look forward to using the complex facility this upcoming youth baseball / softball season!

It was a successful year for the Grand Forks Veterans Memorial Park campaign, with over \$200,000 raised and 131 Memorial Stones sold. With continued support from the Red River Valley Motorcyclists; EAPC Architects Engineers in the final stages of design work; Opp Construction ready to begin general contract work; and Gary Shields volunteering to be the Development Officer leading the development and public awareness of the project, we anticipate even more advancements to be made in 2018.

With your continued support in 2018, we will continue to promote healthy lifestyles through amazing facilities and great programs that enhance the quality of life.

Much appreciation,

Paul Barta

Paul Barta
2018 Foundation Board President



Ready, Set, Go!



CHOICE HEALTH & FITNESS

Choice Health & Fitness celebrated 5 years of being open, 10 years in the making!

Choice Health & Fitness and the Grand Forks Park District hosted a 5th Anniversary Celebration on Monday, September 25, 2017. With themed-fitness classes, giveaways, a free throw contest, and a lobby full of fun, including refreshments, archive videos, and information on our facility partners, the day of appreciation was well received by the community! Choice Health & Fitness also hosted a week-long celebration, September 25 - 29, for our members with five days of prize giveaways, discounted guest fees, fitness challenges, social media contests, cooking demos, deli discounts, and more.

The positive feedback we have received from the community over the last five years has been overwhelming. With the support of our strong partnerships and the unyielding commitment of our generous IMAGINE Campaign donors, Choice Health & Fitness are honored to serve our loyal members, visitors, and the Grand Forks region.





Response from our IMAGINE Campaign KEY PARTNERS

"Aligned with our value, "better the places we live", Choice Health & Fitness has become a significant source of pride for our region. We are so proud to be part of its success and everything it has done for the community."

- Brian P. Johnson
Chief Operating Officer, Choice Financial

"By partnering with the Grand Forks Park District, we have been able to combine resources, knowledge, and expertise to deliver healthcare, and provide unique wellness opportunities that best serve our community,"

- Jenny Estad
EHS & Integrative Medicine Manager, Altru Health System

"The exercise and fitness facilities at Choice Health & Fitness allow scientists at the Human Nutrition Research Center to conduct state-of-the-science research that it otherwise would not be able to complete."

- Dr. James Roemmich
U.S. Dept. of Ag. Human Nutrition Research Center

"Our partnership with Choice Health & Fitness has increased accessibility of health & wellness services within our community; helped us enhance existing programs and services; and addressed unmet needs that our previous facilities were unable to accommodate or address properly,"

- Deb Thompson
Chief Executive Officer, Altru Family YMCA

**5th Anniversary
5-DAY
CELEBRATION**

SEPTEMBER 25 - 29

DATE	DAY	ACTIVITIES & SPECIALS	PRIZES
25	MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RECEPTIONS IN THE LOBBY FOOD DRINKS & CONTACTS BY CHOICE FINANCIAL (10:00 AM - 1:00 PM) AND Y (1:00 PM - 2:00 PM) TRIMMED FITNESS CLASSES (5:00 AM - 6:00 AM) AND Y (6:00 AM - 7:00 AM) 5 \$40-50 ON 1/2 SQUAT FITNESS CLASS (PRIZES TO BE DRAWN 6:00 PM, 6:30 PM AND 7:00 PM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 55 ADULT TENNIS DRIBBLES 55 TENNIS COURT TIME 55 LUNCH SPECIAL (W/UP 4 COURTS) 55 DISCOUNTED GUEST FEES (50 INDIVIDUAL / 100 FAMILY) PRIZE GIVEAWAYS
26	TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 55 LUNCH SPECIAL (W/UP 4 COURTS) DISCOUNTED GUEST FEES (50 INDIVIDUAL / 100 FAMILY) PRIZE GIVEAWAYS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 55 LUNCH SPECIAL (W/UP 4 COURTS) DISCOUNTED GUEST FEES (50 INDIVIDUAL / 100 FAMILY) PRIZE GIVEAWAYS
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CHOICE HEALTH & FITNESS | GRAND FORKS PARK DISTRICT | ALTRU HEALTH SYSTEM | Y | GRAND FORKS YMCA

statement of financial position

ASSETS

current assets

Cash & Equivalents	\$666,690
Investments	\$847,708
Accounts Receivable	\$41,928
Pledges Receivable, Net of Allowance	\$934,532
Contract Receivable	\$495,000
Total Current Assets	\$2,985,858

non-current assets

Assets Held for Sale	\$144,750
Pledges Receivable, Net of Current Portion & Allowance	\$5,985,358
Contract Receivable, Net of Current Portion	\$4,460,000
Total Non-Current Assets	\$10,590,108
All Assets	\$13,575,966

LIABILITIES

current liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$3,976
Interest Payable	\$41,928
Pledges Payable, Net of Allowances	\$1,080,985
Bonds Payable	\$495,000
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,621,889

non-current liabilities

Unearned Revenue	\$106,138
Pledges Payable, Net of Current Portion & Allowance	\$6,128,578
Bonds Payable, Net of Current Portion Less: Unamortized Bond Issue Costs	\$4,460,000 (\$30,825)
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$10,663,891
All Liabilities	\$12,285,780

net assets

Unrestricted	\$897,610
Temporarily Restricted	\$200,609
Permanently Restricted	\$191,967
Total Net Assets	\$1,290,186

TOTAL LIABILITIES & ASSETS

\$13,575,966

statement of activities

SUPPORT & REVENUE

	Permanently Restricted	Temporarily Restricted	Unrestricted	TOTAL
Gifts & Bequests	\$600	\$375,777	\$518,308	\$894,685
Rent Income	\$ --	\$ --	\$185,086	\$185,086
Interest, Dividends, Gains, & (Losses)	\$ --	\$26,230	\$29,153	\$55,383
Net Assets Released from Restriction	\$ --	(\$306,634)	\$306,634	\$ --
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE	\$600	\$95,373	\$1,039,181	\$1,135,154

EXPENSES

Marketing	\$ --	\$ --	\$3,972	\$3,972
Contributions	\$ --	\$ --	\$352,286	\$352,286
Interest Expenses	\$ --	\$ --	\$190,641	\$190,641
Office Expenses	\$ --	\$ --	\$3,498	\$3,498
Miscellaneous	\$ --	\$ --	\$15,912	\$15,912
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ --	\$ --	\$566,309	\$566,309

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	\$600	\$95,373	\$472,872	\$568,845
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BEGINNING NET ASSETS

	\$191,367	\$105,236	\$424,738	\$721,341
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ENDING NET ASSETS

	\$191,967	\$200,609	\$897,610	\$1,290,186
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MEMORIAL FUNDS & GRANTS

Memorial funds are a way to turn your loss into something positive while keeping your loved one's memory alive. Their legacy can live on and enhance the lives of our community through the designated area of support within the Grand Forks Park District – i.e. baseball fields, hockey programs, senior fitness, etc.

Ulland Fund & Grants

Created by Mr. Pete Ulland to support youth recreation programs. The Ulland Fund provides grants annually to local recreational and arts non-profit organizations. For more information on grant submission and criteria, download the Ulland Grant application. Grant applications must be in by November and are generally awarded in December.

Chad Johnson Youth Sports Fund

Created by the Johnson Family and close friends, in memory of Chad Johnson to support youth hockey. The fund is sustained by the annual Chad Johnson Memorial Golf Tournament.

Nord Fund

Created by the Ruth Nord Family to fund youth golf and tennis programming.

ENDOWMENTS

Endowments created in memory of loved ones are a lasting tribute that benefits the Grand Forks Park District long into the future. Memorial endowments enhance our community by providing meaningful support to our youth, parks, facilities, and recreation programs in Grand Forks.

Riedlinger Endowment

Created by the Riedlinger Family in memory of Troy Riedlinger to support youth hockey.

Pinky Kraft Memorial Endowment

Created in 1981 in memory of longtime UND baseball coach Harold "Pinky" Kraft, this endowment provides annual support to the Grand Forks and East Grand Forks American Legion Baseball Programs.

Jeff Pettit Memorial Endowment

Created by the Pettit Family in memory of their son/brother, Jeff Pettit, to support youth hockey.

Sanny & Jerry Ryan Youth Scholarship Endowment

Created by the Ryan Family, this generous endowment was established to support youth scholarships.

Creating a Lasting Impact



relocated concrete features

- 1 Tri-Tiered Manual Pad
- 2 Grind Ledge 10' x 2' x 110"H
- 3 HSS Grind Rail

new features

- 1 3'0" H Bank Ramp
- 2 3'6" Quarter Pipe
- 3 Radius Bowl Wall with Galvanized Steel Pipe Coping
- 4 Waterfall
- 5 Drain
- 6 Slanted Wall
- 7 Pool Coping
- 8 Quarter Pipe, Variable Heights
- 9 Spine
- 10 2'0" Roll Over
- 11 5'6" Cantilevered Radius Wedge Extension
- 12 Stairs
- 13 Single Kinked Grind Rail
- 14 2'6" Cantilevered Quarter Pipe
- 15 2'6" Volcano Transition
- 16 2'0" Bank to Bank
- 17 Grind Ledges, Variable Heights
- 18 1'8" Double Raked Manual Pad



naming opportunities

Phase 1

- A Park Name SOLD - Rydell
- B Skatepark Bowl \$50,000
- C Tri-Tiered Manual Pad \$5,000
- D Grind Ledge \$5,000
- E HSS Grind Rail \$5,000
- F 3'0" H Bank Ramp \$5,000
- G 3'6" Quarter Pipe SOLD - JerBear Ramp
- H Quarter Pipe \$5,000
- I Spine SOLD - JerBear Ramp
- J 2'0" Roll Over SOLD - JerBear Ramp

Phase 2

- K 5'0" Cantilevered Radius Wedge \$5,000
- L Stairs \$5,000
- M Single Kinked Grind Rail \$5,000
- N 2'6" Cantilevered Quarter Pipe \$5,000
- O 2'6" Tornado Transition SOLD - SEND HELP Skateboards
- P 2'0" Back to Back \$5,000
- Q Grind Ledges Variable Heights \$5,000-\$10,000
- R 1'8" Double Raked Manual Pad \$5,000
- Park Bench \$1,500
- Park Table \$1,500



donor gift clubs

- Friends of the Park \$500 - \$1000
- Skaters Friends \$200 - \$499

NEW SKATEPARK PROJECT

A RELOCATION & UPDATE CAMPAIGN FOR A PERMANENT SKATEPARK AT KANNOWSKI PARK

Getting the Wheels Rolling

The wheels are beginning to roll on the Skatepark Project in Grand Forks. In seeing a need to provide skaters of all ages with a safe place to gather, together the Skatepark Committee and the Grand Forks Parks and Rec Foundation created a vision for change many years ago.

As Phase 1 of the project gets underway, involving the relocation of features of the old skatepark, located down town next to the Police Station, to the new location at Kannowski Park, the park is beginning to take shape. Features from the previous location including the Tri-Tiered Manual Pad, Grind Ledge, and HSS Grind Rail have been moved and will be incorporated into the new park's design. In addition to the relocated sections of the park, the new skatepark will have eighteen new features of varying structures, levels, and obstacles. The main feature of the park consists of a large Radius Bowl, complete with walls and features surrounding it.

In 2017, strides have been taken to make this dream a reality, with a huge contribution in funds raised through the 12th Annual Rydell Car & Bike Show. The total amount raised from the event was \$100,538.44! The Rydell Car & Bike Show's earning, so generously pledged to be donated to the Skatepark, will launch this project into Phase One. We also were the recipient of a \$5,000 grant for the project awarded by the Myra Foundation in 2017. With these funds in place, the skatepark will provide a safe environment for children of all ages, and their families, a place to be active and pursue skating as a sport.

Needless to say, the Grand Forks Park District is elated to add this sport specific park to the list of great parks already in the community. Not only do skateparks provide communities with many benefits, including reducing illicit behavior and many physical and mental health benefits, they also aid in stimulating economic growth in the community; which is why there was a clear need for the park's overhaul and update. With new ramps, pipes, walls, bowls, transitions, and extensions the new skatepark will be a skater's paradise.

If you would like to get involved, naming rights are still available for many of the park's features. Visit us online at gfparksfoundation.org to find out more.

Get involved on social media: #SkateparkGF



making a big splash

GIVING HEARTS DAY

**24-hour online fundraiser by
Dakota Medical Foundation
February 9, 2017**

On February 9, 2017, many of you participated in Dakota Medical Foundation's (DMF) annual Giving Hearts Day, a one-day, online fundraising event. We want to thank you for your donations.



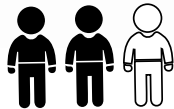
In 2017, we teamed up with the Grand Forks Education Foundation to co-promote our causes. You might remember receiving a postcard in the mail with the little red school bus and pool passes for kids on it. This effort was made to stretch our donation dollars to the fullest and try to save costs in an effort to increase proceeds.

With the 83 individual online donations we received during the 24-hour on-line fundraising event; the generous matches of \$500 from the Blue Line Club and \$3,500 match from CPS, Ltd., we were able to raise \$6,288.50 for local youth. We are so very thankful to everyone who made this possible.



YOUTH RECREATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Healthy & Active Kids



1-IN-3 LOCAL KIDS IS OVERWEIGHT.

WE CAN CHANGE THIS.

Let's get Grand Forks children active & fight childhood obesity together!

The Grand Forks Parks & Recreation Foundation is fighting to end childhood obesity in Grand Forks, North Dakota by getting kids active!

By donating to our Foundation youth recreation activity scholarship fund, you are giving a child in need the opportunity to get active and live a healthier life! Because of the generous donations received in 2017, we were able to grant over 238 youth activity scholarships to well-deserving children in low-income families!



Grand Slam

SCHEELS SPORTS COMPLEX

From the funds raised, we completed the two additional diamonds in Summer 2017, with a total of four diamonds now at the Scheels Sports Complex. With four diamonds at Scheels Sports Complex now available, our players knocked the 2017 youth baseball / softball season out of the park- including the hosting of the Cal Ripkin State Tournament at Scheels Sports Complex in July 2017. This success is due to the dedicated vision of the Building Fields of Dreams Campaign.

The staff of ICON Architectural Group have been working hard in 2017 on finishing the complex main building. The concessions, restrooms, and storage building is now completed and being set-up for the upcoming season. Players and families are all looking forward to using this beautiful building in the 2018 baseball / softball season!

If you have interest in getting more involved, finding more about our naming sponsorship opportunities that are available, or would just like to help make sure we are able to complete the project as planned, please contact us. As funds become available, we plan to add field lights and more amenities to this destination baseball / softball complex.



NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

NAME OF AREA	AMOUNT	NAMED
Facility Complex	\$ 250,000	Scheels Sports
Concession/Restroom	\$ 150,000	ICON Architects
Batting Cage #1	\$ 10,000	Kennelly Family
Batting Cage #2	\$ 10,000	AVAILABLE
Parking Lot	\$ 75,000	AVAILABLE
Diamond #1 (SW)	\$ 50,000	AVAILABLE
1st Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	Hugos
3rd Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	Brady Martz
Scoreboard	\$ 25,000	AVAILABLE
Field Lights	\$ 100,000	AVAILABLE
Diamond #2 (SE)	\$ 50,000	Blue Line Club
1st Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	Vaaler Insurance
3rd Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	Alerus Financial
Scoreboard	\$ 25,000	Brady Martz
Field Lights	\$ 100,000	AVAILABLE
Diamond #3 (NE)	\$ 50,000	AVAILABLE
1st Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	AVAILABLE
3rd Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	ND Eye Clinic
Scoreboard	\$ 25,000	AVAILABLE
Field Lights	\$ 100,000	AVAILABLE
Diamond #4 (NW)	\$ 50,000	AVAILABLE
1st Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	AVAILABLE
3rd Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	AVAILABLE
Scoreboard	\$ 25,000	AVAILABLE
Field Lights	\$ 100,000	AVAILABLE
Diamond #5 (Babe Ruth)	\$ 50,000	AVAILABLE
1st Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	AVAILABLE
3rd Base Dugout	\$ 15,000	AVAILABLE
Scoreboard	\$ 25,000	AVAILABLE
Field Lights	\$ 100,000	AVAILABLE



VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

*Honoring
our Veterans*

It was a successful year for the campaign project, with significant advancements made. The results of the geotechnical survey, to determine the need for excavation and infilling to insure the stability of the memorial wall, were received. While some issues were cited, all were correctable. EAPC Architects Engineers were in the final stages of design work and Opp Construction agreed to be general contractor on the project.

The Grand Forks Veterans Memorial Park Committee received their 501C (3) status thanks to the hard work of Attorney Kirk Tingum, of Caldis, Tingum, and Tingum Ltd, and retired District Judge and Board of Directors member, Joel Medd.

Another significant advancement of the project was obtaining the services of Gary Shields, a professional fund raiser, who has volunteered his services. Gary's expertise has enabled us to reach out to more agencies and has raised the public's awareness of our project. He also oversaw the development of a website for the project: gfvetspark.org.

The Red River Valley Motorcyclists (RRVM) have become an outstanding supporter of the project, donating more than \$40,000, with more to come. Over \$200,000 has been raised for

Visit gfparksfoundation.org to find campaign materials, upcoming fundraising events, donate online, give a gift, make a pledge, or learn how to get involved!



THE CAMPAIGN

Through community philanthropy and the efforts of supporters, the campaign committee will design, execute, and conduct a fundraising campaign to raise the necessary dollars to create and build a Veterans Memorial Park, this six-acre site, located NW of the Columbia Mall and adjacent to the roundabout at 24th Ave. South and 34th Street, into existence. It will be an outdoor gathering place for veterans, military members, families and the community to celebrate, recognize, remember, and honor the lives of those who are serving or have served in the U.S. Military.

HONORARY & MEMORIAL NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

NAME OF AREA	AMOUNT	NAMING
Amy Obelisk	\$50,000	Available
Marine Obelisk	\$50,000	Available
Navy Obelisk	\$50,000	Available
Air Force Obelisk	\$50,000	Available
Coast Guard Obelisk	\$50,000	Available
Large Shelter	\$50,000	Joe Neel Jr.
Small Shelter 1	\$30,000	Red River Valley Motorcyclists
Small Shelter 2	\$30,000	DAV Chapter 2 Grand Forks
Small Shelter 3	\$30,000	Available
Small Shelter 4	\$30,000	Available
Amy Bench	\$15,000	Krejci Family
Marine Bench	\$15,000	Available
Navy Bench	\$15,000	Available
Air Force Bench	\$15,000	Saddler Family
Coast Guard Bench	\$15,000	Available
Park Bench 1	\$10,000	DAV Auxiliary Unit 2 Grand Forks
Park Bench 2	\$10,000	DAV Chapter 2 Grand Forks
Park Bench 3	\$10,000	Norval Meagher
Park Bench 4 - 11	\$10,000	Available
U.S. Flag Pole	\$10,000	Available
N.D. Flag Pole	\$10,000	Available
POW-MIA Flag Pole	\$10,000	Available
Memorial Stones	\$200	Unlimited

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*Until passing on June 26, 2017

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FUND RAISING

Gary Shields



ICON SPORTS CENTER

*Making the most of
Year-Round Ice*



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS (DAV) GOLF TOURNAMENT

June 22, 2017

This was the 2nd annual golf tournament held at King's Walk Golf Course put on by the DAV group. This very successful event raised \$16,000 in proceeds for the Veterans Memorial Park Campaign. Sign-up for the next DAV Golf Event on June 4, 2018!

WILD HOG MARATHON

September 22-23, 2017
gfmarathon.com

The 6th annual Wild Hog Marathon had another great turn-out in 2017! This awesome event is put on by the Wild Hog Group, and consists of two full days of expos, events, and races of all lengths.

In 2017, the Wild Hog Marathon honored our Foundation by donating \$10,000 in support of youth activity scholarships! Don't forget to sign-up for the next Wild Hog Weekend on September 27-29, 2018!

LEGENDS & HEROES CAMPAIGN: 3 YEARS LATER

It has been 3 years since ICON Sports Center opened and we are still seeing a growth in activity within the facility, thanks to the generous pledges and donations to the Legends & Heroes Campaign,

SUMMER AT ICON SPORTS CENTER

In Summer/Fall 2017, our rinks were full of numerous Border Blades Figure skating club private lessons and summer programs; Langei Edge Power skating classes; and a Youth Goalie Clinic. Grand Forks Youth Hockey hosted 3v3 leagues as well as Termite and Mite summer skills classes. ND Amateur Hockey held their Team ND tryouts and fall training camps at ICON Sports Center, as well as the ND Amateur Hockey Fall Bantam leagues and Northern Plains Hockey League games. ICON Sports Center also hosted the Northland Hockey Tournament / Siouxland Challenge, Jr. Sioux Hockey Tournament, and the ND Wild Tournament Invitational Tournaments.

2017/2018 HOCKEY SEASON

We had a great hockey & figure skating season, with 775 youth hockey games at the ICON Sports Center. Grand Forks Youth Hockey tryouts began mid-October and games started up in mid-November at ICON Sports Center. Grand Forks Youth Hockey hosted 10+ tournament weekends, beginning in December 2017 and proceeding through mid-March 2018. ICON Sports Center also was honored to be the host location of the ND State Bantam Hockey Tournament and the ND State 19U Girls Hockey Tournament this past spring.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

*Raising funds
while having
fun*



Aafedt, Brad & Gayle
 Aaker, Thomas
 Achen, David & Virginia
 Adam, Tammy
 Adams, James
 Adams, Steve & Darla
 Ahler, Scott
 Alderson, Robert & Peggy
 Ali, Syed Osman
 Allan, Michael
 Allen, Rose & Jon
 Alperovich, Tatiana
 Ames, Val & Vince
 Amiot, Glenn
 Amundson, Byron
 Amundson, Philip
 Andersen, Emerlee
 Andersen, Phyllis
 Anderson, Collette
 Anderson, Daniel
 Anderson, Gary
 Anderson, Jody
 Anderson, John & Ilene
 Anderson, Julie & Keith
 Anderson, Kent & Nancy
 Anderson, Lori
 Anderson, Marilyn
 Anderson, Paula
 Anderson, Richard
 Anderson, Scott
 Anderson, Shawn & Tina
 Andrade, Cindy
 Antonenko, Mark & Nicole
 Apanian, Ronald
 Applegren, Nathan
 Apreza, Ernesto
 Arel, Mike & Jenny
 Armbrust, Julie
 Arola, Nick
 Arsenaault, Leonard
 Asbury, George
 Asbury, Henry
 Asbury, Sam
 Axvig, Richard & Karen
 Azure, Douglas
 Bachmeier, Ron & Becky
 Bacon, Rhonda
 Badger, Harmon
 Baglien, Brian & Lori
 Baier, Patricia & Michael
 Bakken, David & Karen
 Bakken, Lori
 Bakken, Teresa
 Barry, Meryl
 Bartel, Tima & Twyla
 Bartholomew, Shawna
 Bartuska, Ron & Lynn
 Baumann, Angie
 Beach, Dave & Jean
 Beaumier, Colin
 Bell, Jennifer
 Benson, Rachel & Travis
 Benthin, Tony & Kristi
 Bergom, Ronald & Sharon
 Bergsrud, Kent
 Bernhardson, Duane & Pam
 Bernstein, Teresa
 Berntsen, Craig
 Berntsen, Don
 Berry, Brad & Suzanne
 Bethae, Jennifer & Jermaine
 Bethke, Bob
 Bethke, Paul
 Bina, Cassidy & Anthony
 Bjerke, Marilyn
 Bjorge, Marlyn
 Blackmore, Mae Marie
 Block, Richard & Laura
 Block, Rick
 Bloom, Wallace E. & Sara A.
 Boettner, Peggy
 Bogan, Helen
 Bohm, James
 Bohn, Scott & Darci
 Bohnet Family
 Bollingberg, Karl & Twila
 Bollman, Jim & Ginny
 Borg, Kurt
 Borgstrom, Wayne & Julie
 Bostrom, Steven
 Botnen, Karen & Willis
 Boub, Michael & Jennifer
 Bouvette, Marsha
 Bowen, Jeff
 Bower, Robert
 Brakke, Leah
 Brandt, Jamie & Mackensie
 Brandt, Tim & Courtney
 Brekke, David & Alice
 Brekke, Steve & Desilee
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Your cash gift may qualify for up to a 50% deduction of your adjusted gross income with a possible carryover, applied within five years.

HOW IT WORKS

As an example, let's say you are in a 28% federal tax bracket, the ND Tax Credit on charitable gifts you could receive might look like this:

ENDOWMENT GIFT TAX CREDIT EXAMPLES

CASH GIFT 	FEDERAL TAX DEDUCTION { 28% TAX BRACKET } 	ND STATE INCOME TAX CREDIT 	TAX SAVINGS! 
\$5,000	(\$1,400)	(\$2,000)	\$3,400
\$25,000	(\$7,000)	(\$10,000)	\$17,000
\$50,000	(\$14,000)	(\$20,000)	\$34,000

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