

**Please direct my gift as follows:**

- Montevideo Area Community Foundation Endowment Fund
- Other Fund (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

- My check is enclosed OR
- Please charge my credit card

(please complete the section below)

- Visa                       MasterCard
- American Express       Discover

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Please list my/our gift in SWIF publications as being from \_\_\_\_\_

- Check this box if you wish to remain anonymous.

I/we wish to make this gift

- In Memory of OR
- In Honor of

(please list name exactly as you would like it to appear)



To make your gift online, visit [montevideofoundation.org/giving](http://montevideofoundation.org/giving). You will receive a tax receipt from our partner, Southwest Initiative Foundation. To learn more about this partnership visit [swifoundation.org](http://swifoundation.org) or call 800-594-9480.

The Montevideo Area Community Foundation is organized as an affiliate of the Southwest Initiative Foundation (SWIF). SWIF provides administrative support through gift processing and receipting, grant processing, investment management, and the 501(c)(3) public charity infrastructure necessary for your gifts to receive the highest possible charitable tax deduction. We also have access to technical and professional support from Southwest Initiative Foundation in areas such as strategic planning, board development, fundraising, marketing and public relations, and grant making.



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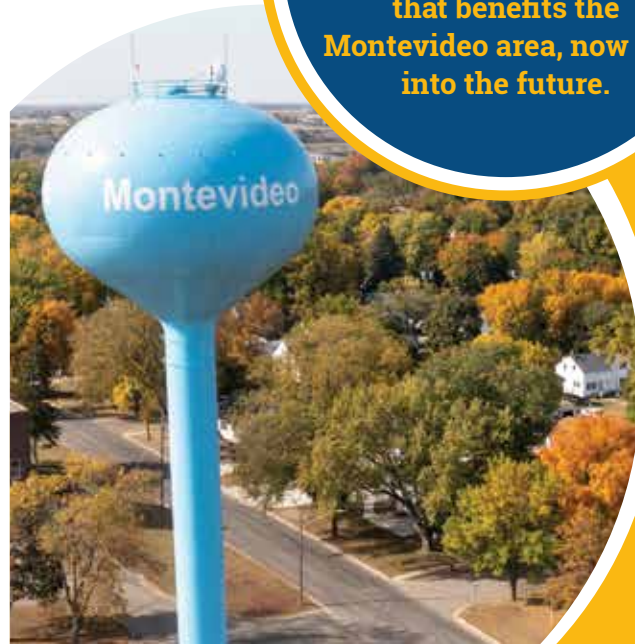
**Supporting local initiatives helps our community thrive.**

**P.O. Box 261  
Montevideo, MN 56265**

**Donate Online**  
Montevideo Area Community Foundation  
[montevideofoundation.org/giving](http://montevideofoundation.org/giving)

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**Questions?**  
Email us at [montefound@gmail.com](mailto:montefound@gmail.com)



**The purpose of the Montevideo Area Community Foundation is to inspire generosity and to promote philanthropy that benefits the Montevideo area, now and into the future.**



**Give a gift today and we'll help it grow for years to come.**



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## GIVE A GIFT START A LEGACY

Montevideo Area Community Foundation (MACF) was created in 1993 by a group of local citizens who were interested in serving the evolving needs of the Montevideo area with the mission of advancing philanthropy in the community. MACF acts as a permanent vehicle to serve the evolving needs of the Montevideo area by supporting existing agencies and programs but also funding new and creative needs. MACF focus areas include arts and humanities, community and civic affairs, education, historic preservation, health and human services, social economic affairs and environmental conservation. MACF is directly governed by a volunteer advisory board consisting of twelve individuals from the Montevideo area.



The simplest method of giving is to write a personal check to the Montevideo Area Community Foundation or visit [montevideofoundation.org/giving](http://montevideofoundation.org/giving) to give online. These gifts come in many forms: annual donations, support of a project fund, memorials for a loved one, honoring a living person or commemoration of a special occasion.

### OTHER OPTIONS FOR GIVING

- Farmland**  
Farmland can be sold and converted to cash for an immediate charitable impact, or it can be retained in the Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> program, allowing SWIF to maintain ownership of the land, with the annual rental income passing to the Clarkfield Area Community Foundation.
- Grain/Commodities**  
Deliver commodities to a local elevator and gift them in our name.
- Appreciated Securities**  
Giving appreciated securities has great tax advantages. You'll receive an income tax deduction equal to the market value of the stock. And, you avoid capital gains tax.
- Bequests**  
A provision or bequest in your will allows you to make a substantial contribution without diminishing assets available to you during your lifetime.
- Retirement Plans**  
IRA assets often make the best charitable gift because of the significant tax savings.
- Charitable Gift Annuity**  
This is a great strategy to save taxes, yet still receive a fixed payment for your lifetime.

## YOUR GIVING AT WORK

Over \$286,000 in grants have been awarded to Montevideo area organizations and projects since 1993.

The Foundation has also collaborated on projects to raise over \$1 million for local causes.

Your tax-deductible donation is an investment in the Montevideo Area Community Foundation, but more importantly, it is also an investment in your local community. Donations to the foundation are placed in an endowment fund. A portion of the interest earned on the endowment is distributed every year in the form of grants to projects and organizations in the Montevideo area. This means that funds are available in perpetuity.

Grants are awarded to non-profit organizations with a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status and to government agencies. Currently, applications are accepted once a year with last Friday in October being the due date. The Foundation Board of Directors reviews all grant applications. Grant awards are presented in December. Find the link at [montevideofoundation.org/grant-application](http://montevideofoundation.org/grant-application).

**Every gift makes an impact! Thanks to the generous support of many local donors, we have made a difference in our community. Join us today and be part of that difference!**

- Bring It Home
- Brookside Senior Living
- Chippewa Valley Youth Club
- Montevideo Arts Project
- Project Turnabout
- Montevideo Schools
- Milwaukee Road Heritage Center
- Chippewa County Fair
- Montevideo Noon Lions
- Chippewa Enterprises
- And more!

The Montevideo Area Community Foundation is an affiliate of Southwest Initiative Foundation, a single connection offering unlimited possibilities to grow and promote people, businesses, entrepreneurs and communities in rural southwest Minnesota.

## Thank you for making a difference in southwest Minnesota!

Yes! I want to support the Montevideo area with a tax-deductible gift of

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name and title (Mr., Ms., etc.)

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