

Nonprofit Needs Report

1st Quarter 2018



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with
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needs**

We invite you to review grant applications received by FAF during the first quarter of 2018. If you would like additional information or wish to support any of these projects through your Donor-Advised Fund, please contact Melissa Diers at (402) 721-4252 or mdiers@facfoundation.org.



Camp Fontanelle

Project: Camp Fontanelle Retreat Center

Total Project Cost: \$100,000

Amount Requested: \$100,000

The purpose of this project is to provide modern meeting and lodging facilities for use by businesses, schools, youth serving organizations, churches and for camp programming. With the leadership activities offered at the camp (Challenge Course, Zipline, Tree climbing) and the fun activities on site (Petting Barn, Jumping Pillows, five miles of hiking trails, Fort Jones, archery, pool...) Camp Fontanelle is unique. The major obstacle currently is the camp's ability to provide sufficient, modern housing. The proposed facility will address the deficiency in these areas.

Fremont High School Tiger Band

Project: Updated Equipment for Tiger Marching Band

Total Project Cost: \$70,268

Amount Requested: \$70,268

Amount Awarded: \$26,400

As the FHS Music department continues to work toward making the Tiger Marching Band a competitive traveling unit again, it is in need of updated wind instruments (particularly sousaphones, which are now over 30 years old) and frontline percussion equipment to compare to similar programs in the region. The hope is to use this new equipment as early as Fall 2018, where success will be apparent in the use within their performances.

Fremont Avenue of Flags

Project: Veterans Memorial Park

Total Project Goal: \$500,000

Amount Requested: \$100,000

Amount Awarded: \$25,000

Funding will be used to construct a Veterans Memorial Park to honor our nation's veterans. Located on East Military Avenue, the park will be an extension of the Eternal Flame Memorial. It will have a monument dedicated to each branch of service as well as the flag of each military branch. Memory tiles can be purchased to honor a veteran. They will be on display on a wall and will showcase information about the veteran. Donors will be recognized on a donor wall and kiosk within the park.

FPS Encore Campaign Committee

Project: Encore Campaign

Total Project Cost: \$610,000

The goal of this project is to renovate the Nell McPherson Theatre into a true community-wide performing arts center that will allow Fremont to continue its rich tradition of the promotion of music, theater, fine arts and academic disciplines for the benefit of present and future students, parents, families and all members of the Fremont community. The campaign is in its final push to raise funds, with only \$15,000 remaining of the \$610,000 goal.



FHS choir students hold a "check" for \$60,000 from the foundation for renovation of the Nell McPherson Theater, flanked by FACS board members (left to right) President Greg Haskins, Dee Bang and Patti Beebe.

North Bend Central Public Schools

Project: Farm to School Greenhouse

Total Project Cost: \$97,500

Amount Requested: \$10,000

Amount Awarded: \$10,000

The North Bend Central School District would like to build a fully functioning greenhouse that would use soil and hydroponics to grow vegetables in conjunction with the Farm to School initiative. Farm to School is a government program that supports schools in producing and/or purchasing locally grown produce to serve at lunch. This initiative also provides students with learning opportunities including hands-on experiences with gardening and using the latest technology options available for greenhouse efficiency. Middle and high school students and staff will benefit by eating fresh vegetables produced by students using concepts learned in agriculture, science, and math classes.

The Impact of a Wish:

Make-A-Wish Nebraska Creates Life-Changing Wishes for Children with Critical Illnesses

Research shows children who have wishes granted can build the physical and emotional strength they need to fight a critical illness. This may improve their quality of life and produce better health outcomes. Wishes have proven physical and emotional benefits that can give children with critical illnesses a higher chance of survival.

Over the last fiscal year, Make-A-Wish Nebraska has granted the wishes of 118 children in Nebraska, and 116 more are waiting to be granted. Learn more about Make-A-Wish Nebraska, and read about a local wish kid, Danna, on the enclosed flyer!