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### NBACF works on future and honors past

North Bend Chamber of Commerce. Presently it is easy to drive by without knowing the city of North Bend is there. The foundation granted \$20,000 (Last Dollar) to be paid out in the coming year.

Other highlights of the year include the foundation's successful partici-

pation in the Fremont Area Big Give held May 9. The foundation received \$10,550 in donations from 62 donors including \$1500 prize money for the most donors between the hours of 4 a.m. and 6 a.m. the day of the Big Give. There was 100% board member participation. There were a variety of prize money amounts as an added incentive. The Platte Valley Bank has been a Big Give prize sponsor for five years.

The North Bend Area Community Foundation recognizes the service of Tom Wolf, who passed away in July 2023. He was co-founder in December 1999; Board of Directors 2000-2023; Treasurer 2000-2010. An outstanding number of memorials and donations were received in his name. His leadership and dedication to the foundation will be missed. Broc Blanchard was nominated to finish Tom's term expiring May, 2025 and Broc accepted.



In August, the NBACF help fund the Czech Marionette performance in Prauge by a troupe that has given worldwide performances.

#### More Information

Does your organization need a grant to help benefit the community? NBACF grants can be applied for by filling out a simple two-page application. Applicants then meet with the NBACF board to answer questions about their application. The whole process is quite simple and NBACF would like everyone to know about these funds that exist for the benefit of the North Bend area.

You can get updates on what the NBACF is up to on their own Facebook page: facebook.com/ NorthBendAreaCF.

Updates on the latest information of NBACF is available at www.facfoundation.org; click on "Affiliates." Under Affiliates, click on North Bend. In addition to information, the link to the form for applying for a NBACF grant is also available.

# Please consider making your gift today! There are advantages to giving to the North Bend Area Community Foundation. The fund provides a vehicle for receiv-

There are advantages to giving to the North Bend Area Community Foundation. The fund provides a vehicle for receiving donations for the benefit of the community and surrounding area that will also provide tax benefits to the donor. As a component fund of the Fremont Area Community Foundation, Inc., your gifts are fully tax deductible. In addition, FACF has met the stringent qualifications of the National Council on Foundations which assures all donors that FACF, and thereby NBACF, meet national standards for operational quality, donor services, accountability, and transparency. Flexibility is the key when making a donation to NBACF. Gifts can range from a simple cash donation to real estate and everything in between. Gifts can be designated to remember a loved one, honor a birthday or other important event, or support a specific project near and dear to the donor.

I'm proud to invest in the future of the North Bend Area!	
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#### **PURPOSE**

The North Bend Area Community Foundation Fund was established in 2000 for the purpose of receiving, administering and disbursing funds for community improvement and assistance in areas such as civic, cultural, educational, health and welfare needs. With the belief that a community is only as strong as people who support it, gifts to the foundation will help provide numerous benefits to North Bend and the surrounding area.

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Meetings are held quarterly in February, May, August, and November on the second Thursday of the month at 4 pm at the Historic Platte Valley Bank.

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## NBACF sets out clear mission

"The North Bend Area Community Foundation builds a stronger community by inspiring charitable giving and disbursing grants for community improvement." This mission statement, while appearing very simple and straight forward, involved much discussion to make certain a reader would understand our organization exists and second, our organization exists to help better our community. The foundation will celebrate its 25th anniversary December, 2024, and as of 11-9-2023, due to the generosity of donors over the years, the foundation has awarded \$333,837.00 in grants.

This year the foundation's grants cover a wide range. In February the Morse Bluff American Legion Post 340 was awarded \$5,000 to renovate their building's kitchen, bathroom and entry way floors. The Legion has consistently worked to preserve the historic building that is used not only for Legion needs but is rented out for various family and community events. The Material Girls Quilt Guild was awarded \$1,364.45 for material for creating 36 Quilts of Valor. The Guild would cover the cost of quilting each quilt. North Bend Central Elementary was granted \$1,200 for STEM (science,



North Bend Central Elementary 5th graders hold their rocket during a STEM enrichment program made possible with funds from NBACF.



Material Girls Quilt Guild hold one of the Quilts of Valor they made with the help of a grant from NBACF.

technology, engineering & math) enrichment to purchase water rocket launchers as well as creating raised beds south of the pollinator garden 5th graders had created from a previous foundation grant. The raised bed project involved NBC's industrial arts department.

In May, a request for \$5,000 from the North Bend/Morse Bluff Area Community Veterans Park was granted to revitalize the landscape on the south edge of the park that was past its prime. There would be a walkway between the parking area on the south edge and the park itself to allow visitors to walk directly into the park allowing easier access to the tile display and memorial bricks.

In August, the Nebraska Czechs of Prague was awarded a \$500 grant to host a Czech Marionette performance by a troupe that has given worldwide performances. The Prague group were able to fund the first \$500. This performance added to the enjoyment of the community's weekend celebration.

In November, the foundation heard the grant request of the Purcell Initiative of North Bend, a group whose goal is to place a North Bend Highway Frontage Sign on the new Highway 30 expressway and Highway 79 intersection working with the City of North Bend and the

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## Donors to NBACF Funds

Listed below are donors who contributed to North Bend Area Community Foundation (NBACF) from November 1, 2022 to November 10, 2023. Donors may establish a lasting memorial to honor a relative or friend through a gift to the Book of Memories. The name of the person honored is inscribed in the "Book of Memories", a leather-bound volume displayed at the Platte Vally Bank. Contributions can be designated by the donor to a particular fund. Donations may also be made in honor of a special occasion, such as a birth or retirement.

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Morse Bluff American Legion Post 340 members stand in their newly renovated kitchen that was made possible with a grant from NBCAF.

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New landscaping was added at the Vetran's Park in the summer with help from a NBCAF grant.