



November 14, 2021

Dear McGregor Area Businesses and Supporters,

The McGregor Lakes Area Foundation (MLAF) makes grants to support the environment and people in our community. Since its 1992 inception, MLAF has provided more than \$94,200 in grants to the McGregor area.

MLAF held its annual fundraiser at The Craft House on Lake Minnewawa on August 28th. The Event Sponsors were Floe International, Up North Riders ATV Club, Willey's Marine, Riverwood Health Care Center, and the Craft House. Donors like you helped make this a fun, informative and overall successful event. The COVID-19 virus unfortunately continues to have an impact on people in our community and is creating a much greater need for your support.

In January 2022, we will be making our grant disbursements. Each year's fundraising defines how much we can grant to area organizations. Applications received this year included the Big Sandy Water Institute, McGregor ISD #4's new Pollinator Science curriculum, ANGELS, Riverwood Reads Program at the McGregor Clinic, and the McGregor Food Shelf. A new applicant is the Minisinaakwaang Leadership Academy. The total of all these grant requests received equals \$9,835. **Donations this summer were short of these increased needs.**

If we can raise \$3,000 before the end of the year, we can cover these grant requests for our planned January disbursement, plus add to the Endowment Fund if so, requested by donors. Remember that the Endowment Fund provides grant opportunities in perpetuity for the future needs of our community. A long-time donor to the Foundation has agreed to match up to \$1,000 in donations to help make up the shortfall.

Please help support the MLAF grant program this year by taking advantage of the matching donation. Donations can be made by sending a check to the address below or by going online to our web page at www.mlafmn.org

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We would love the opportunity to visit with you if you have any questions or have ideas you would like to share with us. We encourage you to contact us at any time.

Best regards,

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