



IMPACT UPDATE

FOUNDATION FACTS

Mission: To unlock the power of central Minnesota people to build and sustain healthy communities.

Key Focus Areas for 2007-2012:

- Economic Opportunity
- Key Places & Natural Resources
- Children, Youth & Families
- Organizational Effectiveness
- Fund Development

History: Established in 1986 by The McKnight Foundation to address human and economic needs in Central Minnesota. The Foundation is an independent, nonprofit philanthropic organization.

Activities:

- Gap-lending for new and expanding businesses.
- Grants for community and economic development activities.
- Leadership training to build the capacity of communities
- Fundraising programs to support the Foundation and increase the level of philanthropy in Central Minnesota.

Benton County

- 97 grants totaling \$354,690.
- 34 loans totaling \$2,689,480.
- Created or retained 958 jobs.
- \$19,253,875 in private leverage.

Cass County

- 254 grants totaling \$1,603,882.
- 42 loans totaling \$1,677,214.
- Created or retained 339 jobs.
- \$12,253,321 in private leverage.

Chisago County

- 123 grants totaling \$821,134.
- 28 loans totaling \$1,452,900.
- Created or retained 322 jobs.
- \$7,262,018 in private leverage.

Crow Wing County

- 421 grants totaling \$2,444,649.
 - 3 scholarships totaling \$3,000.
 - 149 loans totaling \$5,584,450.
 - Created or retained 1,534 jobs.
 - \$27,078,860 in private leverage.
- Betty Ford Menzel Scholarship Fund*

Isanti County

- 157 grants totaling \$624,251.
- 37 loans totaling \$1,777,500.
- Created or retained 229 jobs.
- \$15,761,116 in private leverage.

Kanabec County

- 64 grants totaling \$479,547.
- 17 loans totaling \$256,328.
- Created or retained 99 jobs.
- \$820,600 in private leverage.

Mille Lacs County

- 137 grants totaling \$775,904.
- 117 scholarships totaling \$110,214.
- 76 loans totaling \$1,997,651.
- Created or retained 610 jobs.
- \$8,578,956 in private leverage.

*Princeton Economic Development
Onamia Economic Development
Isle Area Community Foundation*

Morrison County

- 292 grants totaling \$1,358,139.
- 164 scholarships totaling \$187,289.
- 74 loans totaling \$3,103,804.
- Created or retained 998 jobs.
- \$36,867,610 in private leverage.

*Morrison County Area Foundation
Shawn Grittner Memorial Scholarship Fund*

Pine County

- 154 grants totaling \$862,343.
- 34 loans totaling \$1,365,090.
- Created or retained 452 jobs.
- \$7,756,517 in private leverage.

Greater Pine Area Endowment

Sherburne County

- 201 grants totaling \$808,594.
- 178 scholarships totaling \$107,475.
- 39 loans totaling \$2,510,000.
- Created or retained 380 jobs.
- \$15,262,955 in private leverage.

Three Rivers Community Foundation



Stearns County

- 601 grants totaling \$4,101,304.
- 127 loans totaling \$7,165,212.
- Created or retained 1,468 jobs.
- \$34,126,040 in private leverage.

Wadena County

- 113 grants totaling \$764,645.
 - 63 loans totaling \$2,051,940.
 - Created or retained 757 jobs.
 - \$14,575,184 in private leverage.
- Menahga ED Loan Fund*

Todd County

- 208 grants totaling \$1,259,030.
 - 131 scholarships totaling \$46,525.
 - 65 loans totaling \$1,479,759.
 - Created or retained 855 jobs.
 - \$8,076,725 in private leverage.
- Todd-Wadena ED Loan Fund*
Staples Community Foundation

Wright County

- 189 grants totaling \$1,016,984.
- 58 loans totaling \$3,165,212.
- Created or retained 950 jobs.
- \$19,808,635 in private leverage.

REGIONAL IMPACT

Since inception, the Initiative Foundation has:

- Made 3,184 grants totaling \$19.9 million.
- Awarded 593 scholarships totaling \$441,670.
- Made 843 loans totaling \$36.2 million.
- Leveraged over \$227.4 million in private business investment.
- Created/retained over 9,951 jobs.
- Provided training and assistance to:
 - 1,611 people (129 communities) through the Healthy Communities Partnership program;
 - 928 people (109 nonprofit organizations) through the Healthy Organizations Partnership program;
 - 1,407 people (199 lake associations) through the Healthy Lakes and Rivers Partnership program;
 - 825 people (15 early childhood and 2 early childhood mental health community coalitions) through the Early Childhood Initiative;
 - 111 people through the Inside-Out Connections program.

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