

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUND



When you establish a Community Enhancement Fund with us, your gift will be used to address significant challenges and opportunities in the community. Each year, our Distributions Committee and program experts determine where grants from these funds can have the greatest impact. As community needs change, so will the projects your fund supports.

HOW IT WORKS



GIVE



GROW



GRANT

- You make a **minimum \$250,000 unrestricted gift** to the Community Foundation during your lifetime or through a bequest in your will. You can give cash, appreciated stocks, real estate, or other assets.
- We **set up a fund in your name**, in the name of your family or business, or in honor of any person or organization you choose.
- You may **receive tax benefits** in the year your gift is made.
- The Community Foundation **determines the areas of community need** that would be most impacted by grants from your gift.

OTHER ADVANTAGES

The Community Foundation evaluates all aspects of community well-being: arts, education, health and human services, resource preservation, and social services. The flexibility of your unrestricted gift allows the Community Foundation to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow.

Community Enhancement Grants are awarded at the discretion, and with the approval, of our board of directors after review by our Distributions Committee.

A LASTING LEGACY



It is hard to turn in any direction in the greater Wausau area and not see something Caroline S. Mark's charitable hand touched before her death in 2002. Whether it be essential programs, necessary facilities, or laser medical research – the Caroline S. Mark Foundation was likely involved.

Caroline knew firsthand the importance of the work of the Community Foundation. She served on the Board of Directors and Distributions Committee from 1988 to 1994 and was the Foundation's first female Board Chair. In addition, Caroline supported unrestricted giving by providing a challenge match that successfully accelerated the growth of the Wausau-Marathon County Fund.

Caroline led with her heart; she was a steadfast and influential humanitarian. Her commitment to this community continues through the Caroline S. Mark Legacy Fund.