

Eden Prairie Community Foundation

2020 STRATEGIC PLAN

THE FOUNDATION: STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY FOR OUR EP 'HOME'

Just as a home's foundation provides structural integrity, so too does the Eden Prairie Community Foundation provide structural soundness to the place where we live or work.

Since 1981, we've provided \$2 million in grants to 100 different organizations helping people facing hardship. Now, we seek to do more -- not just in granting, but in leadership and system change. Here are the building blocks of our 2020 Strategic Plan:



HELP WITH HARDSHIP

Hunger, homelessness, and other socio-economic issues create physical, cognitive, emotional, and social roadblocks for families and especially children, leading to school-achievement gaps in an Eden Prairie known for its educational system. We're aiming for systemic change.



BE A HUB

There is no organization that serves as a connector so that EP's greatest needs are comprehensively met without duplication and resources or solutions are communicated to residents and businesses. We strive to be that connector, working collaboratively with our partners.



UNITE ON DIVERSITY

The Foundation will serve as a powerful tool to unite Eden Prairie by enabling and inspiring our "community of communities" to connect, collaborate, and celebrate but also actively work together to address the many challenges that we face.



'CHANGE' LEADERS

The Foundation's latest strategic planning is driven by its volunteer Board of Directors, but also utilizes volunteer team members and extensive "Communities of Practice" from across Eden Prairie. Want to be part of the process? We'd love to have you! Contact Executive Director Mark Weber at (952) 949-8499.

INCREASE OUR CAPACITY

Making change at levels described here requires resources that go beyond what currently exist at the Eden Prairie Community Foundation.

Therefore, this ambitious strategic plan hinges on our ability to increase capacity, not just in financial support but also volunteerism.

We will deepen our relationships across the board, and increasingly be the vehicle for generous Eden Prairie residents and businesses that wish to give back to the community.

We all do better when we're working together!

If you would like to support Eden Prairie by working with the Foundation on these efforts, please make a donation on our website at www.epcommunityfoundation.org or mail a check to: Eden Prairie Community Foundation, 8080 Mitchell Rd., Eden Prairie, MN 55344.

WHAT WE SEEK: INSPIRED SUCCESS FROM MANY HANDS

"What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived; it is what difference we have made to the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead."

-Nelson Mandela

