



## 2017 Chairman's Letter

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Dear donors and friends,

The Walker Area Community Foundation plays a unique role in our community. We create opportunities for greatness, not only for our nonprofits, municipalities and schools, but also for the individuals living, working and playing in Walker County.

Our work is the underlying support system for nonprofit agencies impacting lives in our area. We offer both funding for projects, as well as training sessions for their staff and board members. Our goal is to build capacity in each nonprofit, allowing them to manage their time, clients, resources and business effectively.

We are also helping to systematically turn a vision of a vibrant future for Walker County into reality. The creation of access to natural resources and fresh foods, the campaign to encourage students to look to their future through educational opportunities, the development of our downtowns, and the great work in progress by so many organizations is creating shared excitement and optimism about this time in the life of our community.

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"Walker County faces many challenges in the days ahead, but we as a community are ready to act in a way that moves us forward into a place that our children and grandchildren will want to call home. We are indeed poised for greatness."

Beth Thorne Stukes

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