OUR VISION

To improve the lives of children/families, communities and the environment through the involvement of successive generations of the family of Carolyn McKnight Christian.

OUR MISSION

To support programs and initiatives that effect positive change now and in the future.

OUR VALUES

Compassion and Reason
Concern for Community
Making a Difference
Inclusion
Civility
MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY GRANT MAKING

MIDDLE SCHOOL AGE YOUTH
We seek to empower economically disadvantaged middle school youth (ages 12-14) by supporting their families and others to inspire, nurture, educate and guide them to achieve long-term stability and well being.

$431,645

COMMUNITY VITALITY
We seek to enhance the vitality of Minneapolis, Minnesota through programs such as arts, civic and cultural organizations that build a shared understanding and commitment to our community.

$220,525

NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY GRANT MAKING

CHILDREN & YOUTH
We seek to empower economically disadvantaged children and youth by supporting their families and others to inspire, nurture, educate and guide them to achieve long-term stability and well-being.

$265,400

COMMUNITY VITALITY
We seek to enhance the vitality of New Haven, Connecticut through programs such as arts, civic and cultural organizations that build a shared understanding and commitment to our community.

$95,000

ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT MAKING

Mitigate Climate Change. We support the development of a clean energy environment by supporting programs in the Upper Midwest to promote clean energy solutions.

MINNESOTA $362,530
NORTH DAKOTA $50,000
IOWA $45,000

PROACTIVE GRANT MAKING

This is our foundation-initiated grantmaking designed to address systemic change processes related to an issue. These are multi-year priorities. Our current priority is:

Minnesota Comeback is a coalition of funders, advocates and education organizations committed to high-performing schools. Our focus is Minneapolis which has among the worst achievement and opportunity gaps in the country—with a goal that, by 2025, all Minneapolis children are enrolled in rigorous and relevant schools that prepare them to thrive in college, career and community.
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