Mission
To encourage and multiply opportunities for children in poverty.

Priorities
The Foundation will create, mentor and sustain projects such as, but not limited to:

*Impactful programs which support children in poverty
*Partnership programs with schools & organizations fostering job skill fundamentals of the Building Construction Trades

Value Statement
The Foundation focuses on practical applications, programs and projects specific to Human Health, Community Well-Being, and Education.

The Foundation will seek partnerships which create access to programs and improvements changing the lives of children living within the confines of poverty.

The Todd & Mary Heistand Family Foundation

The Foundation began as a focused way to affect positive change for children in poverty. The Foundation’s values are the result of lessons learned from a rural upbringing and lifestyle where commitment to community, neighbor and family, and satisfaction in a job done well are held in high regard.

Funding geography & eligibility
The Heistand Family Foundation is interested in funding requests and projects specific to the defined Mission and Priorities of the Foundation. Applicants must be a 501(c)3 organization or a governmental entity. The Foundation’s Board of Trustees gives preference to funding requests received from qualified applicants located in the following geographic areas:

- the Omaha/Council Bluffs metropolitan area;
- that part of western Iowa within 100 miles of Omaha;

Application process
Letters of Interest (LOI) may be submitted at any time during the year to be reviewed on a Semi-Annual Cycle. LOI applications are due by the 15th day of February and the 15th day of July each calendar year. Go to www.heistandfamilyfoundation.org to download the fillable form. After LOI review, applicants will be notified if they are invited to submit a Full Application. Organizations may submit one application per grant cycle.

Special initiatives
The Foundation Board may define and develop targeted grant programs, and invite partnerships for special initiatives in order to effectively address particular areas of need aligned with Foundation values and priorities.

Foundation grant terms
Approved grants come with certain conditions detailed in Foundation grant documents. Foundation funds may be paid out 1) at the start of a project, 2) when a project is completed, or 3) based on Foundation award agreements. All grants are structured to ensure the project will be completed and to help the grantee raise the balance of funds needed for project success.

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