10 reasons people choose to give to the Watertown Area Community Foundation

1. We are a local organization with deep roots in community.
2. Our director and board has broad knowledge regarding community issues and needs.
3. We provide highly personalized service tailored to each individual’s charitable interests.
4. Our funds help people invest in causes they care about.
5. We accept a wide variety of assets and can facilitate even the most complex forms of giving.
6. We partner with professional advisors to create highly effective approaches to charitable giving.
7. We offer maximum tax advantage under state and federal law.
8. We multiply the impact of gift dollars by pooling them with other gifts and grants.
9. We build endowment funds that benefit the community forever and help create personal legacies.
10. We are a community leader, convening agencies and coordinating resources to create positive change.

OUR MISSION
The Watertown Area Community Foundation invests in the future of Watertown by supporting community priorities, responding to human service needs and enhancing recreation, education, arts and culture.

It does this by...
• Leadership and forward thinking
• Promoting philanthropy; encouraging, receiving and administering charitable gifts
• Making grants to local nonprofits
• Partnering with local organizations
• Making strategic investments in the community

the LEGACY society
Joins in the mission of the Watertown Area Community Foundation encouraging planned giving for the benefit of the Watertown community.

There’s so much more we’d like you to know...
For more information on how you can make the gift of a lifetime to our community, please contact us or go to watertowncommunityfoundation.org

Phone: 605-882-3731 • Fax: 605-753-5731
E-mail: foundation@iw.net
There are many ways to leave a lasting legacy to your community...

One of the most common and effective means of ensuring that the charitable organizations and causes you’ve loved during your lifetime will continue to be supported long after you’re gone is to name the Watertown Area Community Foundation in your will or estate plan. Contributing to a qualified charity such as the Watertown Area Community Foundation can be very beneficial from a tax standpoint as well.

You include the Watertown Area Community Foundation in your will as a bequest, and specify the purpose of the fund you would like to establish. We can help you or your attorney with recommended language.

You notify us, and we will immediately recognize you for your gift. You will then qualify for membership in our Legacy Society and, unless you request anonymity, your name will be published in the Legacy Society list in our annual report.

Upon your death, we will set up a fund in your name, in the name of your family, or in honor of any person or organization you choose.

Your gift will be placed in a fund that is carefully invested and will grow over time; grant distributions from the fund will be used to address the community need you specified.

Our Board will issue grants in the name of the fund you wish to establish. (If you prefer, grants can be made anonymously). Granting from fund begins when fund balance reaches $20,000.

We will handle all the administrative details. Making a bequest to the Watertown Area Community Foundation is an easy way to transfer cash, appreciated stocks or bonds, real or personal property, or other assets.