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## STARION BANK GIVES \$25,000 TO FIVE NORTH DAKOTA COMMUNITIES

Bismarck, ND – Starion Bank has made a \$25,000 donation to five different communities in North Dakota.

The gift will be split among the following community funds:

- \$5,000 to the Oakes Area Community Foundation
- \$5,000 to the Ellendale Area Community Foundation
- \$5,000 to the Rolla Community Endowment Fund
- \$5,000 to the Bottineau Community Endowment Fund
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These local community funds are managed as permanent component endowment funds of the North Dakota Community Foundation. Earnings from the funds are given as grants every year for projects and programs that improve the quality of life in the local area.

"We are pleased to be able to provide this permanent gift to these communities," said Craig Larson, CEO and chairman of the board for Starion Bank. "Giving back to the community has always been an important part of who we are as a community bank and this is one way to make a lasting impact."

For more information about these funds, go to www.NDCF.net.

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The North Dakota Community Foundation is a public, non-profit tax-exempt corporation which receives and distributes charitable funds to support a wide range of programs which benefit North Dakotans. NDCF currently manages over 600 funds for various North Dakota communities and donors, including 63 community foundations and over 120 scholarship funds. It holds assets in excess of \$70,000,000 and has made more than \$65,000,000 in grants all across North Dakota since its inception in 1976.