

CHAPTER ONE

THE FIRST 50 YEARS



VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLIMITED
2025 ANNUAL REPORT



MISSION

Unlimited in our desire to provide Purpose, Privacy
& Dignity to all people

VISION

Building successful lives through opportunities and choices

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CHAPTER ONE

The First 50 Years

A Letter from the President and Chairperson



Barry Whitsell
PRESIDENT & CEO

As we look back on 2025, the 50th anniversary of the founding of Village Northwest Unlimited, it is inspiring to see how far the Village has come. This year's annual report will talk about the milestone events that took place from 1975 to today. As you read through it, we are most proud of the fact that for 50 years the mission of the Village has remained grounded and based on providing **Purpose, Privacy and Dignity**. From the beginning, this has been the guiding light of the Village, and this light shines as brightly today as it did when the dream of the Village took shape.

Holding ourselves accountable to this mission comes alive through our incredible staff. The Village could not be what it is today without the dedication and commitment of our caring and compassionate staff who every day bring smiles, laughter and joy to the people who call VNU their home. Brian Robyn, our Director of Human Resources, recently shared some statistics about VNU staff:

- Average length of service – 13 years
- 65% of VNU staff have 5 or more years of service
- 27% of VNU staff have more than 20 years of service
- VNU staff come from 30 different zip codes and 13 different counties

These are incredible statistics, but to us they mean that our staff is passionate and engaged in providing **Purpose, Privacy and Dignity**. They love working with our residents and in the culture VNU has built. Having this consistency in our staff means they know our residents on a deeply personal level, and because of their intimate connection, they can provide the care that only comes from knowing our residents so well.

The quality of care VNU provides was shown this past year in two specific examples. First, when VNU had its annual survey by the Iowa Department of Inspection, Appeals and Licensing, we had a deficiency free ICF-ID level of care survey. This is extremely rare and has only happened one other time in the history of VNU. The second example was when we had our accreditation survey by the Commission for the Accreditation of Rehabilitative Facilities (CARF.) During this survey, which happens every 3 years, there are over 1,400 standards that have to be met and demonstrated over a 3-day period. When the survey was complete, VNU had received the highest accreditation available and the surveyors identified 13 unique areas of strengths.

As we look to the next 50 years, there will be changes, new challenges and opportunities, but the constant will be our laser focus on bringing the Village mission of Purpose, Privacy and Dignity to life for those we serve.



Dennis Ten Clay
BOARD CHAIRPERSON

Barry W. Whitsell
President and CEO

Dennis Ten Clay
Board Chairperson

A Legacy of Compassion

The Beginning of Village Northwest Unlimited

As told by Robert Hoogeveen, first CEO of Village Northwest Unlimited



In the fall of 1974, I received a phone call from the high school principal in Mason City, Iowa. I was the high school principal in Sheldon. He asked if I would be willing to be part of the NCA Evaluation Team that would be coming to his school soon. He was using a program similar to what we were doing at Sheldon – a scheduling program called Variable Modular Scheduling. He also said a Dr. Polling from the University of South Dakota would be coming and he would pick me up in Sheldon, if that would be okay. I agreed to join the team and that is how I was first introduced to the concept of the Village.

When we traveled to Mason City, I noticed we had passed a sign along the highway – “Handicap Village.” I knew a good friend from Sheldon, a social worker for the State of Iowa, who had moved to that facility. We had time prior to our first session at

Mason City, and I drove to the Village to have lunch with Lamar Esbeck. I was so fascinated by the tour he gave that we never had time for lunch. When I left, he said, “Northwest Iowa should create a Village like the one in Clear Lake.”

On the way home from our time in Mason City, Dr. Polling shared with me his family’s frustration regarding the concerns for his brother, who was a disabled adult. His frustration with the lack of opportunities for his brother impacted my thinking.

Within the next few days, I shared my experience with my neighbor, Dr. Ken Fertig. He quickly suggested we organize a group to visit Clear Lake. Our thought was the possibility of employing over a hundred folks would be a major economic development for our community. In a matter of days, we organized a group to make that visit. After a day of listening to their story, we stopped in Spencer to have dinner. Ken Fertig suggested we meet at their home on the next Sunday evening to share how we felt about what we had experienced that day.

We brought our spouses and then, perhaps, a major event took place that impacted the Village from that evening. Before we shared any thoughts, Jan Fertig, wife of Dr. Ken Fertig, made a statement. She said that she and Ken had decided that if we proceeded with the project, it would be based on doing what God would wish, not economic development. She then read the passage, “...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me,” (Matthew 25:40 NIV). That teaching took over all our future thinking.

Attending that evening, in addition to Ken and Jan, were these men and their spouses – Richard Schneider, James Short, Ron Rensink, Tom Whorley, Pastor Don Loots, Dr. Fred Kushner and me. All in attendance were enthused to continue, as Jan had stated.

Those same people agreed to serve on the board, and they asked Dr. Ken and myself to co-chair the idea of developing a Village in Sheldon. Later I was asked to consider taking a sabbatical leave from the school and work full time to direct the project.

Shortly thereafter, I received a phone call from someone I did not know. He asked me to come to the Eagles Club to visit. I called Dr. Ken and the two of us stopped in to visit with Dick Wansink. He was playing cards in the back. He asked us to sit down and proceeded to ask us one question – “Would this Village be able to work with Billie McAlpine?” Billie was well known and loved in the Sheldon community, and Dick had known him for many years. When we said yes, he asked how many acres we needed. We said 35-40. He said, “You got it,” and went back to playing cards.

The Village is located where it is due to the generosity of Dick Wansink, along with some additional major gifts from him over the next many years.



50 Years & Counting

It is remarkable to think about how in the past 50 years the Village has gone from a bare piece of farmland to the current home of over 150 adults with disabilities. Today the Village employs 280 people who make it their personal mission to bring Purpose, Privacy and Dignity to the people they serve.

The story of the Village in the past 50 years is about people coming together for a higher purpose, a purpose of serving people with a disability. It's a story of volunteers, donors, families, guardians, staff and elected officials. So many individuals have played a role, and 50 years later the Village stands as a testament to the power of people working together to accomplish great things.

Many things have happened over the past 50 years, but a few of the milestones we have been talking about are included in this timeline.

1975

The Village is founded under the name Handicap Village of Northwest Iowa.

October – Ground is broken for the first three resident homes.

1976

July – The first 40 residents move to the Village. Two men from this original group, Keith Krumm and Bob Stewart, continue to live at the Village.

April – The Village Market (AKA Treasure Chest) is opened.



1978

Three more resident homes are built on the Village campus.

The Wansink Center is dedicated.

1981

April – East Oak Apartments is built and offers supervised apartments for people who are semi-independent.

1983

An addition and garages are added onto the Wansink Center.



1985

The Village starts a program for individuals who have incurred a traumatic brain injury.

The Village merges with the Northwest Iowa Work Activity Center.

1989

Futures Unlimited, a workshop to provide work and employment training opportunities for individuals with a traumatic brain injury, is opened.

1992

Additional group homes are purchased in the community and offer 24/7 supervision. Today the Village provides community living in 15 group homes throughout Sheldon.

1998

December – Founding CEO Bob Hoogeveen retires.

2008

The Legacy Endowment for Direct Support Professionals is introduced. Today this fund has disbursed over \$3.7M to the staff who provide care to the people served at VNU.



2021

June – The Capital Campaign (Building on Our Purpose) funds two more new six-person homes completing the construction of six new homes for ICF-ID level care on the VNU campus.

2022

For the third time, VNU is voted a Top Employer by its staff members in the Des Moines Register Top Workplaces in the State of Iowa.



◀ **Main Campus in 2023**

2025

January – The Village kicks off a year of 50th anniversary activities with a proclamation from the City of Sheldon recognizing the Village's 50th anniversary and its commitment to providing Purpose, Privacy and Dignity to individuals.

2012

December – The current location for the Treasure Chest is built and opened. Volunteers are an important part of the Village, and today over 120 volunteers give of their time.

2015

June – Two new style homes are built on the Village campus providing a more home-like environment. Each home has six people living in it.

2016

June – Two more new six-person homes are built on the Village campus.

2017

July – Northwest Enterprises changes its name to The Summit as it transitions from a sheltered workshop to a day program and employment services building.



2023

June – The exterior of the Summit is remodeled to provide a drive-through and canopy for a safer and more convenient drop-off and pickup of residents.



Village Northwest Unlimited

FINANCIAL REPORT

Statement of activities of Village Northwest Unlimited and VNU Foundation for the period ending June 30, 2025.

REVENUE

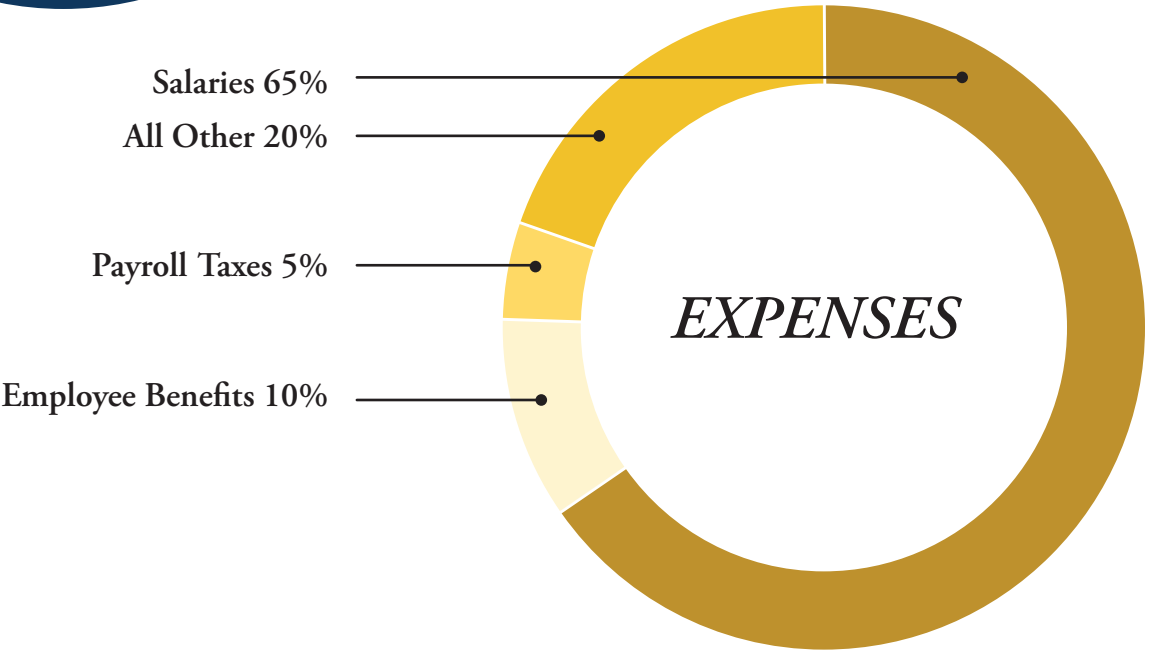
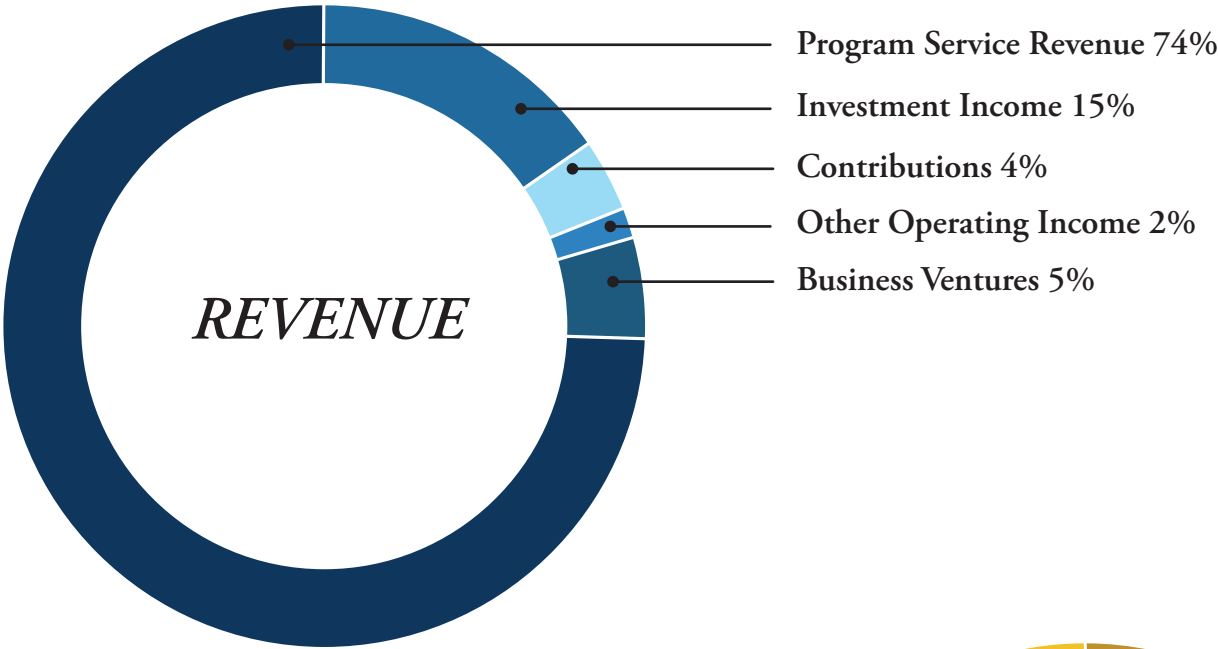
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|-------------------------|----|------------|--------|
| Program Service Revenue | \$ | 15,393,741 | 74.19% |
| Business Ventures | | 1,064,302 | 5.13% |
| Other Operating Income | | 337,481 | 1.63% |
| Total Operating Revenue | \$ | 16,795,524 | |

EXPENSES

| | | | |
|--------------------------|----|------------|--------|
| Salaries | \$ | 11,314,995 | 65.36% |
| Employee Benefits | | 1,731,362 | 10.00% |
| Payroll Taxes | | 859,595 | 4.97% |
| All Other | | 3,405,885 | 19.67% |
| Total Operating Expenses | \$ | 17,311,837 | |
| Operating Income (Loss) | \$ | (516,313) | |

OTHER INCOME

| | | | |
|--------------------|----|-----------|--------|
| Contributions | \$ | 770,736 | 3.71% |
| Investment Income | | 3,182,439 | 15.34% |
| Total Other Income | \$ | 3,953,175 | |
| Total Net Income | \$ | 3,436,862 | |





I Remember When...

A sampling of memories from some of our long-time employees

The year 1975 was eventful. Not only did the war in Vietnam come to an end, but Microsoft was founded, Wheel of Fortune debuted and Saturday Night Live aired its first episode. In this corner of the world, the Village was getting its start.

As the organization's founders began recruiting staff, they used traditional means like newspaper ads, as well as in-person visits to colleges and churches to share the vision and mission of what the Village was to be. Their efforts worked.

“**Sandy K.** “I saw the ad in the Sioux City Journal. I was finishing my degree at Briar Cliff. It was a hard time to find a job and though I had never been to this part of the state, I thought I would interview at least. I graduated and started June 1, 1981.”

“**Karma F.** “I was a senior at Northwestern College and someone from VNU spoke to our class. I knew right then I wanted to work at VNU.”

“**Becky A.** “During my sophomore year of high school, Bernie Van't Hul visited our church and spoke about the Friendship Program. My family became a Friendship Family and welcomed Edna R., Elliot W., and later Buddy and Janet. These relationships quickly became deeply meaningful to me.

Over the next two years, I became increasingly involved with the Village. I attended events, invited Edna and Elliot to our home, cheered at sporting events and even celebrated my high school graduation with them. These experiences shaped my heart and direction.

After high school, I attended Northwestern College and continued my involvement with the Village. Every week, a group of us would spend evenings in the gym, simply enjoying time with the residents. By the age of 16, I knew I was hooked—I had found a place and a purpose. I was hired full time on August 20, 1982.”

In the early days of the Village, things were different.

“**Sandy K.** “I remember working every Friday evening 3 to 11 and every Saturday 7 to 3. On Saturday the ratio was one staff to 16 persons served, so it was a busy and lively day. That included cooking the meals and passing the meds by me only! Those who lived here helped a lot, but I was tired afterwards!”

“**Becky A.** “Back then, we didn't have mechanical lifts. All transfers were done manually by two staff members, which could be quite challenging — especially when lifting someone in and out of a standard bathtub. Documentation was entirely handwritten, and individual goals were far less detailed than they are today.

“We had a full-time cook, and I attended all my Resident Attendant classes right after working the overnight shift. If you were scheduled for class, you went—no matter how tired you were.”

“**Judy D.** “I was hired by Bob Hoogveen who had his office in the basement of the museum downtown so the original office was there. When I began my employment, the Wansink Center was not yet built. I remember walking around with Warren Wolf, looking at where the different offices would be. I thought it was pretty amazing!

The addition of the Wansink Center was a tremendous benefit as this would provide each programming area with their own designated space. Initially, classes would be set up in the living area of each home, so the equipment and/or supplies would need to be set up/taken down each day.”

The main campus and the organization grew and changed over the years.

“**Jerry P.** “Everything just kept getting bigger or better. The Summit (Northwest Enterprises) was expanded. The Treasure Chest was a small shop attached to another business. Going from no waiver homes to 15.”

“**Becky A.** “The expansion of the Wansink Center - with additional rooms and garage space—has significantly enhanced both functionality and accessibility. Our community homes continue to open doors for more independent living options, whether through drop-in services, apartment-style living or HCBS-supported residences.

On campus we've built homes for six individuals, each thoughtfully designed to foster a warm, welcoming and truly home-like environment. We also opened the new Treasure Chest, providing more space for items and a better shopping experience for everyone.”

Developments in technology were significant. Many staff used pen and paper to complete their work until new systems were introduced.

“**Jackie R.** “I made lots of photocopies of books and did lots of handwriting.”

“**Lois B.** “I started out with just a typewriter and reports would be recorded on a small tape using a Dictaphone. I would run that with my foot and type what was being said.”

“**Becky A.** “Daily charts and logs were kept neatly in binders, and we used an older phone system to communicate. When computers were introduced into our workflow, a training class was held at the high school computer lab.”

“**Julie L.** “When we first got computers, we had the Wang word processor, which we thought was great compared to a typewriter!”

Comments from:

Becky Anderson (43 years), Lois Baartman (45 years), Judy Dykstra (48 years), Karma Funk (35 years), Sandy Kamphoff (44 years), Julie Langfitt (42 years), Jerry Postma (39 years), Jackie Riepma (25 years)

Naturally, with decades of time spent together, relationships have been made and memories too. Some favorites include:

“**Jackie R.** “Ice skating on the pond with Karen Kennedy in the late 1980s.”

“**Becky A.** “The trip to Minneapolis with 16 residents, scenic outings to the lakes and special events such as riding the Dinner Train in Boone. Each moment has contributed to a lasting legacy of joy, connection and community.”

“**Lois B.** “The feeling that VNU is my second family. Close relationships built with co-workers and residents to last a lifetime.”

“**Judy D.** “In 1979, we started a choir with a group of our individuals and a few staff going out to churches and civic organizations. This group, the Village Singers, provided a great platform to showcase the musical talents of some of our people as well as to spread the word about the Village. We were blessed to be able to do this for 35 years.”

“**Sandy K.** “Listening to those we serve pray is simply precious. Goes right to God's ear, I have no doubt.”

Now as those with many years of employment at VNU look back to when they got their start, they have messages to tell their younger selves.

“**Sandy K.** “You will be blessed beyond measure by those who live here and the staff who work aside you. You come here to make a living; you stay here to make a life.”

“**Jackie R.** “You may think it's just a job where you help people but really it's a job where through our people you're taught what love, patience and kindness really is!”

“**Becky A.** “Every day will bring something new, and it won't take long before you're genuinely touched by each individual you work with.”



50th Anniversary Highlights

70s-themed Dance

We experienced a flashback to the 1970s with a night of dancing. There was disco music and lights, era-appropriate clothing, and even cookies with tie-dye frosting. It was groovy.



Supporter Cookout

Friends and supporters from near and far came to campus for a night of celebration and appreciation. We had great weather and enjoyed catching up with everyone.



Time Capsule

In May, we held a ceremony to reflect on our history while preparing a time capsule filled with memories to preserve for future generations. Several residents were invited to place items into the capsule, including photos, letters, newspaper clippings and a book about how the Village started and its early years. We then buried the capsule near the Wansink Center entrance.



Parade

We participated in this year's Sheldon Celebration Days parade with residents and staff in golf carts or on foot. To top it off, long-time residents Keith Krumm and Bob Stewart were honored as the parade grand marshals. They were accompanied by the current and founding CEOs respectively, Barry Whitsell and Bob Hoogeveen.





Planting flowers

Volunteering

A Legacy of Making a Difference

Since the beginning, volunteers have played a critical role in meeting the needs of the individuals served by Village Northwest Unlimited. With their special kind of care, they have been one of our greatest assets.

In the early days, they spent many hours painting and staining the woodwork of the cottages as they were being built. There were also groups that helped plant and tend to trees and flowers. Additionally, many families volunteered to be part of the Friendship Family Program, a program that paired individuals served with local families. The families would invite the Village resident to their home for dinner, out for coffee and remember him or her in special ways on holidays and birthdays. In doing all of this, volunteers provided extra services that separated VNU from other providers.

Volunteers continue to make a huge impact on the success of VNU. While they don't spend time helping build our facilities or doing other activities from the past, they continue to serve willingly. Today the largest number of volunteers donate their time and energy to the Village Treasure Chest.

The Village Treasure Chest sells high quality preowned clothes, home décor, books and more. All the proceeds from the sales support

the programs offered at the Village. Volunteers sort donations, stock shelves, help customers and run the checkout counter every day the store is open. The work they perform keeps the store going. Without them, the Treasure Chest would struggle to meet the demands of the public who shops the store.

Volunteering at the Treasure Chest has been happening since the original Village Market opened in the lower level of the former Carnegie Library (now Sheldon Prairie Museum) in 1976. The "Market" moved to a variety of locations throughout Sheldon over its first 36 years. Then in 2012, the Village Treasure Chest opened at its current location west of Hy-Vee.

While many volunteers donate their time to the Treasure Chest, others support the Village and those served by VNU by helping at Bible studies, reading to individuals in the homes or doing special projects in and around the properties owned by the organization. For 50 years, volunteers have been the heart of the Village's success. Without these humble heroes the Village would not be as successful in meeting the mission of Purpose, Privacy and Dignity for all people.



Village Market



Marigold planting



Grove planting



Village Treasure Chest



SUPPORT VNU BY SHOPPING AT THE

VILLAGE TREASURE CHEST

Featuring a wide variety of merchandise donated by the community of Sheldon and beyond, the Treasure Chest is a high-end thrift store staffed mostly by volunteers. Items are priced and put out on the floor daily, so customers enjoy stopping by often to make sure they don't miss a thing.



Store Hours

Monday-Thursday 9am-6pm
Friday-Saturday 9am-4pm
Closed Sunday

Store Location

1979 Park Street
Sheldon, IA

Follow us on Facebook

Stay up to date on new merchandise and sales!

 facebook.com/villagetreasurechest



July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025
VOLUNTEERS

Coleen Ahlers
Logene Anderson
Judith Bart
Marlyss Bauman
Jane Beltman
Lorna Blumeyer
Elaine Boogerd
Barb Bootsma
Bill Boscaljon
Sally Boscaljon
Beverly Brouwer
Scott De Goei
Thelma De Kok
Gina DeHoogh
JoAnn Den Beste
Aftyn Dietrick
Alice Dykstra
Liz Elgersma
Cathy Engelsman
Helen Evink
Emma Farmer
Art Franken
Jo Franken
Judy Gaarder
Elinor Gesink
Mary Goebel
Julie Haack
Joyce Heitritter
Donna Hoadley
Hannah Honkomp

Amy Jager
Angela Jager
Erica Jager
Shirley Jager
Abby Jungers
Jessica Justi
Muriel Kanengieter
Joan Klein
Marilyn Kleinwolterink
Sally Koedam
Peggy Koele
Donna Koepnick
Bernice Kreykes
Betty Kreykes
Keith Kreykes
Sherlene Krogman
Kathy Kuyper
Rose Leeds
Jane Lode
Libertee Martens
Myra Matanane
Barbara Mohn
Sherri Morgan
Charm Neeley
Fran Peelen
Chris Peters
Donna Poppema
Krystal Poppema
Millie Portz
Bonnie Roder

Dorothy Rohwer
Donna Schaeffer
Verilyn Schilling
LaDonna Schmith
Helene Schuiteman
Barbara Sorensen
Wanda Stratman
Barbara Theis
Sonja Townend
Dee Van Beek
Bonnie Van De Brake
Harper Van Meeteren
Harriet Van Meeteren
Justina Van Regenmorter
Gert Van Wyk
Freddy Vande Kamp
Wanda Vander Zee
Candy Vermulm
Darlene Verrips
Charlotte Vierhout
Sandy Voss
Harold Wagenaar
Karen Wagenaar
Marge Warner
Arlene Westerveld
Iola Whitsell
Myrna Wolfswinkel
Kay Wynia
Verna Zylstra

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DONORS

BUSINESSES

American State Bank
Ameriprise
Ameriprise Financial
Ameriprise Financial
Andringa Funeral Home
ANEW Nutrition
Arens Lawn Care
Automated Waste Systems LLC
B&J Service
Bart Chiropractic, P.C.
Beck Engineering
Bengard & Associates, Inc.
Big Time Grain Company
Blackhawk Automatic Sprinklers, Inc.
Blooming House
Boer & Sons
Cain, Ellsworth & Co.
Century Mutual Insurance Association
ChronoTrack Systems Corp
Citizens State Bank
CMBA Architects
D2K Farms, Inc.
De Kruif Disposal
DeJong Hardware Hank, Inc.
DeKoter, Thole, Dawson Rockman & Krikke, P.L.C.
Den Hartog Industries
Dethmers Mfg.
DK Plastics
Downtown Hardware
Dubak Electrical Group LLC
Farmers Market Concrete & Excavation Inc.
First Fruits
Foundation Farms, Inc.
Fred's Plumbing & Heating
Frontier Bank
G & E Cabinetry, Inc.

Good Earth Farms, INC
Heuck Farm
Hospers Auto Inc.
HyVee
Impressions Salon
Innovative NonProfit
Iowa State Bank
ISB Services, Inc.
JElectric Inc
Jerry's Automotive of Sheldon
K. F. Murphy Company, P.C.
Kass & Company
Korver Ear, Nose & Throat
Kroese & Kroese, P.C.
Langer's Bar & Grill / Cook's Café
Lewis Family Drug - Sheldon
Maintainer Corporation
Mel's Trucking Inc.
Midwest Meat Equipment LLC
Morgan Collision & Tire Center
Mr. B's / Lady B's
N & C Rozendaal Farms, Inc.
Neal Chase Lumber Company
North Star Community Credit Union
North West REC
Northwest Decor & Furniture
Northwest Iowa Community College
O'Brien County Implement
Orange City Sanitation, Inc.
Panther Premier Print Solutions
PayPal Giving Fund
Peoples Bank
Perspective Insurance
Perspective Insurance
Pizza Ranch
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Pluim Publishing Inc.
Poppema & Sikma Construction
Poppema Trucking
Precision Alignment & Repair, Inc.
Premier Communications
Prins Insurance
Prins Insurance Inc.
ProActive Physical Therapy & Sports Rehab
Quality Living, Inc.
Renaissance Charitable Foundation
Rensink, Pluim, Vogel and Huyser
Rosenboom Frame & Body
Sam's Barber Shop
Sanford Health
Sanford Health - Sheldon
Security National Bank
Security Savings Bank
SFM Mutual Insurance Company
Shack at 211 LLC
Siouxland Fabricating, Inc.
Special Olympics Iowa, Inc.
Stryker
Tacos Torres
Te Slaa Trucking
The Dental Office
Top Quality Construction & Cabinetry
United Community Bank
Van Engelenhoven Agency, Inc.
Vander Haag's, Inc.
Vetter Health Services, Inc.
Vogel Paint & Glass
Zomer Company

Hospers Christian Reformed Church
Immanuel Christian Reformed Church
Lyon County First Presbyterian Church
Newkirk Reformed Church
Sisters of St. Francis
St. John Lutheran Church - Cushing
St. Paul Lutheran Church - Sheldon
Trinity Lutheran Church
United Methodist Church - Sutherland
United Presbyterian Church

GROUPS

Boyden Community Foundation
Dorcas Society
Fraternal Order of Eagles
IA State Knights of Columbus Council 3810
Knights of Columbus #1564
SCDC Marketing Committee
Sheldon Noon Kiwanis Club
Sheldon United Fund

Laura Abels
Linda Adams
Tim & Cynthia Adler
Lori Adrian
Natasha Adrian
Cynthia Ahlers
Justina Ahlers
Larry Ahrens
Bob & Shan Alexander
Amber Altena
Stanley & Elaine Altena
Hudson Aman
Tyler Aman
Bruce & Donna Amundson
Brandon Anderson
Larry & Joyce Anderson
Terry & Becky Anderson
George & Helen Andringa
Terry & Emily Andringa
Karen and John Anema
Paul & Trudy Anema
Lowell & Karen Appleton

Terry Arends
Allison Arens
Dorothy Arens
Matt Arens
Nicole Arens
Paul Arens
Alexander & Abby Arkema
Aaron Armer
Kathy Arnold
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Carmel Reformed Church
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First Reformed Church- Inwood
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Donors may transfer cash, securities, and/or real estate to Village Northwest Unlimited with the understanding that they, or their designated beneficiaries, will receive income for life or a term of years with Village Northwest Unlimited retaining the remainder.

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Life Insurance & Retirement Plan Assets

Donors may transfer life insurance policies to Village Northwest Unlimited as owner and beneficiary, or name the Village as the primary or secondary beneficiary under qualified retirement plans.

Cash, Securities & Real Estate

Gifts of cash, stocks, bonds, and/or land may be made outright or in installments over a period of years.

Estate Gifts

VNU's endowment has been built from generous gifts from the estates of its benefactors.

- Bequest by will, irrevocable trust, or revocable trust
- Charitable gift annuity
- Charitable remainder trust
- Gift of residence or farm with retained life use
- Life insurance policy
- Retirement plan



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Volunteer

Village Northwest Unlimited has a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Options include working at the Village Treasure Chest, assisting the maintenance department, playing games or reading with residents or helping in one of the many program areas. Donation of your time and talents directly impacts the lives of the individuals we serve.

Donate Items to the Treasure Chest

The thrift store relies on donations of clothes, furniture, home décor and more from the general public. Items are sold in the store, which is run primarily by volunteers, and proceeds are used to help fund the services we provide. Drop donations off at 1979 Park Street in Sheldon, IA.

Become a Village Visionary

A Village Visionary is a special part of the VNU family that supports the persons served on a monthly basis. A Village Visionary shares in our passion of providing Purpose, Privacy and Dignity to all People. Their ongoing financial support is critical as we continue providing premier programs and therapies for adults with disabilities.

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