Donor biographies

Clarkson Regional Health Services
Clarkson Regional Health Services mission is to support or provide innovative healthcare delivery solutions that align quality, cost-effective services with select population needs.

Holland Foundation
The Holland Foundation was established by the late Richard and Mary Holland. The Hollands were longtime supporters and contributors to the Omaha community, particularly in the areas of medical research, the arts and youth. Richard played an instrumental role in founding the Nebraska Coalition for Lifesaving Cures as well as the Holland Children’s Movement and Holland Children’s Institute. The Hollands also made the lead gift to the state-of-the-art performing arts center in downtown Omaha that bears their name.

Robert B. Daugherty Foundation
Robert B. Daugherty (1922-2010) pioneered center pivot irrigation, founded Valmont Industries, and created the Robert B. Daugherty Foundation. Mr. Daugherty’s vision and actions literally changed the surface of the earth. Under the leadership of Mr. Daugherty, Valmont spent years perfecting the design of center-pivot irrigation equipment, ultimately revolutionizing agriculture around the globe. Valmont continues to be recognized as a global leader in agriculture and infrastructure industries. Mr. Daugherty noted “improving agricultural productivity has been my life’s work” and in doing so earned a reputation as a pioneer, entrepreneur, visionary, leader, educator, and philanthropist.

Robert B. Daugherty Foundation is a private foundation established to provide charitable grants to worthy tax-exempt organizations throughout Nebraska. Over the past decade the University of Nebraska has been the beneficiary of significant charitable support from the Foundation, most notably establishment of the Robert B. Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute, an institute committed to research, education, and policy analysis relating to the use of water for agriculture worldwide. The Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute enables the University and its partners to develop solutions to the global challenges of hunger and poverty through improved agricultural productivity and water management. The Foundation has also invested in numerous other University system priority initiatives including the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, the Dr. Edwin G. and Dorothy Balbach Davis Global Center, Munroe-Meyer Institute, Peter Kiewit Institute and the UNO Baxter Arena.

Scottish Rite Foundation of Nebraska, Inc.
While the origins of Freemasonry are lost in time, modern Masonic history begins in London in the 18th century. The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry both draws and builds upon the philosophical and ethical traditions of those early Freemasons. Freemasonry has been part of the American experience since colonial times, and the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry dates to 1801 in the United States.
As a fraternity, the Scottish Rite came to Nebraska with the earliest pioneers in 1867, the year Nebraska was admitted to the Union. Over the last 150+ years, the fraternity has welcomed men of every social, economic, and ethnic background. As the fraternity has grown, so has its commitment to philanthropy in Nebraska. The fraternity’s philanthropy has included scholarships for tomorrow’s leaders, recognition for distinguished educators, and donations to nonprofit organizations in communities across the state. For more than 40 years, however, speech therapy has been its principal philanthropy. Beginning in 1975, Nebraska Scottish Rite Masons partnered with the University of Nebraska system to support speech therapy for Nebraska children, offered without regard to a family’s ability to pay. As UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute begins its second century serving Nebraskans of all abilities, the Nebraska Scottish Rite is proud to support speech and language pathology through the RiteCare Speech and Language Clinic at MMI.

The Lozier Foundation

Formed in 1986, The Lozier Foundation is a family foundation funded by Allan and Dianne Lozier. The foundation’s focus is education, social services and issues involving women and children with an emphasis on the inner city and underrepresented populations.

Allan Lozier began working for his family’s business, a precursor of Lozier Corporation, at the age of 14. Today, the Lozier Corporation, where Allan has served as president or chairman of the board since 1960, is the largest manufacturer of store fixture systems in the country. The company has grown from 25 employees in 1956 to its current 2,500 employees and is headquartered in North Omaha where its largest facility is located.

Allan has a strong commitment to helping women and children, the North Omaha community and Omaha area health and education organizations. He served on the boards of College of Saint Mary, Girls, Inc., Bellevue University and Nebraska Methodist Hospital, where he served for more than 30 years and as chairman for a number of those years.

Dianne Seeman Lozier is corporate counsel for the Lozier Corporation. Before moving to Nebraska she was associate general counsel and vice president of Quality and Risk Management for Health One Corporation in Minneapolis. Dianne is an active advocate for women and girls and education. She has been a board member of and/or chaired the Women’s Fund, Girl Scouts, College of Saint Mary and the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council. Under her leadership, the Women’s Fund produced “Can We Stop the Violence in Omaha,” which defined the widespread incidence of domestic violence in the community. This report led to the founding of the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council of Greater Omaha (DVCC). As vice chair of The Lozier Foundation she has led the development of Nelson Mandela Elementary, an independent, nonprofit elementary school serving high-poverty scholars in the North Omaha area.