



**APOSTLE ISLANDS AREA  
COMMUNITY FUND**

*An affiliate of the Duluth Superior Area  
Community Foundation*

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**Apostle Islands Area Community Fund Exceeds Challenge by Fifty Percent**

Bayfield, Wisconsin—The Apostle Islands Area Community Fund, an affiliate fund of the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation, is pleased to announce that it not only met a \$40,000 challenge grant from the Otto Bremer Foundation, but exceeded the goal by 50 percent.

The Otto Bremer Foundation, which has been a long-time supporter of the Apostle Islands Area Community Fund, provided a year long, \$40,000 challenge to the Bayfield - Madeline Island - Red Cliff communities. Community members exceeded the challenge, which ended June 30, by more than \$20,000. The dollars raised from this challenge will become part of the Apostle Islands Area Community Fund, which provides a permanent resource for the region.

“I couldn’t be prouder of this community,” says Madelaine Karwoski, affiliate officer for the Apostle Islands Area Community Fund. “Exceeding our goal by more than 50 percent showcases just how committed members are in this region to community. More importantly, every dime raised will play a critical role in improving this wonderful place we call home, for generations to come.”

Established in 2000, the Apostle Islands Area Fund was established to serve as a resource for the Bayfield – Madeline Island – Red Cliff area. Through its advisory board of community leaders, the Fund

- attracts and manages a growing endowment for the area’s future
- provides quality service and resources for donors with varied philanthropic interests

- identifies and effectively responds to changing community needs through strategic grant-making

The Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation promotes private giving for the public good. The Community Foundation is a permanent community endowment, built by gifts from hundreds of individuals and organizations. Guided by a 13-member Board of volunteer civic leaders, the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation makes grants to nonprofit organizations and to individuals for scholarships and provides leadership on important community initiatives in northeast Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin. Since its inception in 1983, it has distributed over \$33 million and currently holds over 290 different funds, each with its own charitable purpose. Learn more at [www.dsacommunityfoundation.com](http://www.dsacommunityfoundation.com).

Regional affiliates of the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation include the Two Harbors Area Fund (created in 1998), the Apostle Islands Area Community Fund (created in 2000), the Cook County Community Fund (created in 2003), the Hermantown Community Fund (created in 2005), and the Eveleth Area Community Foundation (created in 2008).

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