

Strengthening
OUR
COMMUNITY

2025 ANNUAL report



Mission

Provide charitable resources that will enrich the greater Lodi Community for present and future generations.

Resources from LACE are available for cultural, educational, civic, and environmental projects that serve people who reside in the area bounded by the School District of Lodi

LACE Advisory Committee

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Growing Impact. Multiplying the Good

The Advisory Committee of the Lodi Area Community Endowment (LACE) is pleased to share highlights from 2025—another year of progress, generosity, and meaningful investment in our local community and a springboard for our “Multiply the Good” campaign.

Thanks to the continued support of donors like you, we were able to award more than **\$23,000** in grants this year. These grants provided essential support to local nonprofit organizations working to create opportunities, meet needs, and uplift people across the Lodi area.

Each grant tells a story of collaboration and local pride, from enhancing our natural spaces, to supporting youth through mentorship. Investments this year also strengthened

community resources, including library improvements, public safety equipment, and increased accessibility through projects like a wheelchair-accessible golf cart.

As we reflect on the impact of 2025, we’re also looking ahead with excitement. Our **“Multiply the Good”** matching campaign offers a unique opportunity to grow LACE’s endowment even further, amplifying every gift and increasing the support we can provide to our community for years to come.

Thank you for your support.

Looking Ahead: Growing Our Impact

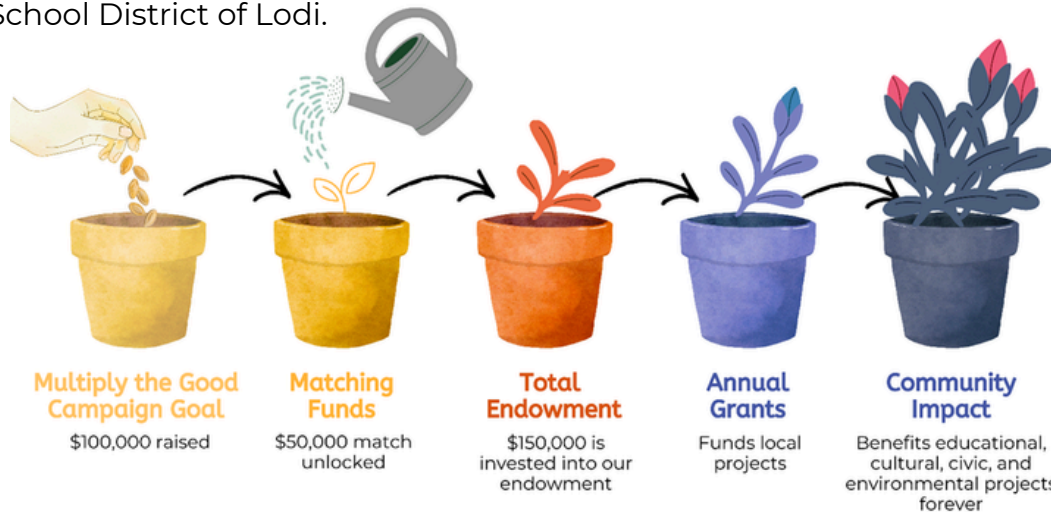
As LACE enters 2026, our focus remains clear: strengthen our visibility, grow support, and deepen our impact across the Lodi community. This year, we are especially energized by the momentum of our **“Multiply the Good”** matching campaign, a powerful opportunity to expand the long-term impact of local giving.

Thanks to the generosity of a local family, every gift made through the campaign is amplified: for every **\$2 donated, an additional \$1 is matched—up to \$50,000**. This means every contribution goes **50%** further, accelerating our ability to grow LACE’s permanent endowment.

Our immediate goal is to raise **\$100,000** to unlock the full match, resulting in \$150,000 invested back into the future of our community. These funds will continue to support local grants each year, benefiting classrooms, parks, arts, and neighbors in need while ensuring that every dollar stays within the School District of Lodi.

Goals for 2026

- Expand awareness and strengthen community visibility.
- Grow and diversify support, including new and recurring donors.
- Deepen community impact through strategic grantmaking.
- Maximize the impact of “Multiply the Good” campaign.



Since its founding, LACE has invested more than \$165,000 into meaningful community initiatives. With the success of “Multiply the Good”, we have the opportunity to build on that legacy and expand what’s possible for generations to come.

Whether given as a one-time gift or over time, every contribution helps strengthen the foundation of our community. Together, we can maximize this moment and “Multiply the Good” for Lodi.

Gifts can be made online at www.LodiLACE.org
Checks made payable to: MCF/LACE
160 South Main Street, Lodi, WI 53555



Fund Summary Financial Statement

Endowment Fund

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|------------------------------|---------------|
| 2025 Beginning Balance | \$621,803.60 |
| Contributions | \$20,970.14 |
| Invest Results (Net of Fees) | \$82,350.12 |
| Grants/Distributions | (\$23,450.00) |
| MCF Support | (\$ 6,455.84) |
| 12/31/2025 Ending Balance | \$695,218.02 |

Passthrough Fund

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|---------------------------|----------|
| 2025 Beginning Balance | \$478.40 |
| Contributions | \$485.20 |
| Distributions | \$ 0 |
| 12/31/2025 Ending Balance | \$963.60 |

Giving That Works for You



YOU GIVE

You can give to MCF/LACE in many ways:

- Cash
- Mutual Funds or Stocks
- Qualified Charitable Distribution
- Life Insurance Proceeds
- Retirement Plan
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Bequests in a Will or Trust
- Real Estate
- Employee/Employer Matching Donations



WE INVEST

MCF/LACE invests your gifts to:

- Ensure the fund provides an annual distribution
- Maintain the endowment's "Buying Power" over time
- Provide strong returns in relation to our investment benchmark



YOU CHOOSE

You choose how involved you want to be in grant decisions:

- Donor-advised funds allow you to recommend grants to specific organizations or programs
- Unrestricted funds allow MCF/LACE to direct funds to the areas of greatest need



The Lodi Area Community Endowment is a component fund of the Madison Community Foundation, a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) community trust. A financial statement of the Madison Community Foundation disclosing assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenue and expenses for the preceding fiscal year is available at www.madisongives.org/fs and will be provided to any person upon request.

Transforming Our Community

Thanks to our generous donors, in 2025 LACE supported the following organizations:

- Blessings in a Backpack:** Ensuring children in need have access to nutritious weekend meals.
- Friends of the Lodi Public Library:** Improvements to the library.
- Friends of the Residents & Staff of 700 Clark Street:** Funding for a wheelchair accessible golf cart for use at Dove Healthcare.
- Kinship Mentoring of Columbia County:** Supporting the local adult/youth mentorship program.
- Lake Melvin Yacht Club:** Providing support to local families in times of need.
- Lift Lodi:** Supplies such as plants, mulch, and paint to enhance the local community.
- Lodi Area Fire Department:** Upgrade to the rope rescue gear.
- Lodi Middle School:** Funding to support a book vending machine.
- Lodi Wrestling:** Purchase of a practice area mat at the elementary school.
- Okee Bay/Mill Pond Lake Association:** Education in the community related to watershed issues in our lakes and waterways.
- Reach Out Lodi:** Support for the youth school supply program.
- Township of Lodi Parks Commission:** Updating equipment at Kalscheur Park.

Multiply the Good
matching campaign

Goal: \$100,000



\$30,000

Raised as of 3/1/2026



Lifetime Levels of Giving

December 1, 2009 - December 31, 2025

Leader: \$10,000 +

Anonymous Donors
William Escher
Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
Friends of the Residents and Staff of 700 Clark Street
Ted and Mary Jean Goeres
Lodi Canning Company
Neil Loff
Richard and Jean Maddrell
Madison Community Foundation
Jane and Steve Manke
Ronald and Paulette Smith
Matthew and Tamara Steele

LACE Affiliate Funds

An affiliate fund is a charitable fund within LACE that supports a specific organization or cause. The following are affiliate funds of LACE.

- Duane M. and Marilyn H. Kirking Lodi High School Scholarship
- Kozel Scholarship for Lodi High School
- Reppen Scholarship for Lodi High School
- Herold and Lois Ryan Scholarship for Lodi High School
- Larry and Judy Wieland Scholarship

Friend: Up to \$49

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 Carolyn Behn
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 Sigma Alpha Beta Delta

Friend: Up to \$49

Gerald & Ruth Skaklitzky
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 Lorene and Gordon Sweet
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Supporter: \$50 - \$99

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Benefactor: \$2,500 - \$4,999

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