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## Okoboji Foundation Announces New President

The Okoboji Foundation Board of Directors announces the selection of Mindy Gress as their new President. Mrs. Gress has a strong background in non-profit management and development, including extensive leadership experience with the Spencer Healthcare Foundation.

Pat O'Brien, Okoboji Foundation Board Chair, said, "We conducted an in-depth search with consideration of many outstanding applicants. The board will draw on Mindy's proven experience and leadership abilities to expand the positive impact of our foundation. The Okoboji Foundation will host "Coffee & Conversations" in the Foundation Office in Arnolds Park from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 18 and Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> along with a "Wine and Cheese Meet and Greet" on Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. I encourage our donors and *Charitable Giving Funds* partners to stop by to welcome Mindy."



Mindy Gress begins as Okoboji Foundation President on August 12. She joins Executive Assistant, Ali Schmitz.

Mindy, Adam and their three young children are looking forward to creating Ripples of Good in the Lakes Community.

*"I am excited to join the Okoboji Foundation as the next president. The Community Foundation is simply a pillar of any community; and the Okoboji Foundation is an exceptional example. I look forward to working with area citizens who wish to honor their love for the Lakes region and all we have to offer here, by utilizing the ease, versatility and experience that only a community foundation can offer."* - **Mindy Gress**

The Okoboji Foundation is the Community Foundation for the Iowa Great Lakes Region. It is a donor-driven, public foundation, whose purpose is to improve the quality of life in our Lakes Community through philanthropy. As the center point of giving, the Okoboji Foundation helps donors, other nonprofits and *Charitable Giving Fund* partners make a lasting positive impact.

### FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE: June 30, 2020 Updated Quarterly

- Total Assets Okoboji Foundation *Charitable Giving Funds*\*: \$33.5 Million
- Total Number of Charitable Funds: 79
- Total Assets Okoboji Foundation Funds: \$7.5 Million
- Total Grants Awarded by Okoboji Foundation: \$4.1 Million to 79 nonprofits

\*Okoboji Foundation serves as an umbrella for a group of related funds giving donors and other nonprofits the ability to create their own funds as part of *Okoboji Foundation Charitable Giving Funds* through our affiliation with the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines.

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