

DUPAGE FOUNDATION HISTORY

1987-1988

The Foundation awards its **first grant** to the **DuPage County Historical Society** for \$10,000. In 1988, the Foundation awards **\$50,000 in grants to six** area organizations.

1994

DuPage Foundation separates from The Chicago Community Trust and **receives 501(c)(3) status.**

2001-2004

The Foundation receives its **first million dollar gifts.** After receiving several major gifts, the Foundation's **charitable assets total \$15MM.**

2010

The Foundation distributes more than **\$1MM in grants** in a single year for the first time and celebrates awarding more than **\$10MM in its history.**

2014

Bright & Early DuPage is launched, ensuring that children in DuPage are prepared to enter kindergarten and poised to succeed in life.

2017

The Gustafson Family Foundation makes a landmark investment in DuPage Foundation transferring its nearly \$17MM in assets to create our largest donor-advised fund and cement a longtime partnership.

1986

The **DuPage Community Foundation** is formally established as a donor-advised fund of The Chicago Community Trust. An **advisory committee of community leaders** is appointed to oversee the Foundation.

1992-1993

The Foundation celebrates its **five year anniversary** and surpasses **\$1MM in charitable assets.**

1998

The Foundation celebrates **\$1MM in grants awarded** on behalf of DuPage County.

2007

The Next Generation Initiative is established as a way of endowing our future by cultivating our next generation of philanthropic leaders.

2011

The Foundation celebrates its **25th anniversary.** **The Legacy Society** grows to more than 100 members.

2016

Arts DuPage is launched by the Foundation to support, promote, and advocate for the arts in DuPage County.

2020

Responding to the **COVID-19 pandemic**, DuPage Foundation awards **\$1.7 MM in COVID-19 Response grants** to DuPage not-for-profit organizations.