

# THE FOREST LEGACY PROJECT

The **Forest Legacy Fund** was established by the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation Board of Directors to assist regional smaller landowners with keeping their private forestlands intact. The fund's concept was inspired by the Minnesota Forest Partnership.

The Forest Legacy Fund can provide funding under the following provisions:

- Distributions may be used for closing costs of completed easements, the expenses of future monitoring of the forestland and for an honorarium for the property owner for loss of the use of the property.
- Distributions may also be used to promote education of the Forest Legacy concept, as approved by an advisory committee elected by the Community Foundation board of directors.
- Applications for support may come from a private landowner using a nonprofit organization involved with this conservation effort. Grants will not be distributed directly to the landowner.
- The advisory committee may prioritize lands in the Greater Itasca County area that indicate the greatest impact in meeting the purpose of the fund.
- Those landowners addressing public access and the concept of a “working forest” would receive higher priority for monetary assistance.

Click here to download the [Forest Legacy Fund brochure](#).