



Promoting a Legacy of giving and support within the Diocese of Des Moines

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To Whom It May Concern,

It is my distinct pleasure and honor to write a letter in support of Nancy Anstoetter's recommendation for the *Business Record's* Women of Influence Award. Without question, Nancy is worthy of this honor.

In 2012, Nancy partnered with Richard Pates, Bishop of the Diocese of Des Moines, to create and launch a Foundation that would work for the benefit of the Diocese of Des Moines. During that year, the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa was established. In the organization's infancy, Bishop Pates relied heavily on the expertise of Nancy. Because of Nancy's leadership and dedication, the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa has grown in just seven years into an organization that manages nearly \$80 million in assets across the Diocese of Des Moines. Nancy serves as a charter member not only to the Board of Directors, but also is active on the Investment Committee.

It is through the Investment Committee where Nancy's dedication to ethics particularly shines. Thanks to Nancy's leadership, the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa subscribes to "Catholic Values Investing." In short, this investment strategy takes into account the teachings of the Catholic Church. Within the Investment Committee, Nancy has also insisted our investment consultants report each quarter the level of compliance the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa is in relation to "Catholic Values Investing" guidelines. From the early days of the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa, Nancy had led for and championed this rare form of ethical investment practices.

The Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa would not be the incredible resource we are today for the 80 parishes, 17 schools and other organizations throughout the Diocese of Des Moines without Nancy's leadership from day one. I can attest she takes great pride in what we have become and how we've grown.

In addition to the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa, Nancy has also been very involved with Catholic Charities (previously serving on their Board of Directors), as well as Dowling Catholic High School and Sacred Heart Parish in other volunteer capacities.

I enthusiastically and fully support Nancy's nomination as a 2019 *Business Record's* Women of Influence Award. She is unquestionably is qualified and is a pillar of the Des Moines Metro's Catholic Community.

Sincerely,

Chris McCarville