During this time of giving thanks for all the blessings in our lives, on behalf of the board of directors of The Ames Foundation (TAF), I want to share the gratitude we feel for you and the support you have showed over the years. Whether as a donor, a volunteer, or likely both, you have made a difference in the Ames community through your support of TAF. For that, we thank you.

I am also thankful for the many opportunities we have had to support important enhancements in the community, like the Ames Miracle League Field and Inclusive Playground. Recently, we are proud to have played a role in the median improvements on Lincolnway through Campustown and enthusiastically support the City of Ames’ indoor aquatic center. However, we are always ready to do more and look to you to help us continue to fulfill our mission of participating in public projects that enhance the quality of life in Ames!

As we completed our strategic planning process this year, we put a special emphasis on a project that has already been an important focus for us – planting 2,031 trees around the city of Ames by the year 2031. Over 200 trees per year is an ambitious goal for us, but in partnership with the City of Ames and with the generous support of donors like you, we can do it!

As we focus on trees throughout the community, we also want to ensure that we do our part to maintain the landscaping around the Miracle League Field and Inclusive Playground. Additionally, the planting trailer that was made possible through a gift from Rotary several years ago needs maintenance. This trailer supports our many volunteer planting activities, and it has been used often. For that reason, it needs an exterior facelift and some new equipment, like shovels, spades, and gloves.

With your support, we can meet our goals, support important projects in our community and contribute to the beauty and quality of life in Ames. Please ***make a gift*** to The Ames Foundation to help us continue our work to ***enhance the quality of life in Ames***. Your support makes a difference!

In gratitude,

Jan Williams

Chair, The Ames Foundation Board of Directors