The mission of Heartland Family Service is to strengthen individuals, families, and communities through advocacy, education, counseling, and support services.

Dear Friends,

What would our community look like if everyone had the ability to bring their vision to life? What if everyone was equipped with the tools necessary to be successful in their life’s journey? Thousands of people in our community, like Russ, crave a path to well-being. But they rarely knew how to voice their cries for help—until they found Heartland Family Service.

With the guidance and support of the caring professionals at Heartland Family Service, Russ built a new life for herself and her children.

We help many people walk many paths. We are here to empower our clients with options when they have too long had none. Our network of services, advocacy, and support share a common goal: breaking cycles of barriers so everyone can—like Russ.

Your belief in Heartland Family Service as a valuable community asset helped us do some great work. In fact, last year alone, more than 152,000 men, women, and children in our community were helped by Heartland Family Service.

By lending your financial support and sharing your passion for the success of those who feel defeated, need guidance, or feel hopeless, you will help us create change.

Please send your donation today to strengthen services that are so urgently needed to help people change their lives. Your annual gift will ensure these life-affirming services are sustainable and easily accessible for children and families who truly need that extra support to be successful.

We cannot do what we do without you. We invite you to share our vision of a stronger community—because a world where everyone can, needs everyone’s unflinching support.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Chief Development Officer Maria Shields at (402) 532-7443 or MShields@HeartlandFamilyService.org.

Thank you for investing in us today to change tomorrow.

With Warm Regards,

John Jeanetta, President & CEO

Your generous donation will help create well-being, safety, and hope for children and families in need. Please donate today at HeartlandFamilyService.org

Housing, Safety, & Community Well-Being

Counseling & Prevention

Strong communities.

Helping families in need, since 1875.
Russ Can.

Even though Russ had a job, he didn’t make enough to pay his monthly expenses and he couldn’t get out of his lease. As a result, Russ became homeless.

While adrift and needing to find safe shelter, Russ lived and slept in his car, until it was taken from him. Then for a while he stayed in a local motel in Underwood, Iowa.

Russ still owned a kayak and decided to float the creek 20 miles all the way to Manawa Park. He slept in the park during the day, and at night he would go to a 24-hour restaurant at a truck stop to eat and hang out, because it was safer than the park.

It was during this time that Russ met a Heartland Family Service Housing Support Services caseworker who helped him get his life back on track.

Watch how Russ got his financial stability and a safe home, scan the QR code below or visit: bit.ly/russcan.