



Don't Be Next Foundation

The Foundation was conceived by best friends, practically brothers, who grew up together in the Rockwellian community of Rockton, Illinois. We are friends that share the core values of family, friendship, and loyalty. Together, we have confronted the struggles of life, including losing two of our own from early deaths. We want to honor these fallen brothers by contributing to the community in ways that will unify people of different backgrounds, provide support for mental health and addiction, and give to children with special needs.

The Don't Be Next Foundation will never be a perfect organization. But like its founding fathers, it will try to adhere to the motto "Progress, not Perfection." We hope when we leave this life that we have done just a little something to have made it a better place, not only for ourselves or our families, but for the individuals and families we call our community. We are honored and privileged to take on this endeavor in memoriam of fallen friends, friends that will never be forgotten. The Don't Be Next Foundation will assure us of that, now and well into the future.



Hall of Fame Induction
Beloit Area Bowling Council



2022 HHS Donations



2023 Craig Weaver Scholarship Winner



HHS Girls Rugby 2023

2022 Donations

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| Hononegah High School | |
| Band | \$5000 |
| Boys and Girls Golf | \$5000 |
| Old Stone Pantry | \$2000 |
| Knock Out Parkinsons | \$5000 |
| Hononegah Gridiron Club | \$500 |
| Beloit Area Bowling Council | \$1000 |
| Rockton Lions Club | |
| Wimpy's Fund | \$1500 |
| TOTAL | \$20,000 |

2023 Donations

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| Hononegah Girls Rugby | \$1000 |
| Hononegah 'Craig Weaver' Legacy Scholarship | \$5000 |
| Hononegah 'Patrick Insko' Legacy Scholarship | \$5000 |
| S.T.E.A.K. Club | \$1000 |
| Shatter our Silence | \$5000 |
| Ms. Carly's Food Pantry | \$5000 |
| Rockford Park District | |
| Buddy Baseball Program ... | \$5000 |
| Tommy Corral Memorial Foundation | \$1000 |
| Knock Out Parkinsons | \$1000 |
| TOTAL | \$29,000 |



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We accept donations via our Website or use Venmo, our handle is @dbnfoundation www.DontBeNext.org

FAQ

• What does DBN stand for?

DBN stands for Don't Be Next, as in don't be next to pass away. Sharp wit, extremely dry and dark humor are what the founding members and our fallen brothers were renowned for and as a salute to past and future passings, we chose this as the name.

• How does the foundation disperse the donations received?

Each year the Board members will research different organizations throughout the Greater Rockford area we deem worthy of potential donations. After an intense vetting process, the Board members will vote on what organization will receive that year's donation.

• How will The DBN Foundation raise funds?

Funds will be raised through a variety of avenues. Fundraising events such as golf outings, wine tastings, and formal dinners are just a few examples. We will also receive private individual donations as well as corporate funding.

• Is my donation tax deductible?

The DBN Foundation is a non-for-profit organization. We are recognized as a 501c3 Charity. Our EIN: 86-3214480. Please consult your tax advisor as The Foundation does not give tax or legal advice.

• How do I get more involved?

Simply reach out. The DBN Foundation is always looking for motivated, energetic individuals to bring new perspectives to the conversation. The Foundation would be excited to hear different ideas, from different people from all walks of life.

• Where do I send a check if I choose to donate and to whom do I make it out to?

The check would be made payable to The DBN Foundation or The Don't Be Next Foundation. Either is acceptable. Please mail the check to The DBN Foundation, 8874 Porter Oaks Drive, Roscoe, IL. 61073



2023 Golf Outing



2022 Wimpy's Fund



2023 Patrick Insko Scholarship Winner



2022 Old Stone Church Pantry



2023 Shatter our Silence



2021 Play Day Champions