MISSION

In 2015 Skip Lowe and Nate Smith from Grinnell, Iowa started a men’s ministry called Ox Strong with the specific goal to strengthen men’s relationships with Christ and ultimately help them become better husbands, fathers, sons, brothers, friends, and leaders in the community of Grinnell. STRONG Foundation was a direct inspiration from Ox Strong with the sole purpose to provide financial resources to struggling marriages. Skip and Linda Lowe in conjunction with Nate and Karie Smith are proud to reflect the strength of their marriages to the Community of Grinnell and the Greater Poweshiek area.

STRONG Foundation
Served by the Claude W. & Dolly Ahrens Foundation
www.ahrensfamilyfoundation.org
1510 Penrose Street
P.O. Box 284
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“A solution based Foundation that provides immediate financial resources into marriages needing professional and confidential guidance.”

“Keeping Families Together”
BENEFITS

- Immediate assistance for marriages
- Strengthens Marriages
- Strengthens Families
- Strengthens Churches
- Strengthens Communities
- Available Certified Counseling Resources
- No Prequalification for Financial Assistance
- Professional and Confidential
- Available to One or Both Spouses

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

**Question:** Is this something an insurance company must be able to cover?

**Answer:** This is a separate benefit to families and will be provided with or without insurance.

**Question:** Does one need a referral from their Grinnell area churches’ pastor to qualify for the STRONG program?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question:** Can I contribute to this organization?

**Answer:** Yes!

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**Marriages**

A healthy marriage is the foundation of our society. With divorce rates at an all time high, our churches, families, schools, and communities are overwhelmed and the impact on these institutions cannot be measured.

**STRONG Foundation** was developed to provide immediate counseling resources to couples desiring to keep their marriages together.

The program is simple: A pastor of one of the Grinnell area churches identifies the need to refer a married person or couple to a **STRONG Network** marriage counselor.

The identified person(s) meets with the **STRONG Network** marriage counselor and they will release the financial need. If insurance is not available or out-of-pocket expenses are required, then the counselor requests up to $500.00 or financial assistance for the approved marriage counseling services.

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