To: All individuals interested in advancing counseling research in North Dakota.

From: Nancy Gress, Director of Student Services & Advancement, HDE

Re: Contributions to the Nielsen Counselor Education Research Fund at NDSU

Dr. Robert C. (Bob) Nielsen will begin his retirement in July of 2014 by fazing to half time for the academic year 2014-2015, then fully retiring on July 1, 2015. He has pledged $10,000.00 to be placed in an endowment fund at the NDSU Development Foundation. That fund is now available for contributions. Please consider your interest in counseling research and to the 41 years of dedicated professional service that Dr. Nielsen has contributed to you and to your profession, and help him reach the goal: A $10,000.00 endowed Counselor Education Research Fund for yearly research endowments

DETAILS

Making a contribution is easy.

1. You can write a check to: NDSU Development Foundation. Be sure you clearly note on the memo line that it is for the Nielsen Counselor Education Research Fund.

2. You can use a credit card by supplying the requested information on "information card" that is available at your state meeting or from me (nancy.gress@ndsu.edu).


ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

1. The Development Foundation will officially acknowledge your tax deductible gift.

2. I will send Dr. Nielsen your name and address (not dollar amounts), indicating that you were a contributor to the Nielsen Counselor Education Research Fund, and he will send you a personalized thank you. If you choose not to be identified, please indicate that in a note accompanying your gift.

ENDOWMENT

This endowment will make it possible for NDSU Counselor Educators and PhD. students to be awarded funds that will focus on counseling research. Since it will be endowed, only the interest from the past year will be awarded. The awards will provide a good "start-up" financial foundation for a large grant, or for a small research project in itself. Grant awards will be determined by a sub-committee of the NDSU Counselor Education Advisory Committee which is made up primarily of professional clinical and school counselors in North Dakota.

Let’s help Bob make good on his pledge before he retires. Your efforts will greatly appreciated!
Bob and Twyla Nielsen have established an important new endowment because of their deep love and appreciation for counselor education and leading counseling research at NDSU.

Since Bob earned his master's degree at NDSU in 1968, his name has become nearly synonymous with counseling in North Dakota. An NDSU counselor, faculty member or program coordinator since 1972, Bob has announced his intention to retire in 2015. During his career, he has served as president of the North Dakota Counseling Association and American Association of State Counseling Boards and was president of the state's Board of Counselor Examiners. Twyla was hired as an international student adviser at NDSU in 1972 and earned her master's degree in counseling from the university in 1996. She currently is a doctoral candidate in the College of Human Development and Education.

Join the Nielsen's efforts to enhance and encourage counseling research. Your contribution to this endowed fund will help provide faculty with a "startup" foundation for a large grant or fund a small research project. Bob and Twyla want to build a $10,000 endowment before Bob retires. Please help them reach their goal.