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WKCF MISSION STATEMENT

Enriching
western Kansas
life through
philanthropy,
collaboration
and leadership.

Wichita County Community Foundation Becomes Second Affiliate of WKCF

Western Kansas Community Foundation (WKCF) is pleased to announce a formal affiliation agreement has been finalized with Wichita County Community Foundation (WCCF) of Leoti, Kansas. The agreement between the two organizations was finalized in August and underscores the ongoing work of the WKCF in serving the philanthropic needs of southwest Kansas.

"We are privileged to welcome WCCF as an affiliate of the Foundation and look forward to growing together in building assets to support Wichita County and southwest Kansas," said Shea Sinclair, Executive Director of the WKCF. "This rewarding partnership will help further our mission of philanthropy, collaboration, and leadership within the communities we serve."

The WKCF worked throughout the spring and summer to develop a purposeful affiliation application with supporting guidelines. Communities that create an affiliate foundation within the Western Kansas Community Foundation effectively pool resources for community betterment, benefit from experienced investment and administration services and generate increased awareness of community needs and citizen's philanthropy.

Wichita County Community Foundation began in 2002 with a commitment to assist the people of Wichita County in a pro-active manner and to enhance overall development to insure the future of the community. Through a generous grant from Wichita County Economic Development that started WCCF, the board began an effort to raise additional endowed funds and spread the word of this new entity created specifically to support important local initiatives and non-profits.

Many excellent grants from WCCF have been awarded in Wichita County over the years including scholarships to Wichita County students, grants to the City of Leoti, Wichita County, USD #467 and to various charitable entities supporting programs and assisting those in need. One of the most visible public grant projects came about because of WCCF's participation with WKCF in a project known as the Nutrition and Physical Activity (NPA) Initiative.

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Chairman's Perspective



Judy Keusler
WKCF Chairman

During October, we hear many references about “Making a Difference”, and the fourth Saturday in October has even been designated as “Make a Difference Day.” In the coming weeks, we will hear about many worthwhile projects across the nation and volunteers will rally around the causes closest to their heart to make a difference—a positive difference to benefit others. This is all well and good, and I encourage anyone that is so inclined to participate. But, why limit making a difference to a day or even a month? If you could do something that would make a difference forever, wouldn't you do it if you possibly could?

The people involved in their local community foundation know just how to do it! All across America, community foundations have been established to channel philanthropic dollars to those groups and organizations providing meaningful and important services to their community. In 1996, a group of forward thinking people in Finney County established the Western Kansas Community Foundation that serves 15 counties in the southwestern corner of Kansas. Since that time, WKCF has grown financially, and increased its influence throughout western Kansas. The result is a lasting legacy that addresses the needs of today and the challenges of tomorrow through endowed charitable giving.

You can make a lasting difference through your community foundation by simply making a donation, serving on the board of directors, or volunteering in one of several community projects organized or supported by Western Kansas Community Foundation! There are several ways to do it, such as:

- You can make a donation anytime, in any amount.
- You can leave a legacy to the foundation in your will, estate plan or trust documents to be paid upon your death.
- You can leave assets such as stock or bonds, real estate or minerals.
- You can establish a Donor Advised Fund and direct how the earnings will be distributed to your favorite non-profits.
- Designated Funds can be created to benefit a specific organization, such as your church, school, library, etc. The organization forever benefits from the interest earned on the fund.
- You can establish a Field of Interest fund to benefit a particular interest you have such as music, arts, literacy, health and nutrition, etc.
- You can contribute to an established fund that matches your interests.
- You can remember loved ones and friends with a donation in their name.

Anyone involved in the Western Kansas Community Foundation can rest assured that they are making a meaningful difference each and every day. Our knowledgeable staff stands ready to answer your questions and assist you in reaching your philanthropic goals.

WCCF Affiliation continued...

By employing grant funds provided by Kansas Health Foundation, Wichita County NPA committee developed plans and significantly funded a walking trail that winds through the streets of Leoti, including benches and workout stops along the way. This community asset will have a lasting effect on the livability and healthy lifestyles of residents of the City.

WCCF board voted to affiliate with WKCF to support their all volunteer board with professional full-time staff, expert investment management, as well as formal governance structure and administrative services to support the sustainability of the Foundation. Currently, nine board members serve on the WCCF board of directors including: Carol Laws, Board Chairman; Mark Berning, Vice-Chairman; Ann Harkness, Secretary; Kathy Graff, Treasurer; as well as Peggy Gillen, Paula Smith, Jeanette Price and Janna Delissa.



Women of Purpose is growing in southwest Kansas! We're excited to announce a new Women of Purpose fund has been established to specifically meet the needs of women in Grant County.

The new fund began this summer by an engaged group of local women who have worked hard to spread the message of impact for Grant County women. For more information on how you can become involved, please contact Teri Christian, Chairman, Women of Purpose Grant County committee at 620-356-3344.

The WKCF Women of Purpose fund kicked off its 2012 voting membership opportunity in September at Garden City Arts gallery. Area ladies came together to hear about the 2012 grant focus "Healthy Women, Healthy Communities" with an emphasis this year on fighting Diabetes and supporting local programs that address this devastating disease. We invite anyone interested in making an impact on women here at home to join us in supporting the WKCF's Women of Purpose fund. For more information please call the WKCF office at 620-271-9484.



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AGENCY FUNDS

Finney County Farm Bureau
 Finney County Humane Society
 Finney County Public Library
 Garden City Chamber of Commerce
 Leadership
 Garden City Chamber of Commerce
 Leadership Children
 Garden City Downtown Vision, Inc.
 Garden City Family YMCA
 Garden City Public Schools Foundation
 Russell Child Development Center
 Sublette Public Schools Foundation

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

Arts & Culture

Dale J. & Carole Corley Gabel Fund
 In Memory of Carole's parents
 Dale & Jeanne Beach Corley

Children

Kansas Health Foundation Children's Fund

Kansas Health Foundation
 Our Children, Our Future
 John & Elizabeth Scheopner

Development

Grant County Fund
 Haskell County Community Fund

Education

Ralph & Marilyn Germann Fund
 Garden City Sunrises Kiwanis Club

Health & Human Services

Healthy Lifestyles for Grant County
 Carl & Carolyn Myers Fund
 Mary Lou Spanier Fund
 Dr. Max & Charlene Teare Fund
Unrestricted Grant Funds
 Unruh Family Fund

DESIGNATED FUNDS

9-11 Metal Art Fund
 Bernadine Sitts Fund
 Grant County Fine Arts Fund
 Bob Wilson Memorial
 Garden City Arts
 Grant County Hospital Permanent Fund
 Bob Wilson Memorial
 Grant County Hospital Foundation
 (non-permanent) Fund
 Grant County Women of Purpose
 Builders of Hope
 City of Garden City/Steel Public Art Fund
 Erdene Corley Fund
 Jeanne B. Corley Hospice Fund
 Emmaus House Fund
 Dan & Chris Fankhauser Fund
 Finney County Library Fund
 Kismet Library Fund
 Cecil and Frances O'Brate Family Fund
 for Youthville
 Satanta Lions Club Fund
 Unified School District #214, Ulysses, KS
 Unified School District #363—Holcomb, KS
 Dorothy M. & Louise Wampler
 Western Kansas Community Foundation
 Sustainability Fund
 Robert A. Whippo Fund

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Esther Smith-Bennett & Webb Smith Fund
 Erdene Corley Fund
 Herman & Marjorie Cooper Fund
 Phil & Sheryl Dick Fund
 Luther & Ardis Fry Family Fund
 Eltrude Elliott Hall Fund
In Memory of Eltrude's Brothers
Dorsey Elliott and Merton Elliott
 Henselman Family Fund
 Henry & Nellie Hall Fund
 Kansas Children's Service League
Healthy Families Finney County Fund
 Kenneth & Judith Keusler Family Fund
 Leo and Eldora Kleysteuber Fund
 Lee Construction, Inc. Fund
 Ed & Nelda Lewis Family Fund
 M & S Fund
 Carol & Kent Nanninga Family Fund
 Pauline and Orville Patterson Family Fund
 Gary & Carolyn Salyer Fund
 Matha Sherman Fund
 Eugene and Ruth Wright Fund

DESIGNATED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Garden City Wrestling Alumni Association
Garden City High School
 Garden City Telegram
 Senior Student-Athlete Scholarship
12 county Telegram service area
 Charles Helfrich Memorial Scholarship
 Rich Jantz Scholarship Fund
Southwestern College
 Katherine C. Jones Scholarship Fund
Holcomb High School
 Katherine C. Jones Scholarship Fund
Continuing Education
 Laura Elizabeth Kleysteuber Memorial Fund
Garden City High School
 Jan McLeland Memorial Scholarship Fund
Satanta High School
 Neighborhood Improvement Project
 Scholarship Fund
Garden City High School
 Duane Nichols Memorial Scholarship Fund
 K O & Ruth Powell Scholarship Fund
Nursing
 Bernadine Sitts Scholarship Fund
Garden City High School
 Joyce & Leroy Stapleton Scholarship Fund
Sublette High School and Garden City
Community College
 Stoeckly Family Scholarship Fund
Garden City Community College
 Sublette Rotary Club Fund
Sublette High School
 Bud Ward Family Scholarship Fund
Brewster/Winona-Triplains/Oakley-Monument
 Chase Mitchel Webber Sublette Recreation
 Memorial Scholarship Fund
Sublette High School
 Tonya Wright Memorial Scholarship Fund
Satanta High School

UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT

James A. & Christina Becker Fund
 Community Betterment Fund
 Finney County Farm Bureau
 Garden City Company
 Dale J. & Carole Corley Gabel
 Katherine C. Jones
 Harold R. & Sadie Kleysteuber
 Bob & Barbara Kreutzner Fund
 Max & Marianne Miller Family Farm Fund
In Honor of Max's parents
Ralph & Idell Miller
 David C. & Judith A. Stanard
 Mathews/Stanard Fund
In Honor of Judy's parents
 Robert & Cleo Mathews

COMMUNITY LEGACY SOCIETY

Helen Batchelder
 Robert A. & Lujana C. Baker
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 Joe & Betty Benson
 Anne Brown
 Jeffrey D. & Shonda J. Collins
 Dorsey & Marjorie Elliott
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 Earl & Dora Fry
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 Ralph N. and Marilyn L. Germann
 Dr. Gerald L. and Phyllis Greene
 George & Lori Hopkins
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**Wichita County
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Report from Executive Director Shea Sinclair



Lately, the board and staff of Western Kansas Community Foundation have been working to find more convenient and effective ways to communicate news and information about the Foundation. We have spoken with donors, supporters and friends of the Foundation to better understand how best to share our good news and realize we need to be multidimensional in our approach.

To this end, we recently launched a Facebook page for the WKCF and hope you will take a moment to search us out and "Like" us. As our Facebook friend, you will receive up-to-the-minute information about the work of the Foundation and how grants issued are supporting programs, projects and non-profits in our fifteen county service area.

We understand that not everyone uses Facebook and prefer to look to a website for more in depth information. In the coming months, we will completely rework the Foundation's webpage. Online donations, a more streamlined grant process, improved navigation and an updated look will be highlights of the update. Our intent is to offer everyone engaged with the WKCF improved access to services and information on grants at work in the community and a resource of knowledge on how we can help them achieve their lasting legacy and make a meaningful difference here at home. You can check out the website at www.wkcf.org.

And finally, we will continue to offer the WKCF's quarterly newsletter, the most traditional avenue to exchange information. Each of these options will enhance and build on our ability to communicate our mission to enrich western Kansas life through philanthropy, collaboration and leadership.

ESTATE PLANNING SERVICES

Stewardship Counseling, LLC offers comprehensive estate planning for you and your family.

John W. Griffin, Esq. travels across Kansas to offer this service through a wide range of community and private foundations.

He will review your existing plan free of charge. No products are sold or endorsed through this counseling process, only the opportunities to gain ideas. Garden City Community College Endowment Association, Commerce Trust Company of Garden City, and Western Kansas Community Foundation are proud to sponsor this program.

Western Kansas Community Foundation made grants to the following organizations in the Foundation's fifteen county service area through the quarterly unrestricted grant award program:

City on a Hill, Inc. - Garden City/Marienthal, a substance abuse center for women to support the program titled, "Helping Women Recover."

Friends of Garden City Arts, Inc. - Garden City, funding for public art installation on Main Street entitled "Triple Eclipse Bouquet".

Western Kansas Child Advocacy - Scott City, funding for a program entitled "Technology Upgrade" supporting their work with abused and neglected children in southwest Kansas.

Youth Entrepreneurs of Kansas - Garden City, supporting youth leadership programming in the high school called "Youth Entrepreneurs."



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