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WKCF MISSION STATEMENT

Enriching western Kansas life through philanthropy, collaboration and leadership.

LiveWell Finney County Healthy Community Design Summit

Mark Fenton, a nationally-known public health, planning, and transportation consultant was in Garden City in early February to work with citizens interested in creating a healthier more active community. The three day convening was sponsored by Western Kansas Community Foundation (WKCF) and other community partners through the LiveWell Finney County initiative. LiveWell Finney County is a collaboration of WKCF and the Finney County Community Health Coalition and is funded through a grant sponsored by Kansas Health Foundation of Wichita.

Fenton is trying to help America find its way to more active and more livable cities, towns, and neighborhoods. He works with organizations and communities around the country to build environments, policies, and programs that help to create places where more people walk, bicycle, and take transit more of the time. And it’s not just about healthier people. Done well, active community designs lead to economically, environmentally, and socially thriving cities, towns, and rural settings where people of all ages, abilities, and incomes lead long, vibrant lives.

Fenton was candid in his assessment of the design landscape of most American cities, he noted, “If we’re really concerned about the health of our kids and our communities, I think we have to make a pretty hard admission right up front. We’re doing a pretty crummy job.”

Sobering statistics back up Fenton’s assessment. One in three kids today in America will develop Type 2 diabetes in their lifetime because of inactive lifestyles and poor nutrition. This is a dramatic change in public health over the last 30 to 40 years. Efforts to change this significant trend begin with increasing physical activity. To create communities that encourage, support, build and sustain ways to get outside and get active will begin to help move startling health statistics in a positive direction over time.

Fenton spent three days conducting workshops with Finney County elected officials and community leaders, walk-audits and the full-day Healthy Community Design Summit attended by over 20 communities from around Kansas.

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Chairman's Perspective

Neil Hawley
WKCF Chairman

Disregarding the Government’s perspective, $1,760,795 is a lot of money! Whether you are a founding member of the Western Kansas Community Foundation (WKCF), a contributor, or even someone who is not personally involved but interested, the WKCF is a tremendous success story. You can be proud of, and excited about the fact that the WKCF granted that $1.76 million to deserving southwest Kansas organizations in 2014!

This was by far the annual granting record since the Foundation was formed in 1996. Hundreds of people have helped the WKCF grow to over $27,000,000 in assets since then, and thousands have benefitted. The wonderful generosity of community-minded western Kansans, strong leadership of our Board of Directors and past Chairman, dedicated, quality employees, plus conservative but efficient management of the Foundation’s assets have allowed this wonderful story to evolve.

As the WKCF moves forward, we will strive to be more recognizable to the general public, spreading the word of cooperation, philanthropy, and leadership. And, we will take steps to insure that we will always be prepared to meet our goals, helping to improve lives in western Kansas.
Thank you for your past and future support.

WKCF New Staff and Board Members

We welcome Stacie Hahn to the Foundation as our new operation’s director. In addition, we welcome Kathy Diehl and Richard Taylor to the Foundation’s board of directors.

Stacie Hahn, WKCF’s new operations director
Kathy Diehl is vice president of American State Bank of Garden City, Ks.
Rich Taylor is the owner of Office Solutions, Inc. of Garden City, Ks.
In addition, Fenton spent time with students at Garden City Senior High School speaking with them about physical activity and the benefits of choosing to be active throughout their lives.

WKCF was pleased to host Mark Fenton in Finney County and look forward to further discussion, planning and improvements ahead in building a healthier, more active Finney County in the coming months and years.
### WKCF Funds

#### AGENCY FUNDS
- Emmaus House
- Finney County Farm Bureau
- Finney County Humane Society
- Finney County Public Library
- Friends of Lee Richardson Zoo
- Garden City Arts
- GC Chamber of Commerce Leadership
- GC Chamber of Commerce Leadership/Children
- Garden City Downtown Vision, Inc.
- Garden City Family YMCA
- Garden City Noon Lion’s Club
- Garden City Public Schools Foundation
- Kanza Society Endowment benefitting
  - High Plains Public Radio
- 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 Sunrisers Kiwanis Club
- Pauline and Orville Patterson Family Fund

**Health & Human Services**
- Healthy Lifestyles for Grant County
- Carl & Carolyn Myers Fund
- Mary Lou Spanier Fund
- Dr. Max & Charlene Teare Fund
- Unruh Family Fund

#### DESIGNATED FUNDS
- Bernadine Sitts Fund
- Bob Wilson Memorial
- Grant County Hospital Permanent Fund
  - Bob Wilson Memorial
  - Grant County Hospital Foundation
  - (non-permanent) Fund
  - Builders of Hope
- Erdene Corley Fund
- Jeanne B. Corley Hospice Fund
- Dan & Chris Fankhauser Fund
- Finney County Library Fund
- Garden City Catholic Schools Alumni & Friends Association Fund
- Henselmann Family Fund
- Pat & Gene LeClerc Endowed Fund
- Cecil and Frances O’Brate Family Fund
  - for Youthville
- Patsy Ruddick Memorial Fund
- Satanta Lions Club Fund
- Bernadine Sitts Fund
- Unified School District #214, Ulysses, KS
  - Unified School District #363—Holcomb, KS
- Dorothy M. & Louise Wampler Fund
- WKCF Sustainability Fund
- Robert A. Whippo Fund
- Lawrence F. Zant & Marjorie R. William Memorial Fund

#### DONOR ADVISED FUNDS
- Matt Anderson Memorial Fund
- Esther Smith-Bennett & Webb Smith Fund
- Erdene Corley Fund
- Herman & Marjorie Cooper Fund
- Phil & Sheryl Dick Fund
- Ethinger Family Fund
- Finney County Farm Bureau
- Luther & Ardis Fry Family Fund
- Gerald & Phyllis Greene Endowed Fund
- Eltrude Elliott Hall Fund
- In Memory of Eltrude’s Brothers
- Dorsey Elliott and Merton Elliott
- Henry & Nellie Hall Fund
- Kansas Children’s Service League
- Healthy Families Finney County Fund
- Clifford & Dolores Hope Family 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 Nanning Family Fund
- Gary & Carolyn Salyer Fund
- Matha Sherman Fund
- Unruh Future Hope Fund
- Eugene and Ruth Wright Fund

#### DESIGNATED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS
- Tanner Dean Memorial Scholarship
- 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
- Garden City Community College
- Sublette Rotary Club Fund
- Sublette High School
- Bud Ward Family Scholarship Fund
- Brewster/Winona-Triplains/Oakley-Monument
  - Chase Mitchell 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 Kreutzer Fund
  - John G. and Emily A. Miller Family 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. & Lujuana C. Baker
  - Ed & Alice Banning
  - Joe & Betty Benson
  - Milan & Deanna Berry
- Jeffrey D. & Shonda J. Collins
- Robert & Brenda Drees
- Dorsey & Marjorie Elliott
- Dick & Sheila Fankhauser
- Earl & Dora Fry
- Dale J. & Carole Corley Gabel
  - Ralph N. and Marilyn L. Germann
  - Dr. Gerald L. and Phyllis Greene
  - George & Lori Hopkins
  - Danna L. Schaller Jones
  - William M. Jones, Jr.
  - Lisk Family
  - Doral & Vincent Mancini
  - Ray & Geraldine Mann
  - Don & Wauneta Messenger
  - Roger & Donna Morris
  - Carl & Carolyn Myers
  - Martin & Judy Nusser
  - Mary Lou Shea
  - David & Judy Stanard

### Western Kansas Community Foundation Affiliates
- Grant County Community Foundation
- Wichita County Community Foundation

#### FUNDS FOR THE FUTURE
- Richie McNaught
- Prudential Life Insurance
- Matching Gifts Policy
Report from Executive Director
Shea Sinclair

It is an interesting exercise to turn the calendar page on a year that has past and look back at everything that was accomplished. Every good business takes the time to reflect on the successes of the prior year as well as the challenges that are inevitable in all organizations.

In 2014, generous donors from all walks of life made it possible for Western Kansas Community Foundation (WKCF) to grant over $1.7M to be used to improve the quality of lives for people in southwest Kansas. Indeed, 2014 was a record year for the Foundation!

On behalf of the WKCF’s board and staff, we are truly grateful. There are many area non-profits, students, project leaders and organizations who are grateful as well. Your support makes it possible for grantees to provide services to those in need, complete important community projects, advance educational opportunities and develop programs that make our communities better in so many ways.

We speak regularly and reflect on the amazing generosity of donors who have made the Foundation what it is today. As a supporter of WKCF, you can be proud of our growth over the years and our capacity to serve donors, non-profits and collaborate on issues big and small in our service area. Our work is guided by our mission to ‘enrich western Kansas life through philanthropy, collaboration and leadership.’

Thank you for growing with us! With your support, we’re excited to see the impact we can generate together in the coming year and beyond.

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.
Over 15 communities from around Kansas joined the discussion with Mark Fenton to learn more about healthy community design at the LiveWell Finney County Healthy Community Design Summit held February 3rd in Garden City.