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The Generosity of the Region Applauded at the Annual Grant Celebration

The Wilkinson Alumni Center at Pittsburg State University was the site for the annual Grant Celebration hosted by the Community Foundation. Guests mingled before the ceremony viewing an Informational Fair provided by the nonprofit partners receiving foundation grants. Just fewer than 30 nonprofit projects for residents in Southeast Kansas will be funded in 2012-2013 for a total of \$68,313.

Executive Director, Cathy White welcomed guests with City Manager Daron Hall stressed community partnerships for the area's success. Foundation Board of Trustees President Wilda Pentola, made the grant presentations. When thanking the trustees and friends of the Foundation Wilda added, "This is the fun and exciting part of the year for the Foundation –this is the experience we look forward to all year. The Foundation is here to ensure a healthier place for Southeast Kansans to live."



Daron Hall, Manager of the City of Pittsburg

Since 2004 the Foundation's grant cycles have funded 146 projects totaling \$302,353.00. This doesn't include any Kansas Health Foundation grants the Foundation has facilitated, only the dollars from funds the Foundation directly manages.

Cathy closed the evening thanking attendees for their support of the Foundation. "What a privilege that we live, work and play where giving to help others is a prominent belief. "She then drew attention to the responsibility that the Foundation and its nonprofit partner's share, "... we have to remember that we are held accountable for the use of these charitable

funds and ask that you share in this responsibility by developing programs that provide measurable outcomes. While *we believe* your projects are for the good of the region, we *all* must be dedicated to proving that we *are* making a difference."



Community Foundation 2012 Grants

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Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas

Granting Fund

SE Kansas Education Center (Greenbush)-Basic Interpreting 101 Training for Community Agencies and Organizations.

The Center for Learning Tree Institute – Challenge Grant for Youth Summer Camps at Greenbush

Horses for Hope Riding Center, Inc-Phase 2 of Healthy Living program collaborating with public schools and Kansas Health Foundation

Community Health Center of SE Kansas, Inc-Purchase of a spirometry system for the Baxter Springs Clinic to evaluate lung capacity/diagnose breathing problems including asthma and lung diseases.

Big Brothers Big Sisters, Labette County-Funds will be used for four match events for current matches while encouraging others to be a match at Big Brothers Big Sisters.

NAMI-Used to purchase items supporting the physical health for adults with severe mental illness.

Catholic Charities, Inc. - Emergency funding for families facing eviction or utility cut off-up to \$200 per eligible household

Rosalie D. Manley Endowed Fund Grants (fund managed by CFSEK)

Interfaith Housing Services, Inc- Funds used for financial education including life style workshops for low to moderate income households in Crawford, Cherokee, Bourbon and Labette Counties.

Angels Among US, Inc- “Angels Christmas” providing gift cards for area cancer patients to use for their needs.

Class LTD,- Emergency Human Need Assistance for Individuals with Intellectual or Developmental disorders

Wesley House Funds used for 2013 Children’s Summer Food Program

Special Olympics- Funds to purchase a recumbent bike

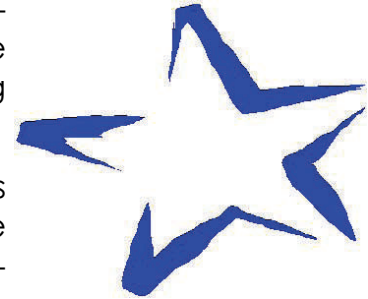
Mother to Mother Ministry - money for monthly programs providing materials and meals

Grant from Pittsburg Area Arts & Culture Endowment

Elm Acres-“Tools for Mastering Live” program developed to provide better understanding and respect for all people through access to and participation in artistic and cultural activities.

Future Fund Giving Circle 2012 Grants

Future Fund is a giving circle consisting of people who want to do great things for the community. By pooling resources together, the giving circle structure enables individuals to achieve a more significant impact with their charitable giving than they can achieve on their own. Since 2007 Future Fund members have awarded \$30,985 in grants supporting projects to improve health and wellness .



This granting season \$7800 was approved for nonprofit partners to use in the Crawford county area. The following grants were voted on by the membership and awarded at the Grant Celebrations:

YMCA For play ground covering to improve child play area.

Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters to create marketing materials for volunteer recruitment

Special Olympics/ Kansas For the "Exercise for Life" program.

Elm Acres To purchase updated curriculum materials for educational and social skills training.

Interfaith Housing provide materials for clients' financial education training.

Children's Advocacy Center advocate training

Mother to Mother Ministry Increasing Health, Happiness & Productivity project.

Angels Among Us replenishing serving supplies to continue the Serving Others program.

Franklin Community Council Two iPads for interactive stations in The Way We Worked in SE Kansas exhibit.

Students In Free Enterprise "Building Pittsburg-Seeds of Change" a project targeting unemployed and underemployed individuals in the Pittsburg Community and Crawford County.

The Future Fund Giving Circle is always looking for more members who believe in the Southeast Kansas region being a great place to live, work and play. If you would like to participate with this group as a donor call Erica today, 620 231 8897, or by email: erica.kern@southeastkansas.org.



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Year End Giving? Check!

The giving season is here! This season is filled with holidays, family and fun plus many things to do. Santa has his “naughty or nice” list while at the Foundation we have a “to do’ list. Fortunately, when you contact the Community Foundation office we can help you check some items off that list. Let the Foundation be your “Santa’s Helper”

For the very busy person needing a tax deduction now but not sure which charities to support, we can help! You can transfer any amount of cash or stock to a charitable donor advised fund, immediately receive your tax deduction, and then take your time researching how you want to distribute your charitable dollars.

We encourage you to start your year-end giving early and enjoy spending extra time with family and friends. If you’re mailing a contribution please make sure it is post-marked on or before December 31st. *Stock transfers will need to be made before the close of business on December 26th.*

Contact Cathy White by calling 620-231-8897 or by email to make a contribution to your current fund or to start a new fund.



GIVE THE GIFT OF GIVING

Need to find a gift for someone who has everything? Consider giving a Giving Card. Giving Cards are similar to retail gift cards, but they are redeemed to benefit any 501(c)(3) public charity in the United States (including churches, schools and synagogues). New designs are available now, so purchase your Giving Cards today! Cards can be purchased with a credit card online www.southeastkansas.org or by calling 620 231 8897. Contact us if you would like to use your fund to purchase a giving card.



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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FAMILY OF FUNDS

Angels Among Us Endowed Fund	Healthy Families of Southeast Kansas
Angels Among Us Fund	Hearts and Hammers of Pittsburg
Rita J. Bicknell Women's Health Endowed Fund	Homer Cole Community Center Fund
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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Crawford County	Imagine Pittsburg 2030 Fund
Endowment Fund	Immigrant Park Fund
Big Brutus, Inc. Fund	J. L. Hutchinson Fund
CFSEK General Endowment Fund	Kansas Health Foundation Children's Fund
CFSEK Leadership Endowment Fund	Kansas Health Foundation Granting Fund
CFSEK Leadership Project Endowment Fund	Kansas Health Foundation Operating Fund
CFSEK Operating Endowed Fund	Kansas Health Foundation Public Health Fund
CFSEK Operating Fund	Robert Lyerla Memorial Christmas Decorations Fund
Caring for Kids Endowment Fund	Rosalie Manley Endowment Fund
Cato School Historical Preservation Association Fund	Mother to Mother Ministry Fund
Cherokee County Health and Wellness Fund	Mt Carmel Foundation Endowment Fund
Children's Advocacy Center, Inc. Endowment Fund	Mt Carmel Foundation Fund
Colonial Fox Foundation Fund	Northeast USD 246 Foundation Endowed Fund
Commerce Bank Scholarship Fund	Operation Roundup
Countryside Christian School Fund	Pittsburg Area Arts and Culture Fund
Craig Crespino Scholarship Fund	Pittsburg Beautiful Endowment Fund
Crawford County Disaster Relief Fund	Pittsburg Fireworks Fund
Crawford County Health and Wellness Fund	Pittsburg Public Library Endowment Fund
Dylan Meier "Get Busy Livin'" Foundation Fund	Pittsburg Public Library Fund
Elm Acres Foundation, Inc. Endowment Fund	Pittsburg USD 250 Foundation Fund
"Everybody Plays" Playground Project Fund	Safehouse Crisis Center Endowment Fund
Family Resource Center Endowment Fund	Saint Mary's Colgan School Endowment Fund
Family Resource Center Fund	Southeast Kansas Humane Society Endowment Fund
Pat Forbes Scholarship Fund	Southeast Kansas Independent Living, Inc. (SKIL) Fund
Foundation for Class Fund	Special Arts Explorer Fund
Franklin Community Council Endowment Fund	Stilwell Heritage and Educational Foundation Fund
Franklin Community Council Fund	Tyler Jeck Memorial Fund
Friends of the McCune Memorial Park Fund	United Way of Crawford County, Inc. Fund
Friends of the Southeast Kansas Symphony Fund	Vinylplex, Inc. Endowment Fund
Future Fund Endowment Fund	Shirley Yeager's Animal Friends Fund
Gutteridge Foundation Fund	
Habitat for Humanity of Crawford County	
Health and Wellness Advisory Board of Labette County	



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We enjoy this season and give thanks....

This time of year really is a favorite maybe it's the brilliant fall colors, the sweet and savory aromas from the kitchen, or maybe it's the outdoor activities, now so special--knowing those cold dreary days are around the corner. Another favorite characteristic of the season is looking back over the year taking account of all that makes us feel thankful and blessed.

Reflecting on 2012 it is easy to say that it has been quite a busy first year. Though most outstanding of all, is the opportunity we have to work with many wonderful people including the Trustees on the Community Foundation Board. For that we say "Thank You". We thank you for time cheerfully given, talents shared beyond measure and treasure given in a manner so reflective of this charitable region.

We anticipate and look forward to 2013 working together as we continue the Foundation's mission of ".....inspiring a passion for generosity".

Erica & Cathy

Happy Thanksgiving



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