

CIRCLE CONVERSATIONS

The City of Mapleton and the surrounding community are safer due to grants received from the **Fort Scott Area Community Foundation** and the **Rita J. Bicknell Women's Health Fund**.

The Friends of Mapleton Association, a 100% volunteer group, applied for grants to purchase an AED defibrillator, storage cabinet, and high-quality first aid kit to have available to the public at all community events at the city park, senior-citizens center, and ballfield. Also supplied through the grants was funding for Heartsaver CPR First Aid certification for the community.

Twenty-five volunteers were certified by Alicia Potter-Burk, BSN, in training sessions completed immediately after the equipment was received as part of a collaboration with the **Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas**. The grant programs were administered with the assistance of the **Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas**.

The City of Mapleton and the Friends of Mapleton Association are genuinely grateful for the generous time and financial support from all of the collaborating groups that successfully enhanced safety in our small community.

Nebbie Potter

Coming Up

- o **August 31:** PSU School of Nursing Sim Hospital ribbon cutting + annual membership donation due
- o **September:** WHF grant cycle open + recruitment event (date & location TBD)
- o **October 13:** Annual grant review
- o **October:** New *Circle Conversations*
- o **November 8:** CFSEK Grant Celebration
- o **November 28:** Match Day



Mapleton First Aid Training

Mapleton community members participated in first aid and CPR training. The training, along with a new AED defibrillator and other supplies, was funded by grants from the Fort Scott Area Community Foundation and Rita J. Bicknell Women's Health Fund.

Welcome, New Members!

Three new members joined us for our May 24 Coffee and Conversations event. Please help us welcome Monica Angeles, Joanna Rhodes, and Elle Burgess!

Reminder: Annual Contributions Due August 31

Membership contributions for the Women's Giving Circle (\$2,000) and Circle of Friends (\$250) are due by August 31, 2023. Pay by check or at SoutheastKansas.org/join-whf.

September Recruitment Event

We're hosting another recruitment event in September! Be thinking of one or two ladies who you can invite to learn more about the work of the Women's Health Fund. We'll send more information about the date and location soon, so stay tuned!

2023 Grant Cycle Timeline

It's almost that time of year again! Here's a timeline of what you can expect during our 2023 grant cycle:

- **September 1 - 30.** CFSEK will accept grant applications from nonprofit organizations.
- **October 13.** WHF members will meet at the CFSEK office to review applications and select which projects to fund.
- **November 8.** CFSEK will host its annual Grant Celebration, recognizing grant recipients for the year, including those who received WHF grants.



Why I Joined

I have always been passionate about helping the underserved. By funding nonprofits that increase access to women's health care, we enable women to live healthier lives both physically and mentally. This circle was a natural fit for me.

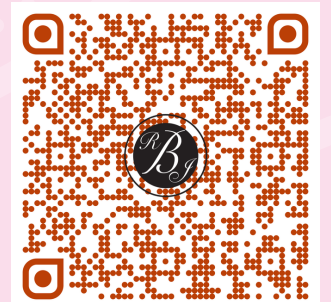
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Join the Women's Health Fund

Benefits of Joining

- Support and promote healthy lives for women in need
- Participate in grant review and selection
- Choose to be part of other Circle activities to deepen your philanthropic learning
- Meet new friends and socialize!

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