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YOUR Community Foundation For Good. Forever.

The Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas (CFSEK) serves the region by encouraging charitable giving benefiting the common good and quality of life. We inspire leadership with programming that is responsive to the interests and needs of those we serve now and in the future.

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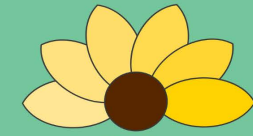
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2024 Year in Review

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

Consolidated Statements of Activities

Dear Friends,

In 2024, the Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas (CFSEK) celebrated a truly historic year—one defined by unprecedented growth, preservation of legacies, and the enduring generosity of our community.

We were honored to help carry forward the legacy of the Mount Carmel Foundation, a cornerstone of compassionate healthcare in our region for more than a century. Through the transfer of its assets to CFSEK, we established seven new funds dedicated to advancing healthcare in Southeast Kansas. The Mount Carmel Foundation Legacy Grant Cycle—now the largest competitive grant cycle for CFSEK — will ensure that the spirit of service begun by the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1903 continues for generations to come.

We also marked a milestone moment in philanthropy with the sale of our nearly 6,300-acre Bill House Ranch property in Chautauqua County. The proceeds from the sale created two substantial endowed funds honoring Bill House. These endowments will strengthen CFSEK’s capacity to support agricultural projects and education, and throughout Kansas—a lasting testament to Bill’s legacy in our part of the country.

Across all our initiatives, 2024 was a year of extraordinary growth and progress. CFSEK’s total assets rose from \$58 million to more than \$69 million and we celebrated the establishment of 17 new funds. Our staff and board worked together to expand programming, streamline systems, and engage more deeply with our communities through multiple event offerings for our nonprofit partners.

From hosting our largest-ever Grant Celebration to continuing our regional partnerships through our affiliates in Columbus, Fort Scott, and Girard, CFSEK’s mission—to inspire charitable giving and strengthen Southeast Kansas—remains at the heart of everything we do.

We are profoundly grateful for your continued trust and generosity. Every fund established, every gift made, and every grant awarded reflects your belief in the power of community. Together, we are preserving legacies, fostering new opportunities, and shaping a brighter future for Southeast Kansas.

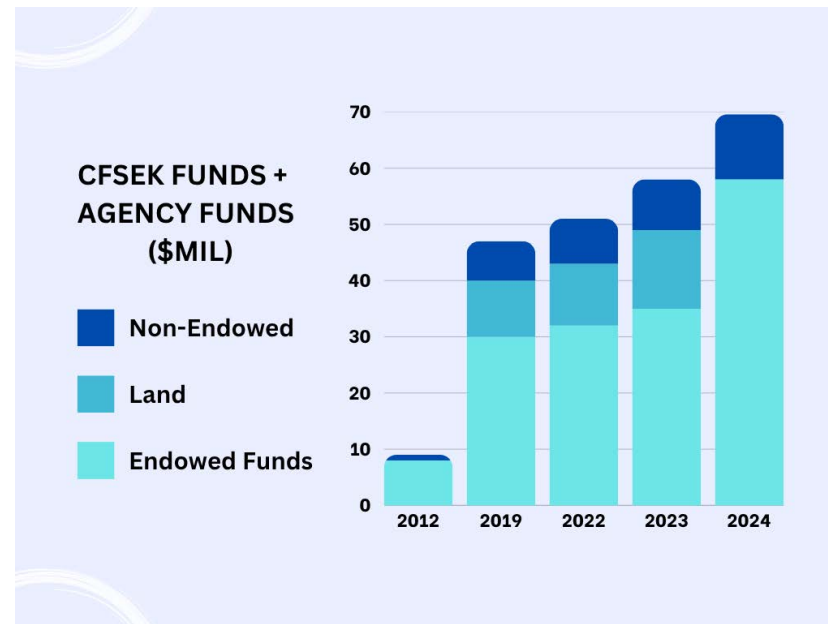
With gratitude,

Linda Grilz
President

Devin Gorman
Executive Director

| Assets | Dec. 31, 2024* | Dec. 31, 2023 | Dec. 31, 2022 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 21,026,273 | \$ 3,947,178 | \$ 3,359,760 |
| Fixed income investments | 19,709,742 | 16,770,792 | 14,747,612 |
| Equity investments | 25,194,593 | 20,322,796 | 18,653,848 |
| Real estate | — | 13,841,030 | 11,010,300 |
| Closely held stock | 366,611 | 366,611 | 366,611 |
| Other broker investments | 3,287,296 | 2,897,718 | 2,585,452 |
| Prepaid expenses & other | 97,488 | 21,517 | 11,444 |
| Total Assets | \$69,682,003 | \$58,167,642 | \$50,735,027 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| Grants & other payable | \$ 811,044 | \$ 192,904 | \$ 249,987 |
| Funds held for agencies | 8,140,464 | 6,866,233 | 6,031,165 |
| Total Liabilities | 8,951,508 | 7,059,137 | 6,281,152 |
| Net Assets | 60,730,495 | 51,108,505 | 44,453,875 |
| Total Liabilities & Net Assets | \$69,682,003 | \$58,167,642 | \$50,735,027 |

*Audited Statement of Financial Position



| Revenues, Gains and Support | 2024 | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Gifts and pledges | \$ 6,100,000 | \$ 2,055,489 | \$ 983,505 |
| Income from services | 377,608 | 377,608 | 345,672 |
| Rental income | 9,896 | 9,896 | 59,924 |
| Net investment return | 5,065,522 | 5,065,522 | (4,720,834) |
| Other revenue | 10,399 | — | — |
| Total Revenues, Gains & Support | 7,508,515 | 7,508,515 | (3,331,733) |
| Expenses | | | |
| Grants and program services | 1,917,363 | 1,917,363 | 2,081,219 |
| Operating expenses | 305,024 | 305,024 | 266,406 |
| Total Expenses | 2,868,264 | 2,868,264 | 2,871,698 |
| Change in Net Assets | 4,640,251 | 4,640,251 | (6,203,431) |
| Net assets, beginning of year | 51,108,505 | 44,453,875 | 50,657,306 |
| Reclassification of Agency Fund | — | — | — |
| Addition of new affiliate | 2,014,379 | 2,014,379 | — |
| Net Assets, End of Year | \$60,730,495 | \$51,108,505 | \$44,453,875 |

GRANTS AWARDED SINCE 2001 - \$25.4 MILLION

| Fund Category (\$000) | Number of Funds | Fund Bal at 12/31/24 | Granted in CY24 |
|--|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Arts, Culture and Humanities | 18 | \$ 1,362 | \$ 111 |
| Education | 56 | 15,365 | 268 |
| Environment and Animals | 9 | 10,092 | 60 |
| Health and Wellness | 28 | 9,568 | 384 |
| Public, Societal Benefit | 82 | 19,204 | 760 |
| Religion | 4 | 364 | 13 |
| Unrestricted or Other | 64 | 13,727 | 632 |
| Total Net Assets + Agency Funds | 261 | \$ 69,682 | \$2,228 |
| Fund Type (\$000) | Number of Funds | Fund Bal at 12/31/24 | Granted in CY24 |
| Administrative | 3 | \$ 3,043 | \$ 94 |
| Donor-Advised | 44 | 8,180 | 302 |
| Designated | 38 | 12,914 | 651 |
| Field of Interest | 54 | 22,394 | 647 |
| Organization | 69 | 8,140 | 259 |
| Scholarship | 40 | 11,208 | 136 |
| Unrestricted | 12 | 3,803 | 139 |
| Supporting Organizations | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Net Assets + Agency Funds | 261 | \$ 69,682 | \$ 2,228 |