



2024 Fiscal Year Report to the Community



DEAR FRIENDS & SUPPORTERS,

As we reflect on 2024, we are filled with gratitude for your unwavering support of the Heartland Community Foundation.

This year brought tremendous milestones, including surpassing \$1 million in each of our County Legacy Funds during Match Match — two years ahead of our 10-year goal! We also reached \$4.3 million in total grants awarded since our inception, with \$396,156 granted in just the past fiscal year to drive transformative projects across Ellis, Rooks, and Trego counties.

Our first-ever giving day, Give Fest, in October brought incredible energy and excitement — raising more than \$240,000 communitywide. We also welcomed nearly 20 new funds in 2024, a testament to the lasting power and belief in endowment. The momentum of this year reflects the strength of our shared commitment to creating a brighter future.

This year, we were especially inspired by the enthusiasm of young leaders in our community. During Give Fest, 5th graders from Ellis, Rooks, and Trego counties each received \$10 to donate to a local nonprofit, fostering early understanding of charitable giving. Additionally, our Youth Action Council, comprising dedicated teens, continues to engage in meaningful projects, demonstrating that the future of philanthropy is in capable hands. We also granted money to eight teen-led projects!

Thank you for helping guide us to these incredible achievements. Together, we're lighting the way forward, creating lasting impact for generations to come.

With immense gratitude,

Sarah Meitner Executive Director

Josh Dreher
President of the Advisory Board









224 YEAR IN REVIEW

\$9,057,598 TOTAL ASSETS

\$396,156 GRANTED, FY2024

\$148,025 GRANTED IN ELLIS COUNTY, FY2024

\$4.3 MILLION TOTAL GRANTED, SINCE 2007

> \$1,046,060 TOTAL RAISED, 549 DONORS, FY2024

\$396,156 to 101 nonprofits in fiscal year 2024, supporting their missions and advancing meaningful projects and programs. These grants are made possible by distributing from the investment growth of our action funds, including the County Legacy Funds, allowing the principal balance to continue growing.

Grant dollars were awarded in nine categories, including: \$95,455 (Comm. Development); \$73,138 (Education); \$43,285 (Health); \$42,421 (Arts/Culture); and \$41,779 (Human Services).

Thanks to the support of our donors and generous community members, we can make a lasting impact today while ensuring sustainable support for the future.

TOTAL DOLLARS RAISED

\$1,637,303

Pooled Investment Performance, YTD

+15.89%

As of 9-30-24

101

TOTAL

DOLLARS

GRANTED

\$396.156

NONPROFITS HELPED

Pooled Investment 10-year Annualized

+8.5%

As of 9-30-24

TOTAL GRANT \$\$ BY COUNTY

Ellis County \$148,025

Rooks County \$116,708

Trego County \$96,372

Other \$34,501

Total Number of Donors YTD

737

KEY FUND BALANCES

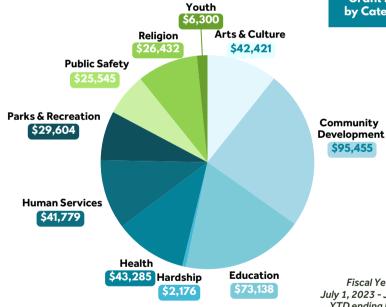
Ellis County Legacy Fund \$1,102,368

Rooks County Legacy Fund \$1,079,312

Trego County Legacy Fund \$1,126,615

Heartland Admin Fund \$1,785,645

Grant Distribution by Category, FY24



Fiscal Year 2024 data: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 YTD ending Dec. 30, 2024

IN 2024, WE WELCOMED TWO NEW EMPLOYEES TO HCF!



Welcome Savannah Downing Trego County Development Director Residing in rural Trego
County with her husband and
five children, Savannah brings
years of experience as an
educator and a passion for
community development.
With a background in grant
writing and a vision for
strengthening rural areas,
she is committed to fostering
philanthropy and creating
opportunities within Trego
County.



Welcome Deanna Hammerschmidt Rooks County Development Director Living in Plainville with her daughter, Mia, Deanna brings extensive experience in marketing, public relations, and engagement, having been a business owner and community volunteer. She is committed to building strong donor relationships and enhancing quality of life throughout Rooks County.

"CAUGHT DOING GOOD" VOLUNTEERS CELEBRATED!

In November 2024, HCF recognized 18 local individuals with "Caught Doing Good" awards for their contributions to the community as volunteers! Follow us on Facebook to see even more recipients in 2025!



@HeartlandCF

FROM GENEROSITY TO IMPACT







Victoria Rec. Commission

"This was the first grant I've ever applied for, and I'm so appreciative of the HCF for awarding us the funds to complete one of many small projects. It was a simple process, but the process on your website was so easy and very user friendly. Thank you so much for all that you do in this area and the lives and communities you impact. It doesn't go unnoticed." -- Sean Rodger

GRANT RECIPIENTS

HCF proudly awarded grant funds to the following organizations between July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024.

TREGO COUNTY

City of WaKeeney

City of WaKeeney Transportation Service

Heritage of Our Forefathers

Lift Up Wakeeney

The Well - Center for Hope

Trego County

Trego County Chamber of Commerce

Trego County Historical Society

Trego County-Lemke Memorial Hospital

Trego Police Department

Trego Sky View Foundation

USD 208 Trego Grade Schoole

USD 208 Trego High School

USD 208 Trego Recreation Commission

USD 208 Trego Special Education

USD 208 School District

USD 208 TCHS Wrestling Team

WaKeeney Saddle Club

OTHER

Covenant Builders International Ministries

Decatur Area Development

Pawnee County Econ. Development

Scott Hospital Foundation

Stafford County Economic Development

Thomas County Community Foundation

Thomas County Historical Society

USD 293 Quinter High School

USD 315 Colby Public Schools

USD 428 Great Bend Public Schools

USD 466 Scott County Schools

Welcome Inn

Western Plains Arts Association

Youth Core Ministries

ELLIS COUNTY

Celebration Community Church

City of Ellis

City of Hays Parks Department

DSNWK

Downtown Hays

Ellis County Historical Society

Ellis County Youth Action Council

Ellis Recreation Commission

Ellis USD 388 - Ellis High School

First Call for Help of Ellis County

Fort Hays Tech | North Central Fdn. Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County

Hays Area Chamber of Commerce

Hays Arts Council

Hays Community Theatre

Hays Dog Park

Hays Lions Club

Hays Public Library

Hays Recreation Commission

Hays Senior Center

HaysMed Foundation

Jana's Campaign

Leadership Hays at the Hays Chamber

Hays Arts Council/FHSU Art Dept.

St. John's Lutheran Church of Ellis

St. Joseph Parish Hays

St. Mary's Parish

STEM Harvest

The Arc of Central Plains

Thomas More Prep-Marian High School

USD 388 Education Foundation

USD 489 Foundation Fund

USD 489 Hays High School

USD 489 O'Loughlin Elementary

USD 489 Roosevelt Elementary

USD 489 Special Education Cooperative

ROOKS COUNTY

City of Stockton

City of Stockton Fire Department

Damar Community Foundation

City of Damar

Downtown Stockton

Downtown Plainville

Fusion Christian Youth Center

Plainville After Prom

Plainville Community Foundation

Plainville Fire Department

Plainville Recreation Commission

Plainville United Methodist Church

Prairie Faith Shared Ministry

Rooks County

Rooks County Free Fair

Rooks County Golf Course

Rooks County Health Center

Rooks County Healthcare Foundation

Rooks County Historical Society

Rooks County Sheriff's Office

Rooks County Youth Action Council

Rooks County EMS

Sacred Heart School

Stockton Methodist Church

Stockton Methodist Church of Restoration

Stockton Public Library

Stockton Recreation Commission

Stockton Rodders. Inc.

The Stock Town Foundation

USD 270 Plainville Schools

USD 270 Plainville High School

USD 271 Stockton Junior High School

BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Fostering Growth Through Philanthropy and Partnerships

At the Heartland Community
Foundation, community development
is central to our mission. We believe
creating vibrant, thriving communities
requires a shared vision and collective
action. Through strategic partnerships
and investments, we address local
challenges, empower organizations,
and inspire lasting philanthropy.
In 2024, we focused on initiatives that
enhance quality of life in Ellis, Rooks,
and Trego counties. Our grants
supported projects that met
immediate needs and created
opportunities for long-term growth.

From funding infrastructure improvements to supporting programs that build skills and foster connections, we are committed to uplifting our Heartland communities. Our work extends beyond financial support, as we bring people together to share ideas, tackle challenges, and celebrate progress. Through philanthropy and collaboration, we are proud to contribute to the resilience and prosperity of the communities we serve. Together, we are building a brighter future.

LEADING THE WAY WITH THE YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL





The Ellis County Youth Action Council is making an impact with their bison statue project, creatively connecting art and local heritage. This initiative involves securing grants and raising funds to artistically paint bison statues that reflect the unique history and culture of the region. Beyond this project, the council meets monthly to discuss topics related to leadership and community improvement. Members review grants and make recommendations for the fall funding cycle, assist with Match Month efforts, and contribute to other foundation activities, showcasing their dedication to community development.

YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL I am in YAC to make a true difference in my community. With all of the tools that we have learned, I am confident that change will be abundant in the Heartland service area for years to come! -- BEN DOME, SENIOR VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL

ELLIS CO. YAC MEMBERS

Benjamin Dome, senior, Victoria High Brody Nowak, senior, Victoria High Aurora Nowlin, senior Victoria High Emma Dinkel, junior, Victoria High Brinly Lichter, junior, VIctoria High Jake Brady, senior, TMP Breanna Seiler, senior, TMP Tessa Wentling, senior, TMP Jenna Brull, junior, TMP Brayden Gilmore, junior, TMP Hannah Rose, sophomore, TMP Charlie Meitner, sophomore, TMP
Aiden Burton, senior, KAMS/Hays High
Savannah Clingan, junior, Hays High
Oaklye Wichers, junior, Hays High
Ava Biggs, junior, Hays High
Braylee Kinderknecht, junior, Hays High
Mariella Dreiling, junior, Hays High
Kamden McBride, sophomore, Hays High
Payten Burd, junior, Ellis High
Addison Kohl, senior, Ellis High
Taylor Kohl, sophomore, Ellis High
Isabella Eck, senior, Ells High



Hays Senior Center

"Thanks to a Heartland Community Foundation grant, the Hays Senior Center hosted two wonderful events. On September 24, John Makings from Great Bend led an interactive drum experience for everyone to try, and on December 17, the local singing group Trilogy performed at our Christmas program. Both events were made possible with HCF grants, bringing joy and connection to our senior community during the holiday season."



First Call for Help

"This money has been extremely helpful in keeping our food pantry thriving. Funds were used for food to fill our food pantry. We specifically used the funds for four Kansas Food Bank orders. Then we also had to go to local stores to supplement when we were running low between shipments. We VERY much appreciate this grant and couldn't be more thankful to the Heartland Community Foundation for its continued support to First Call for Help!" -- Macey Pfeifer, Executive Director



Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County

"This grant made it possible to turn the idea of a Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County Community Garden into a reality. Several people have visited and enjoyed checking in on the garden. I have visitors that weed and water the garden on occasion. It has been a wonderful addition to our space! I have met several new contacts that support this space and I know that it will only continue to grow from here!" --Leslie Wyatt, Director

THE HEART OF GIVING



SCOTT & NIKKI PFANNENSTIEL

"A gift to Heartland helps grow the local capacity to award grant dollars to nonprofits in our community that often struggle to find the resources to be innovative. Grant dollars are often the catalyst that gets a nonprofit to the next level of projects, programming, and or services.



BRIAN & MICHELLE DEWITT

"I like giving to the Heartland Community Foundation because I know that the funds stay local and go back to local needs. I choose to give during Match Month because I know that my gift is matched and the dollars are able to make a greater impact."



NORM & SANDY KELLER

"We feel as though we are enhancing the Hays and surrounding communities by donating during Match Month. As small business owners, we have been blessed by the community and this is one small way to give back and enhance the quality of life for others."

ESTABLISHED FOUNDATION FUNDS As of December 30, 2024

ARTS & CULTURE

Damar Community Historical Foundation Fund Ellis County Historical Society Fund for the Future For the HeART of Hays Fund Hays Arts Council Fund Hays Community Theatre Fund Hays Public Library Foundation Fund Oktoberfest Hays VGCA Fund The Society of Friends of Historic Fort Hays Fund Trego County Historical Society Fund Vocal Music & Theatre Fund

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Downtown Hays Development Corp. Fund HACC Development & Civic Engagement Fund Hays Beautification Fund Kelly Plaza Project Fund Leadership Hays Children's Fund Leadership Hays Fund "Let's Grow Victoria" Fund Lift Up WaKeeney Fund Plainville Community Foundation Leadership Fund Plainville Community Foundation Youth Fund Youth Action Council -- Ellis County Fund Youth Action Council -- Trego County Fund

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Dane G. Hansen Foundation Pass-Through Fund Ellis County Legacy Fund
Heartland Area Action Fund
Heartland Give Fest Match Pool Fund
Rooks County Legacy Fund
Stockton Community Fund
Trego County Legacy Fund

EDUCATION

Ellis High School Booster Club Fund

Fort Hays Tech | North Central Foundation Fund Fort Hays University Foundation Fund Hays High Athletics Hall of Fame Fund Hays Area Children's Center Fund STEM Harvest USD 489 Foundation Fund

FAITH & RELIGION

First Baptist Church of Hays Fund Sacred Heart Parish and School Fund Stockton United Methodist Church Fund Thomas More Prep-Marian School Fund

HEALTH & EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Cancer Council of Ellis County Fund
Ellis County Disaster Relief Fund
First Care Clinic Fund
Hays Firefighters Fund
Hays Police Endowment Fund
HaysMed Foundation Fund
Heartland Healthy Living Fund
High Plains Mental Health Foundation Fund
Kansas Health Foundation for Heartland
Plainville Fire Family Legacy Fund
Rooks County Disaster Relief Fund
Rooks County Health Center
Rooks County Disaster Relief Fund
Trego County Disaster Relief Fund

PARKS & RECREATION

ARC Park Fund
Coronado Area Council, Boy Scouts of America
Fund
Hays Dog Park Fund
Hays Recreation Commission Youth Fund
Plainville Kids Wrestling Club Fund
Stockton Recreation Commission Fund
Trees for a Beautiful Hays Fund

HUMAN SERVICES

Cancer Council of Ellis County Fund
CASA of the High Plains
Catholic Charities of Northwest Kansas
Heartland Fund
Feeding Hays at St. Michael's Fund
First Call for Help of Ellis County Fund
Hays Senior Center Fund
Humane Society of the High Plains Fund
Jana's Campaign, Inc. Fund
Options Hope & Healing for Victims Fund
Recreation Fund for DSNWK, Inc. Clients
The Arc of Central Plains Cares Fund
The Well - Center for Hope Fund
United Way of Ellis County Fund

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ellis County

OPERATIONS

Heartland Administrative Fund

SCHOLARSHIP

Paul & Terrii Bowman Scholarship Stockton United Methodist Scholarship

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Boeckner Family Fund
Ellis County Abstract Charitable Fund
Fred & Jean Berger, Insurance
Planning Inc. Charitable Fund
Luke & Julisa Haines - Roofmasters
Charitable Fund
Sarah Cearley-Windholz Family &
Simply Charmed Fund

MATCH MONTH











MATCH MONTH

HCF Total Raised

\$619,389

Ellis County Total: \$89,363 Rooks County Total: \$80,913 Trego County Total: \$79,113 Hansen/Patterson Match: \$370,000

Heartland Match Month is an annual opportunity to amplify the power of giving across Ellis, Rooks, and Trego counties. Thanks to generous matching funds from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation and Patterson Family Foundation, every dollar donated to participating funds during February is matched, doubling the impact of each gift. In 2024, the community came together in an extraordinary way, raising vital funds to support nonprofit organizations, community projects, and initiatives that improve the quality of life in the Heartland. Match Month highlights the collective strength of our region, proving that when we give together, we achieve greater things.

GIVE FEST 2024: OCT. 10 GIVING DAY

Total Raised from Donors

\$243,877

HCF Match \$\$: \$160,347 Combined Impact: \$404,204

Give Fest brought the community together for our first-ever giving day, raising over \$240,000 to support local funds and initiatives. With 45 participating nonprofits, the day featured events and activities that engaged all ages, including local 5th graders who were introduced to the power of philanthropy. Donor dollars strengthened nonprofit endowments, while a match pool of \$160,347 from HCF was granted to organizations for immediate needs. Give Fest showcased the strength of our Heartland, highlighting the lasting impact of giving and the power of community support.









OUR FOUNDING DONORS

We are forever grateful to the founding donors who invested in Heartland Community Foundation in its formative years. Although the concept of a community foundation was new, these donors believed that together they would build the community of their dreams.

Ross & Marianna Beach Fdn. Hays Medical Center Midwest Energy, Inc. Rural Telephone/ Nex-Tech Robert E. and Patricia A. Schmidt Foundation 45 Adams, Brown, Beran & Ball Adronics Elrob Mfg. Corp. America's Best Value Vagabond **Anonymous** Auto World Bank of Hays Best Western Butterfield Inn Brungardt Hower Ward Elliott & Pfeifer, L.C. Cerv's, LLC City of Hays In Memory of Martha Claflin Commerce Bank Jeff & Marla Copper Dennis & Susan Day Eagle Communications, Inc.

First National Bank Glassman Corp. Great Plains Dermatology Hays Area Chamber of Commerce Hays Chevrolet

Ellis County Coalition for

Emprise Bank

Economic Development

Henry Schwaller & Associates Insurance Planning, Inc. Jeter Law Firm, LLP

Kendall Krug OD PA

Verlyn L'Heureux

Lang Diesel, Inc.

Lifetime Dental Care, PA

The Meckenstock Group

Patrick & Chardell Parke

Steve & Julie Paul

Verlin & Elaine Pfannenstiel

RDH Electric, Inc.

Dave & Jodi Schmidt

Jeff & Stacey Seibel

Simply Charmed

Sunflower Electric Power Corp.

United Way of Ellis County

Wal-Mart Store #664

Bob & Nancy Wertenberger

Tim & Sandee Werth

BUILDING A LEGACY

Your Planned Gift Can Shape the Future of Our Community

Transfer of wealth plays a crucial role in legacy planning, ensuring that the assets accumulated over a lifetime continue to benefit charitable causes for generations to come. As an estimated \$2.7B is set to transfer to the next generation in our Heartland area before 2040, strategic planning is essential to preserve and grow these resources. Planned giving is a powerful way to shape the future. Whether your legacy includes supporting students, children, the elderly, animals, or the community at large, the Heartland Community Foundation is here to help.

- 1. <u>Legacy Guidance</u> Work with our team and our network of local estate planning attorneys to integrate charitable giving into your estate plan. We also offer the opportunity to consult with stewardship consultant John Griffin at no cost.
- 2. Impactful Strategies Explore taxefficient strategies, such as donoradvised funds or charitable trusts, to maximize your charitable impact while supporting the causes you care about.
- 3. Educational Workshops Attend our estate planning workshops, held throughout the year in Ellis, Rooks, and Trego counties.

NEW THIS YEAR — THE HCF PIE SOCIETY!

The Heartland Community Foundation is proud to introduce in 2025 the Heartland Pie Society: a communitywide Legacy Giving Society for generous donors who have committed to leaving a portion of their estate —"a piece of their pie"— to charities in the area.

By partnering with the Heartland Community Foundation in their estate plans, members of the Heartland Pie Society ensure that their charitable wishes will be honored and their impact will endure for future generations. The amount of your gift and the charities are up to you!

Just leave a piece. It's that easy!

By pledging a portion of your estate and joining the HCF Pie Society, you can help strengthen the Heartland for generations to come.



If community is in your heart, there's no better place than Heartland Community Foundation when considering your estate planning. There's comfort in knowing that I will be able to leave a gift that will keep on giving and support a community that has supported me.

--Nikki Pfannenstiel, Hays

Reach out at heartland@gscf.org or call 785-621-4090 to get started.

Heartland Community Foundation Director Named Rural Innovator by the White House



Sarah Meitner Executive Director

Sarah Meitner, Executive
Director of the Heartland
Community Foundation, was
recognized as a Rural Innovator
by the White House in
December 2024 for her
leadership in rural community
development. The sole Kansan
honored at the event, Meitner
was celebrated for her work in
creating inclusive spaces,
specifically the Hays ARC Park,

a \$2.1 million playground and splash pad inspired by her son with Down syndrome. Under her leadership, the Heartland Community Foundation has supported local nonprofits, engaged young leaders, and increased its impact on the community. Meitner's recognition highlights the importance of collaboration and innovation in rural areas.

WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR DONORS

INDIVIDUALS

From July 1, 2023-Dec. 30, 2024

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Chad & Jessica Fabrizius

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Jake & Cara Hillard

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