

2023 Annual Letter

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

We are so grateful to all the amazing people who made 2023 successful for our non-profit organizations! We have steadily grown our impact year after year, and 2023 was no different. We added Jess Borgerding as a new board member; she has been so helpful, increasing our impact and outreach in the community. We added new non-profit funds and donor-advised funds to support our philanthropy mission. We were blessed to receive a grant from the Patterson Family Foundation to increase our Gather for Good Match Day impact and to offer a grant cycle. Please refer to page 5 to see the additional grants we were able to award to our non-profits on top of what they were able to receive from the 2023 match day efforts. Thank you for being so supportive of the CCCIF. We are so excited for the future!



Morree Floersch, Board President, and the CCCIF Board of Directors

ALAN AND RUTH ANN JOHNSON DONOR-ADVISED FUND

Alan and Ruth Johnson have encouraged philanthropy within their family unit by utilizing a donor-advised fund. They want their family members to be generous. Their children, spouses, grandchildren, and great-grandchild have an allocated amount to spend within each calendar year. The only stipulation is that it must be a non-profit, charitable organization (501(c)(3)).

The trend for their family has been to decide later in the year what organizations each would like to support. Family members submit a grant request to Alan and Ruth specifying the amount to give and information on the organization. Parents of the younger children get to help them decide and fill out the grant request. After review, the funds are dispersed. The donation is given in the name of the family member who requested the gift. If a family member does not utilize the funds, it is understood that Alan and Ruth will designate what organizations will receive a donation.



The Johnsons stated that seeing where their family members like to offer financial support is exciting. The ultimate goal is to make giving a habit, and they hope to see their family's generosity grow as the years go on. To date, 14 family members have supported over 40 different charitable organizations!

2023 GATHER FOR GOOD MATCH DAY

Gather for Good Match Day is a 24-hour day of giving that is held annually in September. On that day the Clay Center Community Improvement Foundation will match donations made to the participating funds. Matching funds were available to provide a 50% match up to \$2,000 per organization.

This year, we are very grateful and thankful for receiving a \$70,000 grant from the Patterson Family Foundation. This grant allowed us to offer an extra \$1,000 in matching dollars per fund of the Clay Center Community Improvement Foundation. In previous years, each fund has been eligible for \$1,000 of match day money. However, thanks to the generosity of the Patterson Family Foundation, in 2023, we could offer up to \$2,000 of match day money per fund. This helped us make the 2023 Gather for Good Match Day the most successful one to date.



\$274,761 in donations
plus
\$62,166 in matching funds

2023 Total
\$336,927



1073 total gifts
to
41 nonprofit organizations

2024 Match Day
Sept. 19, 2024



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MATCH DAY SPONSORS



provided \$70,000 through their
Rural Community Foundation
Match grant



committed \$10,000 per year
for five years



donors who gave to our Gather For
Good Match Day Fund

2023 GATHER FOR GOOD DONORS

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Greg & Sandy Braden	Randy & Cathy Hafner	Connie Needham	Vernon & Susan Swanson
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John Erickson	Scott & Theresa Leitzel	James & Peggy Schulze	Crystal & Tyce Young
Doniella Eubanks	Willard Lenhart	Laura & Cody Schwartz	
Karen Fabean	Josh & Alicia Lenhart	John & Judy Schwenn	
Gene Ferguson	Amy Levendofsky & Ryan Duey	Donald Scriptor	

NEWS FROM A FEW OF OUR NONPROFITS



Clay County Task Force

Clay County Task Force, Inc.'s mission is to provide low-cost public transportation for all and services to meet the needs of seniors in Clay County. We are proud to operate the award winning General Public Transportation program which has grown to three times the ridership in just two years and serves over 90 meals daily to seniors through friendship meals and meals on wheels.

Clay County 4-H

The Clay County Development fund provided \$100 4-H Camp Scholarships to help send 6 Clay County 4-H'ers to 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch during the summer of 2023. They also awarded 12 College Scholarships to Clay County 4-H'ers who were graduating High School Seniors or are 4-H Alumni who are in college up through their Junior year. The scholarships awarded in 2023 totaled \$5,500. The Development Fund is gearing up for another year of helping Clay County 4-H youth attend 4-H Camp at Rocks Springs and helping older 4-H'ers pursue their secondary educations.



Common Ground Ministries

Common Ground Ministries serves as an umbrella for several organizations. Time4u is an after school ministry for grades K-3, the Get-Away is an after school ministry for grades 4-6. Labor of Love is a ministry that assists the elderly, disabled, and single parents with home and auto repairs, New Hope Ministries is a faith-based transitional housing program for women, and Faith Mission Ministries is a faith-based transitional housing program for men. Improvements have been made to the building this year, and next year it will serve as a youth center for middle and high school students multiple days of the week.

Kansas Landscape Arboretum

The Kansas Landscape Arboretum, Inc. was organized in 1970 after negotiating an agreement with the US Army Corps of Engineers for land. It consists of 192 acres of land located about one mile south of Wakefield on the west shore of Milford Lake. There are marked tree collections and various trails with several rustic bridges. Donations to the largest Arboretum in Kansas from match day help with improvements and maintenance.



Clay Counts Coalition

The Clay Counts Coalition received its first round of match day funds in 2022 to hire a grant writer. In spring of 2023, the federal CDC Drug-Free Communities Grant was funded, bringing in \$650,000 for prevention work to reduce drug and alcohol use by youth and address mental health concerns. Two other grants were later secured, bringing \$850,000 to our county. These funds enabled the organization to provide community education nights, teacher and community staff development activities, parenting classes, health and wellness curriculum materials, guest speakers for schools, and four YLink (Youth Leaders in Kansas) chapters in all middle and high schools.

GRANT AWARDS

Non-profit organizations were encouraged to submit grant requests to the CCCIF, resulting in the board awarding \$57,800. The budget for this grant cycle was kept flexible without a predetermined amount. This marks the inaugural year of implementing a grant cycle. The ability to conduct this cycle was made possible through the Patterson Family Foundation Grant and a generous donation from an anonymous benefactor who urged the organization to “Make it happen.” Funds from the same source were utilized last year to expand trails in Utility Park Zoo, with the remainder allocated towards this year’s grant cycle.

Clay County 4-H Development Fund: \$1,500

College scholarships and 4H Camp scholarships

Lighthouse for Christ: \$1,500

Referral program for food, clothing, household items and financial assistance

Clay County Child Care Center, Inc.: \$5,000

Completion funding for a playground shade at Head Start

Community Church Camp Committee: \$1,500

Church camp registration fees

Grow Clay County: \$13,000

Completion funding for a downtown speaker system

Green Restaurant Foundation: \$5,000

Completion funding for handicap restroom renovation

Clay Center Youth Basketball Association: \$7,000

Completion funding for 4 motorized adjustable goals at the high school for youth basketball

Clay County Animal Rescue and Education Center, Inc.: \$1,800

Completion funding for puppy playground equipment at animal shelter

City of Clay Center, Parks and Recreation: \$4,000

Seed money for Reed Park basketball court surface coat and striping

A Mural Movement: \$8,000

Central Valley Ag bin mural completion funding

Wakefield Museum: \$5,000

Seed money for handicap restroom renovation

Hope House: \$ 4,500

One month expenses for transitional/recovery house for women

Grants Total: \$57,800

FINANCIALS

Statement of Activities December 2023 Year-to-Date

	Current Month	YTD
REVENUES		
Gifts and Bequests	\$ 126,932.75	\$ 867,512.99
Inter-fund Gifts	\$ -	\$ 64,717.32
Interfund Grants	\$ -	\$ (64,717.32)
Subtotal Net Gifts & Grants	\$ 126,932.75	\$ 867,512.99
Interest/Dividend Income	\$ 7,435.08	\$ 41,545.13
Realized Gain/Loss	\$ 2,400.19	\$ (3,782.55)
Unrealized Gain/Loss	\$ 249,813.99	\$ 837,768.69
Subtotal Invest. Performance	\$ 259,649.26	\$ 875,531.27
Administrative Fees Revenue	\$ 1,359.40	\$ 15,238.72
Subtotal Other Revenue	\$ 1,359.40	\$ 15,238.72
Total Revenues	\$ 387,941.41	\$ 1,758,282.98
EXPENSES		
<u>Operating Expenses</u>		
Custodian Fees	\$ 81.47	\$ 795.35
Administrative Fees	\$ 5,514.98	\$ 61,595.57
Expendable Fund Fee	\$ 604.57	\$ 2,991.66
Credit Card Fees	\$ 263.64	\$ 1,661.94
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 6,464.66	\$ 67,044.52
<u>Grants and Program Expenses</u>		
Grants	\$ 54,963.80	\$ 349,001.18
Scholarships	\$ 6,271.00	\$ 248,972.30
Program Expenses	\$ 6,407.10	\$ 77,073.01
Total Grants and Program Expenses	\$ 67,641.90	\$ 675,046.49
Total Expenses	\$ 74,106.56	\$ 742,091.01
Net Activity	\$ 313,834.85	\$ 1,016,191.97

Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2023

ASSETS	
Checking Account - Fiduciary	\$ 135,599.19
Outside Advisors	\$ 6,021,942.40
GMCF Portfolio - Money Market	\$ 621,700.06
GMCF Portfolio - Capital Preservation	\$ 293,283.00
GMCF Portfolio - Balanced	\$ 222,553.04
GMCF Portfolio - Income	\$ 18,280.37
GMCF Portfolio - Growth	\$ 73,332.85
Total TTC Investments	\$ 1,229,149.32
Undeposited Funds	\$ 39,980.00
Total Assets	\$ 7,426,670.91
LIABILITIES	
Scholarships Payable	\$ 36,500.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 36,500.00
FUND BALANCES	
Fund Balance - Endowed Gifts	\$ 1,632,362.34
Fund Balance - Endowed Spendable	\$ 223,347.28
Fund Balance - Expendable & Earnings	\$ 5,534,461.29
Total Fund Balances	\$ 7,390,170.91
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 7,426,670.91

FUNDS OF THE FOUNDATION

A Mural Movement	Clay County Fairboard	People Helping People
Bridges of Hope	Exhibit Hall	Presbyterian Youth Ministries
Campbell Field Improvement	Clay County Historical Society	Rundle Brown Athletic Facility
CCCIF - Match Day Fund	Clay County Hospital Foundation	Scouts in Clay Center
CCUMC Youth Group	Clay County Long-Term	St. Paul Lutheran Church
Clay Center Christmas Festival	Recovery Fund	St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Clay Center Presbyterian Manor	Clay County Task Force	Handicap Accessible Bathroom
Clay Center Utility Park and Zoo	Common Ground Ministries	Tiger Legacy Fund
Clay Center Youth Basketball	Community Church	USD 379
Clay Counts Coalition	Camp Committee	Wakefield Birthday
Clay County 4-H Development	Exploration Trails	Bash Committee
Clay County Animal Rescue & Education Center	Friends of the Clay Center Library	Wakefield Museum Association
Clay County Arts Council	GROW Clay County Projects	Wakefield Pride
Clay County Child Care Center, Inc.	Kansas Landscape Arboretum	Youth Golf Clay County
Clay County Educational Endowment Association	Lighthouse for Christ	
	North Central Flint Hills Area	
	Agency on Aging - Clay County	
	Pawnee Mental Health Services	

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